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## Police tie gunman in Texas shootings to Missouri killings

CONWAY, Mo. (AP) — A man who killed three people before taking his own life in Texas was also the killer of three others in southern Missouri last week, officials said Thursday.

Howard Franklin Stewart, 36, whose parents live in Lebanon, Mo., had told two acquaintances before Tuesday's shooting spree at Corsicana that he was wanted for killing three people in Missouri.

Two Missouri sheriffs, Lawrence Rifenburg of Laclede County and Jerry Cox of Dallas County, went to Texas Wednesday with two Missouri Highway Patrol investigators to look for evidence linking Stewart to the crimes.

At a news conference Thursday in Conway, where a command post was established after last week's killings, the officials said there was no question that Stewart was responsible.

"We are certain it was Stewart," said Rifenburg, who was joined at the news conference by Cox and Webster County Sheriff Eugene Fraker.

They said the evidence showed that Stewart killed George Brewer, 43, and his wife, Carol, 36, both of Niangua, and Steve Vestal, 38, of Conway, after being picked up while hitchhiking last Wednesday, first by the Brewers, then by Vestal. All were shot to death with a .22-caliber gun.

The sheriffs said they had no idea why Stewart killed the three, with Fraker saying he thought he was "mentally unbalanced." Rifenburg said drug problems may have been a contributing factor, along with family and job problems in Texas.

"We still have quite a few things to put together," Rifenburg said. "I'd still like to know the motive. When you see something like this happen, you just don't turn it aside and not wonder why."

"We are relieved — we know who did the killing. Yet still, for the people's satisfaction here, we would like to know why."

Stewart returned to Texas Friday after visiting with his parents in Missouri.

In a half-hour shooting spree on Tuesday, Stewart first killed his two pit-bull terriers, then his former employer, Dennis James Wade, at Wade's office, then his estranged wife, Brenda Stewart, and a friend, Edward L. Persons Jr., of Jonesboro, La., police said.

An acquaintance, Mark Johnstone, said Stewart told him he was upset over losing his job, feared he would lose his wife and talked of killing her.

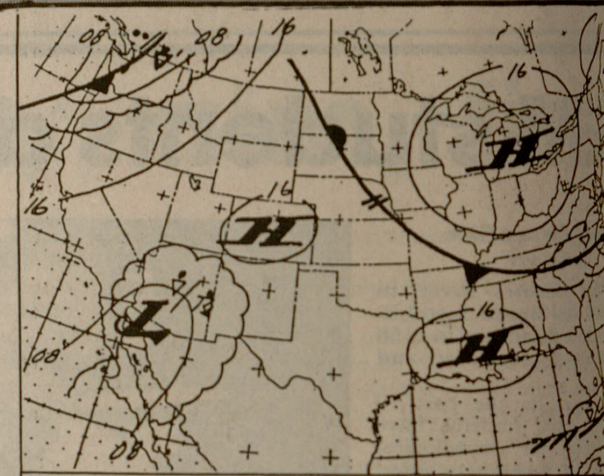
"He said if he couldn't have her, nobody could have her," Johnstone said. "I told him you just don't kill people. He was crazy as a bedbug. I wish I had taken him more serious."

On Sept. 16 — the day of the killings — he told his parents he was going to hitchhike back home. That night, he showed up at his parents' home again, despondent and saying that someone had stolen his backpack as he tried to hitch a ride. Last Friday, his parents put him on a bus back to Texas.

The Brewers were last seen at a store in Conway on Sept. 16, and officials said they were killed between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. after picking up Stewart. They said that Vestal picked him up later and was slain between 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

The sheriffs said shell casings from a .22-caliber automatic that Stewart had used for target practice at his parents' home Wednesday night matched casings found in the Brewers' van and Vestal's pickup, as well as those found at the scene of the Texas killings.

## Weather Watch



☛ = Thunderstorms ☞ = Fog ☞ = Light Rain  
☛ = Drizzle ☞ = Snow ☞ = Rain  
☞ = Freezing Rain ☞ = Rain Shower ☞ = Ice Pellets

Valid: Noon today

Sunset Today: 7:17 p.m.

Sunrise Saturday: 7:15 a.m.

**Map Discussion:** The high pressure system over Michigan will push cold front into the southern U.S., maintaining mild temperatures. Little or no rain will accompany this frontal system. The low pressure system in the southwestern U.S. will remain nearly stationary and continue to produce showers and some isolated thunderstorms while a Pacific front moves onshore in Washington.

**Forecast:**  
Today: Mostly sunny and warm with a high temperature of 87 degrees. Winds will be southeasterly at 8 to 12 miles per hour.  
Tonight: Fair and mild with light and variable winds and a low temperature of 63 degrees.

**Saturday:** Fair to partly cloudy and warm with southeasterly winds to 14 mph and a high temperature of 89 degrees.

**Weather Fact:** Weather conditions for the Texas A&M-Southern Mississippi game will be fair to partly cloudy with a high temperature of 85 degrees and northeasterly winds of 8 to 12 mph.

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## Host of TV talk show views love as key element in relationships

By Barbetta Foley  
Reporter

Talk show host Claudette Sims told about 200 students in the MSC Wednesday night that a woman wants a man who is not allergic to the truth, who can love her — even when she is not so lovable — and who has potential.

Sims is producer and host of the public-affairs talk show on KTRK, Channel 13, in Houston titled "Crossroads."

She also produces and hosts "The Mahogany Woman," a weekly one-hour call-in program on radio station KTSU from Houston.

Wednesday night she was the featured speaker of the "Interpersonal Relationships: Love, Sex and Da-

ting" program sponsored by the MSC Black Awareness Committee.

Sims' presentation was directed primarily toward women, who made up about half the audience.

"The most important thing that one human being can give to an-

*"Love is something you do, not say. I'm not from Missouri, but still 'show me.'"*

— Claudette Sims, talk show host

other human being is time," she said.

She also believes friendship and good communication should be key elements in all relationships.

She asked why so many people, including herself, are still single.

Following a few responses from the audience, Sims jokingly said she thinks her perfect mate was either killed in Vietnam or incarcerated.

"There is no promise that we will find someone we will love forever," Sims said.

"Love is something you do," she said. "I'm not from Missouri, but still 'show me.'"

Sims didn't speak much about love, but said she didn't believe in multiple sexual relationships.

On dating, Sims said people date others because they are attracted to the eye, but who don't share similar interests, are taking a down a dead-end street.

"If it seems too good to be true, probably is," Sims said. "I would wish for one to love, something to hope for."

Sims is the author of "Dear For Me," a humorous book on relationships, and has published several poems.

Women sometimes are their own worst enemies, she said, because they expect too much from their mates. However, she does believe women are entitled to truth, honesty and quality time with a quality man.

## Dallas City Council adopts record budget

DALLAS (AP) — Following six weeks of debate over shrinking municipal revenues, the City Council approved a record \$1.09 billion budget that calls for raising taxes 6.8 percent and laying off more than 100 employees.

The budget also mandates reduced hours at city libraries, swimming pools and recreation centers in addition to a 21 percent increase in water and sewer rates.

"I think it's obvious that no one at this table is happy with having a tax increase," Mayor Anne Strauss said after the vote Wednesday.

But without it, "we would not have strengthened our police force," Strauss said.

"We would not have continued our programs for the needy, programs for the elderly would have fallen by the wayside and we would have become a dirty city," Strauss said.

The budget, which takes effect Oct. 1, eliminates 685 jobs but will require layoffs of only 110 employees because most of the positions are already vacant, officials said.

Council members adopted by an 8-3 vote a tax hike that will add \$23.94 to the annual city tax bill on a \$100,000 home and generate about \$16.7 million.

Most of the increase will pay for big-ticket items, including a \$3.8 million pay package for police and firefighters, high-technology crime-fighting equipment for police and a proposed African-habitat exhibit scheduled to open at the Dallas Zoo in July 1989.

Cutbacks on dozens of city services also include reducing park maintenance and the sweeping of residential streets.

Officials said more than a third of the tax increase will cover the city's rising cost of servicing the debt on major building projects, including City Hall and the downtown library.

The 1987-88 bill for debt service is expected to be \$102 million, up \$6.6 million from this year.

The tax bill on a \$100,000 home will rise to \$376.04 this fall.

And the average residential water and sewer bill will go up to \$28.28 per month, an increase of \$4.90, or about 21 percent.

Council members say the city's tax-exempt general fund will grow to \$459 million next year.

The city is experimenting with a contest plan calling for city residents to set aside trash cans and put out their garbage in bags.

Officials say the move, bitterly opposed by some homeowner groups and minority groups, would improve worker productivity and save \$670,000 annually.

But councilman John Evans, who opposed the budget, said the council should have approved a tax increase when tough economic times are forcing many residents to cut their family budgets.

"There's a lot of people without jobs, there's a lot of people who don't know how to make ends meet," Evans said.

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