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## Seven-district format set for trustee voting

### Valdez to seek re-election to District 2 seat

Candidate filing for the Hereford ISD board of trustees election set for May 4 began this week and, while nobody has officially submitted paperwork, one incumbent announced this morning he plans to seek re-election.

Trustees officially ordered the election at their meeting Tuesday night.

People interested in filing to be on the ballot in one of four open trustee districts may do so through 5 p.m. March 20.

There are several new factors in this year's election, due to a lawsuit that forced the district to adopt a seven-district plan for electing trustees. In addition, other changes were forced by state law.

Under the new election plan, there are no at-large trustees on the HISD board. All seven now represent specific districts.

As a result, voters will be allowed to cast ballots for only one trustee -- the one representing the district in which they live. In the past, two at-large candidates could be voted on by voters throughout the school district.

A policy adopted as settlement in the lawsuit has four of trustee seats up for election this year. The other three will be contested in 1997.

All terms are for three years, so

there will be no election in 1998.

The district change was required after Hereford resident Trini Gamez sued the district, claiming the at-large seats diluted minority voting strength.

This year, the following trustee districts are up for re-election.

-- District 2, currently held by Raul Valdez.

-- District 4, currently held by Ron Weishaar.

-- District 5, which is vacant following the resignation of Joe Flood.

-- District 7, which is currently held by Board President Jim Marsh.

Valdez announced this morning that he is planning to file for re-election to his District 2 seat.

Valdez was appointed to the position in September 1992, then was elected to a full term in May 1993.

Weishaar and Marsh could not be reached for comment on their intentions.

Under the new election format, only residents of a particular trustee district may run for election in that district.

However, a provision was included that says if nobody has filed for a particular trustee district race by 10 days before the end of the filing period -- March 10 this year -- anyone living within the HISD boundaries is

eligible to file for that district position, even though that person may not live in that district.

If that happens, only residents of that trustee district will be eligible to vote for a non-resident candidate.

A new change in state law, Superintendent Charles W. Greenawalt told trustees during their meeting Tuesday, is that the school district must open its office during Spring Break for people interested in filing for the election.

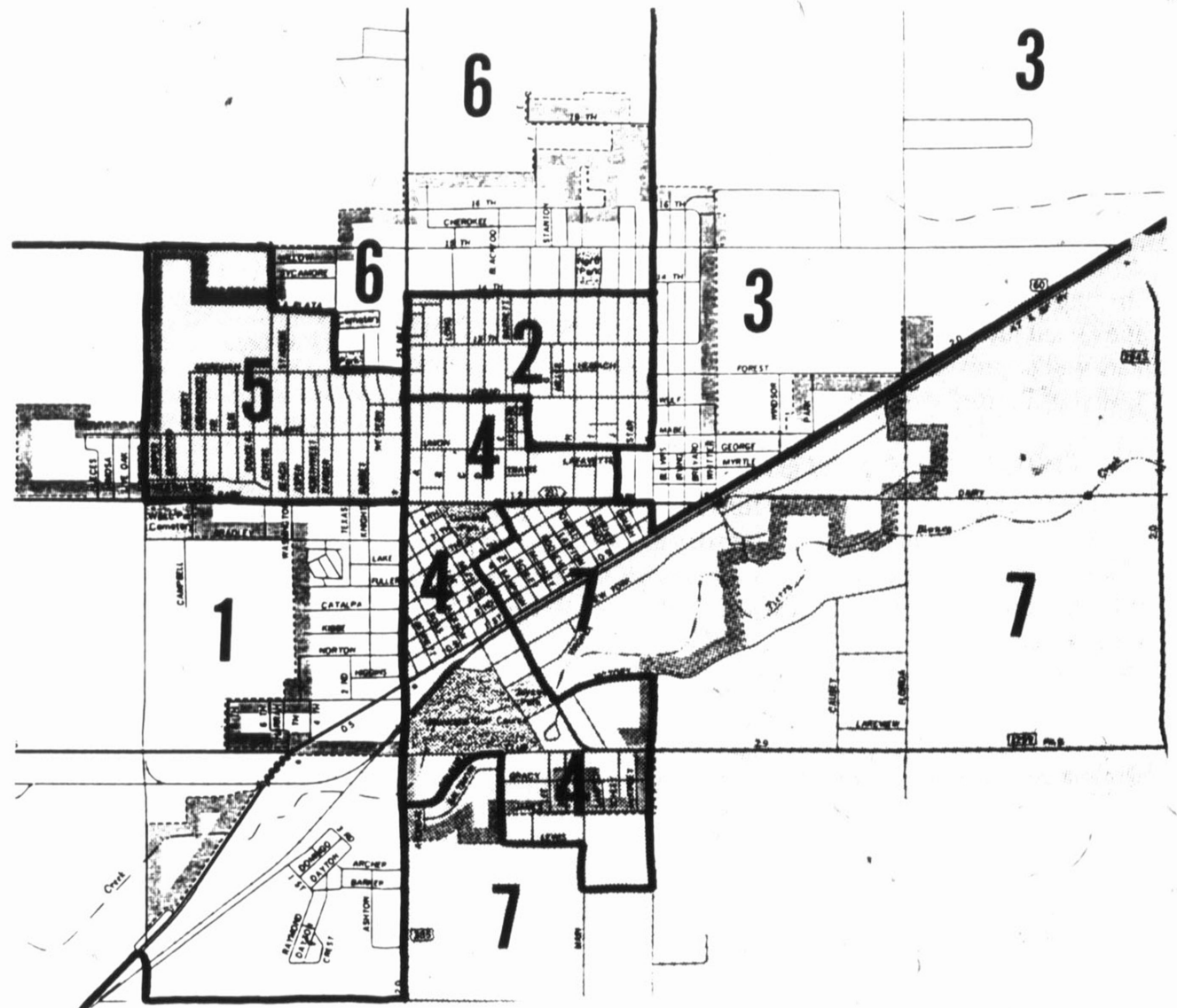
In the past, a note on the HISD administration building told prospective candidates who wished to file during Spring Break to call Executive Secretary Carolyn Hiltbrunner for filing documents.

Greenawalt said exact times the offices will be open during Spring Break -- which is March 11-15 this year -- will be announced at a later date.

Another state law change, Greenawalt said, eliminates run-off elections in trustee races. Instead, a simple plurality of vote will decide the race.

Early voting will be April 15 through 30 in the County Clerk's office.

The election will be canvassed at a special school board meeting on May 7.



### School trustee election districts

Shown is the new seven-district election plan being used by the Hereford ISD. Highlighted are Districts 2, 4, 5 and 7, which are up for re-election this year. Current trustees holding those seats are: Raul Valdez, District 2; Ron Weishaar, District 4; vacant (formerly Joe Flood), District 5; and Jim Marsh, District 7.

## Long-range hospital plan discussed by HRMC panel

BY SPEEDY NIEMAN  
Editor-Publisher

Directors of Deaf Smith County Hospital District unveiled a new study on capital improvements of hospital facilities during a regular monthly board meeting Tuesday night. The "first blush" cost estimates of the longrange project could total almost \$6 million.

The exploratory discussions were initiated by the board's longrange planning committee, which had two architectural engineers at the meeting last night to present preliminary options on renovation, expansion and relocation of departments within the Hereford Regional Medical Center facilities.

Mal Manchec, board president, announced the proposal would be presented to the medical staff Monday in a workshop meeting beginning at 6 p.m. He explained the board wanted the input of physicians on the exploratory study.

Another called meeting is set Tuesday, beginning at 6:30 p.m., for an audit report, as well as a discussion with a First Southwest Company representative on financing possibi-

ties for a building project.

In other business Tuesday night, the board called for the annual election of trustees, approved tax abatement for Arrowhead Mills, passed a resolution in support of a Level IV Trauma Program, and approved the medical staff report, and financial and operations reports.

The board election is scheduled May 4. The filing deadline is April 4 and petitions can be obtained at the hospital administration office. Terms expiring this year are those of Boyd Foster, Larry Watts, Steve Cortez and Dean Crofford.

Jim Robinson, hospital administrator, reported admissions were down in January but patient days and average daily census were up for the year. He announced that a cardiologist was considering starting a practice here.

The financial report, presented by trustee Jo Beth Shackelford, showed total operating revenue for the year-to-date was \$3.2 million, compared to \$2.6 million a year ago. The loss from operations was \$155,839, compared to \$366,618 a year ago.

With tax revenue included, a gain of \$211,158 was reflected, compared to a loss of \$3,969 a year ago.

During the discussion of possible capital improvements, the architects with Parkhill, Smith & Cooper listed nine phases of building construction, renovations and relocations. These included new intensive care facilities, creating a new women's birthing center, relocating physical therapy, pharmacy and central supply, expansion of emergency room, renovation of the kitchen, and new administration and meeting facilities.

Depending on the phases which might be completed, code compliance costs in the building could range up to \$1.9 million. The birthing center and the ICU proposals would both top \$1 million in costs.

Board members present for the meeting were Manchec, Shackelford, Watts, Crofford, Foster and Scott Keeling. Absent was Steve Cortez. Also attending were administrative staff members, Dr. Nadir Khuri, Dr. Bruce Clarke, Dr. Stephen Lawlis, attorney Alan Rhodes, and Jim Mason, Lubbock Methodist regional services.

## Trustees table policy vote, hear fund plea from Nolen

By GARRY WESNER  
Managing Editor

Hereford ISD trustees met for 4-1/2 hours on Tuesday and in the end, tabled a vote on changing district policy affecting access to records and agreed to vote next week on a funding request by the city and proposed bids for construction work.

For the second straight meeting, trustees have considered taking action on the district policy dealing with access to records.

A controversy erupted when trustee Randy Tooley questioned a definition of a trustee acting "in his official capacity."

On Tuesday, Tooley made a motion that the records policy be amended to say "A trustee is acting, 'in his official capacity' whenever he seeks access to records of the district that would allow him to effectively perform the duties of his job, whether he is acting on his own initiative or at the request of the board as a whole."

Tooley had questioned a policy by Superintendent Charles W. Greenawalt that records request go through his office. Greenawalt said school district attorney Paul Lyle of

Plainview had told him trustees acting "in their official capacity" applied only when meeting as a board or when acting on the direction of the entire board.

Tooley said an opinion he requested from the Texas Association of School Boards supported his position that trustees acted officially as individuals as well as when they are part of the board as a whole.

Although Tooley's motion to amend the policy was seconded by trustee Cherry McWhorter, it was later withdrawn and the matter tabled.

Board President Jim Marsh said he did not want to act on the policy without having a written opinion from Lyle on the matter.

Greenawalt said he has spoken to Lyle about the opinion, but that it had not been forwarded to the district.

The board agreed to take up the matter again at its second monthly meeting next week, at which time they agreed to vote on the change with or without an opinion from Lyle.

Hereford City Manager Chester Nolen appeared before the board to ask for funding for the Aquatic Center in light of costs incurred with teaching swimming to high school

students. Nolen said when the district agreed to provide \$150,000 to the city when the aquatic center was being built, legal requirements prohibited such a donation for construction, so a contract was written calling the funds a three-year lease of the facility.

Since then, Nolen said, the city has obtained an instructor to teach swimming classes, and he noted that five classes of students a day are going to the aquatic center.

He said the city has spent an estimated \$24,589 -- not including personnel costs -- on the center for school use.

Nolen's request for the funds, however, received a cool reception, as trustees argued that their contract for the \$150,000 -- to be paid \$50,000 a year for three years -- precluded having to pay any more money to the city.

"I certainly didn't expect ... the school to have to pay any more for at least the first three years," Marsh said.

Trustee Raul Valdez complained that the money Chester sought was

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## Buchanan claims NH win with one percent victory over Dole

By MIKE FEINSILBER  
Associated Press Writer

Guerrilla politician Pat Buchanan said his dime-thin victory in New Hampshire gives him "a fighting chance to win" the Republican presidential nomination. But Bob Dole said the contest has become "a race between the mainstream and the extreme" and pictured Buchanan as intolerant.

Buchanan said he expects GOP elders to decide that he can't win an election against President Clinton and to anoint Dole.

"I think they will rally around Bob Dole and I think they'll make a terrible mistake," he said. "They'll all start calling me names."

"I think in panic they will behave like men in panic."

At a news conference with his wife, Elizabeth, beside him, an unsmiling Dole said New Hampshire would prove ultimately unimportant

and stressed his differences with Buchanan.

"This now is a race between the mainstream and the extreme," the dehorned front-runner said. "It is a race between hope and fear. It's about freedom and it's about intolerance, which I will not tolerate."

Asked if he was calling Buchanan intolerant, Dole said, "All I know is what Pat Buchanan has written about women ... that they can't succeed, that they don't have the potential and things of that kind."

"Twenty-eight percent is a sizable vote," he said. "We're listening. We get the message." Dole won 27 percent.

The third-place finisher, Lamar Alexander, pursued a last-man-standing strategy for winning the nomination. He said it was time for Dole to step aside "and let me and Pat Buchanan debate the future of the party."

Responded Dole: "I can't believe he'd say something like that. He's broke. ... Placing third three times is not going to raise you a lot of money."

The Granite State primary decided nothing except that the contest will have to be settled elsewhere.

Former Vice President Dan Quayle said Dole's weakness has put the nomination "up for grabs."

From here on, Quayle said, Dole was "going to have to go and be energetic and articulate that vision and see if the Republicans will buy it."

No one but his opponents were writing off Dole. The Senate majority leader enjoys the backing of the Republican establishment and has \$4.8 million for the next round of primaries and caucuses; his two chief rivals are almost out of cash.



### Honorary Cowbelle

John Josserand was honored Tuesday evening as Hereford Cattlewomen's Honorary Cowbelle of 1995. The honor is given to a man who has supported the cattle industry and/or the Hereford Cattlewomen throughout the year. The presentation was made by Cattlewomen's president, Linda Fitzgerald, at left. Josserand's wife, Sandy, was on hand for the presentation. (See related story Page 3).

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## Local Roundup

### Records tumble, are threatened

Hereford's high temperature of 79 degrees Tuesday missed the record for the date by four degrees, but this morning's overnight low of 54 degrees was the warmest February morning ever recorded, according to KPAN Radio. The record high for Wednesday, Feb. 21, is 80 degrees, the radio station reported, meaning it should fall to a predicted high of 85 degrees. For tonight, forecasters are calling for another warm night, with partly cloudy skies and a low of 45 to 50 degrees with southwest winds of 10-2 mph and occasionally gusty. For Thursday, look for considerable cloudiness and windy, with areas of blowing dust likely. The high will be in the mid-80s with southwest winds at 25-35 mph and gusty.

### Bluebonnet parents to meet

Bluebonnet Intermediate School will host a "Reach Out to Parents Evening" from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday in the school. The evening will feature a program about the future for school children, then will include group sessions where parents can discuss what they think is important at Bluebonnet and what they want their children to get from their education there. Child care will be provided and sessions will be conducted with Spanish translation. Refreshments will be served.

### Sophomore parents to meet

Parents and guardians of Hereford High School sophomores are invited to a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the HHS auditorium. Those attending will be able to meet with teachers and get information about the TAAS test and graduation. Refreshments will be served.

### HISD

too much.

"That is too high, too steep to justify the continuing use of the pool" for school swimming, he said.

However, Nolen assured the board that they would not refuse the district use of the pool if they declined to pay the additional expense monies.

Trustees could not vote on the matter Tuesday, as it was on the agenda as a discussion item only. However, they agreed to take formal action next Tuesday.

Assistant superintendent Don Cumpston presented trustees with a proposed three-year construction plan that would address existing building needs within the current appropriation of \$850,000 a year.

Both Cumpston and Greenawalt told trustees swift action is needed to bid any projects that would be done this summer.

Cumpston proposed having dual fuel heat pumps installed at Bluebonnet Intermediate School this summer, at an estimated cost of \$270,000.

In addition, he said, he would use the remaining \$5,000 of the 1995-96 construction allocation -- along with additional funds from the maintenance budget -- to do needed work on the junior high courtyard.

Under Cumpston's plan, Bluebonnet would receive new windows and doors in the fall of 1996. Aikman Elementary -- which hosted Tuesday's board meeting -- would receive heat pumps in the summer of 1997 and doors and windows that fall.

Roofing on classroom wings at HJH would be done in the summer of 1997, while construction of a computer training facility would be done in the fall of 1996.

Northwest Primary would get heat pumps in the summer of 1998, the same time as roofing work now under way is finished. Doors there would go up in the fall of 1998, while roof work on tar/gravel portions of HHS would be done in the summer of 1999.

Cumpston said his three-year plan only addresses areas previously

discussed by trustees and can be adjusted as needed.

He said he put Bluebonnet, Aikman and Northwest down for work first because they all need air conditioning.

Trustees agreed to consider authorizing bids next week for the Bluebonnet project. If put out for bid and approved, work would start this summer.

Also during Tuesday's meeting: -- Trustees received a report on a re-write of the district's dyslexia program, which -- if approved by the board -- would allow three different teaching plans and would institute mandatory dyslexia testing in first and third grades.

-- Trustees approved class size waivers for three campuses.

Assistant superintendent Nena Veazey said the state sets a date for class counts and, on that date, four classes at Aikman, Tierra Blanca and Northwest were over the 22-to-1 student-teacher ratio mandated.

Even though those classes may have dropped a student since then, she said the waivers were required.

-- The board approved a resolution to apply to the State Comptroller's Office for a Texas School Performance Review.

The reviews highlight savings potential in districts around Texas.

Mrs. McWhorter asked that the request include supporting data to encourage speedy action.

Greenawalt said he was told there was a two- to three-year waiting list for such a review.

-- Trustees agreed to meet at 6 p.m. March 5 to look at several proposed policy changes mandated by the state. They will hold their first regular meeting of March on March 7, the Thursday before Spring Break.

Trustees will meet in their second February meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 27.

-- Five of the six trustees -- Marsh, Valdez, McWhorter, Tooley and Roy Dale Messer -- were at the meeting. Valdez had to leave early to attend a class, while Ron Weishaar was absent due to an illness in his family.

# Trial decision draws mixed reactions

## Judge selects Denver to hear Oklahoma bombing case

By PAUL QUEARY  
Associated Press Writer  
OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - Keith Coverdale wants to be at the trial of the two men charged with blowing up his two little boys. But now he and others touched by the federal building bombing must travel about 600 miles to attend, a journey some won't be able to make.

"We in Oklahoma didn't choose for them to come here and for this bomb to blow up here," said Coverdale, whose sons Aaron, 5, and Elijah, 2, died in the building's day-care center. "We are all victims in this state, and this will bring hardship on some families to attend."

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch ruled Tuesday that Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols "have been demonized" in the news media, and moved the case to Denver to ensure a fair trial. He did not set a trial date.

Coverdale and others said the ruling at the very least will make it difficult for them to attend as much as they would have liked. Nonetheless, many agreed with the judge.

Marsha Kight, whose daughter

Frankie Merrill died in the blast, said the ruling reduces the risk of a mistrial, which is more important than the convenience of the trial staying in Oklahoma.

"I had hoped that it would be here because there are going to be people who are still recovering, and because of medical reasons, can't travel," she said.

Mrs. Kight said attending the trial will be therapeutic and that nothing could keep her from the courthouse. "I lost my 23-year-old daughter and I'm going to be there, no matter what, no matter where."

Prosecutors had urged Matsch to move the trial to Tulsa, about 90 miles from the bomb site, so that victims' families could easily attend. But Matsch, chief federal judge in Denver, sided with the defense.

"The interests of the victims in being able to attend this trial in Oklahoma are outweighed by the court's obligation to ensure that the trial be conducted with fundamental fairness and with due regard for all constitutional requirements," Matsch said.

Attorney General Janet Reno said

the government will not fight the move and will do everything possible "to provide survivors and loved ones with an opportunity to observe and follow events in the courtroom."

Gov. Frank Keating said he, too, will work to see that the families have ways of getting to the trial. He said he asked the governor of Colorado and the mayor of Denver to line up lodging for the victims' families.

Oklahoma Attorney General Drew Edmondson said he has asked federal officials to provide money to help victims attend.

Under the broad definition used by prosecutors, anywhere from 750 to more than 2,000 people are considered victims of the blast. That includes the families of those killed and survivors of the bombing, some of whom weren't actually in the building.

The April 19 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building killed 169 people and injured more than 500 in the deadliest terrorist attack on U.S. soil. McVeigh and Nichols could face the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspira-

U.S. District Judge Wayne Alley had originally set the trial for Lawton, 90 miles from Oklahoma City.

But he was removed in December by a federal appeals court out of concern that his impartiality could be questioned because the blast damaged his courtroom and chambers, across the street from the federal building.

Matsch said Lawton's tiny federal courthouse was inadequate for the trial. He said Denver has a large jury pool, daily nonstop flights from other cities and court facilities well-suited for the trial.

"I'm going to be separated from my grandbaby and not be able to come back every weekend," Mrs. Kight said of her plans to attend. "But sometimes life, as we well know, is not fair."

Others weren't as forgiving. "It just proves that criminals dictate what's going to happen in the justice system," said Dan McKinney, whose wife and niece died in the blast.

He said he would have difficulty attending the trial. "You're going to be away from what family you do have left."

## Special fund set for family of slain man

Juan Chavira of Clovis, a former Hereford resident, died Tuesday morning after being shot once and stabbed twice following an apparent argument with neighbors.

Clovis police officials reported that Benito Rodriguez, 27, is accused of shooting Chavira. Rodriguez's brother, Michael, 17, was also arrested and accused of stabbing Chavira.

Chavira, 37, and his wife, Loretta, had lived in the Clovis neighborhood more than five years. Dominga Gonzalez of Hereford, an aunt, said the couple have two sons and a daughter. She said they had planned to move back to Hereford in March.

Mrs. Gonzalez announced Tuesday afternoon that she is starting a special fund to assist the Chavira family. Anyone interested in helping can make a contribution to Mrs. Gonzalez's account at FirstBank Southwest of Hereford, marking the check for the Chavira Family Fund.

## C of C banquet tickets on sale

"Helping Orchestrate the Future" will be theme of the annual Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Banquet scheduled Thursday, March 7, in the HISD banquet room.

Tickets for the banquet are priced at \$14 and are available at the chamber office. The meal will be catered by K-Bob's.

Highlights of the 1996 event include presentation of the "Citizen of the Year," introduction of new officers, and special entertainment by "The Satin Strings" of Permian High School.

The musical group from Odessa has traveled throughout the country, drawing rave notices for performances at various events, said Mike Carr, executive vice president.

The Citizen of the Year award, started in 1946, will be presented by Hereford Lions Club. Last year's recipient was Mayor Bob Jossereand.



### Campaign workers

This group of Hereford High School students is representative of approximately 80 students who are participating in the Build on the Dream drive for improvements at the Hereford Aquatic Center park. Front, from left, are Amit Patel, Amanda Vallejo, Aimee Alley, Lori Paetzold, Annie Hoffman, and back, from left, are George Pacheco, Heath Kirkeby, Jim Bob Messer, Jeb Skiles and Bobby Suarez.

## Student council project assists Build on the Dream park drive

A student council project at Hereford High School has attracted approximately 80 students to work for the Build on the Dream Aquatic Center Park drive.

Each second period class was invited to nominate candidates for Mr. Aquatic and Miss Aquatic.

Students who bring the most contributions to the park drive will be recognized with the titles. A donut party will be provided for the class whose candidate wins a title. If both winners are from the same class, a pizza party will be provided.

Nominees selected by classes may solicit funds from classmates, teachers, businesses, city residents, family or other sources, the student council decided.

The drive will run through this week with winners to be announced next Tuesday.

The teacher of a second period class that collects at least \$50 will receive a special reward, a \$10 gift certificate from K-Bob's.

Miss Aquatic nominees include Christi Wallace, Sarah Nunez, Keshia Kimball, Leann Bivens, Norma Trevino, Eileen Castillo, Brooke Douglas, Lisa Chavez, Jessica Luna, Meredith Tabor, Roxanne Villarreal; Marlena Rodriguez, Sara Anima, Wendy Westman, Ruth Murillo, Wendy Brisendine, Annie Hoffman, Rachel Carbajal, Aimee Alley, Amanda Vallejo, Crystal Zepeda, Julie Rampley, Ruby Moll;

Amy Andrews, Gloria Jimenez, Janelle Delgado, Christy Haney, Lori Paetzold, Robin Bell, Nancy Bravo, Trisha Gonzalez, B.J. Zepeda,

Maribel Trevino, Lori Craig, Jamie Marquez, Krista Beville and Sadie Padilla.

Nominated by their second period classes for Mr. Aquatic are Gilbert Garza, Carlos Martinez, Michael Hicks, Jason Foster, Pedro Hernandez, Jessie Tarango, David Farr, Greg Reinart, Lee Martinez, Rusty Dutton; Mitch Wagner, Adolfo San Miguel, Jeff Higgins, Sy Olson, Brandon Brown, Amit Patel, George Pacheco, Ray David Rangel, Jeb Skiles, Jim Bob Messer, Adam Valle, Bobby Suarez, David Radford, Jessie Parsons, Dimas Beltran;

Austin Aycock, Ronnie Rodriguez, Heath Kirkeby, Cory Marsh, Dominique Gonzales, Brent Berend, Roland Perez, T.J. Childers, Chris Torres, Sergio Sanz, Chris Williams, John "Spedo" Stevens, Pete Vargas, Juan Moreno and Fernando Herrera.

## Obituaries



**RUBY MAE BOSTON**  
Feb. 20, 1996

Ruby Mae Boston, 87, of Hereford, died Tuesday at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in First United Methodist Church. Officiating will be the Rev. Jeremy Grant, pastor of First Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in West Park Cemetery, under direction of Gililand-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Boston was born in Amarillo and married Jay Boston in Amarillo in 1929. They came to Deaf Smith County in 1946. Mr. Boston died in 1994. Mrs. Boston was a graduate of Amarillo High School and attended West Texas State University. She was a former member of Pioneer Study Club and La Plata Study Club. She was a member of First United Methodist Church where she taught senior high Sunday school classes for several years.

Survivors are two daughters, Jaynice Carpenter of Plainview and Kathy Moore of Hereford; two sisters, Mable Stockton of Lake Tanglewood and Margaret Ehrensman of Amarillo, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The family has suggested that memorials be directed to King's Manor or Friends of the Library.

### BERNARD N. KOELZER

Feb. 19, 1996

Bernard N. "Ben" Koelzer, 88, of Hereford, died Monday at Hereford Care Center.

Rosary will be said at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Ellis-Blackwell

Funeral Home in Friona. Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona with the Rev. Ed Sweeney, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in St. Anthony's Cemetery in Hereford, under direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mr. Koelzer was born in Muenster and married Elizabeth Jesko in Hereford in 1927. Mrs. Koelzer died in 1988. He lived in Friona from 1939 until 1994 when he moved to Hereford. He was a retired farmer and a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

Survivors are four sons, Bernard J. Koelzer of Chilliwack, British Columbia, Canada, Gerald F. Koelzer of Wheeler, David B. Koelzer of Dalhart, Kan., and James L. Koelzer of Dalhart; three daughters, Dorothy Blankenship of Amarillo, Evelyn Blankenship of Hereford and Judith Sewell of Plainview; a brother, Fr. Louis Koelzer of Graymoor, N.M.; two sisters, Theresa Koelzer and Marie Noggler, both of Hereford, 24 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

## Youth show animals in San Antonio show

Hereford FFA and 4-H students recently participated in the San Antonio Livestock Exposition.

Bric Wall, Hereford FFA, won reserve champion honors with his mediumweight steer and Brittney Binder, captured champion honors with her Other Pure Breeds (OPB) heavyweight hog.

Following are the results of the show.

### STEERS

Bric Wall -- Reserve Champion

AOB

Brittney Binder -- 1st place

Lightweight Limousin

Krista Beville -- 3rd place

Lightweight AOB

Cassie Abney -- Mediumweight

Angus

Zach Wall -- 5th Mediumweight

Chianina

Brent Carlson -- 5th Mediumweight

Limousin

Catherine Beville -- 5th Lightweight

AOB

Amanda Wall -- 5th Heavyweight

Hereford

Chad Christie -- 6th Mediumweight

Limousin

Vic Henning -- 15th Lightweight

Chianina

### HOGS

Brittney Binder -- Champion OPB

Jay Wilson -- 9th place Heavyweight

Limousin

Others participating in the show were Nelson Beville, Jeb Skiles, Amy Killingsworth, Jeramie Smithey, Amanda, Bric and Zack Wall, Rusty Dutton, Cody and Cory Marsh, Jory McKibben, Landon and Rhiana Noland, Justin Scott, Bryan and Lindy Vasek, Camille and Zachary Vasek, Kane Wilt and Courtney Crawford.

### PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Dionicio F. Aguilera, Priscilla Casarez, Lexie Marie Gallardo, Babarita Guerra, Blasa R. Mancillas, Celia Marquez, Maria C. Medellin; Infant girl Mendoza, Veronica A. Mendoza, Coleman Mosely, Celia Ortega, Ramon Rodriguez, Grace K. Sanders and Irving H. Willoughby.

## Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

5-9-4 (five, nine, four)

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

7-10-14-20-27 (seven, ten, fourteen, twenty, twenty-seven)

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# Lifestyles



## School spelling bee winners

Erin Louder, left, and Celeste Louder will represent Community Christian School at the upcoming Deaf Smith County Spelling Bees while Hereford Junior High will be represented by Brigham Brown and Tan Nguyen, right. Celeste will take part in the Junior Bee, set for Feb. 29. Erin, Brown and Nguyen will compete



in the Senior Bee on March 1. Alternates for Community Christian School are Melissa Reyna for the Senior Bee and Brian Taylor for the Junior Bee. There were no alternates from Hereford Junior High. The Senior Bee winners will represent Deaf Smith County at the Regional Bee this spring.

## Cattlemen name Honorary Cowbelle

The Hereford Cattlemen named John Josseland Honorary Cowbelle for 1995 during its Sweetheart Dinner and monthly meeting Tuesday evening in The Annex.

Jarret May, first year showmanship award winner, and his family were honored guests during the evening.

The meeting and decorations centered around a Valentine theme. At the close of the evening arrangements were given as door prizes.

After a brief business meeting, Linda Fitzgerald, president, presented Josseland with the traditional brass cow bell.

The honor is given each year to a man in the community who has shown support to the cattle industry and/or the Cattlemen in a way that deserves special recognition.

Fitzgerald said that Josseland

supported the fajita cookoffs with beef donations and was also the first purchaser of the Cattlemen cookbooks.

He and AzTx have supported class suppers, stock shows, sporting events and community affairs.

Josseland was born in Julesburg, Colorado. He played football at West Texas State University and received a degree in marketing.

He married Sandy in 1987 and they have two daughters, Lauren and Andee. He has worked at AzTx Cattle Co., since 1990.

The Half Moon was the name of explorer Henry Hudson's ship. In September of 1609, while searching for the northwest Passage, Hudson sailed his small Dutch ship into the river that would someday bear his name.

Captain John Smith, member of the governing council for the Jamestown settlement, was captured by Chief Powhatan's warriors. The young daughter of the chief, Pocahontas, purportedly asked that the life of Smith be spared. Around the age of 19, Pocahontas married an Englishman named John Rolfe. In 1616 she traveled to England where she met the king and queen. She became ill and died there in 1617.

## New Arrivals

Ronnie and Heidi Killough of San Angelo are the proud parents of a daughter, Kirsten Brooke, born Feb. 14. She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

Kirsten is welcomed home by a brother, Ryan, and a sister, Shannon.

Grandparents are Woody and Lydia Howell of San Angelo and Winthorn and Carolyn Jones of Hereford. Great-grandparents are Dorothy Tomcik of San Angelo and Lucille Killough of Burnet.

vehicles ahead of us, behind us and in the next lane, all going at least 70 miles an hour. I had no choice, so I had to keep going.

Please, Miss Landers, tell dog owners if they love their pets to keep them tied up. I will have nightmares for a long time to come even though what happened that night was not my fault. Just sign me--Sick at Heart in Pasadena

**DEAR PASADENA:** Some dogs that are tied up get loose, which means they were not properly secured. As for those who are permitted to run loose, their owners should face stiff fines.

It must be terrifying for the animal, and it is grossly unfair to subject innocent people like you to such an agonizing experience, followed by nightmares for weeks to come. I hope every dog owner who reads this will ask him or herself, "Could this happen to me?"

Gem of the Day: Television will never replace kindergarten teachers until they make a TV that removes snowsuits and blows noses.

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## Ann Landers

**DEAR ANN LANDERS:** When I read the letter from "Silently Weeping in Kansas," I knew I had to write. She was the woman who, after her husband died, found condoms in his wallet and pornography in his desk. That woman is lucky to be a widow. I wish I could trade places with her.

By accident, I discovered that my husband collects pornographic movies and magazines. They show women with women, men with men, and mixed groups. Those photos made me physically sick. I didn't view the movies. The titles alone were enough.

If that kind of garbage is what a man wants, I say fine, then don't get married and live a lie.

You told "Kansas" to remember the good things. That's not easy to do

when your trust has been broken. I don't know if my husband has had any affairs, but my discovery has made me suspicious.

Any suggestions as to what I can do about this taste for garbage?--Shocked and Disillusioned in Los Angeles

**DEAR LOS ANGELES:** You can't do anything about your husband's taste for garbage, but you can and should do something about your obsession with the subject. It is souring your marriage and ruining your life.

A good therapist will provide the opportunity to vent your anger. He (or she) will also give you some understanding of why men who have "nice" wives have a predilection for trash. When you discover it has nothing to do with a deficiency in you

but is due to your husband's adolescent approach to sex, your anger will subside and you will have a better marriage.

**DEAR ANN LANDERS:** I'm still shaking as I write this letter. This evening, I was driving down the expressway with my mother when I discovered, to my horror, that a dog had wandered onto the road.

The headlights of the car next to us must have frightened the poor thing. He appeared to be totally disoriented. We were horrified to see that beautiful animal trapped. It was impossible to stop because there were at least four cars behind us. Suddenly, I felt a thud and knew we had hit the dog. If it had been possible in that brief second to avoid hitting the animal, I would have done so. What's worse, I was unable to stop and see if he was hurt or dead. There were

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Love is what you've been through with somebody.

—James Thurber

## Shamrock queens to be recognized

To commemorate the golden anniversary of the Saint Patrick's Day Celebration in Shamrock a reunion of former queens will be held.

All former queens are asked to contact Rita Bryant, Box 303, Shamrock, Texas 79079 or phone 806-256-3181, or call the Shamrock Chamber of Commerce at 806-256-2501.

Former queens will be recognized at the banquet at 7 p.m. on March 15 in the Community Building. A reception/coffee is planned for Saturday morning at First Bank and Trust and queens may ride on a float in the parade.

Former queens or anyone knowing the addresses of former queens are asked to call Mrs. Bryant as soon as possible with the information.



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# Sports

## Canyon routs Levelland

The Canyon Independent School District went 1-1 in girls' basketball playoff games Tuesday night.

No. 1-ranked Canyon dismantled No. 7 Levelland, 48-29, at Hutcherson Center in Plainview, so the champions of District 1-4A will advance.

The runner-up in 1-4A had its season ended though, as Randall lost to Cleburne, 57-40, Tuesday in Big Spring.

That sets up a big game this weekend - either Friday or Saturday - between No. 1 Canyon and the defending state champions, Cleburne. The winner gets a trip to the state tournament. Canyon is perfect at 29-0; Cleburne is 29-5 and ranked fifth in Class 4A.

Randall ended its season with a 22-8 record.

The boys' teams representing District 1-4A learned who their opponents will be after bi-district games Tuesday. Both 1-4A teams get byes in bi-district.

Pampa (28-3), the champion of 1-4A, will face El Paso Parkland, a 67-49 winner over Monahans. Parkland (18-9) is the champion of District 3-4A.

Randall (20-13), the runner-up of 1-4A, will meet El Paso Jefferson, a 41-35 winner over Andrews. Jefferson (13-14) is the runner-up in 3-4A.

The next games will be announced later this week.



## Seventh grade girls' B team

The Hereford Junior High seventh grade girls' "B" basketball team won its district championship, going 9-1 in district play. The members of the team are: (front row, left to right) Marivel Sanchez, Jennifer Gonzalez, Kendra Walker, Shantell Bass,

Bethany Williams, Renee Hernandez, Michah White, Ashley Bridge, Kecia Thomas, (back) coach Minnie Perez, Crystal Reece, Katherine Fry, Jennifer Butler, Essie Thomas, Brionne Yosten, Dorina Guerrero, Ivory Isaacson and Teresa Zimmerman.

## Tech smacks SMU

By JEAN PAGEL  
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Texas Tech has already clinched at least a tie for the Southwest Conference championship, but the No. 9-ranked Red Raiders aren't looking past Saturday's showdown against Texas.

"Texas is right there at the top of the league with us," said Darvin Ham, who pulled down 11 rebounds in Tech's 75-54 victory over Southern Methodist on Tuesday. "We know they'd like to knock us off and knock us down in the polls."

Tech, (23-1, 12-0) beat the Longhorns by only a point, 79-78, in Lubbock earlier in the race. Now the Red Raiders have to play on Texas' home court. The Longhorns are second in the SWC race with a 10-2 record.

Dickey said his team must play better against Texas (17-6, 10-2), which beat Baylor, 80-72, on Tuesday.

"Texas will be tough this weekend," he said. "Coach (Tom) Penders has done a fine job of bringing along their young guys."

Jason Sasser scored 24 points to lead Tech past SMU, but the Raiders struggled throughout the first half.

"I didn't think we were as good as we could be," said Tech coach James Dickey. "I really think the last month other teams have had their best

games against us - that is not to make excuses, but it makes it hard to win."

Tech led 40-33 at the half, and the Mustangs (6-17, 2-9) pulled to within 44-40 before the Raiders made eight straight points for a 52-40 lead. SMU didn't threaten again.

"We played harder tonight," SMU coach Mike Dement said. "We fought, but we ran out of gas."

Ham said the Red Raiders played with scrappy stamina and defensive intensity.

Cory Carr scored 14 points, including three 3-pointers, and Tony Battie scored 12 points.

Jay Poerner led SMU with 19 points. Jemeil Rich added 11 for a team that shot only 19-of-58 from the field.

SMU took an early lead and went ahead 12-8 on Poerner's jumper with 13:44 remaining. But Tech went on a 10-run, capped by Jason Martin's drive finishing off a steal.

A bucket by Mohammad Tijanni brought the Mustangs close again, to within 21-19, but five free throws and Sasser's 3-pointer pushed the Raiders ahead by 10 at 33-23 with 4:16 left in the half.

The Red Raiders out-rebounded SMU, 42-34, while beating the Mustangs for the seventh straight time and winning their 29th consecutive game in Municipal Coliseum.

## Brown leaves Dallas to join Raiders

By BARRY WILNER  
AP Football Writer

Cornerbacks Eric Davis and Larry Brown, an All-Pro and a Super Bowl MVP, are headed to new teams.

Davis left the San Francisco 49ers as a free agent Tuesday, signing with the Carolina Panthers. Brown, whose two interceptions in last month's NFL title game helped Dallas beat Pittsburgh, joined the Oakland Raiders.

Also switching teams on a busy day in the free agency market were linebacker Bryan Cox, from Miami to Chicago, and tight end Wesley Walls, from New Orleans to Carolina.

Steelers quarterback Neil O'Donnell also sounded ready to move. From the AFC champions to the league's worst team last season, the New York Jets.

One starter who stayed put was Falcons center Roman Fortin, who signed a four-year deal.

Davis, 28 and a six-year veteran, became the third unrestricted free agent signed in slightly more than 24 hours by the Panthers, who last year had a league-high 17.

Former Raiders tackle Greg Skrepenak joined them on Monday, then Walls signed earlier Tuesday.

"It was a good fit," Davis said. "It's just a question of playing football now. This whole process is behind me, and I'm very happy to be a Carolina Panther."

Davis started 63 of his last 64 games in San Francisco. In 1995, he had 51 tackles, three interceptions and a team-high 22 passes defended on the NFL's top-ranked defense.

"Eric Davis has played at the premier level in this league," coach Dom Capers said. "He has exceptional cover skills, is a good tackler and has the ability to make the big play on defense. He is an outstanding addition to this team."

Walls, 29, will be entering his eighth year in the NFL. He had 57 receptions last season, a New Orleans club record for tight ends, for 694 yards and four touchdowns.

"This feels like home. This feels right," said Walls, who signed a three-year deal.

Brown knew the Cowboys had little money left for him after resigning All-Pro safety Darren Woodson. With Deion Sanders ready to play only football and Kevin Smith returning from an Achilles tendon injury, Brown might not have been a starter at cornerback for Dallas, anyway.

"I think Dallas was serious. But

George Brett of the Kansas City Royals was selected in the second round of the 1971 baseball draft.

Slugger Jack Clark was drafted as a pitcher by the San Francisco Giants in 1973.

Twelve players on the 1976 Arizona State baseball team went on to play in the major leagues.

## Longhorns rip Baylor

WACO, Texas (AP) - Reggie Freeman and Lamont Hill had 20 points each Tuesday night to lead Texas to an 80-72 victory over Baylor.

After building a 40-36 first half lead, Texas (17-6, 10-2) Southwest Conference managed to hold off the Bears in the second half by posting an identical point total and margin.

The Longhorns hit only 39 percent of their shots in the first half, but a sizzling 8-for-16 performance from 3-point range kept them ahead of

Baylor (8-15, 3-8).

Baylor sent Texas to the free throw line 22 times in the second half, but the Longhorns converted 16 to build their lead.

Texas' Kris Clack contributed 17 points and a game-high 14 rebounds while Sonny Alvarado added 12 points.

For Baylor, Doug Brandt led with a double-double of 14 points and 10 rebounds. Brian Skinner, Diamond Mannon and Rodrick Miller each scored 13.

## Rangers' Gonzalez is on time, in shape

PORT CHARLOTTE Fla. (AP) - He is lighter, healthier and apparently happier. More importantly, Juan Gonzalez is in the Texas Rangers spring training camp.

Tuesday the Texas Rangers' most feared power hitter arrived in training camp early for the first time in his career, giving his boss an early dose of encouragement.

"Juan looks good and he has a great attitude," Rangers general manager Doug Merton said. "And he walked right out to right field. He said he'll do whatever it takes to help the team. He is starting to show some leadership skills."

Gonzalez hasn't played in right since early in his minor league career, but he said he looks forward to the change of pace.

"It's all right, because The Ballpark in Arlington has a big left field and center field," he said. "I prefer to play right field, because when I first started to play baseball,

I played right. I never forgot the movement. I feel more comfortable there."

Back problems limited Gonzalez to just 90 games last season, but he still managed to place second on the team in home runs (27) and RBIs (82). At 26, he is the team's all-time homer leader.

The strapping outfielder weighed in at 229 pounds, nine pounds lighter than last season. The lighter look didn't affect his power Tuesday as he was the only Ranger to knock more than a couple batting practice pitches into a stiff breeze and out of the park.

"He put on quite a display," Melvin said. "And I was watching Juan in the outfield, and he has a brisk look to him. It looks like he's having fun and like he's happy to be here."

In fact, all of the team's regulars were in place before camp officially was set to open today.

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# Stockton, Orlando set new NBA records

By CHRIS SHERIDAN  
AP Basketball Writer

John Stockton set his record, the Orlando Magic set theirs.

Stockton broke Maurice Cheeks' career steals record Tuesday night by making career steal No. 2,311, and the Magic set a new mark for consecutive home victories without a loss to start a season as they improved to 28-0 on their home court. Stockton got his second steal of the night and broke the record by snatching the ball out of the hands of rookie Eric Williams with 8:21 to play in Utah's 112-98 victory over the Boston Celtics. He got a rousing ovation from the crowd of more than 20,000 at the Delta Center.

"I wanted to get it over with, but I didn't want to jeopardize my teammates and the win," Stockton said. "I didn't want to run around just seeking a steal. For that reason, I didn't know if I would do it tonight."

The Magic had no such doubts in the fourth quarter of their 123-104 victory over Philadelphia. By that time, the outcome was already decided and four of Orlando's five starters sat the whole period out.

Orlando broke the mark of 27-0 set by Red Auerbach's Washington Capitols in 1946-47.

"We're proud, but we're not satisfied because if you get satisfied, someone can sneak in here tomorrow night and get a win," Dennis Scott said. "It would be sweeter to win every single game because nobody could ever beat that."

## Jazz 112, Celtics 98

Stockton also broke the team record for 3-pointers, getting his 531st to surpass Darrell Griffith.

Karl Malone scored 24 points for

the Jazz, who led by as many as 32 and won their ninth straight over the Celtics. Greg Foster had 16 points, Antoine Carr 15 and David Benoit 14 for Utah, which has won 13 of 16 and maintained a half-game lead over the Spurs in the Midwest Division.

Utah went on a 25-9 run in the third quarter to take an 86-57 lead. After that, the only suspense was whether Stockton would break the record.

"It was a pretty neat feeling. It was kind of fun ... I think the whole team picked up for a couple of minutes, we were all running around and found a lot of energy at the end of the game," Stockton said.

## Magic 123, 76ers 104

Orlando led by 17 after one quarter and 29 at halftime against the league's worst team.

The Atlantic Division leaders have won 35 straight regular-season games on their home court, three shy of the league record held by the Boston Celtics.

"All I said to them after the game is that it's something that they should be proud of," Orlando coach Brian Hill said. "It stood for 49 years. It's a heck of an accomplishment - hopefully the first of many this year."

Shaquille O'Neal had 24 points and 13 rebounds, Scott was 6-for-8 from 3-point range, Nick Anderson had 14 points and Anfernee Hardaway 13.

## Bulls 102, Cavaliers 76

Chicago stayed within reach of Orlando's record.

Ron Harper scored a season-high 22 points and Chicago improved to 24-0 at home this season. The Bulls

have won 31 straight regular-season home games dating back to last season.

"They have no weaknesses," Cleveland's Michael Cage said. "We knew it was going to be tough coming in here. It's been tough for everybody coming in here."

Terrell Brandon scored 21 points for the Cavaliers, whose eight-game winning streak ended.

## Spurs 108, Trail Blazers 105

David Robinson had 39 points, nine rebounds and eight blocked shots, and San Antonio pulled out the victory at Portland when Rod Strickland missed two crucial shots in the final seconds.

Robinson's layup over Sabonis with 35 seconds to play put San Antonio ahead 106-103. Strickland followed with a layup and was fouled by Robinson with 26 seconds to play, but missed the free throw.

Strickland's off-balance try for a game-tying layup was far off the mark with 8 seconds left, and James Robinson missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

## Lakers 121, Clippers 104

At Inglewood, Calif., Magic Johnson left the game in the first quarter after straining a calf muscle, and his status was listed as day-to-day.

Vlade Divac scored 14 of his season-high 29 points and Cedric Ceballos had 15 of his 21 in a decisive third quarter. Nick Van Exel had 20 points and 11 assists, Eddie Jones had 14 points and eight assists and Ceballos had a team-high 10 rebounds.

The Lakers outscored the Clippers 41-19 in the third period to turn an eight-point halftime deficit into a 14-point lead.

## Bucks 92, Knicks 87

The road team won for the eighth straight time in the Milwaukee-New

York series.

Glenn Robinson scored 27 points and Vin Baker had 23 for the Bucks, who didn't have a field goal in the final

three minutes.

The Knicks had only one basket in that span, and they missed three shots from in close with 30 seconds left. The

Bucks went 21-of-23 from the free-throw line, including two by Sherman Douglas and one by Terry Cummings in the final 30 seconds.

## UMass slips by Rhode Island

By The Associated Press

Seven of the 26 victories in Massachusetts' perfect season have been by six points or less. Two of the close games have been with Rhode Island, which doesn't mean a whole lot to the Rams.

"I don't see any real satisfaction in that," Rhode Island coach Al Skinner said Tuesday night after the 74-69 loss to the top-ranked Minutemen. "This team is too good for moral victories. I'm happy with the way we've played, but we're not walking out of the locker room pleased that we were close."

In fact, the Rams (15-9, 7-6 Atlantic 10) were one point closer than their earlier meeting with Massachusetts (26-0, 14-0), one of the four games junior center Marcus Camby of the Minutemen missed after mysteriously collapsing.

Camby was highly visible in the rematch at the Providence Civic Center with 25 points, 13 rebounds and five blocks.

"If he isn't on the floor, Rhode Island wins," Massachusetts coach John Calipari said. "Marcus didn't play particularly well and he gets 25 and 13. I guess that says how good a player he really is."

It was more than just Camby, however, as guard Carmelo Travieso redeemed himself and clinched the win, all in the final 10 seconds.

Preston Murphy's 3-pointer with 11 seconds left brought Rhode Island to a 72-69 deficit. Travieso was fouled and had a chance to put the game away, but missed the front end of a 1-and-1.

The Rams called a timeout with 5.1 seconds left. The first inbound attempt was tipped out of bounds. Travieso stole the next attempt and

went in for the dunk that sealed the game.

"It's a high risk. But once I saw the pass coming, I went for the ball," said Travieso, who finished with 15 points. "I was pretty upset after missing that free throw, so I wanted to make up for it."

In other games involving ranked teams Tuesday, it was No. 2 Kentucky 84, Alabama 65; No. 7 Purdue 74, Illinois 71; No. 9 Texas Tech 75, Southern Methodist 54; Seton Hall 80, No. 15 Syracuse 79; and No. 19 Memphis 91, Southern Mississippi 66.

Massachusetts has three games left in the regular season - at home with George Washington and St. Joseph's and at Louisville. The only team to go unbeaten in the regular season since 1979 was UNLV in 1991. The last team to go unbeaten and win the national championship was Indiana in 1976.

"I told them in the last two timeouts, 'Play to win,'" Calipari said. "'Don't play not to lose.'"

Antonio Reynolds had 18 points and 13 rebounds for Rhode Island.

## No. 2 Kentucky 84, Alabama 65

The Wildcats (23-1, 13-0) won their 22nd consecutive game and 38th Southeastern Conference title. They are three games away from becoming the first team to go unbeaten in the league since Alabama in 1956. Tony Delk had 12 points for Kentucky, seven in a 26-6 run in the last 11 minutes of the first half. Anton Reese scored all 19 of his points in the second half of the visiting Crimson Tide (14-9, 7-6).

## No. 7 Purdue 74, Illinois 71

Roy Hairston scored 23 points and the Boilermakers (22-4, 12-2 Big

Ten) made five of six free throws in the final 32 seconds for the road win that gave them a 2 1/2-game lead in pursuit of their third straight conference title. Matt Heldman had 20 points for the Illini (16-9, 5-8), who trailed by 10 with 6:18 left and closed to 67-66 with 1:41 to play.

## Seton Hall 80, No. 15 Syracuse 79

Adrian Griffin and Levell Sanders each scored 17 points as the Pirates (11-13, 6-10 Big East) ended a six-game losing streak. The visiting Orangemen (19-7, 9-6), who had won five straight, had a chance to win, but John Wallace's baseline turnaround at the buzzer hit the front of the rim. Jason Cipolla had a career-high 24 points for Syracuse.

## No. 19 Memphis 91, Southern Miss. 66

Mingo Johnson scored all but two of his 17 points on 3-pointers as the Tigers (18-5, 9-2 Conference USA) won their 31st consecutive home game.

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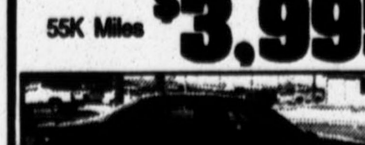
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# WWII Post Office mural in need of a new home

## Livingston art one example of paintings by N.M. artist Van Soelen

By RICHARD STEWART  
Houston Chronicle  
LIVINGSTON, Texas - For more than half a century, a Native American hunter has chased a thundering buffalo across the lobby of what is now the Livingston police station.

Mounted atop a brown and white pony, the hunter leans close to his shaggy prey, his bowstring taut, ready to shoot. Nearby, native wildlife look on as a single log cabin signifies civilization coming to the wilderness.

These images, captured on two Depression-era murals on the walls of the former U.S. Post Office building, have whisked young imaginations back into the time when Texas was the American frontier.

"I would look at those pictures and just imagine what it must have been like to be back then," said Police Chief Dennis Clifton. The 41-year-old Livingston native remembers the murals as the highlight of regular visits to the post office with his parents as a small boy.

He was not the only youngster to lose himself in the paintings.

"I took every one of my classes on field trips to see the murals," said retired elementary schoolteacher Gladys May.

"They have always fascinated me."

But the old building, like the buffalo, will soon be just a memory, and Livingston officials are trying to figure out what to do with the murals. May is leading a local effort to preserve the paintings.

All were painted by New Mexico artist Theodore Van Soelen, who mounted the murals on the post office walls in 1940 and 1941 as part of a New Deal program to provide art for the masses and jobs for artists.

"The problem is finding a place that's big enough to display them," said City Secretary Marilyn Sutton.

There is a historical museum in the town's library, but the library doesn't have a blank wall big enough for the murals.

When the city bought the post office building 20 years ago and converted it into a police station, the U.S. Postal Service retained ownership of the murals and loaned them to Livingston. A provision of the loan agreement states that Livingston cannot move the murals without permission from the postal service.

City officials wrote postal officials in Memphis last September about plans to replace the police station, Sutton said. The city has not received an answer yet, probably because the postal command structure has changed since 1976 so the decision on what to do about the Livingston murals will probably be made in Houston or Dallas.

Post office spokesman David Lewin of Houston said the postal service would probably like the murals to remain on display for citizens of Livingston.

The murals were among more than 1,000 commissioned for post offices by the Treasury Section of Painting and Sculpture, later the Treasury Section of Fine Arts, between 1934 and 1943. Murals were painted for 61 Texas post offices, including Houston, Baytown and Liberty.

A perfectionist, Theodore Van Soelen probably labored on each of the Livingston murals in his New Mexico studio for almost a year before traveling here to mount them on the post office walls, said his son, Ted Van Soelen of Clovis, N.M.

He also used the buffalo theme for a mural in the Portales, N.M., post office. He painted two more murals for a post office in Deming, N.M.

Van Soelen was born in St. Paul, Minn., in 1890. He studied at the Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts

and earned scholarships for two trips around Europe before World War I. On the second trip he contracted tuberculosis and returned home a sick man, his son said. Doctors advised him to go to the healthier climate of New Mexico.

He arrived on a stretcher, family friends later told the younger Van Soelen. One New Mexico doctor told him he had two months to live. Another gave him two weeks. A local banker befriended the artist and offered to let him stay on his ranch to paint or do whatever he wanted for the brief period he was expected to live.

"He outlived the banker and both of those doctors," Ted Van Soelen said.

The West revived Van Soelen both physically and artistically. He married and built a home and studio about six miles north of Santa Fe. The studio had two enormous plate glass windows along the north wall.

"He always liked to paint with north light," his son said.

Van Soelen never became as well known as others who made the area an art center. His son believes that was because he took such a long time with each work.

Ted Van Soelen remembers that once his father had almost completed a portrait and complained that something just didn't look right about it. His wife looked at the painting and agreed, suggesting the trouble was with one of the eyes.

"He burned that painting and started all over again," his son said. "Most people would have just painted over the mistake, but he wasn't like that. I don't think anybody was ever displeased with anything they commissioned him to do."

Few people got to see one of his works in progress.

"If somebody wanted to take a picture of him in his studio, he would put a finished picture on the easel and

stand by that," Ted Van Soelen said.

Nor did he indulge in the eccentricities many people thought characteristic of artists. Life magazine sent a reporter and a photographer to Santa Fe to do a story about Van Soelen.

"They must have been here for two or three weeks," his son recalled. "They kept wanting him to be a character but he said, 'This is the way I am.'"

The pair left in disgust and the article never appeared.

Van Soelen did appear in magazines - but as an author, not as a subject. A bird hunter, he wrote many articles for Field and Stream and other hunting magazines.

Van Soelen died in Santa Fe in 1964 at age 74 - more than 40 years after doctors had given him weeks to live.

His art lives on in many museums - and in the Livingston police station. There, the artwork's future is uncertain.

The city plans to hire an architect soon to design a new police station, which will be built next door to the existing one. The old post office building, built in 1938, will probably be torn down to make way for parking.

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Whatever women do they must do twice as well as men to be thought half as good. Luckily, this is not difficult.

—Charlotte Whitton

# Television

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 21											
6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	
22	Tail Tales and Legends	Movie: Man of the House Chevy Chase. *** PG	Movie: Mark Twain and Me ***	Spin-Marty	Zorro						
23	News	Ent. Tonight	Future of Crime Fighting	Dateline	Law & Order	News	News	(3:35) Tonight Show			
24	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Churchills				Encore!	Tony Brown	Charlie Rose			
25	Videos	Videos	NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at Indiana Pacers			Summit		Movie: Duel at Diablo ***			
26	News	Wh. Fortune	Ellen	Parent	Grace Under	Naked Truth	Primetime Live	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
27	Fam. Mat.	Newhart	Sister, Sis.	Drew Carey	Wayans	Unhappily	News	Night Court	Simon & Simon		
28	News	Home Imp.	Dave's	Louie	Movie: The Good Doctor: The Paul Fieles Story (1996)	News	News	(3:35) Late Show			
29	Roseanne	Simpsons	Beverly Hills, 90210	Party of Five	Hercules-Jrns.	M*A*S*H	Cops	Wanted			
30	College Basketball	Northwestern at Wisconsin	College Basketball Georgia Tech at Virginia	Sportscenter				Muscle			
31	Waltons		Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club	Three Stooges		Bonanza			
32	Movie: Across the Tracks	Movie: Trading Places Eddie Murphy. *** R	Movie: 48 Hrs. Nick Nolte. *** R	Statistically	Movie:						
33	(5:00) Movie: Little Giants	America's Dream	Shift/Look	Dream On	Tracy	Movie: Silent Fall Richard Dreyfuss. R					
34	(5:30) Movie: Off Beat PG	Movie: Just Like a Woman Julie Walters. *** R	Movie: The Club Kim Coates. *** R	Movie: The Fence (1994)							
35	Movie: Rich Man, Poor Girl (1938) ***	Movie: Honolulu (1939) ***	Movie: Bridal Suite (1939) Annabella. ***	Movie: Miracles for Sale							
36	Dukes of Hazzard	The Road	Prime Time Country	Club Dance							
37	Invention	Movie Magic	Wild Discovery	Invention	Next Step	Promised Land	Movie Magic	Invention	Wild Disc.		
38	Equalizer	Biography	American Justice	20th Century			Law & Order	Biography			
39	Comish	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Closer and Closer (1996) Kim Delaney.	Unsolved Mysteries	Mysteries						
40	Longhorn	College Basketball Southern Mississippi at Tulane	Muscleport USA	Horseworld			Press Box	Rodeo			
41	In the Heat of the Night	Movie: Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome (1985) ***	(1:15) Movie: Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome (1985) Mel Gibson. ***								
42	Doug	Tiny Toon	Munsters	Jeanie	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	M.T. Moore	Taxi	Kotter	Van Dyke	Newhart
43	Wings	Wings	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: Out of Annie's Past (1995). Scott Valentine	Silk Stalkings				Highlander		
44	Lazos de Amor	Acapulco Cuerpo y Alma	El Premio Mayor	Fuera	Lince Loco				Noticiero	P. Impacto	Movie:
45	Air Combat	Spies	Movie: Judgment in Berlin (1988) Martin Sheen. **	Year by Year					Spies		
46	RPM 2Night	NHL Hockey Florida Panthers at New Jersey Devils					NHL 2Night	Be a Player	RPM 2Night	NBA 2Night	

# THURSDAY FEBRUARY 22

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	
22	Pooh	Care Bears	Gummi B.	Pooh Cnr.	Dumbo	Umbrella	Fraggle	Ducktales	Chip 'n' Dale	Tale Spin	Movie:
23	Today				Leza		Gerardo		Gordon Elliott		Our Lives
24	Perspective	Perspective	Sesame Street	Lamb Chop	Storytime	Mr Rogers	Kidsongs	Barney	Puzzle Place	Painting	
25	Gilligan	Bewitched	Bos?	Griffith	Little House on the Prairie	(:05) Matlock			(:05) Perry Mason		Movie: Guns
26	Good Morning America				Live - Regis & Kathie Lee	Montel Williams			Little House on the Prairie		News:
27	News				Court TV	Griffith	Charlie's Angels	Gerardo			News
28	(6:00) This Morning	George & Alana		Carnie			Price is Right		Young and the Restless		News
29	Bobby	Aladdin	Mighty Max	Cubhouse	700 Club		K. Copeland	Christian	Gabrielle		Paid Prog.
30	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter				Ski Jumping		
31	Family Challenge	Make a Deal	Name-Tune		700 Club				Rescue 911		Waltons
32	Movie: Praying With Anger M. Night Strydoman. PG-13	Movie: The Guru (1969) Michael York. Uptal Duff. ** G	Movie: Johnny Dangers *** PG-13						Movie: From Here to Eternity ***		
33	Movie: A Perfect World (1993) Kevin Costner. Clint Eastwood. PG-13	Movie: The Brady Bunch Movie PG-13							Movie: Johnny Dangers *** PG-13		
34	Movie: Mick & Maude (1984) Dudley Moore, Amy Irving	Movie: Brother John Sidney Poitier. PG	(:45) Movie: Perfect Alibi Ten Garr. *** NR								
35	Movie: Blazing Guns	Movie: Gun Belt (1953). Tab Hunter. ***	(:25) Movie: Invitation to a Gunfighter	Movie: The Invisible Ghost (1941) **							
36	(Off Air)	VideoMorning							Crafts	Crafts	Wildhorse
37	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Understanding	Home	Start	Housesmart!			Graham K.	Cuisine	Great Chefs
38	Remington Steele	McCloud				Mike Hammer			Quincy		Equalizer
39	Baby Knows	Your Baby	Sisters	Our Home		Bingers and Summers			Living	Our Home	Handmade
40	Press Box	Workout	Plex & Blast	Get Fit	Rodeo	Boxing Prime Championship Series					Basketball
41	(6:30) Scooby Dooby Doo	Bugs Bunny	Flintstones	Chefs	Gilligan	Knobs Landing			Starsky and Hutch		Angels
42	Looney	Gumby	Rugrats	Busy World	Muppets	Muppets	Allegria	Gullah	Rupert	Busy World	Eureka
43	G.I. Joe	Woody	Knight Rider		Murder, She Wrote	Magnum, P.I.			Quantum Leap		People Cl.
44	Plaza Ses	El Chevo	Chespirito	Papa Solt.	Dr Perez	Valentina					Morelia
45	Year by Year	Classroom	History Showcase	Winston Churchill					Crusade	Crusade	Real West
46	Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Crunch	Bodyshape	Flex Appeal	Crunch	Gotta Sweat	Fitness	Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Sports Babe

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
22	Movie: Great Muppet	Pooh	C. Brown	Quack	Kids Incorp.	Mickey	Darkwing	Tale Spin	Ducktales	Chip 'n' Dale
23	Our Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Writers	Maury Povich	Oprah Winfrey			News	NBC News
24	Body Elec.	Minister	Wait for God	Chefs	Writers	Reading	C. Sandiego	Science Guy	Wildhorse	News
25	Movie: Guns of the Magnificent Seven	Garfield	Flintstones	Scooby-Doo	Brady	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	
26	Rush L.	One Life to Live	All My Children	Videos	General Hospital	News	Jeopardy!	News	ABC News	ABC News
27	News	Perry Mason	Gerardo	Warner	Animaniacs	Fam. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	
28	Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Cur. Affair	Hard Copy	Ricki Lake			News	CBS News
29	Paid Prog.	Matlock	In the Heat of the Night	Taz-Mania	Eekstravag	Batman	Siegfried	Full House	Fresh Fr.	
30	Ski Jumping	NCAA	Adventure	Sports	Chess	Skiing	Ski World	NBA	Snowmobile	Up Close
31	Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Punky B.	I'm Telling	Wild Animal	Masters	Family Challenge	Newhart	Shade	Sportsctr.
32	Movie: Movie: Hal Caesar Arthur Michael Hall.	(:45) Movie: The Alamo (1960) John Wayne, Richard Widmark. ***								
33	Arrow: First	Movie: Oblivion Richard Joseph Paul. **	Shakespeare	Happily	Movie: A Dangerous Place ** R	(:15) Movie: The Scout **				
34	Movie: Wild Thing Rob Knepper. PG-13	Movie: Kidco Scott Schwartz. *** PG	(:45) Movie: Leap of Faith Steve Martin. *** PG-13	Movie:						
35	(12:20) Movie: The Invisible Boy (1957)	Movie: Don't Make Waves (1967) Tony Curtis. ***	Movie: Angel on My Shoulder (1946) Paul Muni. ***							
36	Wildhorse	VideoPM	Dukes of Hazzard						Wildhorse	Club Dance
37	Home	Start	Easy Does It	Home	Graham K.	Cuisine	Great Chefs	Popular Mechanics	Wings	
38	Equalizer	McMillan and Wife							Remington Steele	Quincy
39	Designing	Movie: Sins of the Mother (1991). Dale Midkiff **	Spenser: For Hire						Cagney & Lacey	Supermt.
40	Women's College Basketball	Fast Pitch	Abflex	Kid Club	Planet X	Championship Wrestling			Transworld Sport	
41	Angels	CHiPs	Wild, Wild West	Movie: Something About Amelia (1984) ***					In the Heat of the Night	
42	Papa Beaver	Gumby	Tintin	Looney	Beetlejuice	Muppets	Chipmunks	Tiny Toon	Looney	Cheerias
43	(:45) People's Court	Love Con.	(:15) Love Connection	PGA Golf Nissn Open - First Round	Renegade					
44	Morelia	Como Tu, Ninguna	Dulce	Cristina	Primer Impacto				Dr Perez	Noticias
45	Real West	Air Combat	History Showcase	Winston Churchill	Crusade	Crusade	Real West			
46	Sports Babe	NBA 2Night	NHL Hockey Florida Panthers at New Jersey Devils						Hockey: World Pee Wee Grand Final	Outdoors

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
22	Earle Ind.	MMC	Movie: My Bodyguard Chris Makepeace. *** PG	Celine Dion: The Colour of My Love	Movie: Lincoln (1988) ***					
23	News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Single Guy	Seinfeld	Caroline	ER	News	(3:35) Tonight Show	
24	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Great Drives	Mystery!			Mississippi, America	Computer	Charlie Rose		
25	Videos	Movie: Double Impact (1991) Jean-Claude Van Damme. **	(:35) Movie: Kickboxer (1989). Denis Alexio **							
26	News	Wh. Fortune	Movie: The Bodyguard (1992) Kevin Costner, Whitney Houston. ***					News	Seinfeld	Nightline
27	Fam. Mat.	NBA Basketball Chicago Bulls at Atlanta Hawks						News	Night Court	Simon & Simon
28	News	Home Imp.	Terrors of the Deep	Rescue 911	48 Hours	News	News	(3:35) Late Show		
29	Roseanne	Simpsons	World's Funniest Outtakes	New York Undercover	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	M*A*S*H	Cops	Wanted		
30	College Basketball	Louisville at Cincinnati	College Basketball Maryland at North Carolina State	Sportscenter				Basketball		
31	Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club				Three Stooges		
32	Movie: It Runs Family	Movie: Blown Away Jeff Bridges. ** R	Movie: Steepwalkers Brian Krause. R	Movie: Cafe Society (1990)				Movie: Cafe Society (1990)		
33	(5:15) Movie: The Scout	Movie: The Brady Bunch Movie PG-13	Journey of the African-American Athlete	Comedy	Movie:					
34	Movie: Police-Mission	Movie: Nostradamus Tchéky Karyo. ** R	Movie: The Walking Dead Alan Payne.	Movie: Breaking Point R						
35	Movie: The Hucksters (1947) Clark Gable. ***	Movie: Love Is Better Than Ever (1952)	Movie: High Wall (1947) Robert Taylor. ***							
36	Dukes of Hazzard	Life of Ernest Tubb	Prime Time Country	Club Dance				News	Ernest Tubb	
37	Invention	Movie Magic	Wild Discovery	Movie Magic	Know Zone	Promised Land	Movie Magic	Invention	Wild Disc.	
38	Equalizer	Biography	Ancient Mysteries	Voyages			Law & Order	Biography		
39	Comish	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Shadow of Obasson (1994) Veronica Hamel.	Unsolved Mysteries	Mysteries					
40	Colorado	College Basketball Fordham at St. Bonaventure	NBA Action	Press Box	College Basketball Washington State at Stanford					
41	In the Heat of the Night	Movie: The Breakfast Club (1985) Emilio Estevez. ***	Movie: For Better or Worse (1996) Jason Alexander.	Movie:						
42	Doug	Tiny Toon	Munsters	Jeanie	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	M.T. Moore	Taxi	Kotter	Van Dyke
43	Wings	Wings	Figure Skating Skating Romance	Highlander: The Series	Silk Stalkings				Highlander	
44	Lazos de Amor	Acapulco Cuerpo y Alma	El Premio Mayor	Blavayados	Noticiero	P. Impacto			Spies	
45	Naval Academy	Spies	Movie: L.B.: The Early Years (1987) Randy Quaid. ***	Year by Year						



## To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I recently got a diagnosis of arrhythmia and primary pulmonary hypertension. I understand that it is not rare, but not common either. I cannot walk any distance without being short of breath. I used to play tennis. Can you tell me something about my condition? Can I expect to recover? My medicines are verapamil and Coumadin. — Mrs. F.T.

ANSWER: Pulmonary hypertension is the kind that occurs within lung circulation.

Such circulation operates in a world of its own. The pressure in the lungs is normally quite low, about a fifth of nonlung circulation pressure.

Doctors measure regular hypertension with the familiar inflatable arm cuff. But getting lung blood-

pressure numbers entails a more complex surgical procedure. To measure it, you have to thread a plastic tube into the right side of the heart by way of an accessible vein.

Pulmonary hypertension presents a treatment challenge as well, although we do use some of the medicines effective against ordinary hypertension. Verapamil helps lower blood pressure. Coumadin discourages blood clotting, something you want to avoid at all costs.

Finally, pulmonary hypertension differs in the area of exercise. Exercise as a pressure-lowering therapy doesn't work. In fact, you have to pace activity with care. I cannot advise you from this distance regarding your limits.

If nothing can be done to control

your condition, then a lung transplant becomes an option.

Pulmonary hypertension does cause breathlessness and fatigue. The word "primary" in your diagnosis refers to the fact that the blood-pressure problem occurs with no explanation, no secondary cause.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him at P.O. Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077-5539.

Some people can stay longer in an hour than others can stay in a week.

—William Dean Howells

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### Going to state contest

There Hereford High School students recently qualified for the state UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest when they received high marks at a regional competition. To qualify for state, soloists had to receive a Division I rating on a memorized solo, while ensemble members had to receive a Division I rating. Shown are those winners, not in order: Kyle Goldsmith, Bethany Townsend and Julie Schlabs, percussion trio; Jonathan Cantu, Jeff Higgins and Leslie Poarch, trumpet trio; and soloists Melissa Davis, French Horn; Cantu, trumpet; Scott Shaw, tuba and vocal; and Dianna Detten, piano. The state competition will be held in May in Austin.

## Frequent moving disruptive for America's school-age children

By MIKE KELLEY

**Austin American-Statesman**  
AUSTIN - Aaron Spivey, 17, was going to high school in Austin. His mother thought they might find a safer school environment elsewhere, so they moved to Williamson County, where Aaron went to McNeil High. But the rent proved to be too much and they moved back into the city.

Marcella Warren, 18, has moved four times within Austin in the past four years. "My parents don't own a house; they rent. So if things don't work out, then we move."

When you're in school and your family moves, it causes disruptions. Maybe your new classes don't mesh evenly with your old ones. Maybe you now live in one part of town and go to school in another, so you have to take a city bus instead of relying on the school bus.

Certainly, it can affect how you do in school.

Two years ago, the General Accounting Office reported that one in six third-graders had attended at least three different schools since beginning first grade. Of those, 41 percent were low achievers in reading compared with 26 percent of third-graders who had not changed schools. Of the more mobile students, 33 percent were low in math, compared with 17 percent of those who didn't move.

Spivey and Warren are lucky. They moved from one school to another through transfers, a more-or-less orderly process in which a student's records move along with the student, allowing schools to plan and prepare.

The greater problem, officials say, is general mobility, wherein a child suddenly leaves his old school, which is left wondering where he is, and shows up unannounced at a new one which, if he now lives in that school's area, has to take him.

The Texas Education Agency counts as "mobile" a student who has missed at least one six-week period at a given school. Usually, this means that the student enrolled after October, missing the first six weeks of class.

Statewide, the percentage of mobile students during the last school year, 1994-95, was 21.8 percent.

For the same period, the mobility rate within the Austin school district was 26.7 percent. One reason for that may be Austin's relatively high percentage of renters. In Austin, six out of 10 people rent rather than own their homes.

Says Melissa Sabatino, a researcher for the Austin schools, "A lot of kids change schools three, four, even five times a year. In many cases, a family moves into an apartment. Then the rent goes up, they can't afford it and they have to move out," sometimes to an area served by a different school.

"These kids have special needs,"

says Sabatino. "Moving around really affects them academically and socially ... They don't get a continuous education. They're in a constant state of turbulence and adjustment - new friends, new teachers, new routines."

Bobbie Eddins, of the Texas Association of Secondary Principals, agrees. "When you've got kids who move around and there's not a lot of stability as far as going to the same school and having a group of peers that they deal with and feel comfortable with, that's tough. That's real tough. Schools have to compensate for that and do a lot of extra things to make kids feel secure and feel at home there. You've got to build a safety net under kids, and (high mobility) makes it more difficult to give them the services and instruction that they need," Eddins said.

L. Scott Miller, an education consultant who did a survey of the literature on the subject in 1992 and found it surprisingly sparse, says, "The truth is that elements like student mobility point out that for extremely disadvantaged kids, the central obstacle to doing well in school lies outside the school. Do the parents have stable jobs that pay a decent wage? It begins there."

Of Austin's 10 public high schools, Reagan, in the northeast part of town, has the highest rate of mobility, 38.5 percent according to the TEA.

Reagan Associate Principal Mary Liz Singleton says the socioeconomic level of the families that Reagan serves has declined "dramatically" in the past five to 10 years. "That's part of it. Some families will tend to move from month to month. When they run out of money for rent, they move from one place to another," and the child winds up suddenly and unexpectedly in a different school.

Lena Vela, principal of Travis High School, said she sees that "a lot." "In this area," says Vela, "60 percent of our students have pretty solid homes with parent support. But that leaves the other 40 percent." Sometimes, she says, families get evicted from apartments because they can't pay. "What they do is live with families that already have an apartment and don't tell anybody there are two families living in an apartment that's made for one. If they're lucky enough to stay in our area, they can still come here."

"But let's say you have to split the family and some kids go with an aunt in the north and the aunt in the east and a couple go to the south. It's very disruptive, and they do not come back to school."

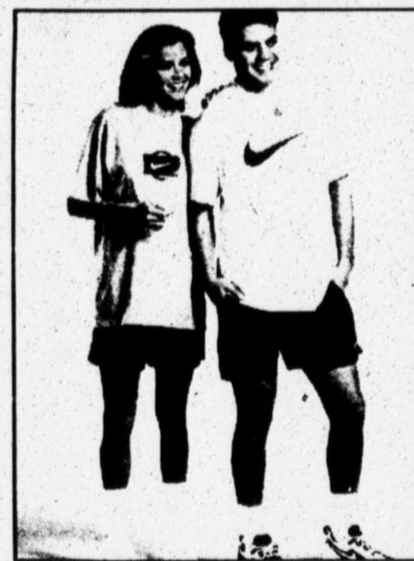
"Many of them just don't have a stable environment. Their parents really can't afford how much it is around here. It's \$700 to rent a place that's a good environment for the kids. That's why we have so many children working, so they can help pay the rent."

Driven by job growth and occupancy rates, Austin's average apartment rents are by far the highest of the state's major cities. If a child has to work full time, he can't go to school full time. If the family can't make the rent, they move on.

Education consultant Miller says student mobility is a problem just beginning to get national recognition.

Do you know that the man who was called "Old Silverleg" was really Peter Stuyvesant, Dutch governor of New Amsterdam.

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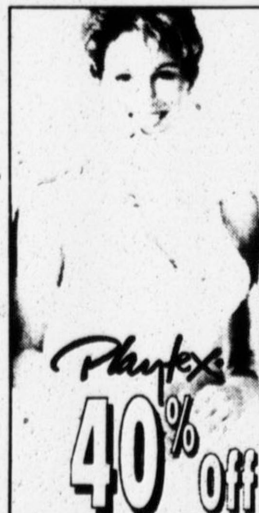
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1990 Buick  
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by THOMAS JOSEPH

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Monday - Friday  
6:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Drop-ins Welcome  
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1991 Buick Regal \$7900  
MARCUM MOTOR CO.

## 10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Thursday, February 29th  
5:15 pm to 8:30 pm  
High School Cafeteria

**11. BUSINESS SERVICES**  
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Confidential Services  
Problem Pregnancy Center  
505 E. Park Ave.  
Call: 364-2027 or 364-5299 (MICHELLE)

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A professor can never better distinguish himself in his work than by encouraging a clever pupil, for the true discoverers are among them, as comets among stars.  
—Linnaeus

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IS LONGFELLOW  
One letter stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.  
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OLD BDHFO LDF ZEJWLDO  
HO XP WLDM BDFD WLFJBA  
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UJAHWLHA OBPW  
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: IT'S USELESS TO HOLD A PERSON TO ANYTHING HE SAYS WHILE HE'S IN LOVE, DRUNK, OR RUNNING FOR OFFICE.—SHIRLEY MACLAINE



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## 13. LOST & FOUND

Set of keys for auto was found at the sale barn. Come by Hereford Brand office to identify. 31192

Lost: Male-Border Collie Cross, white, longhaired, black ears and specks on face and legs. Reward, 364-4699. 31193

## LEGAL NOTICES

### Wildorado ISD Accepting Bids

The Wildorado Independent School District is accepting bids for the renovation of the four existing restrooms located in the elementary school building. For further information regarding this project, please call Randy Burks, Superintendent at (806) 426-3317. Bids will be reviewed on March 5, 1996 during the regular Board of Trustees meeting.

## ST. JUDE

**Novena**  
May The Sacred Heart of Jesus be Adored, Glorified, Loved and Preserved throughout the world, Now and Forever, Sacred Heart of Jesus Pray for us. St. Jude worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude Help the Hopeless, Pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 8th day your prayer will be answered. Say it for 9 days. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised.  
Thank You St. Jude



Basenji is a breed of dogs first found in central Africa. Basenjis cannot bark but they can make a whining sound.

# Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: Many years ago, when we were children, my mother had a recipe for instant hot chocolate that she said she got from your mother's column. The ingredients were powdered milk, chocolate-flavored drink mix and powdered creamer.

Unfortunately, she no longer has the recipe.

Can you reprint it so my sisters and I can make it for our children? It not only tastes good, it brings back lots of fond memories. — M. Parker, New Orleans

I'd love to reprint it for you! It's one of my favorites, too.

The basic recipe calls for 2 cups powdered milk, 1/4 cup cocoa, 1 cup powdered sugar (or the equivalent in sugar substitute) and a dash of salt.

You can make it even richer by adding 1/2 cup powdered non-dairy creamer and/or 1 to 2 tablespoons of malted milk powder. The hot cocoa mix should be stored in a tightly sealed container.

To prepare, put about 4 tablespoons of mix into 1 cup of hot water. Top it off with a dollop of vanilla ice cream or whipped topping.

For this and more of my all-time favorite recipes, I'd like to offer my eight-page pamphlet, which I'm sure you'll enjoy. For a copy, please send

\$2, along with a self-addressed, stamped (55 cents), long envelope to: Heloise/Recipe, PO Box 795001, San Antonio TX 78279-5001. — Heloise

### SKIMMING FAT

Dear Heloise: Recently I cooked beef ribs to make stew. They had been trimmed well, but there was still too much fat. In a hurry, I sat the pot in the sink with cold water to set the fat, so I could skim it off. Soon the sink water was tepid, so I decided to put ice cubes into the water.

I accidentally dropped a cube into the beef and it coated with fat immediately. I discarded the fat from that cube and put in about six at a time and discarded the fat the same way.

It was one of my better accidents. — Emmaline Chamblee, Quitman, Texas

May they all turn out so well. Glad you dropped by. — Heloise

### FROZEN JUICE

Dear Heloise: I hated preparing frozen fruit juice, having to dig out the frozen contents and stir until liquid. That is, until I decided one night to open the can top and place it upside down in the pitcher. The next morning, all I had to do was lift the can out, add water and, behold, liquid juice ready to serve. — Marie Bone, Bonaire, Ga.

# Antibiotic-resistant bacteria a problem for livestock industry

By MATT KELLEY  
Associated Press Writer  
URBANA, Ill. (AP) - Sheila Davis shows a visitor to her laboratory a round dish filled with a slimy, foul-smelling colony of bacteria which cause pneumonia in pigs.

Scattered across the surface of the dish are several white disks, each containing a different antibiotic. Most of the disks have a clear area around them, showing how the drug kills the disease-causing germs.

But a few of the disks are covered in bacterial slime, showing that the bugs can live even when doused with those antibiotics.

These bacteria cultures demonstrate a looming problem for the livestock industry: antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

Davis, a lab technician at the University of Illinois veterinary medical school, says she has seen a slow but steady increase in the number of antibiotic-resistant strains during her two years of work at the UI.

"We don't even test for penicillin or streptomycin," Davis explains. "They just don't work anymore."

Some veterinarians worry that the bacteria that make animals sick are slowly outstripping humans' efforts to control them.

In the past, livestock producers constantly fed their animals low doses of antibiotics to prevent disease and accelerate weight gain. Although the antibiotics killed many harmful bacteria, the germs that survived multiplied and may have passed their antibiotic resistance to other bacteria,

experts say.

Victor Valli, the dean of the UI's veterinary medical school, has told state lawmakers they should restrict the use of antibiotics in livestock. Producers would be financially devastated and humans could be at risk if virulent germs develop resistance to wide ranges of antibiotics, Valli says.

"The risk to human health is greater than the benefit to producers," Valli says. "We're not against treating animals if they're sick. We're against use of antibiotics in animals in a way that makes them ineffective."

Illinois Beef Association spokesman Tim O'Connor calls Valli's fears "much overblown." Economic concerns such as consumers' worries about antibiotic residues in meat have made the constant feeding of antibiotics largely a thing of the past, O'Connor says.

Most cattle producers say they only use antibiotics when their cows are sick, and then for only three days at any one time.

"It's just like in grade school when the kids all get sore throats," says Roger Nordman, whose feedlot near Oregon, Ill., handles about 2,500 cattle at a time. "You don't do anything about it until it gets to a level where you need to treat."

"You've got to remember that these antibiotics are very expensive. It's an expense that we just don't want."

Indeed, livestock antibiotics are big business. Indianapolis-based drug maker Eli Lilly and Co., for example,

sold \$512.4 million worth of animal health products in 1995. Lilly's offerings include the livestock antibiotic Tylan, which is promoted as a feed additive with full-page ads in livestock industry publications.

Thomas Shryock, a researcher who works on livestock antibiotics for Lilly, agrees that financial pressures are making producers use the drugs more wisely. Shryock says his research also indicates antibiotics can help animals' immune systems fight harmful bacteria, even if those germs are resistant to the antibiotic.

"If you go to any farm and sample the manure for E. coli (bacteria), chances are you'll see tetracycline-resistant E. coli, even if tetracycline was never used on that farm," Shryock says. "Yet people still use tetracycline and still have a beneficial effect."

Another possibility that worries Valli and other veterinarians is the threat of antibiotic-resistant bacteria making the jump from livestock to humans.

A deadly example of that threat is the bacterial strain known as E. coli O157:H7, which killed four and sickened more than 700 people who ate undercooked hamburgers on the West Coast in 1993 and remains a potent food-poisoning threat.

Valli said he studied the strain when he was a graduate student 25 years ago. Back then, the bacteria caused the same life-threatening diarrhea, bleeding and kidney damage in cattle that it causes in humans, Valli said.

Cattle developed a resistance to the bacteria's toxins, however, meaning

they can carry the bacteria without getting sick. The germs can be spread to meat during the slaughtering process; as few as 10 of the bacteria in undercooked meat can cause a fatal illness.

Some E. coli O157:H7 varieties already are resistant to tetracycline and streptomycin, antibiotics commonly used in cattle, University of Washington researchers reported in 1994.

Developing resistance among the bacteria in livestock could help create other strains of germs which live silently in farm animals but cause severe, untreatable illnesses in humans, Valli and his colleagues say.

"I'm concerned about emerging infections that can pass to man without harming the animal. Resistance in those is very dangerous," says Fred Trout, head of clinical veterinary medicine at the UI.

Shryock, however, says he's confident humans will continue to win the "bugs vs. drugs" battle.

"I don't think the microbes are winning," Shryock says. "I don't think there are any diseases now that are untreatable."

Valli isn't so sure.

"What we really need is a system of animal rearing and food handling that will protect us and is under control," Valli says, adding that the controls need to be on the animal production end of the process.

"If an animal gets to a packing plant with antibiotic resistant bacteria or antibiotic residues, there's really nothing you can do."

# Return junkies abuse return policies

By KATE MEWHINNEY  
Valley Morning Star  
HARLINGEN, Texas - "Maria" is a junkie of sorts.

There's the time she once bought a \$300 formal dress from Dillard's, wore it with the tags still on, and then returned it.

"They wouldn't take it back here, so I drove to McAllen and they took it back," she said.

Then there's the time she unsewed the stitching in a pair of shoes and tried to return them.

"I told them they fell apart," she said.

Maria, not her real name, is not alone as a returns abuser. Many retailers say customers sometimes try to take advantage of their policies.

"One time a person wore shoes about one month and brought them back because they didn't like the color," said Jorge Salcines, owner and manager of Harlingen Sports.

"I've had people return cookware after they've used it over the weekend," said Harriette Armacost, owner of Harlingen Hardware and Supply Inc. "They think that they've rented items. We've taken things like that back, but we don't like it."

For most retailers, Christmas usually is the busiest time for returns. This is the time when Mike Grimaldo, a service desk employee at Target, said he hears it all.

"People bring things in from two years ago - really beat up items," he said. "Like toy boxes with other items inside, like rocks. Or robots with a beat up gum ball machine inside."

Because of the overpopulated stores, some stores say it is harder to monitor returns, and this is the time when people try to pull scams.

"A lot of people will pick up something in the store and walk right to the service desk," Grimaldo said.

Christmas isn't the only time such schemes occur.

"One kid comes in about once or twice a year and picks up a \$50 item and says his dad didn't want it and tries to return it," Armacost said. "He'll get real belligerent."

Due to these people who take advantage of the system, more and more retailers are changing their return policies.

"It became abused," said Kevin Wagner, Harlingen's Wal-Mart Super Center store manager. "It's ridiculous when people buy something and bring it back five years later. I can't guarantee stuff for life."

"People kept the receipts for five, six, seven years and would come back."

Now Wal-Mart has put some stricter limitations on its returns policy. Customers have 30 to 45 days to bring back selected items from the electronics and sporting goods departments, and they must have a receipt.

"Most other stuff still lives within the same guidelines," Wagner said. And other stores are following suit.

"If there's no receipt and the item is over \$10, we don't give cash back, but we do exchange or send a check refund in the mail," said Maribel Salazar, guest service team leader at

Target. The new policies are influencing those who have been abusing the system.

"I bought a blow dryer about a year ago and it burned up," Maria said. "I tried to bring it back to Wal-Mart the other day, but with the new policy, it didn't work."

Wal-Mart also has a 90-day storage system in their computers for people who return things without a receipt. If a customer's name is in the computer, he/she cannot return an item without a receipt.

But even with more stringent policies, retailers say the bottom line is customer satisfaction.

"We've got to be able to satisfy the customer," said Jamie Walker, owner of Siesta Sleep Shops in Brownsville. "The customer is always right. We're very service-oriented. We want to know when they're not satisfied."

And it's customers who are demanding better service.

"When I buy something, I want to feel secure in knowing I can return it if I'm not pleased," said Ruth Cabrera, a customer at Target's service desk Wednesday afternoon.

Customer service even extends to the abusers who get caught.

"We can't embarrass them," Grimaldo said. "We have to keep a straight face. You can't say, 'Nice try, go somewhere else.'"

But despite the stories, most retailers believe those people who abuse the system are the exception, not the rule.

there," said Salcines of Harlingen Sports. "Most people are honest. You can't really have a return policy that treats people like they aren't honest."

"We tend to find that customers bring back for the most part something legitimate," said Laura Nevis, public relations coordinator for AutoZone. "If anything, we'd rather err on the side of that (abuse) occasionally happening than that being the way of dealing with the loyal customers."

Smaller businesses say they have had to adjust their returns policy to compete with big business.

"It didn't used to be so easy," Armacost said. "Wal-Mart and others have no questions asked policies, it made it hard for us. A big corporation can afford it more than us."

Added Salcines, "The big corporations kiss up. They're scared customers aren't going to buy anymore."

But big businesses say the emphasis on customer service is just part of a trend.

"We're following what industry is doing," said Wagner of Wal-Mart.

Retailers say there are ways customers can help to make the returns process easier.

"If customers come in with a positive attitude and they're not hostile," said Jody Christian, administrative assistant for store operations at Bealls. "If they're hostile, it's harder for the associate to deal with."

"Save all your receipts - it's the quickest way for us to take care of our customers."

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**HIGHLIGHTS**  
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
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**AUSTIN** — Texas House Speaker James E. "Pete" Laney voiced his desire to improve health care access for the Texas' burgeoning population of uninsured children and took action to change.

Tragically, 1.2 million children (from birth through age 18) have no private health insurance or Medicaid coverage. This reality points to the pressing need for a comprehensive review of health care options for Texas children, their families and employers," Laney said at an Austin news conference earlier this month.

He directed the House Public Health Committee, chaired by Rep. Hugo Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi, to see that the study is conducted.

"We have too many families falling through the cracks," Laney said. "I want the Public Health Committee to search for creative, innovative ways to work in partnership with the private sector to close the cracks. Let's get the children treated."

Berlanga said about 23 percent of uninsured children come from families with at least one parent who is insured. "What parents are finding today is that health care coverage is more expensive, is harder to get and often covers a lot less than they expect," Berlanga added that major problems include extremely high deductibles and policies that cover only the worker and not their dependents.

Dr. David R. Smith, commissioner of the Texas Department of Health, said the bottom line is that "unhealthy children cannot grow into healthy adults" and he praised Laney for drawing attention to the issue.

Laney suggested that the committee work with the private sec-

tor to make recommendations that don't cost the state more money.

**TCADA Criminal Cases Possible**

Members of the state House and Senate investigating committees questioned officials last week with the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse about their continued funding for contractors who allegedly overcharged the state.

The contractors provide services for the state's social service agencies. TCADA was placed in conservatorship last summer after state investigators concluded the agency was mismanaged.

Committee members said it hadn't been easy to explain to contractors in their districts who lost contracts but were not accused of overcharging.

A task force appointed by the committee and headed by Col. James Wilson, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, has reported that it will complete audits of TCADA and its contractors by April 1, and is preparing possible criminal cases against 23 providers.

State Auditor Lawrence Altwin said his office has found \$2.7 million in questionable expenditures during a review of 20 contractors.

**Bingo Halls Wish to Advertise**

Commercial lessors who provide halls for charities to operate bingo games protested state regulations that prohibit them from advertising.

At a public hearing in Austin, lessors told the Senate Interim Committee on Charitable Bingo that barring them from advertising gives an unfair edge to their competitors — the state lottery and pari-mutuel racing, which are allowed to advertise.

Sen. Frank Madla, D-San Antonio, a member of the committee, agreed, saying it's "ridiculous" that bingo hall owners are not allowed to advertise even when charities — who are allowed to advertise — can't afford to.

"These charities can't go out and advertise that they have \$5,000 in jackpots that night. To me that doesn't make sense," he said.

And Madla also agreed with the lessors' complaint that the licensing procedures they must follow to rent their halls to charities are too complicated.

"It bothers me that if you own a hall, you can't lease it to a charity

to play bingo unless you meet and comply with all these guidelines. ...They don't do that when you run a law office or Senate office," Madla said.

**Other Highlights**

The Texas Department of Public Safety has released its first report on the number of concealed handgun licenses it has issued since the concealed handgun bill took effect Jan. 1. Overall, 10,043 permits have been issued with more than 40,000 applications pending. White men and women account for 97 percent of all permits issued, and Texas residents age 40 to 60 are the most likely to have a permit.

Dry, windy weather conditions prompted the Texas-Forest Service to issue a wildfire warning after several large blazes erupted around the state. The forest service advised landowners to postpone all outdoor burning until more rainfall is reported.

New Mexico House members voiced their opposition to Gov. Gary Johnson's decision to transfer state prisoners to Texas. Members oppose separating prisoners from their families. The House voted 36-25 to approve a memorial opposing the transfers. Memorials express the sentiment of the Legislature but have no legal weight.

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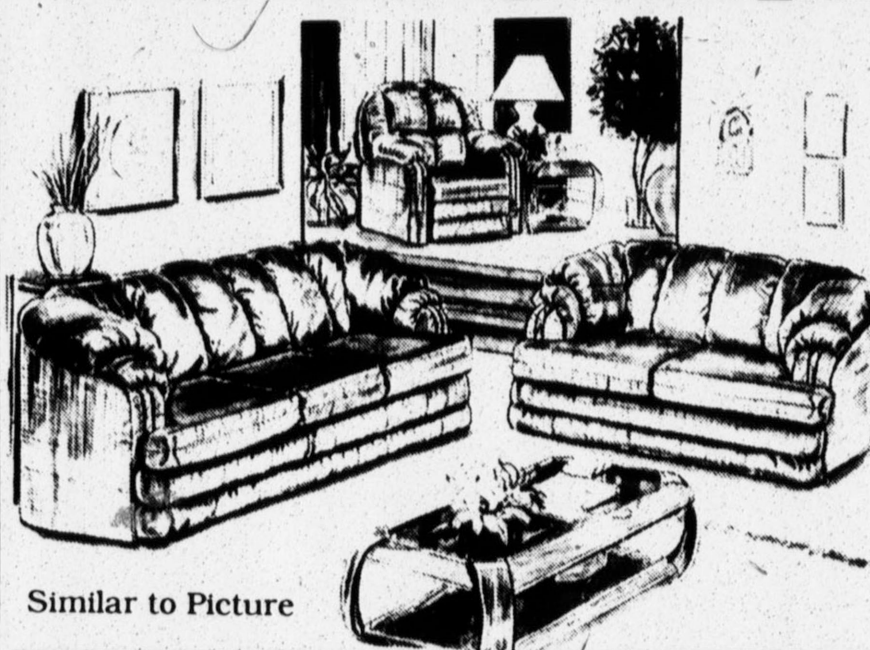
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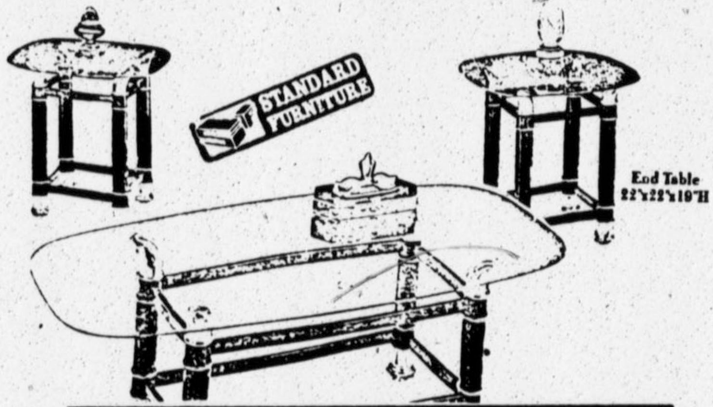
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**State board authority questioned by senator**

By PEGGY FIKAC  
Associated Press Writer

**AUSTIN** (AP) — Senate Education Committee Chairman Bill Ratliff is questioning whether the State Board of Education has the power to set a 70 grade as the passing standard for all students.

The board tentatively approved new graduation requirements, including the standard, even though the Legislature last year deleted 70 as the overall passing requirement during its rewrite of the public education law.

The law retained the standard in some areas, such as non-honors classes, to determine eligibility for extracurricular activities.

However, teacher groups had urged the board to keep the standard for all students.

Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, who sponsored the education overhaul with Ratliff, said he wasn't surprised by the board action.

"So long as whatever standard you use is based on student proficiency rather than simple social promotion, I don't have a criticism of that," he said.

But Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, said Tuesday the Legislature intentionally took out the 70 passing standard for moving from grade to grade, and I'm not sure the state board has that authority (to restore it).

"Some school may want to make it 80. I have no quarrel with that," he said. "If some of them felt that their curriculum was so tough that they could go to a 60 and their youngsters still do well on the TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills), I'm not going to quarrel with that."

"I think the ultimate test is how they perform on the state standard test, and the state doesn't need to be telling them if it's 69 they don't move on and if it's 71 they do," he said.

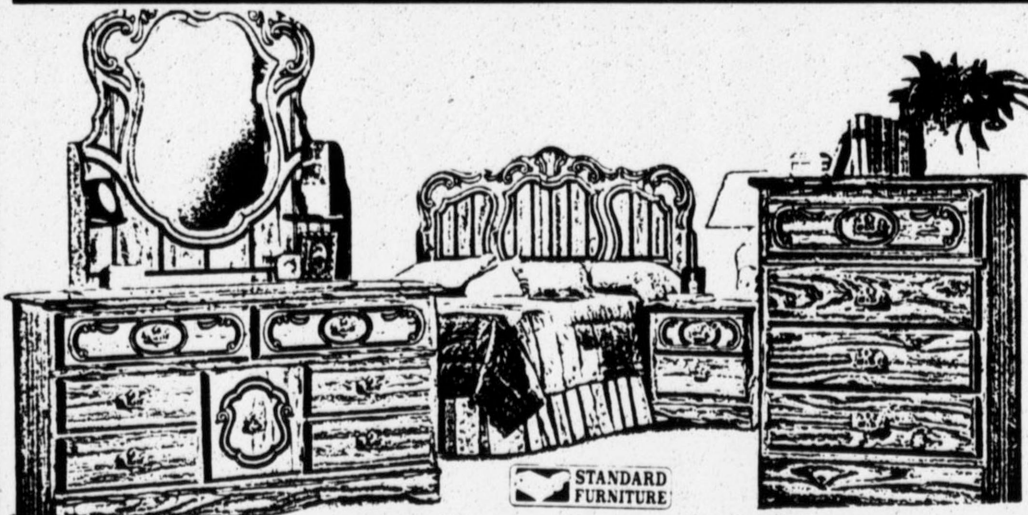
Ratliff added, however, that he wasn't going to "make a big case out of it."

Also Tuesday, Gov. George W. Bush swore in members of the new State Board for Educator Certification, which takes over the duty of certifying teachers from the Texas Education Agency.

"By creating this board, Texas has recognized that teaching is a profession," he said. "Teachers should view this board as a recognition of the importance of their role in Texas."

Bush urged the board to ensure "that Texas is licensing teachers who are prepared to teach," to evaluate teacher training programs to ensure they keep up with fast-changing technology and to encourage alternative certification programs.

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