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Spring City Arts & Crafts Show again attracting thousands



Angela (left) and Allison Banks searched all over but came back to this booth to buy something at the Spring City Arts and Craft show Saturday. The show continues this afternoon.

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

High winds may have hampered several weekend events Saturday, but not the desire of hundreds of area residents at the Spring City Arts & Crafts Show to find a bargain.

The show began at 10 a.m. Saturday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. It will reopen at noon today and conclude at 5 p.m.

Mel Prather, owner of Big Spring-based Arts & Crafts Shows, did his first show 21 years ago, the same year Webb Air Force Base was closed, and has continued them since.

The fall show became so successful that Prather started the Spring City Arts & Crafts Show, which he says will average 4,000 people to 5,000 people per day.

The fall show draws and estimated 5,000 people to 7,000 people per day.

"People prefer gift items in the fall and items for their homes in the spring," Prather said.

According to Prather, the success of a show is not how many people come through the door, but how many people find what it is they are looking for.

Admission is free at all of the shows Prather's company produces.

"People shouldn't have to pay to get in to buy something," Prather said.

Vendors who buy booths at Prather's shows also receive a pretty fair deal at \$85 for a 10-foot by 10-foot space for both days of the show.

Area residents have items from more than 200

vendors to choose from during this weekend's show.

People have different tastes, so it's hard to say just what people will buy, according to Prather. "Shows are different," Prather said. "Most things are made by hand and you can get things other people on your block just don't have."

Lubbock resident John Richey is an algebra teacher with a passion for art. He sells paintings and beaded necklaces, as well as necklace and wall items that represent the schools of the Big 12 Athletic Conference.

He has attended every Big Spring show since the fall show began and when the Spring City show was started, it gave him an opportunity to travel to Big Spring twice a year.

Richey attends about eight shows a year.

Many West Texas businesses as well as private collectors own paintings by Richey, especially his landscapes and windmills.

Georgia Tanner is another Lubbock resident who made the trip to Big Spring to sell the product of her hobby — peanut brittle, chocolate almond butter crunch and pecan brittle.

Tanner has been attending arts and crafts shows for seven years and says the hard work is worth it because she is her own boss and she doesn't have to work if she doesn't want to.

"I work more doing this than if I had a traditional job, but it's what I enjoy," Tanner said. "I do all of my cooking and attend about 75 shows a year."

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Re-enactors keep history alive

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Confederate gray and Union blue uniforms transformed Comanche Trail Park into a Civil War battlefield Saturday.

About 40 to 50 people representing Midland-based Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) and San Angelo-based Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War used the park to practice for a re-enactment of the Battle of Antietam later this fall.

SCV is an international organization dedicated to the preservation of the history and legacy of the Confederate soldiers, so that future generations can understand the motives that inspired the Southern cause.

Dwayne Bonds, SCV member and spokesman, said Big Spring offers groups like his around West Texas a central location to gather and practice.

Bonds added that Fort Griffin, Fort Concho and Fort Stockton are a regular part of their practices.

"There are about 35,000 SCV re-enactors in the U.S. and about 10,000 abroad," Bonds said. "This is the fastest growing outdoor recreation activity because it involves the entire



During the Civil War re-enactment held on Saturday the visitors to the camp were entertained with war songs from both Union and Confederate sides. The musicians, from left, are: Lee Hise, Dewain Bond and Dean Boyles.

family."

Saturday's practice in Big Spring, Bonds said, was to sharpen skills in different areas, including company drills, infantry drills and music practice.

"The rules of engagement for

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Station's demand, not court's ruling to alter local cable

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
News Editor

Tuesday's United States Supreme Court decision to uphold federal rules that require cable systems to carry local broadcasts will have no effect on current operations at Big Spring Cable TV, according to manager Archie Kountz.

"It (decision) is not going to change anything we're doing already, and it's not going to cause us to do anything additionally, either," Kountz said.

The cable television industry had waged a 13-year legal battle to overturn the so-called "must carry" regulations which Congress passed to keep large cable companies from squeezing broadcast stations out of the market.

The court's 5-4 decision dashed cable operators' of overturning the rules, which they claimed violated their free-speech rights by forcing them to devote space on crowded cable boxes to channels they

Cable bills will show increase

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

Subscribers of TCA Cable TV of Big Spring will see a different amount alongside the "Total amount due" line when they receive their May billing.

For subscribers to the company's 18-channel basic service, the cost will increase 6.87 percent from \$12.07 to \$12.90 per month. TCA was recently denied a rate increase request by the Snyder City Council.

Although a March 24 letter from TCA General Manager

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didn't want to carry. However, the majority decision said the threat cable poses to broadcast Please see **REQUEST**, page 3A

Army band's 'Jazz Ambassadors' schedule Big Spring concert for April 29

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

The Jazz Ambassadors of the United States Army Field Band will be in Big Spring for a single performance at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29, in the City Auditorium.

The free concert is sponsored by the Big Spring Herald and the Cultural Affairs Committee of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

This marks the third time in the past five years that one of the United States military's premier bands has been brought to the community by the newspaper and the chamber organization.

In 1993, the U.S. Navy Concert Band performed, while in 1995, the Marine Corps band — "The President's Own" — appeared in Big Spring.

"These concerts allow us the opportunity to continue to give something back to the community," explained Herald Publisher Chuck Williams.

"It's not often that a smaller community has the

opportunity to host such a quality touring group and we're proud to be able to bring the Jazz Ambassadors to our home town," he added.

Organized in 1969, the versatile 19-piece ensemble travels over 100 days annually presenting a musical package that appeals to all ages. They carry the sounds of pop and patriotic music, melodic big band tunes and modern jazz to every part of the world.

Additionally, the Jazz Ambassadors' talented vocalist, Staff Sgt. Dana Rogers, rounds out each program with selections ranging from standards and ballads to the latest Top 40 hits.

To ensure that the Army's message of patriotism and goodwill is presented by the finest musicians, members of the Jazz Ambassadors are selected through highly competitive personal auditions. Alumni of the group have performed with the bands of Stan Kenton, Buddy Rich, Maynard Ferguson, Woody Herman, Mel Lewis, Doc Severinsen and others

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The Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army Field Band will perform in a free concert at the Municipal Auditorium on April 29.

Duncan offers parole violations bill

HERALD Staff Report

A proposal that would lower the amount of money county officials must pay to keep state prisoners who are parole violators was introduced before the Senate Finance Committee this week by State Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock.

Duncan represents Senate District 28, which includes Howard, Borden, Glasscock and Martin counties.

Presently, state parole violators picked up on warrants can be held in county jails for as



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many as 150 days before being released or having their probation revoked.

Duncan's proposal, which remains before the committee, would require the state to reimburse counties for part of the costs to house the violators. "This bill expedites the parole revocation process and requires

the state to reimburse the counties for housing parolees that violate a condition of parole," he said.

Under Duncan's bill, the time allowed to make a decision regarding parole revocation would be reduced from 150 to 90 days.

Prisoners would also be moved to state facilities when state prisons are within 150 miles of the county jail in question, while a daily formula would be used to calculate reim-

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Daylight Savings Time returned at 2 a.m. this morning. If you forgot to "spring forward" then, don't forget to set your clock ahead one hour now.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

73 ▲ Highs 43
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Today: Partly cloudy. High in the lower 70s. Low in the lower 40s. Partly cloudy.

Monday: Partly cloudy. High in the upper 60s. Low in the 40s.

Extended outlook: Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. High near 70. Low in the 40s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. High in the lower 70s. Low in the lower 50s.

OBITUARIES

Frances Thomas

Frances Thomas, 75, of Big Spring, died on Saturday, April 5, 1997, at her daughter's residence. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, April 7, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor of First Baptist Church and Rev. Don Snipes, pastor of Baptist Temple Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She was born on April 1, 1922 in Big Spring, Texas and married L.B. Thomas on Jan. 6, 1938 in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on April 7, 1989.

She had been the church pianist at College Baptist Church for 20 years. She had been a piano teacher until retiring in 1978 due to ill health.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Myrna and Donald Richardson of Big Spring; a granddaughter and her husband, Valerie and Chris Showalter of Wichita Falls; a granddaughter, Vanessa Richardson of Big Spring; one grandson and his wife, David and Shelia Richardson of Big Spring; three great-grandsons, William Richardson and Jonathan Richardson of Big Spring and Taylor Showalter of Wichita Falls; her mother Veda McKee of Big Spring; one brother, Raymond McKee of Salado; seven sisters, Rachel Shaffer and Neva Shaffer both of Big Spring; Mary Eggleston of Midland, Sue Whitaker of San Antonio, Karen Murphy of Odessa, Jennie Shaw of Smyer and Delores Andrews of Odessa; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lewis McKee in 1990.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 7, 1997, at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Monroe Teeters, interim pastor of the East Fourth Street Baptist Church, officiating.

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Johnnie Faye McComas

Johnnie Faye McComas, 70 of Odessa, died Friday, April 4, 1997, at her residence. Services will be Monday, April 7, 1997, at 10:30 a.m. at Northside Baptist Church with the Rev. Glenn Harlan and Clydell Chapman officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

She was born in Vincent, Texas on April 12, 1926, to Clem and Thelma Thomas. She lived and went to school in Coahoma where she met and married Seaburn McComas on Jan. 27, 1945. They had 51 years of happiness. He died on Dec. 3, 1995.

She was on the board of directors of the Sandhills Hereford and Quarter Horse Show for more than 20 years, being the box office manager. She worked with the Odessa Shrine Club and the Shrine Circus for many years. She was with the Permian Basin Fair since it started.

She was also a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her family always came first. She had many friends and will be dearly missed.

NaNa is now with Pappaw, and they are having a grand time.

She is survived by a sister, Willie Grant of Coahoma; a cousin, Mrs. Bill Smith; sons Ron McComas and wife Linda of Odessa, Roger McComas and wife Vikki of Oklahoma City, Okla.; a daughter, Sherian Smith and husband Clifford of Lyford; three grandchildren, Tony and Jeremy McComas and Melissa Halbaedier; and three great-grandchildren, Jayden, Brianna and Marissa.

Mother loved the Shrine, and wanted them for pallbearers. Those serving as pallbearers are: George Carter, George Harris, Jim Bates, Frank Bagley, Bonnie Butler and Glen Taylor. Honorary pallbearers are: Sam Tate, Joe C. Johnson, Bill Langston, Charles P. Heard and Jim Burrow.

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BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

CONCERT

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Tickets to the concert are free and are limited in number. There is no reserved seating and all seats are on a first-come, first-served basis. Ticket holders must be in their seats by 7:15 p.m. or persons without tickets will be seated.

Tickets are available at the Herald, 710 Scurry, or at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third.

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bursing the counties for keeping prisoners for more than 45 days.

County officials have said they want to move inmates into state facilities as quickly as possible.

A similar bill has been introduced in the House by State Rep. Judy Hawley, D-Portland.

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TODAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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

•Eighth Annual Spring City Arts and Crafts Show, Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, noon to 5 p.m. Free admission.

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

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

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

•Daytime prenatal classes, Texas Department of Health, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Call 263-9775 to register. All expectant parents welcome. Class instructor will be Laurie Burks, BSN.

•Volunteers with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program will assist in the preparation of 1996 income tax returns, 9 a.m. to noon, First Presbyterian Church, 8th and Runnels. This program is available to all senior citizens and others who have income from wages, tips, interest or dividends and who may be able to receive an earned income credit. Bring all W-2's, 1099's and your 1996 tax return. This is a free service. Call 398-5522 or 263-4211 for more information.

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

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•Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Call 267-6764. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland, and Colorado City.

•Encouragers support group, 6 p.m., Furr's Cafeteria. For further information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

•Big Spring Outreach Aglow, 7 p.m., Miracle Revival Center. Sam Soleyn will be the speaker.

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Harley-Davidson museum to arrive Monday

By **JOHN A. MOSELEY**
News Editor

The history of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company was written on the road, and that's exactly what will be on display from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday at the Harley-Davidson Shop in Big Spring.

Harley-Davidson's traveling museum, which is housed in and travels throughout the country in an 18-wheeler, will

provide local motorcycling enthusiasts, as well as the general public, a chance to see the company's history in a unique way.

"We're pretty excited about it coming here," said Sheryl McCurtain, an employee of the shop located at 908 W. Third. "It's 95 years of Harley-Davidson's history ... things most of us would never get a chance to see if it weren't for the traveling museum."

With an emphasis on racing,

the Harley-Davidson Traveling Museum features prominent motorcycles and memorabilia from the company's rich racing tradition, including classic vintage racing bikes and the new VR-1000 superbike.

In addition, the museum features hands-on displays and features the "Peashooter" motorcycle which established the still-standing speed record on Daytona Beach in 1937.

In conjunction with the museum's arrival, the local Harley

Owners Group will gather for pictures, as well as to provide plaques to its local sponsors and present a check for more than \$3,000 to the Vietnam veterans organization which will be used to mount the Huey helicopter at the Howard County Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

Anyone needing additional information concerning Monday's event can call McCurtain at the Harley-Davidson Shop by calling 263-2322.

TRASH OFF



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett
Boy's Club members Bill Diaz (left) and Marcus Porras were just two of several people involved in local Adopt-A-Highway groups that took part in the "Great Texas Trash-off" Saturday.

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us are the same as they were during the Civil War," Bonds said. "Every facet of the military during this time period is represented."

Robert Broene of Fort Concho is artillery chief for the group and has the responsibility of seeing that the weapons operate safely and correctly.

"We try to do living history," Broene said. "We've had our weapons (guns and cannons) used as far away as California."

As for the historical accuracy of the artillery re-enactment, Broene said the drill is taken from the original Civil War manual — French, Barry and Hunt 1864.

"We try to be teachers because we want people to have a good time as well as learn," Broene said.

Gary McCorcle, SCV camp commander, said the Midland branch of the SCV has been together for about 15 years, but the organization was actually started in Richmond, Va., in 1896 to serve as a historical, patriotic and non-political organization dedicated to seeing the true history of the period from 1861-1865 preserved.

"We also do living history camps for public school systems, concentrating on the daily lives of the soldiers and their families, as well as economic conditions during that time," McCorcle said. "We try to bring the history to life."

As for what Big Spring residents saw Saturday, McCorcle said the infantry drill came from the pages of Hardee's

Infantry Manual, which is the recognized guideline for Civil War infantry drills and demonstrations.

The uniforms are as authentic as you will find, according to McCorcle.

"Several companies manufacture Civil War uniforms," McCorcle said. "This is an educational hobby but can become expensive depending on how authentic you want to be with your re-enactment."

"To reenact an infantry situation, you're looking at a cost of about \$600 to \$700 per person," McCorcle added.

As spectators began to gather at Comanche Trail Park Saturday afternoon, McCorcle said he was pleased to see so many teens come out and not stay at home in front of the television.

"This teaches our young people about their history, without the politics, and prepares them for the future as well," McCorcle said. "We are constantly researching the war to be as accurate as we can be. During the process, we always learning something new, especially about human nature."

RATES

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Archie Kountz inserted in current cable bills advises that the cost of the 18-channel standard service will decrease 2.5 percent, a viewer can't have standard service without first having basic.

Kountz said his office has fielded numerous calls from people who have wanted only standard service.

"We've been explaining to them that it's a two-tier set-up," Kountz said. "No one has just standard service."

According to Kountz, basic makes up the first 24 channels, or the lower tier, on the system while standard is channel 25

and up.

On March 20, TCA announced numerous line-up changes to the local system, which followed the elimination of E! Entertainment TV and the addition of TV Land from the line-up just weeks earlier.

The major changes in the system will come from the addition of The History Channel and the Home and Garden Channel, although the addition of those two channels necessitated moving other channels.

Kountz said TCA's target date for the line-up changes is still May 1, although having to meet several FCC requirements — including the checking of con-

nectors on some 1,800 poles around the city — could delay that some.

On May 1, TCA intends to:

- Remove the duplication of TNN from channel 15. Although music can still be heard, the picture has been replaced with a notice that the duplication will cease;
- HBO will move from channel 22 to channel 15;
- CNN will move from channel 32 (standard) to channel 22 (basic);
- The History Channel will be added on channel 32 (standard);
- Home and Garden TV will be added on channel 42 (standard).

REQUEST

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ers is serious enough to justify some regulation.

Kountz noted that of the five Permian Basin broadcast stations — KMID, Channel 2; KPEJ, Channel 3; KOSA, Channel 7; KWES, Channel 9; and KMLM, Channel 19 — only KMLM, which offers Christian programming, has declared itself a "must carry" station for Big Spring Cable TV.

The other four stations have "retransmission consent agreements" with the local cable system. These agreements, Kountz explained, allow the local stations an opportunity to negotiate contracts.

However, as a result of KMID's contract with the cable

company, local viewers may soon see some blanked out screens on certain cable channels.

The channel that will probably be most affected will be WFAA, Channel 8, the American Broadcasting Company affiliate in Dallas.

"KMID has requested, and TCA is researching their rights, to syndicated programming protection under the FCC's rules," Kountz said. "We are in KMID's area of dominant influence (ADI), therefore when they buy syndication rights, they have exclusive rights to show that program."

Kountz noted that KMID's exclusive rights do not extend to original programming or

ABC network telecasts. However, programs like "Wheel of Fortune" or the "Oprah Winfrey Show" would be affected.

Both of those programs air at the same time on both channels. If KMID's requests are verified, and Kountz indicated belief that they will be, Big Spring Cable would be forced to blank out Channel 8 during those programs.

However, KMID's exclusivity does not only apply to syndicated programs broadcast at the same time. Any time a program which KMID holds syndication rights locally is shown on any channel at any time, the cable company would be required to blank out the competing station.

SHOW

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Tanner likes the West Texas and Colorado areas, but has sold her candy in shows as far away as California, Washington and Indiana.

Another unique both at this year's show is that of Don and Marcia Carberry of Livingston.

For 20 years, according to Marcia, they have made and sold what's called wirewrap jewelry, an Egyptian design made of 14 carat gold or sterling silver chain.

The chain is designed around rings, pendants or other stones and items. Carberry said it can also be made into a bracelet or necklace.

"All of our jewelry is handmade," Carberry said. "We slow down in the summer to rock hound. That is, we look for

many of the stones we use."

The Carberrys live and travel in their recreational vehicle, traveling all over the country usually doing about 30 shows a year.

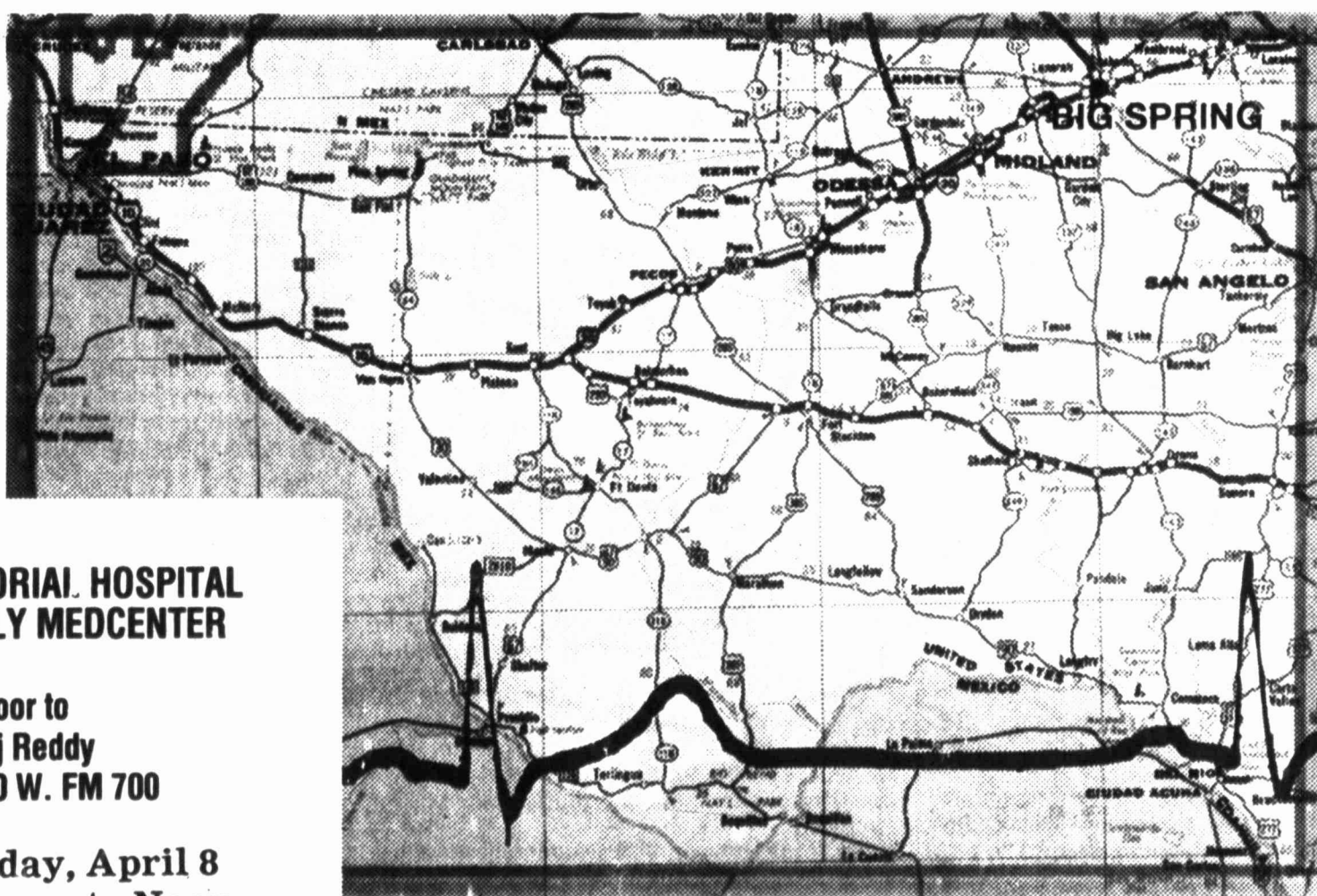
Other items available at this year's show include many wood-carved items, jewelry, knives, a variety of different foods, flowers and specially made T-shirts and other clothing items.

Prather's schedule of shows for 1997 is complete and part of 1998 has already been scheduled as well.

The 21st annual Big Spring Arts & Crafts Festival is scheduled for Oct. 18-19 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Prather's next show is the Land of Enchantment Arts & Crafts Expo in Hobbs, N.M., next Saturday and Sunday.

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"The only thing to do with good advice is to pass it on. It is never of any use to oneself."
-Oscar Wilde

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OUR VIEWS

Local events provide chance to really shop

If Saturday's winds were too much, today affords another opportunity for local residents to literally "shop until they drop" at the Spring City Arts & Crafts Show being staged at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. And as if that weren't enough, Old Sorehead Trade Days enters its second day in downtown Stanton.

Both of these events deserve support from residents of the area — not only because they're staged only two or three times a year, but because they bring additional money into our communities.

This marks the eighth year that Mel Prather has staged a spring arts and crafts fair, and it — like its predecessor, the Big Spring Arts & Crafts Festival in the fall — draws the largest number of visitors than any other show in West Texas.

The show's 240-plus booths make it substantially larger than Lubbock's Fourth of Broadway Arts & Crafts Festival. That means as many of 15,000 people will enter the doors to the Big Spring show during its two-day run.

Similar crowds are common in Stanton during each year's Old Sorehead events.

And as a general rule, out-of-town visitors to such events don't just spend their time on site; they visit restaurants, some stay in motels and others shop in numerous local businesses.

When one considers that statistics show every dollar spent in a local business turns over an average of five or six times, the impact these two events have on our communities is magnificent.

Perhaps more than anything, though, both of these events are opportunities for our communities to put their best foot forward to thousands of visitors.

Both Big Spring and Stanton are truly "proud communities," and in showing that pride, we should help support events that bring people that otherwise wouldn't have a reason to visit.

That civic pride is one of the things that keeps them coming back. And that's something we should all want.

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Going a little over the edge on Mud Island

MEMPHIS — On the north end of an island called Mud, there are chockablock buildings — pricey, pastel-colored homes that look like ornate birdhouses side-by-side on a ledge.

Just a few years ago the houses were not there, only grass and sand and the namesake mud. But the Mississippi River is eye candy of the most tempting variety, and developers saw the sand spit as a high shelf to hold money. The subdivisions sprouted like the inevitable wild onion.

One recent day my friend, Laura Coleman, drove me across the bridge to Mud Island to show me the grand houses. Laura, a reporter, was crossing this same bridge a few years back when she saw a man about to jump off it. She stopped her car and began a long rambling, mostly one-sided conversation with the distraught fellow. That conversation saved his life.

"I can't help but think of him every time I cross," she said.
I guess not. Usually reporters come along just in time to write the dead man's

name in a notebook. I imagine Laura talking fast to the stranger fate threw in her lap. I imagine her waving her arms and spouting platitudes. She is red-haired and jolly, from a robust family of eight children in another river town, Kankakee, Ill. It would cheer a soul up just to see her, I reckon.

We drove amongst the shimmering, million-dollar houses for a while, and later I look for what William Faulkner once wrote of Delta development: "...the only permanent mark of man's occupation seemed to be the tremendous gins, constructed in sections of sheet iron and in a week's time though they were, since no man, millionaire though he be, would build more than a roof and walls to shelter the camping equipment he lived from when he knew that once each ten years or so his house would be flooded to the second storey and all within it ruined...."

While we toured Mud Island, I thought of little houses you see in the Mississippi Delta, walls of turf placed strategically around them on all four sides. Whenever you see such makeshift levees, you know the occupants have learned a hard lesson.

I lived in Memphis for four months once, a nervous, tentative time when I really wanted to be down in Mississippi. But how I did love this edge of the town, the river and its gaudy necklace of lights.

Across in Arkansas, there was utter blackness. Here, mischief carried on all night.

At night after work I'd prowled the riverfront, trying hard to appreciate my short time so near legendary water. Life, after all, is about learning to love gifts when they are given.

There was a joint called Blues Alley, popular with both tourists and locals. It remains a puzzle to me why it ever went out of business.

A diminutive singer there named Little Laura Dukes wore Christmas bows in her hair and belted out songs the way a carpenter uses an air hammer. She looked tough and lean, and she sang the same way. But the show could take a gentler turn, with another soloist whose name is lost to my memory singing "P.S., I Love You" in a tender, caressing voice. Good music lapped like the river on the Memphis shore.

I don't blame the residents of Mud Island for living there, over the edge. If they can afford the flood insurance, more power to them.

Most of us are drawn to water. Some of us build the bridges, some of us jump off them.

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Tax cuts now on hold, maybe for a while

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Debt and taxes were supposed to be cut at the same time, in a single balancing act. Now it appears they may be pried apart, as deficit hawks had demanded all along, with promised tax cuts on hold until after the government is committed to balanced budgets by 2002.

That will take a while. Ironically, the only real deadline at hand is the one for income taxes on April 15, which coincides with the date Congress is supposed to complete action on its budget, but won't. There's no penalty for letting the budget resolution lag, as usual.

A year ago, the issue of the season was taxes, rival proposals for cuts and for reforming the whole system to make them flatter, simpler and fairer.

After all of it, Congress acted on three tax measures, none major, during 1996 — and added about 655 changes to the tax code, according to the Brookings Institution. That made it more complex, not less.

Opening this round, President Clinton and the Republicans shifted back to their rival tax reduction proposals, his for targeted cuts, theirs for broader and deeper reductions.

Clinton's budget seeks just under \$100 billion in tax cuts over the next six years, offset by tax extensions and renewals, plus increases described as loophole closing. Rep. Bill Archer, R-Tex., chairman of the

House Ways and Means Committee, said what Clinton proposed actually would produce a net increase in taxes of about \$23 billion from now through 2007.

Clinton's tax breaks would expire after 2000, with a proposal for renewal if the government is on track to balanced budgets in 2002.

Republicans want deeper cuts, including their long-sought reduction in the capital gains tax. Sen. William Roth, R-Del., chairman of the Finance Committee, has proposed reductions of \$178 billion over six years.

GOP orthodoxy was that it can all be done without hampering the drive to balance the budget five years from now.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich abruptly broke that party line on March 17, that cuts could wait until after there's a balanced budget plan. While that has divided Republicans, the two-track idea seems to have taken hold.

Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, is said to be considering a more modest tax cut package, with the proviso that final action would not come until Congress has dealt with balancing budgets.

Whatever tax reductions Republicans settle on would need to be covered in the congressional budget resolution when they get around to adopting one. But that is a blueprint, and actual cuts would be subject to separate action later.

Administration officials have said they are willing to shelve their tax proposals

pending action on balancing the budget.

At this point it is all hypothetical anyhow. Clinton doesn't have the votes to get his tax proposals through the Republican Congress. But he has veto leverage, so GOP cuts would have to be on terms he would sign.

Gingrich says he is still deeply committed to lowering taxes. Rep. Tom DeLay, the Republican whip, who initially suggested separate handling, said it is a matter of tactics, not goals. The idea, he said, is to break out separate issues so that everything won't be in one big package like the one Clinton vetoed, leading to the partial government shutdowns of late 1995 and early 1996, for Republicans took the brunt of political blame.

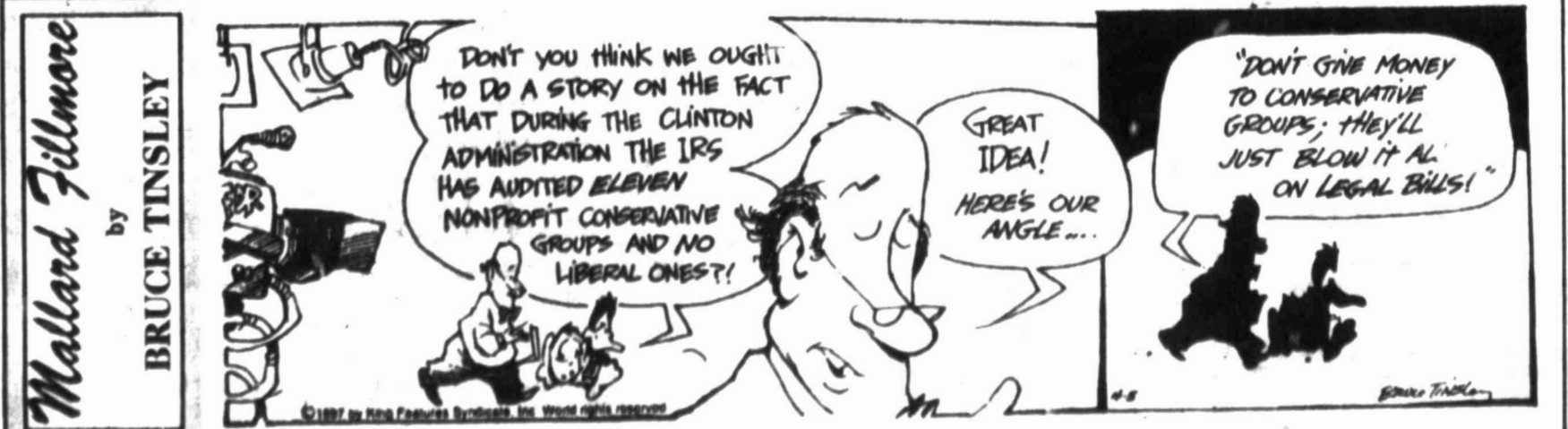
That way, DeLay said on CNN, "he can't say that we're cutting Medicare in order to pay for tax cuts for the rich."

But that doesn't placate Republican conservatives who insist that tax cuts be included in the eventual budget bill, not set aside for later votes.

To yield that point would be retreat on the way to failure, Sen. Rod Grams, R-Minn., protested in a Senate speech. He said some GOP leaders "are suggesting that the American people will not get tax cuts this year, either."

"And I say to them, you ought to be ashamed."

Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.



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West Texas wind, dust fail to daunt Armani fashion shoot

LITTLEFIELD (AP) — A 50 mph wind shook the awnings of an abandoned drive-in restaurant beneath the brown sky, blowing grit into the faces of the bystanders, photographers and models preparing for the Armani fashion shoot.

But that didn't faze free-lance photographer Ruedi Hofmann as he planned the final day of photography Thursday.

"With fashion photography, you use the elements around you," the New York fashion

photographer said. "We're going to use the wind and use the sand."

Hofmann and his collaborator, fellow New Yorker Eric Rasmussen, brought their nine-person crew to the South Plains on Sunday to shoot a photo spread for Emporio Armani, the fashion magazine showcasing Armani clothing.

Rasmussen, the producer for the shoot, said he called film commissions in five states, along with hundreds of cham-

bers of commerce and location scouts. Finally, a woman in Alpine directed him to just the place he was looking for — the Tasty-Cream Drive-In in Littlefield.

Vintage automobiles from the Caprock Classic Car Club sat beneath the awnings as the group readied for its last evening of shooting.

Hofmann said he wanted to tell a story of youths going out to a drive-in restaurant, something most people remember

from their younger days. "We thought it would be easy to find a drive-in (restaurant)," Hofmann said. "It was very difficult. Eric made hundreds of phone calls from New York."

Rasmussen gathered the models, makeup and wardrobe people and brought them to Littlefield, where the cast and crew spent the week getting acquainted with the area.

"We want to show the Texas landscape," Hofmann said, adding that the weather adds to

the flavor of the shoot. "It's kind of an asset. We're just having fun with it."

Jean Laughton, the cinematographer and casting director for the project, said she found two Texas Tech students and two Littlefield residents to serve as extras for the filming and photographing of three professional models against the West Texas landscape.

"We're going to shoot in some golden fields and get some pump jacks and the sunset," she

said. One of the models, James Polansky of London, said the South Plains was not how he originally had pictured the Lone Star State.

"On the drive from the airport I saw one of those longhorn things, and I thought, 'Now, this is Texas,'" Polansky said. "I thought everybody would be wearing big cowboy hats."

Laughton said local residents have been very helpful. "We've met a lot of great people."

TEXAS BRIEFS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Environmental detectives try to solve mystery

FORT WORTH — Temilya Harrison was meeting her sister for lunch at her office building when she was hit with the odor.

"It was just a funny smell ... like perfume and body sweat," she said, explaining how she suddenly became nauseated and her head started hurting. "It clogged up your lungs so fast."

The mystery smell that wafted through the nine-story Overton Centre Tower this week hit workers with two straight days of nausea, headaches and dizziness, twice forcing the evacuation of more than 1,100 workers and turning its parking lot into a triage unit of ambulances and sprawled victims.

More than 200 people were sickened Tuesday, some so weak they had to be wheeled out in their desk chairs. And on Wednesday, not long after fire officials had checked out the building and declared it safe, 60 workers came out with similar symptoms, again complaining that it still smelled.

Senate approves sex offender bill

AUSTIN — Sex offenders who don't get a prison sentence could face up to two decades of supervision in the community under a bill approved by senators who say Texans want to crack down on such crimes.

A type of community supervision known as deferred adjudication, in which there is no finding of guilt, "has raised the ire of many of our constituents" when applied to sex crimes, Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, said Friday.

Under deferred adjudication, people can wipe their records clean if they stay out of trouble for a certain amount of time. The longest they currently can be put on deferred adjudication is 10 years.

If they commit a second crime after completing deferred adjudication, the offense for which they received a deferral isn't counted against them for purposes of determining punishment.

Under the bill by Shapiro, the possible supervision time under deferred adjudication would be doubled for people who commit sexual assault and other sex-related offenses; sex offenders would be prohibited from receiving deferred adjudication more than once; and such deferred sentences could be used to enhance penalties for subsequent crimes.

Robin Hood school funding may be over

AUSTIN — The Robin Hood school funding system that forces wealthy school districts to share their money with poorer ones could be on the way out.

Lawmakers struggled for nearly 10 years before coming up with the share-the-wealth plan in 1993. Before that, three school funding plans were ruled unconstitutional by the Texas Supreme Court.

The current system, upheld by the court in 1995, depends heavily on local school property taxes and state contributions to pay for school operations. It designates 91 school districts as wealthy because they have an abundance of taxable property to raise local money for schools.

The plan forces those schools to share their money with districts that have less taxable property from which to raise local school funds for themselves. There are 1,044 Texas school districts.

A House committee working on a way to lower local school property taxes across the state has developed a plan to replace much of the local school taxes with state taxes, eliminating the need for wealthy districts to share their money, committee members say.

State employees rally for raises

AUSTIN — State employees acknowledge they face a tough battle but say they are ready to fight it out for a pay raise.

Hundreds of state agency employees on Friday spent their lunch hour talking strategy and getting an update on current efforts to get a raise.

State senators have included in their \$5.5 billion "wish list" a \$200 across-the-board raise for all employees. That proposal, tied to the proposed \$83.3 billion state budget for the next two-year spending period, faces negotiations between the House and Senate.

"I wish it was in the base budget and was a done deal. That's not the case and there's a lot of work to be done," Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, told the state workers. Barrientos fought to increase a \$100 raise in the wish list to \$200.

State workers said while they are fighting for raises, they also must be wary of pending efforts to turn over state jobs to private companies. A plan to allow private companies to vie for the business of determining who gets welfare benefits is awaiting approval from federal officials.

Judge reduces whistleblowers' award from jury

WACO (AP) — An Austin judge Friday dramatically reduced a \$36 million judgment against the Texas State Technical College System.

Judge Scott McCown awarded more than \$2 million to David Snyder, former police chief at TSTC's Amarillo campus, and Eldon Davidson, the school's former dean of students.

Snyder will get 1.5 million. The original award would have been almost half of the 8,000-student system's operating budget of \$80 million.

On March 7, an Austin jury found that the two men were forced out of their jobs for reporting alleged campus corruption in November 1994.

"If the money was taken from our funds — and we didn't get it back some other way — it literally would have wrecked the TSTC System," said Ralph Strother, TSTC's chancellor.

"We would have had to reduce programs, maybe close campuses. This is a great relief."

Both Snyder and Davidson can decline to accept the judge's award. If they do so, however, the jury's judgment will be set aside and a new trial would have to be held.

Neither Snyder, who is the police chief in Shallowater, and Davidson, vice president for instruction at Flint River Technical Institute in Thomaston, Ga., could be reached for comment.

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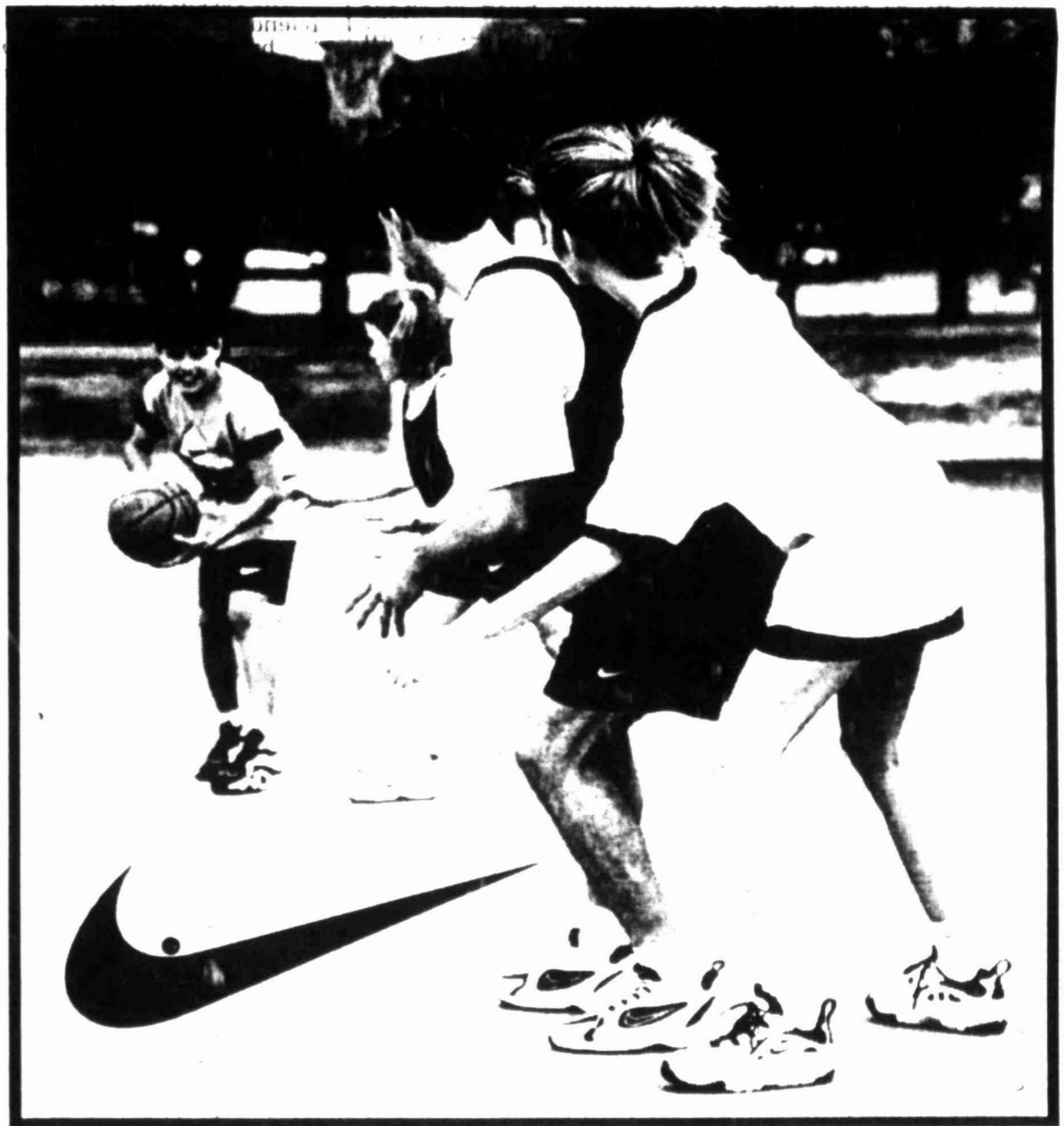
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Simpson, McVeigh cases seem to have collided in jury selection process

DENVER (AP) — The man on trial may be Timothy McVeigh, but it often seems like this is the third O.J. Simpson trial rather than the first Oklahoma City bombing trial.

During the first week of jury selection in the case, nearly every prospective juror was asked about the Simpson criminal and civil trials. The questions included how much they saw of the trial coverage, and what they felt about the players and the verdicts.

At one point, an attorney for McVeigh asked a jury candidate so many questions about the Simpson case that U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch snapped: "We're not trying O.J. Simpson."

And a jury questionnaire has at least three questions about the Simpson case, starting on page 32 — Simpson's old football number.

The Simpson case keeps coming up because it played such a

big role in shaping people's feelings about the justice system, says William Pizzi, a former federal prosecutor who's now a professor at the University of Colorado Law School.

"I think it was going to be a chance for people to see on television just how strong the system is. It ended up being bitterly adversarial, dragging out, a trial that seemed to have no focus and a jury that deliberated just a matter of hours," Pizzi said. "I suppose maybe they're trying to get a sense of whether (the Simpson trial) made the pool more cynical."

All of McVeigh's jury candidates questioned about the Simpson case said they thought Simpson was guilty and that the criminal trial was a travesty.

But they insisted they would not let the Simpson case sour their views of the courts in general or the prosecution of McVeigh in particular.

Slow pace of GOP-run House riles Democrats

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two springtimes ago, House Republicans backed by their huge freshman class were racing to complete work on their "Contract With America." Now it's the Democratic newcomers' turn to step into the spotlight — and prod the GOP for moving too slowly.

"There are issues everyone cares about and they haven't even been able to get hearings," Rep. Darlene Hooley, a first-term Democrat from Oregon, said. Referring to balancing the budget, education measures and

campaign finance reform, she added, "They should be on the horizon somewhere and at least scheduled for hearings."

"I think we're really not doing anything," said Rep. Jim Davis, D-Fla.

Democrats aren't the only ones clamoring for action.

"GOP lawmakers are tired of 'wasting time' by 'coming here and naming bridges,'" Rep. Matt Salmon, R-Ariz., said late last month after a handful of rebels inflicted a defeat on Speaker Newt Gingrich and their own leadership in a floor

vote. The revolt was sort of a wake-up call to the leadership, Salmon and others said.

For their part, Ms. Hooley and about two dozen other first-term Democrats sent a letter last month to Gingrich and House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas, urging that Congress "get to work" in a "productive, bipartisan relationship." With Congress returning this week from an Easter break, she and several other Democrats will make the same point at a news conference Thursday.

Democratic leader Dick

Gephardt and other party leaders are scheduled to attend, likely giving the event a more partisan tone. "The Gingrich Congress: All Rhetoric, No Action," was the title of a Democratic report on the GOP Congress issued late last month.

"Not only have Republicans failed to come forward with a budget or a campaign reform plan, but all of their major legislative efforts this session have failed miserably," the report said, a reference to the proposed constitutional amendment to require a balanced budget.

Arafat: No peace talks without stop of settlements

JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has written to President Clinton demanding that any U.S. peace initiative contain an Israeli pledge to stop building Jewish settlements on disputed land. His Cabinet said Saturday that U.S. credibility was at stake.

Their appeals come two days before Clinton is to meet with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Clinton is trying to find ways to restart peace talks that broke

off when Israel began construction last month of a Jewish neighborhood in disputed east Jerusalem, which the Palestinians claim as a future capital.

Clinton is to meet with Netanyahu in Washington on Monday. Israel radio also reported Saturday that a Palestinian Cabinet minister, Hanan Ashrawi, would hold talks with Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Dennis Ross, the U.S. coordinator for the Middle East.

Saturday passed without major stone-throwing clashes in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, a sign that Arafat may be lowering tensions before new diplomatic efforts.

There have been daily riots in the West Bank since the March 18 start of construction in east Jerusalem, most of them organized by activists of Arafat's Fatah movement.

On Saturday, dozens of Fatah followers marched peacefully on the campus of Gaza City's Azhar University. Some carried

a burial stretcher wrapped in white paper, with the words "peace process" written on it, and then set it on fire.

Arafat's letter to Clinton warned that if the peace process collapsed, Israel and the Palestinians would be headed toward confrontation, Israeli radio stations reported.

Both Israel and the Palestinians have set conditions for resuming talks.

Israel demands that Arafat move decisively to rein in the militants and halt the protests.

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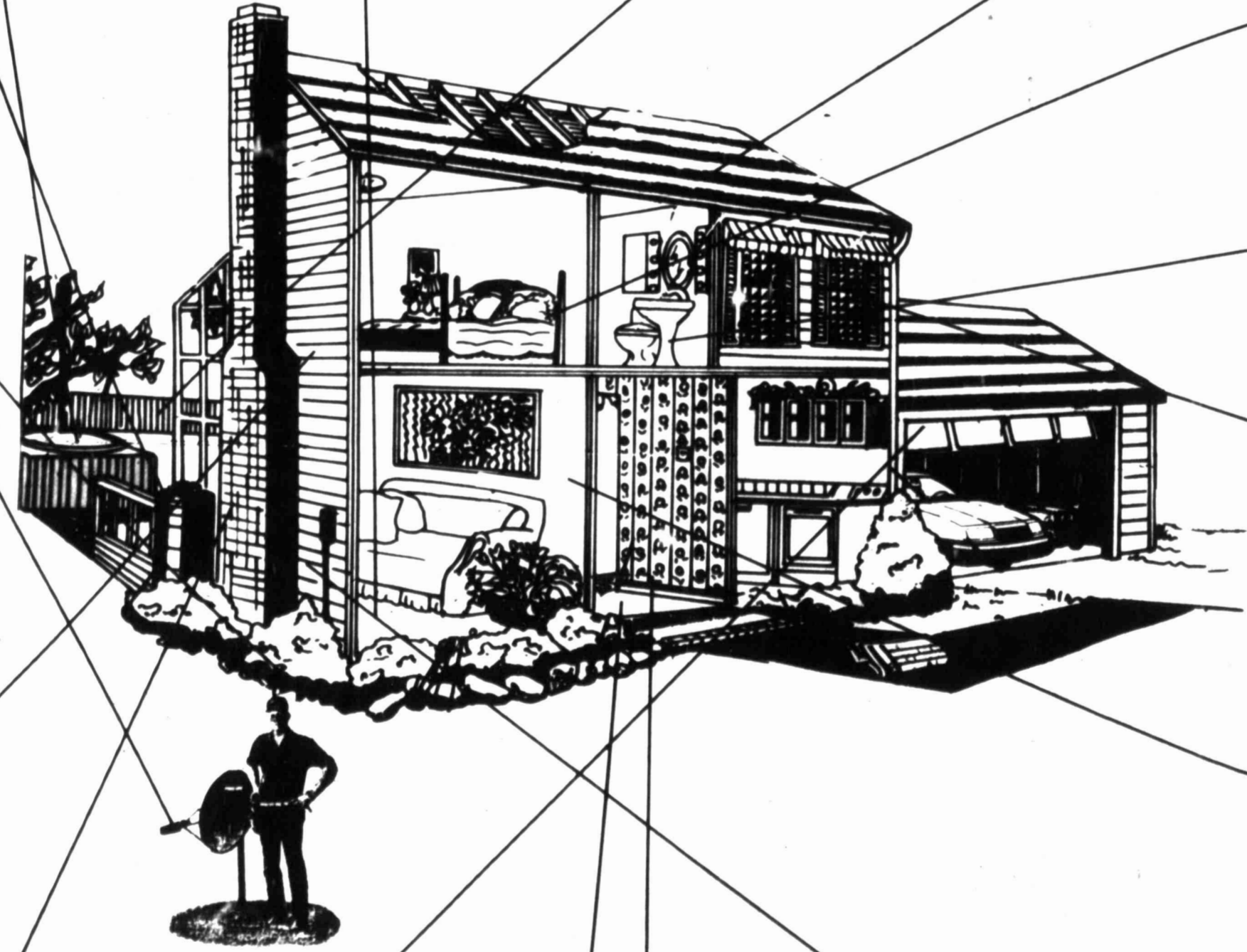
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Local leagues

RESULTS - Big Spring State Park over Hester's Mechanical, 6-2; Jim's Again over A Bye, 6-2; Federal Oil over Headhunters Beauty Salon, 6-2; Lucky's Braves over Fifth Wheels, 6-2; hi sc. game and series (men) Ken Beeler, 208 and 578; hi hdp game and series (men) Merlin Pursler, 233 and 601; hi sc. game and series (woman) Betty Gibson, 236 and 584; hi hdp game and series (woman) Betty Gibson, 277 and 707; hi sc. team game and series, Jim's Again, 685 and 1843; hi hdp team game and series, Jim's Again, 845 and 2323.

STANDINGS - Headhunters Beauty Salon, 166-82; Jim's Again, 150-98; Fifth Wheels, 146-102; Big Spring State Park, 144-104; Lucky's Braves, 136-112; Federal Oil, 1209-128; Hester's Mechanical, 106-142.

WEDNESDAY NITE TRIO RESULTS - Charlotte's Raiders over Security State Bank, 8-0; Walmat Fun Bowlers over Nothing But Trouble, 8-0; Bowling Stones over TEP, 6-2; Saunders Company over Conoco, 6-2; Golden Corral split with Snyder ESP, 4-4; Jan's Place over Big Spring Music, 6-2; Loan Stars over Slow Starters, 6-2; Arrow Refrigeration over Powder Pistols, 6-2; Fifth Wheels over Western Auto, 6-2; hi sc. game and series (man) JM Ringener, 241 and 641; hi hdp game and series (man) JM Ringener, 275 and 743; hi sc. game and series (woman) Patricia Hill, 203 and 545; hi hdp game and series (woman) Kay Hendricks and Teresa Winn, 253 and Teresa Winn, 694; hi sc. team game and series, Arrow Refrigeration, 599 and Charlotte's Raiders, 1665; hi hdp team game and series, Arrow Refrigeration, 7 41 and 2079.

STANDINGS - TEP, 127-81; Charlotte's Raiders, 126-82; A Timeless Design, 124-82; Saunders Company, 122-84; Western Auto, 117-87; Loan Stars, 114-94; Powder Pistols (postponed), 114-84; Golden Corral (unopposed), 113-87; Arrow Refrigeration, 108-92; Slow Starters, 107-99; Conoco, 106-100; Security State Bank, 105-101; Bowling Stones, 105-101; Big Spring Music, 102-104; Fifth Wheels, 95-113; Snyder ESP, 94-114; Walmat Fun Bowlers, 89-115; Jan's Place, 88-120; Three Spares, 80-128; Nothing But Trouble, 4-204.

WEDNESDAY NITE TRIO RESULTS - Jan's Place over Saunders company, 6-2; Loan Stars over Western Auto, 6-2; Golden Corral over Slow Starters, 6-2; Three Spares over Charlotte's Raiders, 6-2; TEP over Big Spring Music, 6-2; Snyder ESP split with Security State Bank, 4-4; Bowling Stones over Walmat Fun Bowlers, 6-2; Arrow Refrigeration over Conoco, 6-2; Arrow Refrigeration over Fifth Wheels, 6-0; Powder Pistols over Nothing But Trouble, 8-0; hi sc. game and series (man) John Foster, 258 and Jackie Lecroy, 710; hi hdp game and series (man) David Backhouse, 278 and Gerald Burgess, 766; hi hdp game and series (woman) Belinda Bishop, 211 and Joyce Davis, 572; hi hdp game and series (woman) Belinda Bishop, 279 and 728; hi sc. team game and series, Loan Stars, 615 and 1764; hi hdp team game and series, Bowling Stones, 745 and Powder Pistols, 2140.

STANDINGS - TEP, 133-83; A Timeless Design, 130-84; Powder Pistols, 130-84; Charlotte's Raiders, 128-88; Saunders Company, 128-90; Golden Corral, 121-95; Loan Stars, 120-96; Western Auto, 119-93; Arrow Refrigeration, 116-92; Bowling Stones, 111-103; Security State Bank, 109-105; Conoco, 108-106; Slow Starters, 107-107; Big Spring Music, 104-110; Snyder ESP, 98-118; Fifth Wheels, 95-121; Jan's Place, 94-122; Walmat Fun Bowlers, 91-121; Three Spares, 86-130; Nothing But Trouble, 4-212.

WEDNESDAY STRIKERS RESULTS - Team Six tied A & J, 4-4; Quality Glass over Budweiser, 6-2; Joe's Crew over Magic Painting, 8-0; hi sc. game and series, Ray Gutierrez, 247 and Richard Rowden, 625; hi sc. team game and series, Joe's Crew, 956 and Team Six, 2679; hi hdp game and series, Ray Gutierrez, 274 and Joe Albert, 660; hi hdp team game and series, Joe's Crew, 1095 and 3044.

STANDINGS - A & J, 142-82; Joe's Crew, 135-89; Team Six, 118-106; Quality Glass, 112-112; Budweiser, 110-114; Magic Painting, 55-169.

MENS MAJOR RESULTS - Fred's Contracting over Trio Fuels, 8-0; Hagen TV Repair tied Parks Agency, 4-4; Hull's Ranches over Parks C.C., 6-2; Walker L.P. Gas over Bob Brock Ford, 8-0; Rocky's tied B.B.B.S., 4-4; B.S.I. over Team Sixteen, 8-0; Team Fifteen over O'Daniel Trucking, 8-0; Fina Engineers over Mason Roofing, 6-2; hi sc. game and series, Don Ewing, 269 and 779; hi sc. team game and series, Parks Agency, 1020 and 2971; hi hdp game and series, Don Ewing, 288 and 836; hi hdp team game and series, Team Fifteen, 1160 and 3332.

203 and Ron Coatney, 560; hi sc. game and series (women) Karen Albano, 240 and 583; hi hdp team game and series, Team Three, 859 and Team Ten, 2465; hi hdp game and series (men) Craig Neighbors, 243 and 650; hi hdp game and series (women) Karen Albano, 249 and Shawn McCutchan, 675.

STANDINGS - Team Two, 150-74; Team One, 147-77; Team Eleven, 126-98; Team Eight, 116-108; Team Twelve, 114-110; Team Seven, 111-113; Team Three, 108-116; Team Five, 101-123; Team Six, 101-123; Team Ten, 99-125; Team Nine, 96-128; Team Four, 69-155.

PINPOPPERS RESULTS - Petty Farms over Guy's Restaurant, 6-2; VFW tied Dixie Chicks, 4-4; Health Food Store over Kuykendall, 6-2; hi sc. game and series, Bernadine Sealy, 223 and 571; hi sc. team game and series, Guy's Restaurant, 648 and Petty Farms, 1777; hi hdp game and series, Bernadine Sealy, 246 and 640; hi hdp team game and series, Guy's Restaurant, 835 and Alley Cats, 2316.

STANDINGS - VFW, 139-85; Health Food Store, 132-92; A & B Farms, 128-96; 10-10, 121-95; Guy's Restaurant, 119-105; Petty Farms, 112-112; Kuykendall, 111-113; Alley Cats, 92-132; Federal Oil, 84-132; Dixie Chicks, 74-150.

GUY'S & DOLLS RESULTS - Federal Oil over Lucky's Braves, 6-2; Big Spring State Park over Jim's Again, 6-2; Head Hunters Beauty Salon over Fifth Wheels, 5-3; Hester's Mechanical tied A Bye, 4-4; hi sc. game and series (men) Ken Beeler, 208 and 555; hi hdp game and series (men) Dewey Sigmon, 231 and 629; hi sc. game and series, Betty Gibson, 187 and Velma Campbell, 499; hi hdp game and series (woman) Nan Buske, 230 and 616; hi sc. team game and series, Head Hunters Beauty Salon, 673 and Big Spring State Park, 827 and Head Hunters Beauty Salon, 2374.

STANDINGS - Head Hunters Beauty Salon, 171-85; Jim's Again, 152-104; Big Spring State Park, 150-106; Fifth Wheels, 149-107; Lucky's Braves, 138-118; Federal Oil, 126-130; Hester's Mechanical, 110-146.

STARS RESULTS - Team 8, 2-6; Team 5, 0-0; Team 1, 4-4; Team 7, 8-0; Team 2, 5-3; Team 4, 6-2; Team 10, 0-0; Team 6, 4-4; Team 3, 0-0; Team 9, 3-5; hi sc. team game and series, Total Impact, 507 and 1379; hi sc. game and series (Div. 1), Dustin Morgan, 205 and 564; (Div. 2), Natasha Brake, 178 and 498; hi hdp team game and series, Guns R Us, 615 and 11695; hi hdp game and series (Div. 1), Dustin Morgan, 223 and 618; (Div. 2), Natasha Brake, 215 and 609.

STANDINGS - Texas Tornados, 115-45; Total Impact, 102-58; The Gutierrez Klan, 102-58; Crazy, Sexy, Cool, 84-76; KC Jrs, 82-78; Strike Force Three, 4-7; 3 Stooges, 73-63; Guns R Us, 66-86; Slow Rollin', 56-96; Team 10, 14-18.

STRIKERS RESULTS - Hot Stuff, 4-4; Comedy Team, 4-4; Three Stooges, 8-0; Mighty Ducks, 0-8; Predators, 6-2; Hot Girls, 2-8; hi sc. team game and series, Predators, 344 and Hot Girls, 981; hi sc. game and series (Div. 1), Ashley Woolverton, 149 and 347; (Div. 2), Desi Gonzales, 135 and Stephen Ewing, 303; hi hdp team game and series, Hot Stuff, 496 and 1366; hi hdp game and series (Div. 1), Ashley Woolverton, 188 and Tammy Fann, 476; (Div. 2), Desi Gonzales, 191 and Justin Rau, 492.

MENS MAJOR RESULTS - Mason Roofing over Team Sixteen, 6-0; Walker L.P. Gas over B.S.I., 8-0; Parks Agency over Bob Brock Ford, 8-0; Rocky's over Hull's Ranches, 6-2; Team Fifteen over Parks C.C., 6-2; Hagen TV

Repair over Fina Engineers, 6-2; Trio Fuels over B.B.B.S., 8-0; O'Daniel Trucking over Fred's Contracting, 6-2; hi sc. team game and series, Parks Agency, 1010 and 3003; hi sc. game and series Mark Rogers, 275 and Terry Dvis, 695; hi hdp team game and series, Walker L.P. Gas, 1129 and 3331; hi hdp game and series, Mark Rogers, 318 and Ken Conway, 750.

STANDINGS - Parks Agency, 178-54; O'Daniel Trucking, 152-80; Team Fifteen, 149-83; Fred's Contracting, 148-84; Walker L.P. Gas, 134-98; Rocky's, 133-99; Hagen TV Repair, 122-110; Mason Roofing, 1209-112; Trio Fuels, 118-114; Parks C.C., 113-119; Hull's Ranches, 106-124; Fina Engineers, 101-131; B.S.I., 98-134; Bob Brock Ford, 80-152; B.B.B.S., 72-160; Team Sixteen, 0-232.

VA COUPLES RESULTS - Team Three over Team Eleven, 6-2; Team Two over Team Ten, 6-2; Team Eight over Team Six, 8-0; Team Five tied Team Seven, 4-4; Team Four over Team Twelve, 6-2; Team Nine over Team One, 6-2; hi sc. team game and series, Team Nine, 744 and 2030; hi sc. game and series (men) Junior Barber, 225 and 579; hi sc. game and series (women) Leslie Johns, 206 and 554; hi hdp team game and series, Team Nine, 8-8 and 2402; hi hdp game and series (men) Ditch Barr, 246 and 641; hi hdp game and series (women) Dee Carpenter, 242 and Denise Richard, 644.

STANDINGS - Team Two, 156-76; Team One, 149-83; Team Eleven, 128-104; Team Eight, 124-108; Team Twelve, 116-116; Team Seven, 115-117; Team Three, 114-118; Team Five, 105-127; Team Nine, 102-130; Team Six, 101-131; Team Ten, 101-131; Team Four, 75-157.

WEDNESDAY NITE TRIO RESULTS - Three Spares over Snyder ESP, 6-2; Bowling Stones split with Powder Pistols, 4-4; Big Spring Music over Walmat Fun Bowlers, 8-0; Jan's Place over A Timeless Design, 6-2; Security State Bank over Slow Starters, 6-2; Saunders Company over TEP, 6-2; Western Auto split with Golden Corral, 4-4; Fifth Wheels over Charlotte's Raiders, 6-2; Conoco over Nothing But Trouble, 8-0; Arrow Refrigeration over Loan Stars, 6-2; hi sc. game and series (man) Jim Nipp & John Foster, 223 and John Foster, 600; hi hdp game and series (man) Michael Leuschner, 279 and 758; hi sc. game and series (woman) Patricia Hill & Kay Hendricks, 213 and Joyce Davis, 634; hi hdp game and series (woman) Kay Hendricks, 265 and Cheryl Wells, 732; hi sc. team game and series, Big Spring Music, 592 and 1710; hi hdp team game and series, Big Spring Music, 733 and 2133.

STANDINGS - TEP, 135-89; Powder Pistols, 134-88; A Timeless Design, 132-90; Charlotte's Raiders, 130-94; Saunders Company, 130-92; Golden Corral, 125-99; Western Auto, 123-97; Loan Stars, 122-102; Arrow Refrigeration, 122-94; Conoco, 116-106; Security State Bank, 115-107; Bowling Stones, 115-107; Big Spring Music, 112-110; Slow Starters, 109-113; Fifth Wheels, 101-123; Snyder ESP, 100-124; Three Spares, 92-132; Walmat Fun Bowlers, 91-129; Nothing But Trouble, 4-220.

BASEBALL

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West Division RESULTS - Anaheim 2 1 .667, Oakland 2 1 .667, Texas 1 1 .500 1/2, Seattle 1 2 .333

Thursday's Games Oakland 5, Cleveland 4; Baltimore 6, Kansas City 4; Minnesota 10, Detroit 6; Milwaukee at Texas, ppd., rain; Anaheim 2, Boston 0

Friday's Games Detroit 8, Chicago White Sox 7, 10 innings; Toronto 6, Milwaukee 2; Kansas City 2, Minnesota 1; Baltimore 5, Texas 4; Boston 10, Seattle 5; Oakland 4, N.Y. Yankees 2; Anaheim 8, Cleveland 6, 11 innings

Saturday's Games Milwaukee (McAndrew 0-0) at Toronto (W. Williams 0-0), 12:05 p.m.; Detroit (Oliveras 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (D. Drabek 0-0), 1:05 p.m.; N.Y. Yankees (Gooden 0-0) at Oakland (Mohler 0-0), 3:05 p.m.; Kansas City (Hanev 0-0) at Minnesota (Robertson 0-0), 7:05 p.m.; Baltimore (Boskie 0-0) at Texas (D. Oliver 0-0), 7:35 p.m.; Boston (Avery 0-0) at Seattle (R. Johnson 0-0), 9:05 p.m.; Cleveland (Ogas 0-0) at Anaheim (Hasegawa 0-0), 9:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games Milwaukee (McDonald 0-1) at Toronto (Hentgen 0-0), 12:05 p.m.; Detroit (Brocail 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Navarro 0-0), 1:05 p.m.; Kansas City (Pichardo 0-0) at Minnesota (Radke 0-0), 3:05 p.m.; Baltimore (Mussina 0-0) at Texas (Pavik 0-0), 2:05 p.m.; N.Y. Yankees (Cone 0-1) at Oakland (Telgheder 0-0), 3:05 p.m.; Boston (Wasslin 0-0) at Seattle (Fassero 1-0), 3:35 p.m.; Cleveland (J. McDowell 0-0) at Anaheim (Gubica 0-0), 7:05 p.m.

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Thursday's Games Colorado 7, Cincinnati 1; N.Y. Mets 4, San Diego 1; Montreal 9, St. Louis 4; Florida 8, Chicago Cubs 2; Atlanta 3, Houston 2; Los Angeles 2, Philadelphia 1; San Francisco 7, Pittsburgh 5

Friday's Games Cincinnati 9, Florida 7; Colorado 5, Montreal 4; Atlanta 5, Chicago Cubs 4; Houston 3, St. Louis 2, 11 innings; Los Angeles 5, Pittsburgh 3

TURN

Continued from page 7A 200,000 should dwarf the 130,000 who looked on Saturday — by having 30 more buses and by eliminating the two farthest shuttle sites.

"This is not what we wanted, not by a long shot," Gossage said. "But for what we had to do, we were very, very successful."

Craven's Craving: Hendrick Motorsports general manager Jimmy Johnson said he wouldn't be surprised if NASCAR Winston Cup driver Ricky Craven wants to try bouncing back from Thursday's crash by starting Sunday's Interstate Batteries 500.

"He told Rick (Hendrick, the car owner) that maybe he could come out and make the first lap," Johnson said. "He's thinking about it, but I don't think he's going to come back too soon."

"We won't let him race until he's ready and the doctor says he's ready." Craven broke his right shoulder blade when his Chevrolet hit the wall coming out of turn four. Johnson said Craven's vision and hearing are fine, but doctors have found two broken ribs.

"Ricky has had his share of bad luck," Johnson said. "I can't wait to see it turn around."

Legend Wins Legend: Three-time Indianapolis 500 winner Johnny Rutherford was back in the winner's circle Saturday. Rutherford beat former Winston Cup driver Eddie Bierschwale in the Troy Aikman Stars & Legends Race.

Aikman's Dallas Cowboys teammate Bill Bates was third. Daryl Johnston finished fifth, Herschel Walker eighth and ex-Cowboy Kevin Gogan was ninth.

As for Aikman, he didn't finish — or start. The race sponsor was out of town. The event originally was scheduled for Thursday evening, but rain pushed it back twice. It was finally run before Saturday's Busch race — become the first competitive event ever at TMS.

Dale The Donator: Thanks to Dale Jarrett, two charities became a combined \$67,000 richer Saturday. Jarrett and White Rain Racing, his Busch series team, pledged \$60,000 to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

White Rain also said it will donate \$10,000 to the foundation for each additional Busch Series race Jarrett runs this year. The company will give \$50,000 if Jarrett wins, \$30,000 if he finishes second and \$20,000 for third.

Jarrett added the logo of the Dallas-based charity — the nation's largest private funder of research dedicated solely to breast cancer — to his uniform and BGN car. Jarrett, best known as a star on the Winston Cup circuit, pledged another \$7,000 to the Speedway's Children Charities.

That money is his share of the \$14,000 prize that went to the pole-sitter Sunday for the Winston Cup Interstate Batteries 500. Qualifying was rained out, but Jarrett got the spot based on his season-leading point total.

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Charlie, my non-Navajo hunting guide

One of the most unforgettable persons I have ever met was a Navajo Indian — I thought.

Charlie Evans was raised on a Navajo reservation. Born in Los Angeles, he was sent to live with kinfolk who were teachers at one of the Indian schools. His parents, I understand, wanted him to grow up in a drug-free atmosphere and out of the "fast lane" society.

The day I met Charlie, he had a large Indian ponytail, and I was sure he was of Indian extraction — but he told me later that he was not Indian by blood.

Charlie was soft-spoken and his pale brown eyes were piercing. He further told me that he was going to work at our hunting lodge as a guide and wrangler.

Later, I watched him work with horses, and I was amazed how gentle he was with the animals. Although not a large man, he could do the work of two men. His 5-foot-9 frame carried 165 pounds of nothing but muscle.



Boyce Hale
Outdoors

I watched Charlie a lot that fall, and he taught me to saddle horses correctly, to install packs on the horses, and how to stalk and catch horses that were in the big corrals.

Year after year, he came to the ranch, and established himself as a top-notch guide. And he was often requested by numerous hunters each year.

Early on, he had married an Indian girl and started his family while living in Cortez, Colo.

I recall one year when Charlie was guiding that he returned to the lodge all riled up. He explained that his client, after he had put him on a nice bull elk, took so much time that the elk just walked away.

They were riding horses, and the hunter had his rifle slung over his shoulder with a bi-pod mounted on his rifle. He dismounted, and he took time to adjust the bi-pod, get into a prone position and get the elk in the scope. The hunter searched through his scope, then turned to Charlie and asked, "Where did the elk go?"

By this time, Charlie was about to explode and he told the hunter, "You took too much time."

As sure as any seasoned hunter knows, you do not have but a very few seconds to bring your rifle to a shooting position and fire. Most hunters never get a second chance during the

same season. But they were lucky, and the client got a nice bull the following day.

On another occasion during the elk muzzle loader season, Charlie took his client opening morning, and right off the bat, they came upon a large bull elk. So the hunter dismounted, primed his gun, aimed and snapped the trigger. But they heard only a pop — the gun did not fire.

Another primer, another pop. The third primer was inserted but the bull had walked away and out of sight.

After that, they continued hunting and came upon another bull — even larger than the first. At 65 yards, the hunter primed his rifle and again, only the primer popped. This time, the hunter let out a string of profane words, and the elk bolted and was soon out of sight.

Charlie felt bad, so he and the client went back to the lodge. That evening, Charlie told us his story and, after hearing him, one of the hunters who had been a muzzle-loader for many years, suggested that the hunter should remove the ball and powder from the rifle and reload with fresh, dry powder. And the hunter did just that.

A few days later, Charlie's client bagged a nice 5 X 5 elk.

Another time, Charlie had a client from Nashville during the rifle season. On this day,

the hunter shot and wounded a 6 X 6 bull elk, and they blood-trailed the elk for several hours. As dark was approaching, they gave up the search and returned to the lodge. Early next morning, they headed back to where they last saw blood and continued to trail.

After an hour or so, they came upon a large black bear standing beside a dead elk. In an effort to frighten the bear away, they threw sticks and stones at it, but the old bruin would not leave "his" elk. After a couple of shots from Charlie's pistol, the bear sidestepped about 10 feet, stopped and let out a growl.

Charlie thought that he might ride his horse and move the bear farther away, but he realized that horses are very afraid of bears.

So Charlie dismounted and eased closer to the elk, and with each step, the bear would take a step away.

After 30 minutes, the bear walked away, stopped and looked back as if to say, "That's my elk."

An examination of the elk revealed that the meat had soured. So they removed the head and antlers.

Charlie now works as a blackjack dealer in a large casino 10 miles south of Cortez. But come fall hunting season, I put my money on Charlie — he'll be back guiding.



Guide Charlie Evans, left, helped a hunter bag this elk recently.

Craven out of danger; moved out of ICU

DALLAS (AP) — Ricky Craven's condition was upgraded Friday following Thursday's crash during the opening session of Winston Cup practice at the new Texas Motor Speedway.

Kenny Kane, a spokesman for the Hendrick Motor Sports team, said Craven was upgraded from serious to fair condition and probably will be moved from the intensive care unit later Friday.

The driver from Newburgh, Maine, was practicing for Sunday's Interstate Batteries 500 when he lost control of his Chevrolet and hit the fourth-turn wall on the 1.5-mile oval.

Craven, 30, was taken by helicopter to Parkland Health and Hospital System in Dallas, where his injuries were listed as a fractured right shoulder blade and a concussion.

"He has what we call a contusion in a central area of the

brain," said Dr. Greg Stanford, chief of trauma services at the hospital. "A contusion is like a bruise, very small. But it's something that we worry about."

"Over the first 24 hours, it's something that we watch very closely because it can grow in size," he said.

Stanford said doctors would decide if Craven should be admitted to the hospital after today's examination.

Andy Graves, crew chief for

Craven's Budweiser Chevrolet race team, said he wasn't sure how the accident happened. Graves spoke briefly to Craven, but asked only about the driver's condition.

"The car is so torn up it's hard to tell if something broke or if he got down on the apron," Graves said.

Todd Bodine was scheduled to qualify Craven's backup car, which blew an engine almost immediately.

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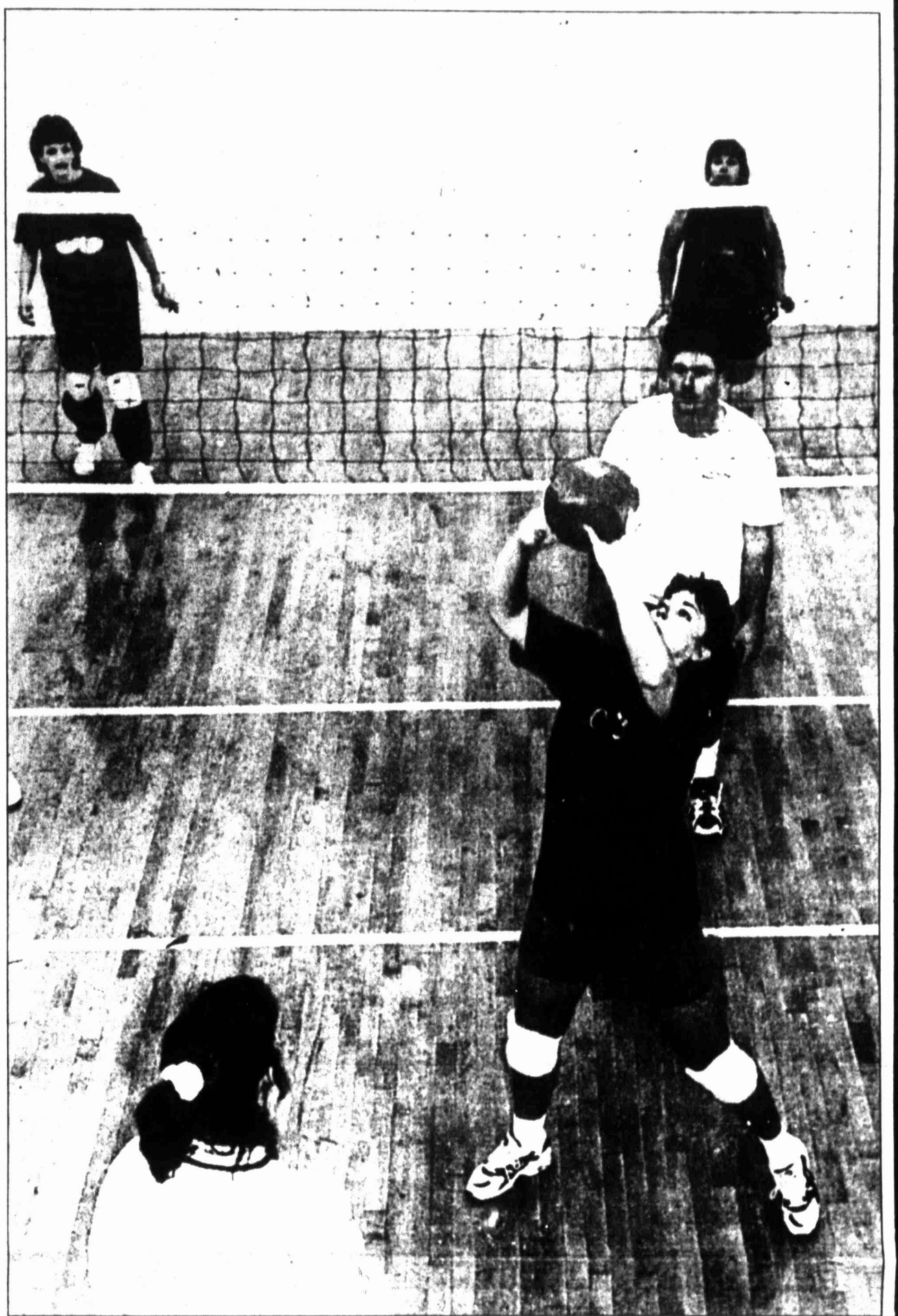
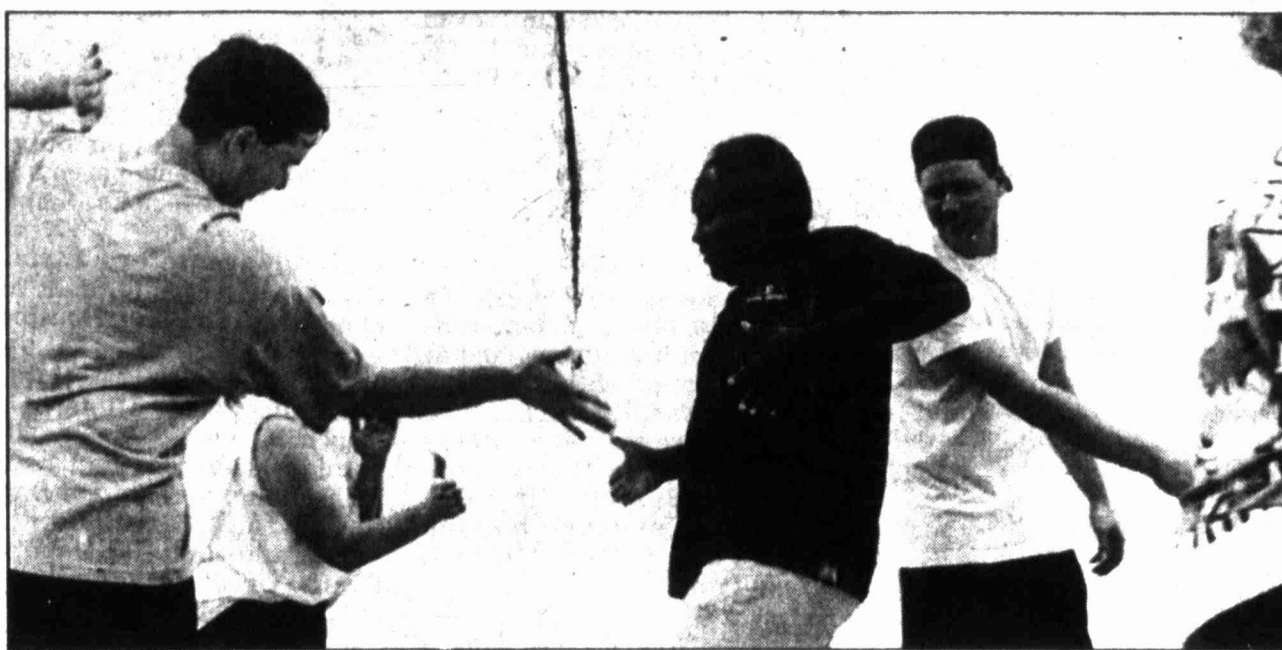
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Off the wall

Volleyball with an attitude

What is wallyball? Well, it's similar to volleyball except you get to hit the ball against the walls and it's a lot more fun to some. The wallyball itself resembles a large racquetball in that it's blue and it's somewhat soft, unless you get hit in the nose with one that's being spiked from the other side! It's played in two of the racquetball courts at the YMCA.

get it over and you can only score when your team is serving. You can hit the ball off a wall but you can't let it hit two walls or the other team might score. You also can't let the ball hit the back wall. There's a net on the top portion of the back wall and if the ball goes up there, then it's still playable.

Wallyball is played at the YMCA on Monday and Wednesday evenings. There are currently 10 teams playing in a league that winds up the end of this month. It's a lot of fun and a chance to meet new people while getting in some exercise. If you're interested in playing the next time a league is formed, contact the YMCA for more information at 267-8234.

The general rules are you have to have a female on your team and if the ball gets hit on your side more than once, a female has to hit it before it can go over the net. If only two guys hit the ball and it goes over the net, then either the other team gets a point or they get to serve. You have three hits to



Clockwise, from top left: At the end of each game, players offer congratulations to teammates and opponents; the number of players on a team vary from 2-6 depending on the number of players available for a "pick-up" game; in between points, there are plenty of chances at humor; John Kennedy leaps high to spike the ball over the net; Chris Brock and Cindy Hopper congratulate each other after a good play; Cindy Hopper serves the ball.

A tribute to sales clerks in women's department stores

Today's column will pay tribute to a noble group of individuals: the sales clerks of the women's department. This is a group of women with as much stamina, optimism and capacity for hope as a seventh-grade band instructor. Month after month, year after year, these stalwart characters see rack after rack of hopelessness roll in with the meager wish they will sell something—anything—before it all rolls back out again. This season is no exception. Can the sales clerks help it that the fashion designers have decided that spring '97 is all

about wearing nude-colored underwear beneath completely transparent gossamer dresses? Can anyone blame the sales clerks that the designers have presented a nation of serious business professionals with the slip, shoulderless top and



Mickey Gulsewite
Columnist

open-toed stiletto-heel look as a viable career alternative for spring? Is it the sales clerks' fault that the designers have collectively chosen to snip one arm off all the spring '97 tops and proclaim the shoulder as the "body part of the season"? No, of course not. And yet, there these brave souls stand in empty women's departments across the country surrounded by rack after rack of someone else's whim, their commissions contingent upon selling a crocheted T-shirt the size of a postage stamp. What can they even say about

the current clothes? It's one thing to be a fashion editor from a magazine hiding in her office thousands of miles away from the nearest actual shopper. It's easy for her to announce that "body-hugging, barely there, spare-as-underwear tops and skirts make a woman fearlessly feminine and confident." It's an entirely different matter for a sales clerk to look a 5-foot, 2-inch, 140-pound woman in the eye and try to explain the sassiness of the tube dress. It's simple for a magazine editor in some distant, undisclosed

location to dash off some gibberish about the "power of flirty ruffles and flowers combined with menswear." It's quite a different challenge for a salesperson to stand face-to-face with a 38-year-old attorney and point out how a peek-a-boo camisole top and pin-stripe suit are going to take her through her next trial. The gap between what women want and what designers are delivering grows bigger by the season. A few years ago it was the waif look. Then came the grunge look. Then came the impeccably chic "ladies who

lunch" look for a country of women who regularly lunch out of a drive-through bag on the freeway. Somewhere in the middle of it all stands the sales clerk, hoping and praying that the Versaces and Anna Suis will drift back to planet Earth and send a truckload of clothes women actually want to buy. In the meantime, I suspect many of these brave women are disappearing to the back room to update a seasonless classic: their resumes. © 1997 by King Features Syndicate, Inc.

WEDDINGS

Owens-Wallace

Tracey Woodruff Owen and Craig Connell Wallace, Jr. were united in marriage on April 5, 1997, in the First United Methodist Church, Lubbock, with Chris Kiesling, Associate Pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. B. Ray Owen, Big Spring.

He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Craig C. Wallace, Sr.

The couple stood before two arrangements of pink roses, tulips and baby's breath and six candelabras accented with greenery.

Organist was Gordon McMillan, and Brian Burgess was the vocalist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white silk shantung wedding gown by Mon Cheri. The bodice had a scoop neckline in the front and a deeper scoop in the back. The neckline was edged with shantung cording. The bodice was completely covered with Venetian lace in a flower design. The lace was embellished with pearl clusters, pearls, and crystal sequins. The gown had a modified natural waist with three rows of pleated silky shantung finishing the bodice in a scalloped edge. The short tunnel sleeves were covered with beaded and sequined Venetian lace. The bouffant skirt flowed into a semi-cathedral train. A bouquet of self roses, leaves and loops completed the back waistline.

The bride carried a cascading bouquet of roses and tulips in various shades of pink.

Maid of honor was Ashley McCann, Midland.

Bridesmaids were Ginger Jernigan, Fort Worth, Julie Hudson, Tahn Schmidt, both of Lubbock, and Lindsey Fry, Wichita, Kan.

Madison Murrell and Meredith Murrell, nieces of the groom, were the flower girls.

Darron White was the best man.

Cary Wallace, brother of the groom, Dallas, Case Wallace, brother of the groom, Brady,



MRS. CRAIG WALLACE

Darin Yates and Bo Jackson, both of Lubbock, served as groomsmen.

Scott Owen, brother of the bride, Abilene, David Schmidt, Mark Cunningham and Byron Gray, all of Lubbock, served as ushers.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held on the 15th floor of the Lubbock Club.

The bride's cake was a four tiered cake with two tiers Italian Creme, one a white cake with raspberry filling, and the other of chocolate. The cakes were decorated with lace and accented with lace points and cascading fresh flowers.

The groom's cake was a two tiered chocolate cake decorated in a basket weave pattern and topped with fresh chocolate dipped strawberries.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 1995 graduate of Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management. She is currently employed by the Lake Ridge Country Club as the membership and banquet director.

The groom is a 1983 graduate of Monterey High School in Lubbock and attended Southwest Texas State University. He is self employed.

Following a wedding trip to Aspen, Colo., the couple will make their home in Lubbock.

ANNIVERSARIES

Hirt

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hirt, St. Lawrence, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 5, 1997, at Zentner's Daughter Steak House in San Angelo hosted by their children, spouses and grandchildren.

He grew up in Wall, and she was born as Agnes (Sue) Kelypas and was raised in San Angelo. They were married on April 7, 1947, in San Angelo at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. The couple have lived in Wall, San Angelo and St.

Lawrence during their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Hirt have six children, Judy Watts, Lewisville, Ronnie Hirt, St. Lawrence, Steven Hirt, Midland, Lisa Miksch, La Vernia, Becky West, Del Rio, and Kim Tanner, San Angelo; and 10 grandchildren. They are members of the St. Lawrence Catholic Church.

Formerly, he had farmed Wall and St. Lawrence, and she had worked for the San Angelo Telephone Company for several years.

Graham



MR. AND MRS. AUDA VEE GRAHAM, NOW AND THEN

Auda Vee and Hattie Mae Graham celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 29, 1997, with a lunch at Zentner's Steak House and a family reception at the Courtyard by the Marriott in Abilene, hosted by their children and grandchildren.

He was born in Abilene, and she was born in Loraine as Hattie Mae Wiggins. They met in high school in Ackerly. They were married on March 22, 1947, in Big Spring. Mr. and Mrs. Graham have two children, Rickey and wife Becci Graham, Odessa, and Dorinda

and husband Max Hill, Rowlett, and four grandchildren.

The couple have lived on the same farm in Ackerly where Auda Vee was raised. He was previously a farmer. They are affiliated with the First Baptist Church of Ackerly. They enjoy traveling, fishing and the grandchildren. Auda Vee enjoys reading, and Hattie Mae enjoys crafts.

This was their comment about their 50 years of marriage, "Having faith in God and good communication, with one another."

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STORK CLUB

Kerigann Paige Harbour, girl, March 20, 1997, 8:28 a.m., seven pounds one ounce and 18 1/2 inches long; parents are Bryan and Sheryl Harbour.

Grandparents are Sylvia Johnson, Stanley Johnson, Jerry Harbour and Leoma Gray.

Jalin James Gilbert, March 25, 1997, 8:33 a.m., 11 pounds three and a half ounces and 21 inches long; parents are Kevin and Deborah Gilbert.

Grandparents are Patsy Hambrick, Galin Gilbert, both of Big Spring, Darlene Lemaster, Colorado City, and Robert and Janice Coffman, Grand Prairie.

Zachary Wayne Long, March

20, 1997, 10:08, eight pounds two ounces and 19 1/2 inches long; parents are Kelly and Angie Long.

Grandparents are Harvey and Judy Brooks, Andrews, and Kim J. and Dorothy Long, Big Spring.

Jonathan Michael Brooks, male, March 29, 1997, 12:47 a.m., six pounds four ounces and 22 inches long; parents are Mike and Liz Brooks, Saipan, M.P.

Grandparents are Lynette Brooks, Big Spring, and Tom and Mary Ann Binig, Houston.

Autumn Cherje Minter, girl, March 26, 1997, 8:28 p.m., five pounds 11 ounces and 18 1/4 inches long; parents are Dawn Hartfield and Alex Minter.

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GETTING ENGAGED



Burr Lea Settles, Jr., Big Spring.

Patricio and Viola Nieto, Big Spring.

3, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Lubbock.

He is the son of Bob and Terri Buchanan, Gail.

She is the daughter of Harry and Elaine Salyer, Lubbock, and the granddaughter of Jean Langley Kelley, formerly of Big Spring, Lubbock.

He is the son of Ann Stapleton Cheyne and the late George Stapleton, Garden City, Mich.

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Melanie Janene Seely, Luther, and Mark Christopher Settles, Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows on May 2, 1997, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints with Bishop David Mohn officiating.

Gracie Anna Nieto, Big Spring, and Robert Wayne Buchanan, Gail, will be united in marriage on June 28, 1997, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Rev. Cornelius Scanlan, OMI, pastor, officiating.

Shawna Renae Salyer, Jackson, N.J., and Peter Joseph Stapleton, McGuire AFB, N.J., will unite in marriage on May

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Denim and Diamonds Gala well-attended and enjoyed by everyone

Denim and Diamonds Gala reception was held at the home of Bob and Carol Scott, Friday night. Guests were greeted by Superintendent, Ed Moughon,



Kathy Higgins
BSSH

Dorothy Garrett, Johnnie Lou Avery, Roxie Rutledge, and other BSSH volunteer board members. JoAnn Forrest, Patricia

Rutledge and Cliffla Slate assisted Don Newsum with refreshments. Julie Shirey and daughter, Jennifer, provided music and entertainment. Following the reception, the group moved to The Stampedo to dance to the music of Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys. It was a wonderful successful evening and fund-raiser, and each year we think it was the best, but it always manages to be a little better. Thanks to the caring citizens of our community, the volunteers raised money to help our patients and the hospital will be unveiling a new project at the luncheon May 22

that these funds will also help support. A special thank you to all who helped in any way, and especially to the Scott's for sharing the hospitality of their home.

Chalet volunteers are busy getting settled in their new location, 1007 11th Place. The shop is now open on the same schedule: Tuesday-Friday 1 to 4 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. We have more room now, so drop your donations off as you are doing spring cleaning. Donations are tax deductible and profits are used to help patients at BSSH. Volunteers

also assist patients at the hospital with Chalet goods as needed. If you would be interested in working at the Chalet, call Community Relations at 268-7535 for more information.

The Joint Commission of Accreditation of Hospitals Survey was March 17-20. "Our staff did an excellent job and was better prepared than ever before," stated Superintendent Ed Moughon. I would like to especially commend the maintenance and housekeeping departments, and nursing service. The Joint Commission recommended a three year

accreditation for us, and the final report will be in about 90 days.

BSSH volunteers will host the annual Volunteer State Meeting in Lubbock, April 17-19, with 25 volunteers from Big Spring attending. Several BSSH volunteers have been nominated for state awards that will be presented at the Commissioner's

Coffee April 19, followed by the Awards Brunch, hosted by Big Spring and chaired by Cliffla Slate.

May 22 is the annual Volunteer Spring Luncheon. The Animal Assisted Therapy program will be presented as the program. Volunteer pins and bars and the Jack Y. Smith Award will be presented.

Patterson's 'Hide and Seek' is a book good to discuss at your next get-together

Hide and Seek. James Patterson. December, 1996. Warner Books, New York, N.Y. 429 pages. \$6.99

James Patterson has done a unique job of creating two distinct characters whose lives follow separate paths for years. Yet when their lives join, the past abuse, heartache and viciousness each endured as an individual continues through their lives as a couple. Written in the first person of both Maggie Bradford and Will Shepard, *Hide and Seek* is uniquely different in style. As each person's story is formed, the topic of emotional and physical abuse is woven into the characters' lives. As a young wife and mother,



Pat Williams
Book Reviewer

Maggie is abused by her husband. When the community refuses to assist her in any way, Maggie feels her only way out is to kill him. Even though the court judges her actions as self-defense, Maggie's self-esteem suffers. Not a quitter, Maggie drives herself hard to become successful as a singer and songwriter. No matter how good things are, though, she never forgets where she has been and what she has done.

Maggie finds long-awaited happiness in her marriage to Patrick O'Malley, but tragedy strikes when he dies of a heart attack. With the publicity surrounding the loss of Maggie's second husband, the talk of Maggie's success and wealth appealed to Will and he makes it a personal challenge to win her love. In his winsome and charismatic way, he is successful and soon Maggie finds herself falling for his charms and believes herself to be in love again. In his youthful prime, Will was an outstanding and successful athlete, and few things were out of his reach.

However, he never developed psychologically, and as a mature man he remains an emotional cripple with no conscience.

Will's life as an athlete is over, but he receives many opportunities to appear in movies because of his outstanding and handsome looks, as well as his famous name. Despite the good roles, he does not receive the unconditional good raves from the public that he automatically expects from any work he does. As a result, his behavior begins to unravel, and again Maggie finds herself at the mercy of a brutal and uncontrollable man. Trying to protect her children, and running for her own life, Maggie tries to shoot Will. Before long, Maggie finds herself back in court defending herself against the charges of murder.

Maggie was a "good" person in everything she undertook: she was a dedicated mother, a hard worker, a successful and well-liked singer and songwriter, and as a married woman, she was faithful and

long-suffering. As James Patterson sculpted her character in these ways, it was difficult to justify the "bad" side of Maggie when she was facing a jury or spending time in jail. She was easy to like and to identify with, and even as a person forced to kill in self-defense, the disparity of her two sides was too great. As a reader, it took a great deal of energy to make sense of the presentation of the dual personality.

As in all forms of media today, abuse is continually a prominent topic; more knowledge in these areas makes it easy to relate and empathize with both Maggie and Will. However, it was not pleasant reading when their pains became torment and torture. James Patterson writes well, completing each convolution of the plots, and bringing conclusion and resolution to the enigmas. *Hide and Seek* is an unsettling book, but a fascinating personality study.

Rating: *** (3 out of 4) Good for discussion at a party

HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured: "Buster" and "Misty", male and female full-blooded Basset hounds, light brown and white coats, classic muscular build, both with large brown soulful eyes and floppy ears. They are about 2-3 years old and are very sociable.

Special Note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

"Gregg" male Beagle mix found on Gregg St., 8-9 months old with brown and white spotted coat, needs some love and attention.

"Ringo" medium-sized female Golden Retriever mix, pretty copper coat, sweet and very affectionate.

"Baby" female Chihuahua mix, older dog that needs a one pet household without children, outside privileges a must, wonderful companion for elderly person.

"Rattle" small Terrier mix, light brown and white coat, obedient and well-mannered, would be an alert watch dog.

"Cricket" female 9-month-old Blue Heeler mix, a bit timid but warms up instantly with a little friendly attention.

"Holly" friendly Lab/Pointer mix, 2-year-old spayed female, black short-haired coat with spots on chest and feet, obedient and loves to fetch; is full of energy and is very smart.

"Carmen" and "Santiago" very large female and male Pyrenees mix, both with tan coats with black trim, 1-year-old, this pair needs a lot of room to roam.

"Nipper" handsome male Rotweiler/Chow mix, dark coat, 7-months-old, alert and attentive.

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

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CLUB NEWS

MARY JANE CLUB

The March meeting of Coahoma's Mary Jane Club was at the Dora Roberts Howard County Library. Loraine Redman, county librarian, called attention to the landscaping and memorials evident there. Inside, club members were introduced to library staff who described their duties as explained their areas of expertise. As their pride in the beautiful, well-appointed facility.

Following the tour, members were served pie and coffee at Dell's Cafe. Hostesses were Frances Mason, Pat Nash and Joe Evans.

BSWC

The Big Spring Woman's Club held their monthly meeting in the home of Sue Bagwell on March 17. Members voted on the club's Outstanding Club Woman and Rookie of the Year. The winners will be announced

at the Installation Banquet in April. Officers for 1997-98 were voted on, they are: President, Donna Palmer; President-Elect, Amy Overton; 1st Vice-President, Donna Wright; 2nd Vice-President, Donna Tune; Recording Secretary, Donna Amonett; Corresponding Secretary, Kristie Carruthers; Treasurer, Kellie Wash; Press Reporter, Terri Peterson; and Parliamentarian, Donna Wennik. April 21-22 BSWC hosted the Annual TFWC Western District Convention at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum East Room. Ninety women from this district were in attendance. Barbara Saunders, the Western District President from Marfa, opened the convention on Friday afternoon followed by a welcome from Gary Fuqua. Dr. Debbie Hajovsky and Danette Tune were the guest speakers during the afternoon session. Friday night held a banquet honoring past district presidents and state life members. The Honorable China Long walked the guests through an entertaining look at the development of Big Spring. Saturday morning project

awards were handed out with Dr. Cheri Sparks sharing the growth and goals of Howard College. To close out the convention, a luncheon was held with the guest speaker, Susan Steen, President of the American Sheep Industry Auxiliary, and dance entertainment was provided by dancers from Laurie Churchwell's Dance Gallery. We wish to thank everyone who was involved in making the 1997 TFWC Western District Convention a huge success! A special thanks to Donna Tune and Susan McLellan, BSWC members, who were the co-chairs for this convention. Great Job!

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FIBROIDS

Fibroids, which are nearly always benign, consist of masses of muscle tissue that can grow for years in the without causing problems. One-fourth of caucasian women and nearly half of African-American women get fibroids, usually between the ages of 30-50. While fibroids are usually symptomless, in 20-50 percent of cases, women can experience heavy, prolonged, and painful menstrual bleeding, painful intercourse, intermittent spotting, frequent urination, or constipation. These symptoms usually lead gynecologists to do a pelvic exam, and possibly an ultrasound exam to detect the fibroids. After that, drug therapy with medications known as GnRH analogs can be prescribed for temporary relief by shrinking the fibroids. More long-lasting relief is provided by surgical removal through a hysteroscope (a small telescope-like device through the vagina and the cervix), or a laparoscope, through small incisions in the abdomen.

Not long ago, hysterectomy was the only cure for symptoms arising from fibroid tumors, but now a number of uterus-sparing procedures are available. I keep current with the latest technologies and breakthroughs in obstetrics and gynecology. Whether you come in for treatment of a GYN problem, or are suffering the stress from a difficult pregnancy, you'll find my staff friendly, caring, and easy to talk to. To schedule an appointment, please call my office at (915) 522-2222. We're conveniently located at the Medical Center Plaza, 1300 Gregg Street, every Tuesday.

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Senate approves second mortgage proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — Dallas homeowner W.E. Rogers doesn't like restrictions on second mortgages.

"No Austin lawmaker was around when we painted it (the house) three times ... so what makes people in Austin think they are so smart they need to tell me, or 10 million other people, what they can or can't do with their property?" Rogers wrote to Sen. Jerry Patterson.

Patterson is sponsor of a proposal, approved 24-6 Wednesday by the Senate, to allow homeowners to take out a second mortgage to fund their children's college education, start a business or do almost anything else.

Voters would get the final say on the issue on the November ballot if the House also approves the proposed constitutional amendment.

"It just galls me that I am told by my Legislature that they have appointed themselves my financial guardian," said Patterson, R-Pasadena.

"It's my house. It's my equity. It's my decision. ... It's mine. Leave me alone."

Sen. Steve Ogden, however, said he's seen firsthand the trouble people can get into by borrowing against their homes.

"In my own family, out of state, they lost their home because of home equity lending," said Ogden, R-Bryan.

Those relatives, who are in their 60s, took out a second mortgage to start a business that failed, he said. That picture could have been repeated across Texas in the 1980s oil bust if the Texas Constitution didn't restrict second mortgages, he said.

"A lot of my fellow Texans, I

think, were glad in the oil bust they hadn't mortgaged their homes to go start an oil business when oil was supposed to go to \$100 a barrel," Ogden said. "This constitutional amendment would make it much easier to get in way over your head."

Texas is the only state that doesn't allow general home equity lending.

The state Constitution allows home equity loans only to pay for taxes or home improvements, in a provision passed to protect Texans from losing their homes in bad economic times.

"For 158 years, I would argue that this (restriction) has served us well," Ogden said, adding that he has heard no push from the public for a change.

"The primary group that's behind this change is the bankers," he said. "It's in their self-interest to get better security on their loans."

Opponents also said the elderly, who may face family pressure to borrow against their homes, need the current constitutional protection.

"Say Grandma's got a little grandson who's a spoiled brat, who's on drugs, who comes to her and says, 'Grandma, my bootie is going to prison unless I get me a \$50,000 criminal defense lawyer,'" said Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin. "Grandma can get a \$50,000 loan on her \$80,000 house to pay for the little brat's defense lawyer."

Patterson said that currently, that hypothetical grandmother could face pressure to sell her

home to come up with the money.

If the constitutional amendment passes, Patterson added, elderly people could benefit because they could borrow against the equity in their homes for things they need, such as nursing care.

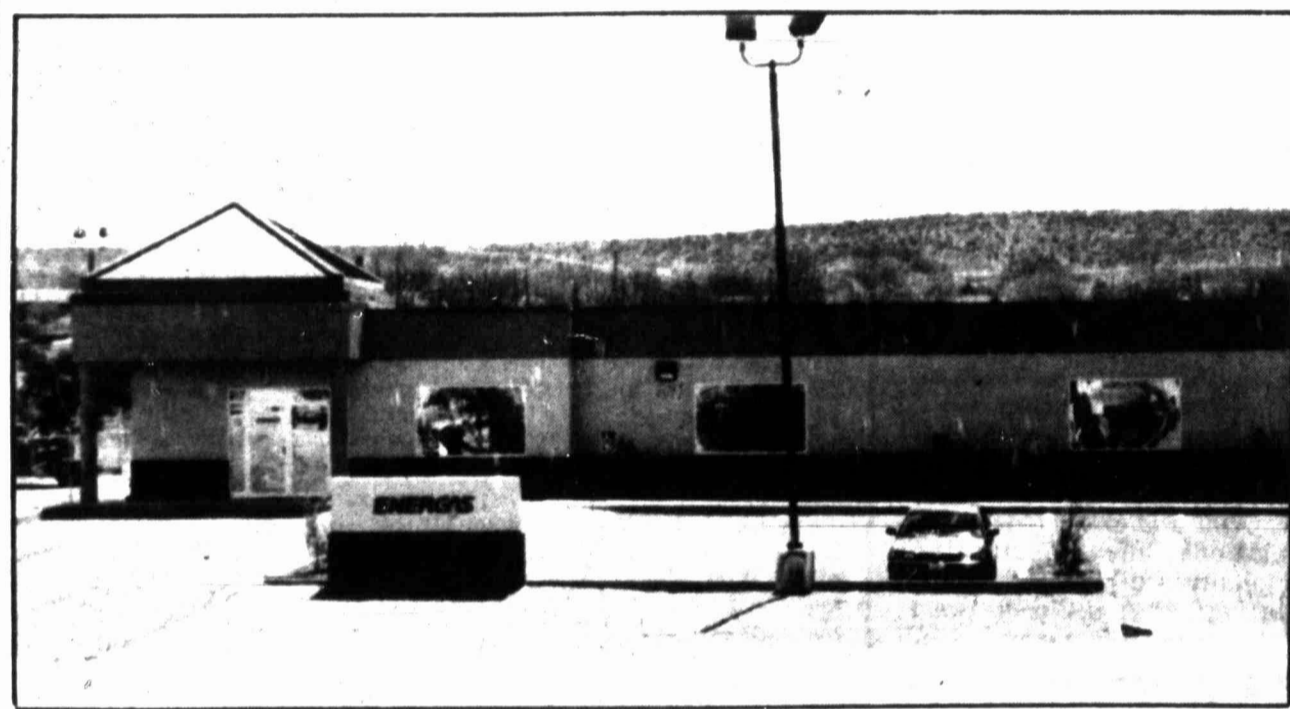
Without access to second mortgages, Texans can be forced to borrow at higher interest rates to get other types of loans, Patterson said. He said they also are denied the ability to deduct second mortgage interest from their federal income taxes.

The Senate in 1995 approved second mortgage legislation. It died in the House.

The proposed constitutional amendment on second mortgages is SJR12.

The enabling legislation is SB173.

BRAND NEW HOME



It's business as usual for Energas customers, despite a new building at a new location for the gas company. Energas recently moved from its Runnels Street location to this new building at 2002 E. FM 700, across from Big Spring Mall.

HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Lawmakers approve \$83.3 million budget

HERALD Staff Report

A two-year state budget approved by the Texas Senate Tuesday would hold spending below projected inflation while covering the bills for record school enrollment and growth in the criminal justice system and health and human services programs, according to Lt. Governor Bob Bullock.

"The budget keeps the scales balanced between the state's most critical services and the taxpayers' demand for leaner government," Bullock said. "And it focuses on the idea that the state's job begins in the classroom."

The Senate budget plan recommends spending \$83.3 billion for the 1998-99 biennium, including outlays of \$52 billion from the state's general revenue account, an increase of only 5 percent from the current biennium.

"The 5 percent increase in general revenue spending is half of the 10 percent increase adopted by the legislature two years ago," Bullock said. "At the same time, growth in spending would fall below the expected rate of inflation, which is projected to be 2.8 percent in 1998 and 2.8 percent in 1999."

"The Senate budget does leave \$1 billion on the table for possible property tax relief or items not included in the budget at this time," Bullock added.

Public education would be the primary beneficiary of the limited increase in expenditures, with an additional \$1.07 billion earmarked to pay for an estimated 141,000 new students.

According to Bullock, the plan recommends increases of \$200 million for school facilities, \$11 million for the Safe Schools program and \$180.7 million in contributions to the Teacher Retirement System.

Spending on higher education would be \$249 million above current levels, a 2.4 percent increase, including an additional \$5.2 million for enrollment growth at junior colleges.

The plan also recommends an increase of \$436.6 million, or 8.1 percent, for public safety and criminal justice, including \$159.6 million more to operate 25,000 new state jail beds that opened during the current biennium or will open in 1998-99.

An additional \$34.6 million would be used to supervise 7,700 more parolees and probationers. The Texas Youth Commission also would see its spending increase by \$92.7 million to operate 2,114 additional beds.

Of the \$294.7 million increase in spending on health and human services programs, \$127.7 million would go to the Department of Human Resources for community care for an estimated 11,900 clients, according to Bullock.

Legal immigrants who are disabled, elderly or dependent children would receive \$126 million to offset the possible loss of Medicaid coverage as part of federal welfare reforms. Additional allocations of \$64.7 million would be used to expand foster care and adoption programs.

Pauken: Tax plan is robbing one pocket to pay the other

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans aren't in the mood to pay more in state taxes just to save some money on their local property taxes, the head of the Texas Republican Party says.

Tom Pauken, state GOP chairman, took shots Monday at a tax overhaul plan which is being prepared by lawmakers for public hearings expected late this week.

The plan would pay for a cut to local school property taxes by expanding the state business tax, raising some taxes and increasing the number of goods and services on which the state sales tax is applied.

The list of a could-be taxed items includes car washes, laundry services and haircuts. "They don't want to give us something in one hand, and take it back in another," Pauken said of voters.

Fellow Republican Gov. George W. Bush has proposed a new business tax, a half-cent sales tax increase and the use of \$1 billion in additional state funds to cut property taxes by about \$3 billion a year.

The plan being drafted by a special House property tax committee would cut property taxes by slightly more than that.

But Pauken has said the state shouldn't rush into changing its tax system. He said Texans would be better off if the Legislature used \$1.5 billion in state funds to lower local school property taxes and conduct an interim study of the larger issues.

Bush last summer appointed a committee to hold public hearings across the state on school property taxes, which make up more than half of all property taxes levied.

"This is a very major tax bill with major consequences," Pauken said. "You rush things through and risk not looking at the unintended consequences." One thing that could happen with the expansion of the sales tax would be a windfall of tax revenue for local governments.

Under state law, local governments can tack their sales taxes — up to 2 cents per \$1 — on any item the state taxes.

Expanding the number of goods and services taxed by the state could amount to billions of dollars for local governments.

"This is a tax hike, not tax relief," Pauken said.

Pauken also said sending up to 80 percent of school funds from the state, as the House committee plan would do, would rob Texans of local control of their schools.

Potentially devastating sorghum ergot discovered in Texas field

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Leaders in the Texas sorghum industry are trying to decide how to protect their crop from a disease that has never been reported in the United States before.

Researchers at Texas A&M said the sorghum ergot (ERR-got) was an Eastern Hemisphere disease until 1995, when it was discovered in Brazil. It spread quickly throughout South America, up through Central America and into Texas — all within two years.

The discovery of ergot in a Texas field was announced late last week. It was found in a field where sorghum had sprouted from last year's crop in the lower Rio Grande Valley.

Ergot causes the flowers of sorghum heads to secrete a sweet, sticky fluid, rather than grain — causing significant losses in yield and quality.

"Ultimately, we probably will have ergot throughout the entire sorghum growing area of the United States," said Dr. Richard Frederiksen, a pathologist for the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

"We had long argued that the one thing we (sorghum industry) did not want in the Western Hemisphere is ergot.

So now it shows up. We have it," Frederiksen said.

Texas producers have begun planting sorghum at the southernmost reaches of the state, and planting will proceed northward on up to 3 million acres through early summer.

To confront the problem, at least four efforts are racing through the decision-making process:

— Dr. Gary Odvody, Experiment Station plant pathologist at Corpus Christi, is assisting with paperwork that will ask the Texas Department of Agriculture to allow for an emergency authorization to use the fungicide propiconazole. It is available in the United States but not currently labeled for use on grain sorghum for control of ergot.

— State Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, has introduced legislation to allocate \$500,000 in ergot research — half of which would go to specific scientific research and the rest to public education through the Extension Service. That measure will be considered in conference committee this week, but may not be voted on until May.

— Experiment Station scientists are joining with researchers in New Mexico, Kansas and Nebraska to pro-

pose collaborative research funding efforts to state and federal agencies.

— Farmers, through the Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Association headquartered in Abilene, are fronting approximately \$20,000 to initiate an education program to provide information on how to deal with the problem this year, according to Travis Taylor, TGSPA executive director.

One drop of the honeydew contains several million spores which can go with a whiff of the wind, or land on clothing or animals to contaminate crops when conditions are right. The fungus only affects unfertilized female flowers.

Ergot likes to spread in cool temperatures which also happens to be the time that female flowers are less likely to be fertilized.

Experiment Station researchers will conduct field trials in Mexico, where the disease is more prevalent, and in Texas laboratories where the fungus will be grown in conditions replicating those of Texas producing areas.

The High Plains area around Lubbock produces about 90 percent of the sorghum seed planted in the United States and much of the world, he said.

BUSINESS IN BRIEF

COMPUSERVE

NEW YORK (AP) — CompuServe's parent company confirmed that talks were under way to sell the second-largest online service, sending CompuServe stock up nearly 15 percent amid reports that America Online was the bidder.

While a deal faces formidable hurdles, a combination of CompuServe and the nation's largest online service could create an industry behemoth — boosting AOL's 8 million membership by more than a third, erasing a big rival and aiding its ambitions to sell dramatically more online advertising.

H&R Block, which owns 80 percent of Columbus, Ohio-based CompuServe Inc., would not say Wednesday who it was talking with. A spokeswoman for Dulles, Va.-based AOL said the company didn't comment on rumors or speculation. But speculation has firmly centered on AOL.

ECONOMY BRISK

WASHINGTON (AP) — A growing backlog of unfilled orders at U.S. factories is the latest evidence the economy's brisk momentum will carry into the spring and that more interest-rate increases are needed to tame inflation pressures.

For the sixth consecutive month, new orders for manufactured goods piled up faster in February than factories could ship completed items to their customers, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

The report helped produce another bad day on Wall Street by heightening fears the Federal Reserve will soon follow up on last week's quarter-point tightening in short-term interest rates.

GM SALES UP

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. said that its U.S. sales increased 4 percent last month compared with March 1996, when the automaker's production was hurt by an 18-day strike at two brake plants.

GM's car sales were up 0.6 percent, while sales of light trucks increased an estimated 9 percent. Meanwhile, Chrysler Corp. reported Tuesday that its sales declined 3 percent last month, while Honda Motor Co. said its U.S. sales fell nearly 7 percent. Their results were hurt by comparisons with strong sales a year ago.

Nissan Motor Corp. posted a 19 percent increase for its best March ever, driven by strong demand for its sport utility vehicles, minivans and compact pickup trucks.

FIRST QTR. LOSS

NEW YORK (AP) — Thanks to the selloff that hit Wall Street at the end of March, stock mutual funds finished the first three months of 1997 with their first quarterly loss in more than two years.

The research firm Lipper Analytical Services Inc. reported Wednesday that the average general equity fund lost 1.98 percent in the January-March period, which ended Monday.

That marked the first negative result for stock funds as a group since the fourth quarter of 1994.

CD TYPE RADIO

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two companies, bidding more than \$173 million, won licenses to provide a new CD-quality radio service that can be heard anywhere in the country.

Satellite CD Radio Inc. of Washington, D.C., pledged \$83.3 million for one license and American Mobile Radio Corp. of Reston, Va., put up \$89.9 million for another that was auctioned Wednesday by the Federal Communications Commission.

Similar to cable television, the service is likely to be offered on a pay-to-listen basis. But the service, transmitted by satellite either nationally or regionally to special radio receivers, is several years away.

Keeping an eye on Texas

IRS takes bite out of Texans

Texans averaged \$6,050 in federal personal income tax liability for 1994, higher than the national average of \$5,930 per return. The \$37 billion Texas tab from the Internal Revenue Service was 7 percent of the \$564 billion due nationally in personal income taxes.

Average Individual Income Tax Liability per Return in 1994

- \$6,000 or more
- \$5,000 to \$6,000
- Less than \$5,000

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and Internal Revenue Service

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Burney, Melissa, 201 35th St., Snyder.
Cain, Ann, P.O. Box 575, Forsan.
Charo, Olga, P.O. Box 464, Stanton.
English, William, 538 Westover #206, Big Spring.

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Guerra, Hector, HC 77, Box 160, Big Spring.
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Hogue, Bobby Merle, II, 1906 Winston, Big Spring.
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Lopez, Angelita C., 3915 Hamilton, Big Spring.
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County Court records:
Order granting essential need operator's license: Dennis M. Richardson, Walton Lyte, John Charles Rountree.
Decree granting occupational license: George T. Stevenson.
Order(s) of dismissal: Juan Tapia Gonzales, Ernest Clark.

Judgment & sentence DWLS: John Paul Franco \$200 fine, \$205 court cost and 30 days in jail, Jimmy Rodriguez \$250 fine, \$197 court cost and 60 days in jail, Jimmy Escovedo Rodriguez \$250 fine, \$197 court cost and 60 days in jail, Abel D. Castro \$250 fine, \$197 court cost and 30 days in jail.
Probated judgment DWI: Gary Abbott \$500 fine and 180 days in jail, Antonio B. Salinas \$500 fine and 180 days in jail.

Probated judgment DWLS: Benjamin Deanda \$300 fine and 180 days in jail.
Judgment & sentence DWL invalid: Darrin J. Crooks \$250 fine, \$197 court cost and 30 days in jail, Jimmy E. Rodriguez \$250 fine, \$232 court cost and 60 days in jail, David Summers \$100 fine, \$197 court cost and 90 days in jail, James William Leffler, III \$250 fine, \$197 court cost and 90 days in jail.
Probated judgment DWL invalid: Andy Rodriguez \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Benjamin Deanda, Jr. \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Maria Lopez \$250 fine and 180 days in jail.

Probated judgment possession of marijuana under two ounces: Antonio Banda Salinas \$300 fine and 180 days in jail.
Judgment & sentence possession of marijuana under two ounces: Casey C. Harrison \$192 court cost and 30 days in jail, David Houston Summers \$192 court cost and 90 days in jail.
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grantee: LeRuth Reed Stewart
property: An undivided 4.148/4.462 interest in and to the surface only of sections 5-9 in blk. 30, and sections 1 and 12 in blk. 31, all in T-1-N, T&P Ry.Co.
filed: March 24, 1997

grantor: Chad and Kellie Wash
grantee: Jesus Castaneda
property: Lot 10, blk. 34, College Park Estates
filed: March 24, 1997

grantor: Luene Robinson Overturf
grantee: Charles R. Teakell
property: All of lot 6, blk. 1, Sunset Place Addition
filed: March 24, 1997

grantor: Martha Ann Myers
grantee: Laverne Morris Patrick
property: Lot 18, blk. 3, Wasson Place
filed: March 24, 1997

grantor: Laverne Morris and spouse Russell A. Patrick
grantee: Charles M. and Charlotte Holcomb
property: Lot 18, blk. 3, Wasson Place
filed: March 24, 1997

grantor: chase Mortgage Services, Inc.
grantee: HUD
property: All of lot 6, blk. 23, Cole & Strayhorn Addition
filed: March 25, 1997

grantor: Modrel L. Stinson
grantee: Modrel L. Stinson, trustee of the Stinson Family Trust
property: tract 1 - A 20 acre tract of land, more or less, out of and a part of section 19 in blk. 32, T-1-S T&P Ry Co., tract 2 - A one acre tract of land, more or less, out of and a part of section 30 in blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Ry. Co.
filed: March 25, 1997

grantor: James W. and Margaret Ann Griffin
grantee: Arnold Marshall
property: A 9.0 acre tract of land out of and a part of section 17, blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P Ry Co.
filed: March 26, 1997

grantor: Frank B. and Isidora Morphis
grantee: Rosi Y. Orozco
property: Being out of the northeast 1/4 of section 45, blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co.
filed: March 27, 1997

grantor: J.F. and Edna Rogers
grantee: David and Edna Rawls
property: All of lots 5 and 6, blk. 8, Brown Addition
filed: March 27, 1997

grantor: John and Mary Rodgers
grantee: Mike and Sue Sizenbauch
property: All of lot 11, blk. 26, Cole & Strayhorn Addition
filed: March 27, 1997

grantor: Joye Minchew
grantee: First Baptist Church of Big Spring
property: All that certain tracts out of lots 16 and 17, blk. 16, Edward Heights Addition
filed: March 27, 1997

grantor: Strickland and Knight Equipment Co.
grantee: William E. Pollard
property: All of lot 14, blk. 1, Highland Caprock Subdivision
filed: March 27, 1997

Warranty deed with vendor's lien:
grantor: Patricia A. Craddock
grantee: Mark W. and Sharon Simmons
property: Part of lot 2 and lot 3, blk. 6, Highland South Addition
filed: March 24, 1997

grantor: Dwight M. Jr. and Dorothy Blackwell
grantee: Jeffrey and Pamela Jarca
property: All of lot 3, blk. 1, Park Hill Addition
filed: March 25, 1997

grantor: Pamela Wilson Gass
grantee: Richard and Beverly Yarbar
property: Sections 31 and 32, blk. 31, T-3-N, T&P Ry Co.
filed: April 2, 1997

Substitute Trustee's Deed:
Trustee's Deed:
District Court filings:
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Elmo L. Martin, Jr. vs. Martha F. Martin

Johnny Allen Brumley vs. Rita Leroy Brumley
James M. Armstead vs. Rose Ellen Armstead
Family:
John Cervantes vs. Lane Rothall
Elizabeth Watson vs. William Jack Watson
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Deborah Liz Salazar vs. Marcus Anthony Salazar, disposed-family law.
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Mary Ann Bernal vs. Lewis M. Ledesma, disposed-family law.
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Fernando Alvarez vs. Kenneth Wayne Martin, disposed-dismissed-IDM.

Sara Kay Fontana vs. Keith Ray Fontana, disposed-family law.
Jerry Jon Currie vs. Lisa Dee Currie, disposed-dismissed-div.
Elisa Garcia vs. Miguel Angel Garcia, disposed-granted-div.
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E.F. Dixon vs. W.G. Dixon, disposed-granted-div.

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Josephine Griego vs. Johnny Joe Salazar, disposed-family law.
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Mary Marie Lewis Lenora Ann Scott, disposed-family law.
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Jacquelyn J. Mauch vs. Robert T. Mauch, disposed-granted-div.
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Debra Stuteville Salazar vs. Marcus Anthony Salazar, disposed-granted-div.
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Senate bill would ban phone service slamming practice

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans angered to find their telephone service switched from one company to another without their permission could see an end to the practice under a bill approved Tuesday by the state Senate.
Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos filed the bill after he experienced an unauthorized change of his long-distance service provider on a private phone line in his Capitol office.
"They've done that to literally millions of people — changing your long-distance carrier without your permission. That's wrong," said Barrientos, D-Austin. "This legislation simply says I ... will spend my money any way I want to."

Backers said the bill, which goes to the House for consideration, has the support of the industry and consumer groups. Telecommunications companies currently may change a customers' service without authorization. Barrientos' bill would require the Public Utility Commission to adopt rules by Nov. 1 to bar the practice, known as "slamming."
Under the measure, a company that made an unauthorized change would have to pay to switch the customer back to the original utility the money it would have received from the customer if the change hadn't been made; and return to the customer any excess charges paid as a result of the change.
If a company repeatedly vio-

lated the rules, it could be subject to administrative penalties. If a company was found to be in violation both repeatedly and recklessly, the commission could revoke the company's right to provide service in Texas.
Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, said legislative action is warranted.
"I do think it's one of the most maddening things that has ever happened to individuals," Sibley said, citing a stack of letters he has received on the subject. "If they could see the absolute fury that people have in finding out that somebody stuck a hand in their pocket and ripped them off..."
The anti-slamming bill is SB253.

Rural cooperatives preparing for new rules, competition

DALHART (AP) — Access to a feed store in Texline, a gas station in Howe or an isolated home in the Big Bend region all make phone service in New York City, Chicago and Houston more valuable.
That describes a basic tenet of federal telecommunications policy for 63 years: universal service.
"If we didn't serve Texline, that would be a big imposition to everybody in Texline," said Jimmy White, manager of the XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative that connects the Texas Panhandle farming community. "It would also be an imposition to everyone in the nation who wanted to call Texline."

Last year, President Clinton signed sweeping deregulation of the telephone industry and gave the Federal Communications Commission until May 8 to draw up guidelines. No firm action is expected by then, but rural telephone providers are bracing for changes.
"As they say, the devil's in the details," White said. "XIT's approximately 1,100 outlets are strung along 1,850

miles of line. On average, the same mile of line that might serve more than 300 urban phones wouldn't even reach one XIT customer in the northwestern Panhandle.
Despite the superior efficiencies cities enjoy over their harder-to-reach country cousins, rural phone service is cheaper. Federal policy since 1934 has subsidized small rural carriers, although those principles are in limbo as the FCC wades through the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.
The law opens the \$90 billion domestic local phone market to long distance companies, power providers and anyone else with resources to join the fray. Congress has directed the FCC to establish all-out competition while still protecting high-cost rural phone customers, a perilous balance over which the agency has struggled.
"It's difficult to serve rural areas, yet we have a (current) policy that says it's important to have everyone hooked up to a phone, because that benefits everybody," said attorney Don Richards, who represents

Texas' 42 smallest phone companies and cooperatives. Government-mandated access charges levied upon long distance carriers currently compose much of the income base for small companies and co-ops. They also benefit from FCC universal service subsidies, which total about \$1.1 billion annually.
FCC Chairman Reed Hundt recently promised that small companies won't see any subsidy changes for at least three years, regardless of the new rules.
Without the safety nets access charges and subsidies provide, GTE spokesman Clovis McAllister said an \$8 rural residential rate could more than quadruple.
"Right now, cost is based on the value of service," said McAllister, whose company serves many small and medium-sized Texas markets. "In a metro area, you can call more phones, so it's more valuable and it costs more for a line."
GTE subscribers in tiny Mentone, a 50-person hamlet on the Pecos River, pay about half as much as those in Dallas suburbs, McAllister said.

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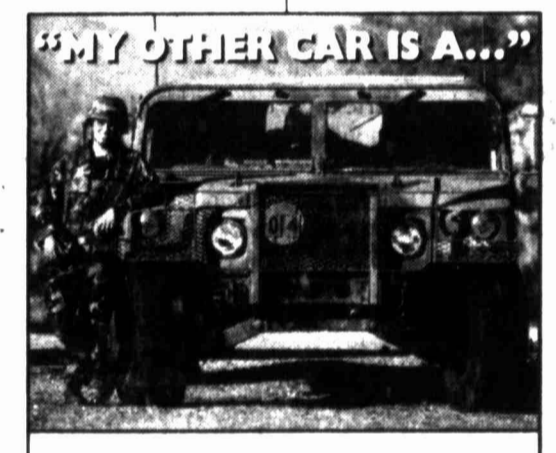
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PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF BIG SPRING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/UTILITY DIVISION APRIL 6, 1997

The City Council has directed the City Manager, at the March 25, 1997 City Council Meeting, to designate and maintain a four (4) way stop sign intersection, traffic stop in all directions, at the intersection of NW 11th & Lancaster Street.

Big Spring City Code Sec. 18-133 Stop Intersections. Authorizes the City Manager to designate and maintain stop intersections on streets as directed by the City Council. 1329 April 6 & 7, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF BIG SPRING THE CITY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS WILL HOLD A MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1997, AT 5:15 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 310 NOLAN STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS, TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE.

Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union, Lots 7 & 8, Block 2, Cole & Strayhorn Addition located at 1110 Benton is requesting a Variance to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Big Spring for the encroachment of the front yard setback requirements on 12th Street.

Carol L. Smith, Lot 8, Block 19, Monticello Addition located at 1209 South Monticello is requesting a Variance to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Big Spring for the encroachment of the side yard setback requirements for the construction of a carport. 1320 April 4 & 6, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed Proposals For: US 87 In Howard County Landscaping Development on US 87 In Howard County Will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at:

4250 N. CLACK ABILENE, TEXAS UNTIL RESPECTIVE BID OPENING TIME ON THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 1997 then publicly opened and read.

ALL PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE ADVISED THAT THERE WILL NOT BE A PRE-BIDDERS CONFERENCE FOR THIS CONTRACT.

Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available ON AND AFTER TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 1997 at the District Office located at:

4250 N. CLACK ABILENE, TEXAS TELEPHONE: (915) 674-4852 A TWENTY FOUR HOUR OFFICE WILL BE REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTORS WISHING TO PICK UP BID PROPOSALS AT THE ABILENE DISTRICT OFFICE. Usual Rights Reserved. 1328 April 30 & April 6, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the authority granted the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 15, 1997, for the purchase of Materials for Waterline Replacement.

Bids to be opened and read aloud in the Big Spring City Council Chambers, City Hall, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing and Material Control Manager, 1300 Airport Drive East, Bldg. #18, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities.

1318 March 1 & April 6, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATEMENT OF NONDISCRIMINATION

West-Tex Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is the recipient of Federal financing from the Rural Electrification Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Section 504, of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which provide that no person in the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, or handicap shall be excluded from participation in, admission to, or denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any of this organization's program or activities.

The person responsible for coordinating this organization's nondiscrimination compliance efforts is E. Butler, Manager, Any individual, or specific class of individuals, who feels that this organization has subjected them to discrimination may obtain further information about the statutes and regulations listed above from the U.S. Department of Justice, or the Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, or the Administration, Rural Electrification Administration, Washington, D.C. 20250. Complaints must be filed within 180 days after the alleged discrimination. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent possible. 1324 April 6, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE PERSONS UNDER THE JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT (JTPA)

The Permian Regional Planning Commission is modifying the Job Training Partnership Act Master Plan for the second year of the two year plan (July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997). The plan will be submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission for review, comment, and approval for funding under the Workforce and Economic Competitiveness Act, Section 4-04(0)(3), Section 4-05 as amended by HB 1863 and PL 102267, Job Training Program Act (JTPA) Reform Amendments. The Title IIA and IIC Employment and Training Program is available to economically disadvantaged adults and youth persons whose family income meets certain minimum levels set by the Federal government. The program offers education and training services in the classroom or in the workplace. The allocation for Title IIA is \$1,154,131. Approximately 493 adults and 78 youth will be served through these programs. The Title III Economic Dislocation and Worker Adjustment Assistance Program (EDWAA) offers basic readjustment and retaining services to displaced workers (persons who have lost their jobs through economic circumstances over which they had no control). Approximately 475 displaced workers will be served with an estimated funding allocation of \$1,006,757. Persons served by these programs must live in one of the following Permian Basin counties: Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward, Winkler. A summary of the program plan is available for review, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, upon request in advance. Inquiries or comments concerning these programs may be directed to Mr. Willie Taylor, Director, Employment and Training, Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission (915-563-1061). The final plan will be available for review, upon request, April 10, 1997. 1327 April 6, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the Clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition a default judgment may be taken against you. TO: Toby Lee Wilson Defendant, Greeting.

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday 12 day of May, 1997, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas at the Court House of said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 16th day of January, A.D., 1997. In this case, numbered 97-0138914-CV on the docket of said court, and styled, SYMBOL, INC. Vs. TOBY LEE WILSON and BIG SPRING IRON & METAL, INC.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit: Suit for damages as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at the office in Big Spring, Texas this 27th day of April A.D. 1997. GLENDA BRASEL, District Clerk, 118th District Court, Howard County, Texas By COLLEEN BARTON, Deputy 1328 April 6, 13, 20 & 27, 1997

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 6:

Excitement and unexpected events are earmarks of this year. Your friends are quirkier and less stable than usual; yet there is additional liveliness and joy in your life. Consider going back to school to enhance your expertise. Perhaps you will opt to do more traveling. Opportunities are abundant and within your reach. If you are single, you could be attracted to many different types of people. You might choose to date several! If attached, your relationship becomes exhilarating and full of sparkle.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

You feel better, as if time may be worth it. Accept an invitation extended by phone. Surprises and friendship mix in a dynamic, exciting manner. Don't do anything halfway. You definitely want to be part of the crowd. Tonight: Have a long overdue talk. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Take a back seat, and thoroughly listen and evaluate. Your choices are important; but to make good ones, you need to center yourself. There is more going on here than you are aware. You fight a chronic feeling of depression. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow. ****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You'll need to take a strong stand. Be direct with a friend; he needs to understand your point of view. Your thinking is dynamic and sometimes stunning to others. A partner reverses his stance, and as a result, you feel relieved. Tonight: Go where the gang is. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Take time for relatives and responsibilities. A gesture of goodwill will be appreciated and will come back to you multifold. A partner acts in an unexpected way. Establish your boundaries and limits. Get into some additional spring cleaning. Tonight: Visit. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Plan on a day outing with friends. A partner could balk at the last minute, forcing a change in plans. You manage to make both ends meet. Let your soothing, romantic side emerge. Others cannot help but respond to the Leo magnetism. Tonight: Try a new restaurant. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

One-to-one relating makes you a bit nervous. On some

level, you are waiting for the other shoe to drop. If you don't risk something, you will have nothing. Talks could involve living arrangements and ascertaining what you need. Tonight: Tango for two. ****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Others dominate your day, and the best of plans could fall to the wayside. A key communique could change your perspective. Mellow out, and think. A child behaves differently, or a flirtation takes an unexpected turn. Get into the excitement. Tonight: Talk with a partner. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Buckle down, and complete key tasks. You need to spend some money on your home or a project around the house. Pace yourself. You have a lot of ground to cover over the next week. A family member surprises you; enjoy his quirkiness. Tonight: Go to bed early. ****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Others see you changing right before their eyes! They wonder what is happening, and why you are making the choices you are. You are startled by news, as well as others' responses. Allow more joy in your life. Be more childlike, especially with a child. Tonight: It's playtime. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Think through a decision before you leap into action. Your thinking changes dramatically as a discussion progresses. Consider different options, especially how they could affect your domestic life. You pull the wild card financially. Tonight: Be a wild thing. ****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

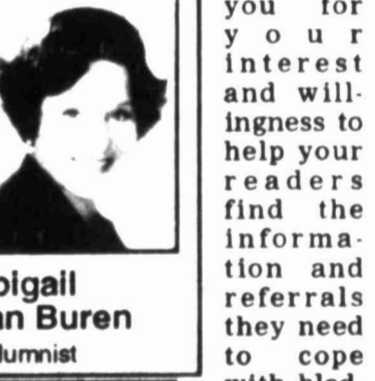
When you see one approach doesn't work, try another. Flow with the unexpected. Stay anchored in what is important to you. You find your circle of friends changing substantially because of decisions you are making. Tonight: Have a pivotal talk over dinner. ****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You have a sudden insight that causes you to back up. Make a decision about spending. What felt OK before, may no longer. An investment decision made today could take a long time coming to fruition. Think through changes with care. Tonight: It's your turn to treat. ****

New medical treatments help adults suffering incontinence

DEAR ABBY: On behalf of the National Association for Continence (NAFC), formerly Help for Incontinent People, I would like to thank you for your interest and willingness to help your readers find the information and referrals they need to cope with bladder or bowel control problems.



Abigail Van Buren Columnist

Because you have previously printed letters from our founder, Dr. Katherine Jeter, and former Sen. Bob Dole, more than 100,000 people contacted NAFC for help and information -- more than from any other single source.

We hope you will continue to encourage your readers to seek medical diagnosis and treatment for incontinence. We are still very concerned by how long people are waiting to seek help. Our 1996 membership survey showed that women wait an average of 3.4 years and men 1.8 years before seeing a health care professional. We still receive calls from people who have had this problem for 20 or more years, and their call to us is their first attempt to gain information or to seek help.

Incontinence is a medical condition with many causes. It affects more than 13 million Americans, of whom 85 percent are women. It robs many men and women of their independence and spoils the quality of life for countless others. Incontinence, whether partial or complete, temporary or continuing, is not normal. It is not a disease. It is not part of being a woman and it is not "just what happens" as you get older!

More and more new treatments are being successfully used for all types of incontinence. Dietary changes, bladder retraining, medications, pelvic muscle exercises, biofeedback, electrical stimulation, surgery, collagen implants or pelvic support devices have all been effective in getting people completely dry or, at least, back in control of their bladder habits. When a cure is not possible, selection of the best absorbent product or device and proper skin care will lessen the risk of irritating rashes or embarrassing "accidents."

Miss Van Buren, it is important that your readers expect help from their doctors and persist until they find a physician who specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of bladder control problems. Please let them know that NAFC is ready to provide information and referrals to anyone who needs them. -- LYNDA CHRISTISON, MPA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DEAR MS. CHRISTISON: I was surprised to learn that an estimated one in four women ages 30 to 59 have experienced an episode of urinary incontinence, and that it occurs in children and young adults as well as the elderly. A broad range of conditions and disorders can cause the problem -- including birth defects, pelvic surgery, injuries to the pelvic region or spinal cord, neurological diseases, pregnancy, childbirth and degenerative changes associated with aging.

Readers who have experienced incontinence or are concerned about someone who has can request a basic packet of information by sending a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$2 to NAFC, P.O. Box 8310, Spartanburg, S.C. 29306-8310. Approximately 80 percent of those affected by urinary incontinence can be cured or improved. ©1997 UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

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