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HHS pushing seat belts

Students at Hereford High School will be surveyed Friday on seat belt use.

The HHS Student Council will be surveying drivers as they enter the HHS parking lots Friday to see if they are using seat belts.

Restrained drivers will receive a "Buckle Up, Texas" bumper sticker. Drivers and front seat passengers not using seat belts will receive a "Save Your Ugly Face, Buckle Up!" sticker.

Literature will also be available pointing out the importance of buckling up.

According to the Texas Safety Association, less than half of Texas teenage drivers use seat belts, and only 38 percent of the front seat passengers were buckled up.

Traffic accidents are the leading cause of death in the age group, and many of the fatalities could have been avoided by seat belt use. 75 percent of all persons killed in traffic accidents in Texas in 1987 were not wearing safety belts, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety.



Student Council plans seat belt emphasis
Hereford High School co-sponsor Joe Don Cummings, left, consults with student council members Jeri Anne Parker and Mark Scott as they prepare for a seat belt survey to be conducted Friday. Students driving to HHS on Friday will be surveyed for seat belt use.

Thriffs log record loss during 1988

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas thrifts lost \$9.7 billion in 1988, the bulk of the record \$11.1 billion industry losses nationwide, analyst Alex Sheshunoff reports.

Sheshunoff said 2,192 institutions - 69 percent of the nation's 3,174 savings and loans - earned a profit last year, with the record loss concentrated in the Southwest.

"Thriffs in Texas lost \$9.7 billion, followed by Arizona, where the loss amounted to \$657 million, said Sheshunoff, president of Sheshunoff & Co., an Austin-based information and consulting firm for the banking and thrift industries.

The loss numbers reflect Texas' troubled economy, the firm's vice president, Stephen Skaggs, said Wednesday.

"The numbers mirror in large part the depressed economy here in the state of Texas, specifically the sluggish real estate market," Skaggs said, noting that while energy prices fell in the first half of the decade, commercial real estate activity continued to boom.

there a fundamental change in the factors that contributed to these problems? That's the difficult question," he said.

"I'm cautiously optimistic that this probably was the worst and 1989 cannot be worse. I say that because some of the biggest S&L insolvencies were resolved, with the assistance of the FSLIC," Skaggs said.

Sheshunoff said that nationwide, thrifts face three major challenges in 1989:

- Rising interest rates on deposits, which could squeeze the interest spreads on institutions holding substantial amounts of fixed-rate mortgages.

- A growing inventory of repossessed real estate. The industry already holds \$25.5 billion, more than half of that in Texas, with California a distant second, he said.

- Weakening property values in some regions, particularly the Northeast.

"Those are three tough challenges. It's like a three-ring circus. The S&L executive has to juggle, tame lions and walk a tightrope all at the same time," Sheshunoff said.

The analyst said that while the thrift crisis is concentrated in the Southwest, the trouble has shaken public trust in thrifts and those who regulate them.

He said a recent consumer survey by his company found that 6 percent of depositors had withdrawn money from a thrift because of the industry's problems.

"Thriffs must regain the public trust if they are to stem the outflow of deposits and lower the rates they pay to retain them," Sheshunoff said.

"That grossly overbuilt real estate markets - commercial real estate, shopping centers and perhaps even the housing market" are reflected in the S&L crisis, Skaggs said.

Other factors included the "very liberal chartering authority here" during the early 1980s, plus limited regulation, he said.

Skaggs said it is difficult to say whether the thrift crisis has bottomed out.

"Once the Bush administration and Congress develop a solution (for troubled S&Ls), the numbers will begin to look better. But is

Support dying for SSC

WASHINGTON (AP) - A Pennsylvania Republican says support for the super collider is "very thin" in the scientific community, but Texas Democrats argue that beyond the turf battles for funds is commitment to the particle accelerator.

"This project is virtually devoid of support from the scientific and engineering community," Rep. Don Ritter told a House committee Wednesday that was reviewing the site selection process that awarded Texas the \$4.6 billion project.

"The real question is not how, it is now where, not when, it is if (it will be built)," Ritter said after the hearing. "The real issue is are we going to commit \$10 billion."

Rep. Ralph Hall, a Rockwall Democrat and member of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee, said he agrees there is some opposition to the project in the scientific community, as well as support.

"It's hard for me to believe there's quote 'no' support at any level of science," Hall said. "I think there is some support for it, but it's correct to say there's some opposition."

The subcommittee on energy research and development was scheduled to decide this afternoon whether to authorize construction of

the project, but officials say the real battle in Congress will be over the level of funding and what is essential to begin actually building the 53-mile underground tunnel on farmland south of Dallas.

"There is no question some scientists are opposed to the SSC due to the competition for scarce research funds," said Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, a Texas Democrat.

"But there are enormous scientific gains to be made from the SSC project in a wide variety of fields and I am convinced that when you get beyond some of the turf fights, the scientific community recognizes the benefits and understands the need for the project," Bentsen said.

Ritter, however, said he has found a "decided lack of interest" within the engineering and scientific community and even hostility toward the proposed spending of what he estimates as \$10 billion over the next decade on the high-energy physics project.

The Energy Department estimates construction costs in current dollars at \$4.6 billion.

Ritter said scientists outside the high-energy community were never involved in Congress' decision to pursue construction of the collider,

which backers hope will help science understand the fundamental nature of matter.

Rep. Robert A. Roe, D-N.J., the chairman of the House committee, said he saw no evidence to indicate the Energy Department's decision to locate the project in Texas was subject to "chicanery" or "some kind of hidden agenda."

Congressmen from Illinois and Michigan complained the DOE may not have adequately assessed certain factors in making its choice over six other finalist sites, including their own and Tennessee, North Carolina, Colorado and Arizona.

"I've not seen that they've (Energy Department officials) made any significant mistakes," Roe said.

Rep. Harris W. Fawell, R-III, repeatedly questioned witnesses from the Energy Department and the National Academies of Sciences and Engineering, which chose the finalist sites from 35 candidates, about whether the potential contribution of Fermilab, a particle accelerator near Chicago, was adequately assessed.

Hall said he could sympathize with the losing states.

"I can appreciate how they feel a little like Seton Hall feels today," Hall said. Seton Hall lost the NCAA basketball championship to Michigan 80-79 in overtime on Monday.

Hall said Wednesday's testimony "highlights the fact there was no chicanery, it highlights the fact that there was no politics played."

Ritter questioned whether the Energy Department gave enough attention to the potential impact the venomous fire ant would have on the collider. He said the agency devoted only a paragraph to the fire ant in its lengthy environmental impact statement.

"That's rather inconsequential attention to what could be a biting concern," Ritter said.

S. Bradleigh Vinson, professor of entomology at Texas A&M University, said that while the fire ants of Central Texas do threaten electrical power systems and people, they can be "effectively dealt with."

"The problem of the fire ants with the supercollider is minimal; the fire ant problem with regard to the environment, wildlife and the quality of human life in infested regions is a major concern," Vinson said in prepared testimony at the end of the nearly six-hour hearing.

While fire ants will chew through underground electrical wiring and cause outages, Vinson said the super collider would be deep enough to avoid the ants, and the thickness of the concrete and plastic liners would be an effective barrier.

B-1B grounded again

ABILENE, Texas (AP) - For the fourth time in the past 18 months, the B-1B bomber fleet sits idle today because of mechanical problems.

The Strategic Air Command at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., announced Wednesday that no B-1B bombers will fly pending inspection of escape hatches in response to two incidents at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene.

Ejection hatches on two B-1B bombers blew off on training flights just a day apart, a Dyess Air Force Base official said.

Asked if the planes had been grounded again, Col. Larry Greer, SAC's director of public affairs, said, "That's your word. I didn't use that word."

"At the moment they are inspecting all of the airplanes. We expect that will be completed and they will be flying again late (this) afternoon," Greer said.

About 40 of the 97 planes had been returned to flying status following last week's inspections, which focused on the moveable wing assembly after a fuel tank was punctured, Greer said.

The Air Force had placed B-1B bombers back in training service Monday, after canceling training runs for a week due to the March 27 incident.

B-1Bs were grounded in November during a crash investigation at Dyess.

Three of the bombers have crashed in the last 14 months.

The first hatch-blowing incident occurred about 11 a.m. Tuesday as the jet was climbing from a low-altitude exercise near the Texas-New Mexico border, Maj. Mary Beth Kilgore of Dyess said. The

three-foot by four-foot hatch blew off at about 12,500 feet.

About 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, a hatch in the same place on another B-1B blew off at about 19,000 feet as the jet flew over La Junta Training Range near Pueblo, Colo., Ms. Kilgore said.

Both airplanes returned to Dyess for routine landings, she said.

Both hatches were above the offensive systems operator's seat, on the right rear side of the cockpit. The B-1B regularly carries four crew members.

Bush wants more from Gorbachev

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Bush administration, disappointed that Mikhail S. Gorbachev is not withdrawing military support from Nicaragua, is accusing the Soviet president of empty rhetoric regarding Central American peace.

"While his words about not exporting revolution are welcomed, they are not matched by deeds which would give those words credence," White House Press Secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Wednesday, referring to Gorbachev's denunciation of the export of revolution.

Gorbachev's comments in his speech in Havana on Tuesday conflicted with the policy of Cuban President Fidel Castro, who supports the spread of revolutionary movements.

But, in a written statement read by Fitzwater, the White House called on Gorbachev to back up his statements about wanting demilitarized peace zones in Central America, by discontinuing military assistance to the leftist government of Nicaragua.

Fitzwater said continued Soviet activity in Central America will affect U.S.-Soviet relations, but declined to specify how the administration might express its displeasure.

U.S. officials looked to the Soviet leader's visit to Cuba as an opportunity for him to change direction in Central America. Bush had written him urging Soviet withdrawal of military support from the leftist Nicaraguan government, and a halt to Cuban and Nicaraguan

support for leftist guerrillas in El Salvador.

But Gorbachev, in his Tuesday speech to the National Assembly in Havana, said Moscow will not halt its support for Nicaragua as long as the United States continues military assistance to other governments in the region.

Fitzwater said U.S. aid to governments in the region is not comparable to the Soviet assistance because the U.S.-backed nations "are not involved in subversion of their neighbors."

Paducah mayor commits suicide

PADUCAH (AP) - The mayor of this West Texas town died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound shortly after he was arrested on a charge of compelling a teen-age girl to have sex with him for \$50, authorities say.

Mayor Leon Fletcher, 62, was found shot to death in his dry cleaning establishment not long after he had been arrested on a warrant from Childress on a charge of compelling prostitution.

Justice of the Peace Jewell Gibbs said Fletcher died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the heart about 9 p.m. Tuesday in the back of City Cleaners, an establishment owned and operated by him and his wife, Dorothy.

Childress County District Attorney David McCoy said a brief note and a .38-caliber revolver were found next to the body.

Fletcher was serving his fifth term as mayor of Paducah and also served as police commissioner, municipal judge and fire marshal.

McCoy said the charge against

Fletcher grew out of an investigation into a party last week in which several minors were arrested for consuming alcoholic beverages.

He said a 15-year-old Childress girl gave authorities a sworn statement that she was paid \$50 by Fletcher to have sex with him on March 30.

Charges of compelling prostitution were also filed against two Childress women, DeAnna Richmond, 18, and Rebecca Sue Patterson, 20, McCoy said. Both were held in lieu of \$2,500 bond.

Both women substantiated the claim of the 15-year-old girl, McCoy said.

McCoy said authorities notified the Cottle County sheriff's office to arrest and hold Fletcher for Childress County officers.

Officers said Fletcher complained of being cold and asked for permission to go to his business to get a coat while officers awaited the arrival of Fletcher's lawyer, Larry Evans, and Gibbs for an arraignment.

Local Roundup

Police arrest woman

Officers from the Hereford Police Department arrested a 17-year-old female on Wednesday. She was charged with enticing a child.

Damage to a vehicle was estimated at \$400 in a case of criminal mischief reported in the 500 block of N. 25 Mile Avenue.

Other incidents investigated by city police were:

A family disturbance in the 400 block of Ave. F; a family disturbance in the 400 block of Bradley; a civil dispute in the 300 block of N. 25 Mile Ave.; injury to a child in the 600 block of Irving; a family disturbance in the 200 block of West Sixth; and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle in the 400 block of 13th with the car later returned.

Police issued six citations and investigated four minor traffic accidents.

The Deaf Smith County Sheriff's Office received one report of aggravated assault in connection with a domestic dispute.

Fair forecast

Tonight will be fair with a low of 45. Southeast winds will be 10-15 mph.

Friday will be fair with a high of 78. South-southwest winds will be 10-20 mph.

This morning's low at KPAN was 48 after a high Wednesday of 71.

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News Digest World/National

VALDEZ, Alaska - At the urging of angry state officials, the Coast Guard says it likely will take the helm of cleaning up the nation's worst-ever oil spill as it blackened an area larger than Delaware. Also, the tanker Exxon Valdez was freed and its fired captain jailed.

WASHINGTON - The Bush administration is considering a proposal to require that gun buyers register semiautomatic assault rifles of the kind linked to mounting drug-related violence.

WARSAW, Poland - Lech Walesa and Solidarity's other leaders say the hardest work remains ahead now that they've won back legal status and with it the chance to make a democracy of the most politically liberal country in the Soviet bloc.

WASHINGTON - President Bush is meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir at the White House, and U.S. officials say they are encouraged by their guest's proposals for relieving Arab-Israeli tensions.

HOUSTON - Any sale of strike-crippled Eastern Airlines could eventually hurt the airline and sister carrier Continental Airlines, but Texas Air Corp. and Chairman Frank Lorenzo may reap millions from such a deal, analysts say.

WASHINGTON - House Speaker Jim Wright converted a \$3,000 speaking fee from a Texas university into a bulk sale of his book, "Reflections of a Public Man," because he otherwise couldn't accept the money under House rules, the speaker acknowledged.

State

DALLAS - Citing a conflict over current office policies, Dallas County District Attorney John Vance fired the assistant district attorney who led the fight to keep "The Thin Blue Line" defendant Randall Dale Adams behind bars.

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ARLINGTON - An Arlington police officer who was involved in three fatal shootings in seven months was fired because he allegedly took a prescription drug to help pass a polygraph test and not because investigators found notches on his pistol, authorities say.

PARKER - Terry Trippet has done his best to make certain visitors to world famous Southfork Ranch can see everything they thought Texas has to offer. He's even provided the famous ranch with a Texas millionaire.

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ABILENE - For the fourth time in the past 18 months, the B-1B bomber fleet sits idle today because of mechanical problems.

DALLAS - Federal regulators, who last week took over 20 of MCorp's 25 banks, said the plan a major Wall Street investment firm submitted for recapitalizing the holding company is not "in front of us."

FORT WORTH - Tarrant County commissioners are demanding an explanation of a former Tarrant County jail inmate's sworn testimony this week that he was sexually assaulted by cellmates after the prisoners watched the Playboy Channel on cable television.

Embattled Texas wildlife director fired after charges filed in New Mexico

AUSTIN (AP) - The embattled wildlife director for the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department has been fired a week after three felony and six misdemeanor charges were filed against him by New Mexico officials in connection with an antelope trapping incident.

Charles Allen, who held the post for the past two years, was dismissed Wednesday by TPWD Executive Director Charles D. Travis.

He was replaced by Bobby Alexander, a veteran employee of the department.

Travis gave no actual reason for the dismissal in a brief statement issued Wednesday, but said, "it is my opinion that Mr. Allen did not knowingly violate any criminal statute."

Allen, 40, had been criticized for highly publicized "political stockings" of wildlife and fish on ranches owned by politically prominent Texans, including Texas House Speaker Gib Lewis.

The firing of Allen is "the beginning of the destruction of one of the best parks and wildlife departments in the country," Lewis told the Austin American-Statesman Wednesday. "I think it's very sad what has happened to the department. I'm afraid that what you see happening is what I said would happen" when news stories about

Allen and the department began in February.

The department's problems resulted from erroneous and overblown news stories and on "agency politics," Lewis said, adding he did not fault Travis for the firing, but said he does not think the department needs to take any action.

"I don't think they should do anything," he said. "I don't think they did anything (wrong). They've been doing a fine job."

Criticism of the state agency began in February when it was learned that federal officials were investigating the possible illegal capture and transport of three antelope from New Mexico into Texas. The antelope were among 40 that were trapped and relocated on the Lado Ranch near Van Horn.

A retired Texas Ranger was

hired to conduct an internal TPWD investigation of the incident, in which Allen allegedly ignored warnings the helicopter had strayed into New Mexico during the capture.

Allen has maintained he was innocent of any intent to enter New Mexico territory or violate any laws, but was eventually charged with three felony counts of transportation of illegally taken game, as well as three misdemeanor charges of illegally taking wild game and three violations of New Mexico's airborne hunting act.

Another allegation in early March concerned reports that Allen had approved the capture and transfer of six elk from South Texas to Lewis' Williamson County ranch.

State employees, including Allen, and vehicles were used in

that operation. Allen also approved the stocking of deer, trapped with Type II public hunting funds, on Lewis' ranch in 1988.

There were also allegations that the department provided fish for lakes and ponds on property owned by influential Texans.

Parks & Wildlife Commission Chairman Chuck Nash of San Marcos said Tuesday Allen was presented a list of grievances by the department March 28 and was given until Tuesday to either respond or resign.

There had been rumors earlier in the week that Allen was about to be fired, but he told a reporter Tuesday night that he hadn't heard anything about the rumors.

Allen and Travis were not available for comment Wednesday night.

Adams' case prosecutor is dismissed

DALLAS (AP) - Citing a conflict over current office policies, Dallas County District Attorney John Vance fired the assistant district attorney who led the fight to keep "The Thin Blue Line" defendant Randall Dale Adams behind bars.

Assistant district attorney Winfield Scott became the third prosecutor involved in the case to leave the office this week when he was terminated Wednesday.

"I found we had a conflict regarding current office policies that simply could not be resolved any other way," Vance said.

Scott did not return repeated calls from The Associated Press. Other officials at the office declined comment.

Over Scott's objections, Adams was released from prison March 22, less than a month after a state court overturned his conviction for the 1976 slaying of a Dallas police officer. Adams had spent more than 12 years in prison. His case received national publicity in the documentary "The Thin Blue Line," in which his innocence was maintained.



St. Anthony's poster winners

Students at St. Anthony's School in Hereford held a poster contest to help promote the Krazy Karnival coming up Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. Winners included Shayla Martin, first place in Kindergarten-second grade, and Annie Hoffman, winner of the contest in grades 3-4. Second place winners, not pictured, were Brian Revell and Annie Jackson.

Commissioners say denial tough

AUSTIN (AP) - Members of the Texas Racing Commission say conflicting opinions from legal advisers have hamstrung their power to deny pari-mutuel horse racing applications.

The commission approved Class 2 horse track licenses for Bandera Downs near San Antonio and for G. Rollie White Downs at Brady, about 150 miles northwest of Austin, on Tuesday.

On Wednesday, it approved an application by Trinity Meadows Raceway, about 10 miles west of Fort Worth.

Hearings on additional applications also are scheduled.

The Bandera application was smooth compared with the Brady hearing, in which the president of the group seeking the license, David Mitchell, was ordered to drop his affiliation with the track.

Commission members first sought to deny the license to Heart of Texas Racing after hearing testimony that Mitchell had been charged several years ago with felony counts of selling drugs to horse trainers and horse owners. He pleaded no contest to a lesser charge, was fined and had the charge expunged from his record.

When Commissioner Hugh Fitzsimons moved to deny the application as not being in the best interests of the sport, Assistant Attorney General Bill Conover told him that wasn't a sufficient reason under the state racing law.

Conover said there are 16 specific reasons for denying an application.

"It's not in the public interest," Fitzsimons said.

"That's not a good enough reason," Conover told him.

Fitzsimons then withdrew his motion, and the license won approval with the requirement that Mitchell remove himself from the application and from any association with track operators.

"It's a pretty sour victory," said Clifford Grubbs, vice president of the Brady group. "He (Mitchell) has put in over 2,000 hours on this application. He doesn't deserve this. We can live with it and we will, but we're not happy about it."

Commissioner Ruben Cardenas, who also heads the Department of Public Safety board, said he believes the interpretation of the law was overly restrictive.

"I think there are certain things in the racing act that allow us discretion" in denying licenses, he said.

Glenn Blodgett, a commissioner and veterinarian, said the commission has been getting conflicting

opinions from their legal counsel and from the attorney general's staff about what criteria can be considered.

Questions about interpretations of the racing law have dogged the panel for months, complicating attempts to get pari-mutuel racing started, he said.

"We want to be very cautious that, if we do deny an application, we haven't violated the racing act in any way," Blodgett said.

Racing could begin at Trinity Meadows as soon as Sept. 27, depending on a decision by the commission on how many days and which days the track will be allowed to operate.

Hospital Notes

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Alphonso Louis Alexandre, Michael Ryan Alexander, Belinda Anthony, Jo Rudd Burney, Cruz Camacho, Joyce Lynn Dawson, Delma Duke, Inf. Girl Duke, Refugio Gamez, Sammy Hastings, Meghan Hendrickson, Victor L. Hill, Charlie N. Holt, Alice Koenig, Henry W. Mathews, Jewel E. May, Jose Ortiz, Maria Pina, Lee Ann Quiroz, Rosa Ramirez, Inf. Boy Rodriguez, Jennie R. Rodriguez, Hugh Word.

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Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, April 6, the 96th day of 1989. There are 269 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On April 6, 1909, American explorer Robert Edwin Peary became the first person to lead an expedition to the North Pole.

On this date:

In 1830, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was organized by Joseph Smith at Fayette, N.Y.

In 1862, the Battle of Shiloh began as the Confederates attacked Union forces in Tennessee during the Civil War.

In 1892, author and newscaster Lowell Thomas was born in Woodington, Ohio.

In 1896, the first modern Olympic Games were formally opened in Athens, Greece.

In 1917, Congress approved a declaration of war against Germany.

In 1963, the United States and Britain signed an agreement under which the Americans would sell Polaris A-3 missiles to the British.

In 1965, the United States launched the Early Bird communications satellite.

In 1971, the Russian-born composer Igor Stravinsky died in New York City.

In 1983, saying rock 'n' roll bands attracted "the wrong element," Interior Secretary James Watt declined to invite the Beach Boys to perform in Washington at a Fourth of July celebration, a decision he later reversed.

Five years ago: The space shuttle Challenger blasted off for the fifth time on a week-long mission that included the repair of a damaged satellite. Among the crew was pilot Francis R. "Dick" Scobee, who was fated to die in the Challenger disaster in January 1986.

One year ago: Tirza Porat, 15, was killed in a West Bank melee, becoming the first Israeli civilian to die in the occupied territories since the Palestinian uprising began. Although Arabs were initially blamed for her death, the army concluded that Tirza had been accidentally shot by a Jewish settler.

Today's birthdays: Composer-conductor Andre Previn is 60. Actor Ivan Dixon is 58. Country singer Merle Haggard is 52. Actor Billy Dee Williams is 52. Actor Roy Thinnes is 51. Singer Michelle Phillips is 45. Actress Marilu Henner is 37. Figure skater Janet Lynn is 36.

Thought for today: "There is a point at which even justice is unjust."

-- Sophocles, Greek poet and dramatist (c.496-c.406 B.C.)



Theater scholarship winners

Melanie Tiemann, left, and Heather Willoughby, seniors at Hereford High School, have earned theater scholarships to attend Amarillo College next fall.

Lifestyles

Now You're Cooking

By GAYE B. REILY
Staff Writer

"I really enjoy teaching at the Nazarene Christian Academy," said Carolyn Johnson of 318 Centre. "The school ministers to the child and family and I am finding my work there fulfilling."

Indeed, Johnson has found her niche in life as she is a volunteer at the academy, assisting third grade teacher Patty Hill. Johnson teaches reading and tutors students after school.

Certified to teach secondary education, Johnson was surprised to find how rewarding it is to teach younger children. "I am basically a 'children' person, but it hadn't occurred to me that I would enjoy the younger ones so much."

Her teaching career began when she taught English in Oklahoma City, Okla. during the first two years of her marriage to Dr. Howard Johnson. Raised in Oklahoma City, she graduated from high school there and earned a bachelor of arts degree in English from Oklahoma City University.

The couple moved to Hereford 23 years ago where Dr. Johnson set up his medical practice. Mrs. Johnson missed Oklahoma at first but got involved in local activities and now feels quite at home here. They are the parents of a son, Chris, age 20, who is a sophomore at the University of Oklahoma, and Jennifer, 18, a senior at Hereford High School. The family belongs to First Baptist Church.

Johnson walks three or four miles a day and cites her great love of reading as her favorite hobby, with cooking ranking a close second.

"I like all types of food, especially homemade breads and desserts. I learned an old-fashioned Southern style of cooking since my mother is from Arkansas. She cooked with a dash of this and a pinch of that; many of my favorite recipes came from her."

Although Johnson is proficient in the kitchen without written recipes, she enjoys collecting and reading cookbooks and tries new recipes.

Some of Johnson's tried-and-true recipes she learned from her mother are as follows:

CHICKEN & NOODLES

1 whole fryer, boiled, or 6-8 chicken breasts, cooked and deboned and cut in pieces

2 pkgs. Reames Homestyle Frozen

HOW WE EAT

NEW YORK (AP) - Self magazine's tabulation of data from surveys of the weight, eating habits and diet patterns of Americans has found that the tastes and habits of the country's regions and towns vary as much as their geography.

Among the findings:

- Midwesterners love to fill up on lunch meat; they're the biggest per capita consumers of this product in the country.

- The fast-food belt, the region that contains the highest concentration of fast-food restaurants, starts near Charlottesville, Va., and runs south through Atlanta to Austin, Texas, and then north to Oklahoma City.

- Hartford and New Haven, Conn., and Springfield, Mass., are the pasta centers of the country.

Noodles (or make your own)
2-3 chicken bouillon cubes; strain
Half and half (optional)
salt & pepper
sugar
lemon juice

Cook and debone chicken. Save broth and add bouillon cubes; strain broth and cook noodles in it. (If too soupy, make a white sauce or add half and half to thicken it; the flour from the noodles will help thicken the mix.)

Add chicken, salt and pepper to taste, a pinch of sugar, and a squirt of lemon juice. Heat thoroughly; can simmer 1-2 hours, thinning down occasionally with half and half.

SURE-FIRE

REFRIGERATOR ROLLS

1 pkg. dry yeast dissolved in 1 c. lukewarm water
1/2 tsp. salt
6 Tbsp. sugar
1/3 c. Crisco shortening, melted
3 c. sifted flour

After dissolving yeast in water, add salt and sugar to it. Add melted Crisco (that is not hot) to yeast mixture, adding alternately with flour.

Mix well and put out on floured board. Knead 5-10 minutes until elastic and smooth. Place in greased bowl and greased top and let rise until double (1 1/2 - 2 hours unless quick rising yeast is used.)

After first rising, punch the dough down and put in covered container in refrigerator. (Will keep one week to 10 days in refrigerator or can use immediately.)

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Grease a 12-muffin tin. Pinch off small ball-shaped pieces of punched-down dough and place two or three pieces in each greased muffin cup. Let rise 1 - 1 1/2 hours until double in size.

Bake 10-12 minutes until golden brown.

SURE-FIRE EGG CUSTARD

6 fresh eggs
1 1/2 c. sugar
1 1/2 c. milk
1 1/2 c. half and half
dash of vanilla
nutmeg

Mix with hand mixer until well mixed and frothy. Pour into 6-8 custard cups. Sprinkle nutmeg on top of each custard.

Place custard cups in a pan of cold water with water level half way up on custard cups. Bake at 400 degrees; after about 30 minutes, start testing custard by inserting a stainless steel knife into custard until the knife comes out almost clean.

Take pan containing water and custard cups out of oven and let custard cups stand in the hot water 5 more minutes. Take custard out of water and let custard cool. Serve soon or refrigerate.

Note: Different amounts of this recipe can be made as 1/4 c. of sugar is used for each egg and 1/2 c. milk (half of which is half and half) is used per egg.



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Women's Div. meets today

The quarterly meeting of the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce will begin today at 7 p.m. at Hereford Country Club.

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"Swap auction" held by Veleda Study Club members

A "swap auction" was conducted when members of Veleda Study Club met recently in the Southwestern Public Service Reddy Room with Tommie Savage serving as hostesses.

The auction was one of several entertaining programs which has been planned by the yearbook committee. Each member brought one or two "used but not abused" articles from home and served as auctioneer to sell her unloved but priceless objects to the other club members. Over \$50 was raised during the program.

The meeting was opened with the reading of the club collect and roll call was answered by "what was your best bargain?"

During the business meeting with Norma Walden presiding, members voted to give a \$25 donation to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Organization. The next meeting will be held in the home of Betty Dickson with Ruth Fish presenting a book review.

Savage served refreshments to those present: Marcella Brady, Francis Crume, Betty Dickson, Della Hutchins, Joyce Ritter, Walden and Margaret Zinser.

Canisters to be placed

"World Eye Bank" canisters will be placed at the Hereford Senior Citizens Center and various businesses this month it was announced at the regular meeting of the Hereford Rebekah Lodge #228 Tuesday evening.

Seventy-five percent of all monies collected in Texas for the eye bank will be used in this state for research and to promote better eye-sight.

Also, during the business session with Noble Grand Marie Harris

presiding, 30 visits to the sick and 21 cheer cards were reported.

Jim Loving won the door prize brought by Rosalie Northcutt.

Dorothy Lundry served as hostess to Harris, Stella Hershey, Susie Curtsinger, Jo Irlbeck, Anthony Irlbeck, Erma Loving, Jim Loving, Sadie Shaw, Irene Merritt, Faye Brownlow, Merle Boozer, Dora Lea Howell, Gene Bishop, Shirley Brown, Anna Conklin, Ben Conklin and Northcutt.



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OR WHO MAY HAVE A physical handicap. Certified specialists will be working with children at the Stanton Learning Center on April 10th and 11th from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Appointments can be made by calling 364-5941. April 12th has been set aside to screen for the Texas Migrant Council.

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Sports

Ryan ready for Rangers debut today

ARLINGTON (AP) - Nolan Ryan holds 41 major league pitching records in his 21 years of baffling hitters with his fastball, yet he is scheduled to make still another debut today when the Texas Rangers play host to the Detroit Tigers.

It will be Ryan's first regular-season start in the American League since Sept. 28, 1979, when he lost 5-0 to the team that now signs his paychecks. It also will be his fourth major-league stop.

The 42-year-old Ryan, who was picked up by the Rangers as a free

agent from the Houston Astros, broke into baseball with the New York Mets in 1968. Ryan went to the California Angels and had been with the Astros since 1980. The Rangers offered him a contract of \$1.3 million to pitch this year.

Some 300 people from Ryan's hometown of Alvin, near Houston, were expected to attend the 5 p.m. game against the Detroit Tigers.

Ryan was bothered during spring training by muscle pulls. It was unlikely that Rangers pitching coach Tom House would let him go

more than seven innings unless his number of pitches was way down.

Ryan still led the team with three victories including a 12-4 victory over Houston on Saturday in which he went seven innings, yielding eight hits and three runs.

Last year Ryan led the National League in strikeouts for the second consecutive season with 228.

Ryan has pitched 4,547 innings and has 4,775 strikeouts.

"I'm pretty close to where I want to be going into the game," Ryan said. "I could have used a

few more innings in spring training but the muscle pulls set me back a little.

"I did feel good in the game against Houston at Oklahoma City. I'm still missing with some of my pitches but maybe that will come around."

Ryan signed a contract with Texas after Houston failed to match the Rangers' offer. California made a strong pitch to sign Ryan.

"I decided I wanted to stay in Texas. I think the Rangers are up and Arlington is a lot closer to Alvin,"

Ryan said referring to his decision not to move out of state. "I'll see my family more."

Ryan was 12-11 with a 3.52 earned run average in 33 starts for the Astros last year.

The new-look Rangers, who have new owners and made some big trades in the off-season, got off to a good start with a 4-0 victory over the Tigers on Tuesday night before 40,375 fans.

Charlie Hough limited the Tigers to five hits as new owners George

W. Bush and Rusty Rose looked on.

Tom Landry, the former Dallas Cowboys' coach who was fired Feb. 25, wasn't as accurate as Hough.

His opening pitch was caught on one bounce by Jim Sundberg.

It was Hough's 11th career shutout.

"My knuckler wasn't behaving but it sure fooled the hitters," Hough said. "It's a pitch almost as old as baseball but it still works."

Blauser, Braves knock Knepper, Astros

HOUSTON (AP) - Jeff Blauser could almost hear the catcalls after Atlanta's 10-3 season opening loss to Houston.

"After last night, I'm sure people were saying it was the same old Braves but in this clubhouse there is a different attitude,"

Blauser said.

The Braves, who lost 10 straight games to open last season, proved it Wednesday night, taking an 8-4 victory, aided by a two-run double by Blauser and a pair of run-scoring doubles by Gerald Perry.

"It's always nice to get the first

win, especially after last night," Blauser said. "We're young and hungry and ready to turn this ball club around."

At least, the Braves won't lose 10 in a row to start the season.

They chased starter Bob Knepper

in the fourth inning with Blauser's double that put the Braves ahead to stay.

They avenged Tuesday night's loss. They were out-hit 15-12, but made the most of their opportunities.

"We've been behind, we know how to play from behind," Blauser said. "We came back and battled tonight. Last night, breaks changed the ball game for them. Tonight, we got the breaks."

The Braves started breaking down starter Bob Knepper in the first inning when they scored one run on Jody Davis' single and another on Knepper's balk.

They added another run in the third on the second of three straight

hits by Perry, and got three more in the fourth on Blauser's double and Perry's double.

Blauser's two-run hit gave Atlanta a 5-4 lead it never lost.

Geronimo Berroa's single in the fifth and a balk by Juan Agosto in the ninth gave the Braves two more runs.



Tennis trophy winners

Several members of the Hereford High School tennis team brought home trophies from last weekend's Borger Tournament. Hereford winners included (back row, from left) Wendy Connally, Bridget Baker, Gina Alley, Brenna Reinauer and Misty Reed; (front row, from left) T.J. Head, Rick Alley, Jeff Eades, Randy Robbins, Derek Osburn and Matt Coplen.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
At a Glance
By the Associated Press

Wednesday's Games
Boston at Baltimore, ppd., rain
Milwaukee at Cleveland, ppd., rain
Minnesota 12, New York 2
Kansas City 2, Toronto 1
California 6, Chicago 2
Oakland 11, Seattle 1
Only games scheduled

Thursday's Games
New York (LaPoint 15-13) at Minnesota (Rawley 8-16)
Milwaukee (Bosio 7-15) at Cleveland (Black 4-4)
Seattle (Campbell 6-10) at Oakland (Davis 16-7)
Detroit (Robinson 13-6) at Texas (Ryan 12-11), (n)
Boston (Boddicker 13-15) at Baltimore (Bautista 6-15), (n)
Toronto (Flanagan 13-13) at Kansas City (Saberhagen 14-16), (n)
Chicago (Hillegas 3-2) at California (Blyleven 10-17), (n)

Friday's Games
Cleveland at New York
Milwaukee at Detroit
Baltimore at Minnesota, (n)
Boston at Kansas City, (n)
Toronto at Texas, (n)
Seattle at California, (n)
Chicago at Oakland, (n)

National League
Wednesday's Games
St. Louis 3, New York 1
San Diego 4, San Francisco 3
Pittsburgh 3, Montreal 0
Philadelphia 12, Chicago 4
Cincinnati 4, Los Angeles 3
Atlanta 8, Houston 4

Thursday's Games
Los Angeles (Leary 17-11) at Cincinnati (Mahter 9-16)
St. Louis (Terry 9-6) at New York (Darling 17-9)
Pittsburgh (Smiley 13-11) at Montreal (Perez 12-8)
Philadelphia (Ontiveros 3-4) at Chicago (Kilgus 12-15)
Atlanta (Smoltz 2-7) at Houston (Deshaies 11-14), (n)
Only games scheduled

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Weiss homers twice to lead Oakland win

By The Associated Press
On the Oakland Athletics, hitting home runs is contagious. Even Walt Weiss is catching on.
Weiss, who had three homers in 481 career at-bats, homered twice Wednesday night as the Oakland Athletics beat the Seattle Mariners 11-1.
"I've never done that, and I don't know if I ever will again," said Weiss, who hit a two-run homer off Scott Bankhead in the second and a two-run homer off Tom Niedenfuer in the eighth.
Weiss had never before homered at home.
"This park's too big for me," he said. "I've got to hit them down the line to get them out."
Even though his glove won him last year's American League Rookie of the Year Award, Weiss wants to work on his bat. He got two hits in his last 21 spring training at-bats.

"I was actually happy with my spring," he said. "My swing was consistent and I had a lot of hard outs. I want to keep my swing as short as possible, as quick as possible. There's less margin for error that way."
He increased his weight to 180 pounds with an offseason weight-training program. He's also been working on quickening his swing.
"They tried to pound him inside three times, and the only time they got him out was when they went outside," Oakland manager La Russa said. "He's a tough out and likes to hit."
In other games, Kansas City beat Toronto 2-1, Minnesota beat New York 12-2 and California beat Chicago 6-2. Boston at Baltimore and Milwaukee at Cleveland were postponed by rain.
Royals 2, Blue Jays 1
Dave Stieb's shutout streak

ended at 34 innings and Danny Tartabull doubled with two outs in the ninth inning and scored the winning run on Pat Tabler's single off Todd Stottlemyre, who relieved Stieb to start the inning.
Stieb, who lost no-hitters with two outs in the ninth in his last two starts of 1988, gave up four hits, struck out four and walked two. He did not allow a hit until Willie Wilson's leadoff single in the fourth.
Stieb wasn't all that impressed with his streak.
"What was it, 34?" he said. "Well, it's irrelevant now."
Stieb's streak was 21 2-3 innings short of Walter Johnson's American League record, set in 1913, and 25 short of Orel Hershiser's streak, which also ended Wednesday night.
Tom Gordon, in relief of Charlie Leibrandt, pitched 1 2-3 innings of

hitless relief for his first major league victory.
Twins 12, Yankees 2
Wally Backman's single snapped a fifth-inning tie and sparked an eight-run inning capped by Brian Harper's three-run homer.
Harper had three hits and drove in four runs to lead a 17-hit attack. Allan Anderson gave up seven hits in seven innings to improve his record to 11-2 since June 24.
In the fifth, the Twins sent 12 batters to the plate against Andy Hawkins and reliever Lance McCul-

lers. After Backman's single, Kirby Puckett hit an RBI double and Kent Hrbek and Randy Bush had run-scoring singles before Harper's homer. Another run scored on center fielder Roberto Kelly's throwing error.
Angels 6, White Sox 2
Lance Parrish had four hits and Chili Davis hit a three-run homer as California snapped a 13-game losing streak dating back to last season.
Brian Downing hit the 18th leadoff home run of his career and

Parrish had his first four-hit game since July 25, 1986.
Chuck Finley allowed four hits in 6 1-3 innings, walked two and struck out three.
Dan Pasqua broke a bone in his right wrist when he jammed his arm against a railing in the sixth while attempting to catch Jack Howell's foul pop.
Eric King allowed six hits and three runs in three innings and was the loser. California had 13 hits off three Chicago pitchers.



New directors
New directors for Hereford Kids Incorporated this year include (back, from left) Christy Duncan, Dwayne Fry, Kevin King and Kyle Schuder; (middle, from left) Jerry Brock, David Fitzgerald and Eddie Ambold; (front, from left) Manuel Garcia and Ron Cagle. Not pictured are John Sherrod and Danny Haney.

Schmidt leads Phillies

By JIM DONAGHY
AP Sports Writer
When Mike Schmidt is hitting in Wrigley Field, it doesn't matter if it's night or day.
Schmidt hit his 50th career homer in Chicago, a three-run shot in the fourth inning, as Philadelphia beat the Cubs 12-4 Wednesday night. Schmidt's previous 49 homers at Wrigley came under the sun.
"When you come in this park in April you expect cold weather and the wind to be blowing in," Schmidt said. "But we were lucky. Yesterday (Tuesday), the wind was blowing out and tonight it was calm with no wind at all."
The Cubs installed lights in Wrigley Field last summer and scheduled 18 night games at home this year.
Schmidt's homer was the 544th of his career. He is seventh on the all-time homer list and is chasing Reggie Jackson's sixth-place total of 563.
"I'm happy the way I'm swinging, but two games is not a start," said Schmidt. "A month of games is a start."
Schmidt, who did not have a home run during spring training, also homered in the Phillies' season opener at Chicago.
"Isn't it amazing that my first two hits this season have been home runs?" Schmidt asked. "At no time in the spring games did I feel the swing of the bat as I have these two games."

Young winner and World Series MVP struck out six and walked one.
Larkin opened the bottom of the first with a single up the middle and advanced when Hershiser made a wild pickoff throw. Hershiser then struck out Chris Sabo and Eric Davis before Kal Daniels walked on four pitches. Benzinger, facing Hershiser for the first time, singled on a 2-0 pitch and Larkin scored easily ahead of right fielder Mike Marshall's throw.
Cardinals 3, Mets 1
St. Louis spoiled Bob Ojeda's first start since he nearly severed the tip of his left middle finger as Willie McGee drove in two runs for the Cardinals with a homer and single.
Ojeda almost severed the tip of his finger Sept. 21 when he lost control of hedgeclippers while gardening at home. The left-hander underwent six hours of microsurgery and spent most of the winter in rehabilitation.
He pitched 6 2-3 innings and allowed six hits and three runs, two earned.
Padres 4, Giants 3
San Diego won its first game of the season after two straight season-opening losses to San Francisco as Jack Clark's single keyed a three-run third inning.
Ed Whitson allowed six hits and struck out eight in 6 2-3 innings for

the victory. He left in the seventh inning after giving up a two-run homer to Robby Thompson, and Mark Davis pitched the final 1 2-3 innings for a save.
Pirates 3, Expos 0
Doug Drabek pitched a two-hitter and Pittsburgh took advantage of three errors to beat Montreal at Olympic Stadium. Drabek held the Expos to Hubie Brook's single in the first inning and a single by Andres Galarraga in the seventh.
Sid Bream doubled off 6-foot-10 rookie Randy Johnson, 0-1, in the fourth inning and scored the only run Drabek would need when shortstop Spike Owen failed to field a grounder by Junior Ortiz for an error.
Johnson pitched eight innings and allowed three hits, walked seven and struck out nine.
The first regularly scheduled college basketball doubleheader was played in 1934 in New York's Madison Square Garden. NYU beat Notre Dame and Westminster topped St. John's.

Ballesteros seeks third

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) - Seve Ballesteros needs a third Masters championship in the 1980s to equal a mark set by two of this event's most acclaimed players - Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer.
Nicklaus, the only six-time winner, and Palmer claimed three titles each during the decade of the 1960s.
No one did that before.
No one has done it since.
Ballesteros, the reigning British Open champion, cut his appearances on the PGA Tour five weeks ago when he became ill with the flu at the Honda Classic.
After spending two weeks at home in Spain, he returned to the Tour, finishing in a tie for 30th at New Orleans two weeks ago and sharing third last week at Houston.
"I still have a bad cold, but I feel better than the last week,"

Ballesteros said Wednesday on the eve of the 53rd Masters, which opened today with an international field of 85 on the 6,905-yard, par 72 Augusta National Golf Club course.
Ballesteros won his first Masters in 1980 and claimed the title for the second time in 1983. He had a chance in 1986 and 1987, tying for second both times, losing the latter in a three-way playoff with Greg Norman and eventual champion Larry Mize.
Seve's love affair with Augusta National helps his confidence.
"When you come to Augusta the course makes you seem better," he said. "This is the best (course) I've ever played. The golf course is very open. It makes you swing better."
Ballesteros is regarded as one of the favorites to win this week, sharing British odds of 8-1 with Norman, the Australian star who says he's getting tired of answering

questions about why he's never won the Masters.
"I don't know whether I'm going to do it," Norman said Wednesday. "I'd like to be able to say I'm going to win it this year."
"The more I come back here the more my desire to win it," Norman added. "I want to win here because I love the place so much."
The chase for the last Masters title of the decade is considered wide open.
Besides Ballesteros and Norman, another foreign star can't be discounted - defending champion Sandy Lyle of Scotland.
Top American contenders are Curtis Strange, Tom Kite and Mark Calcavecchia.
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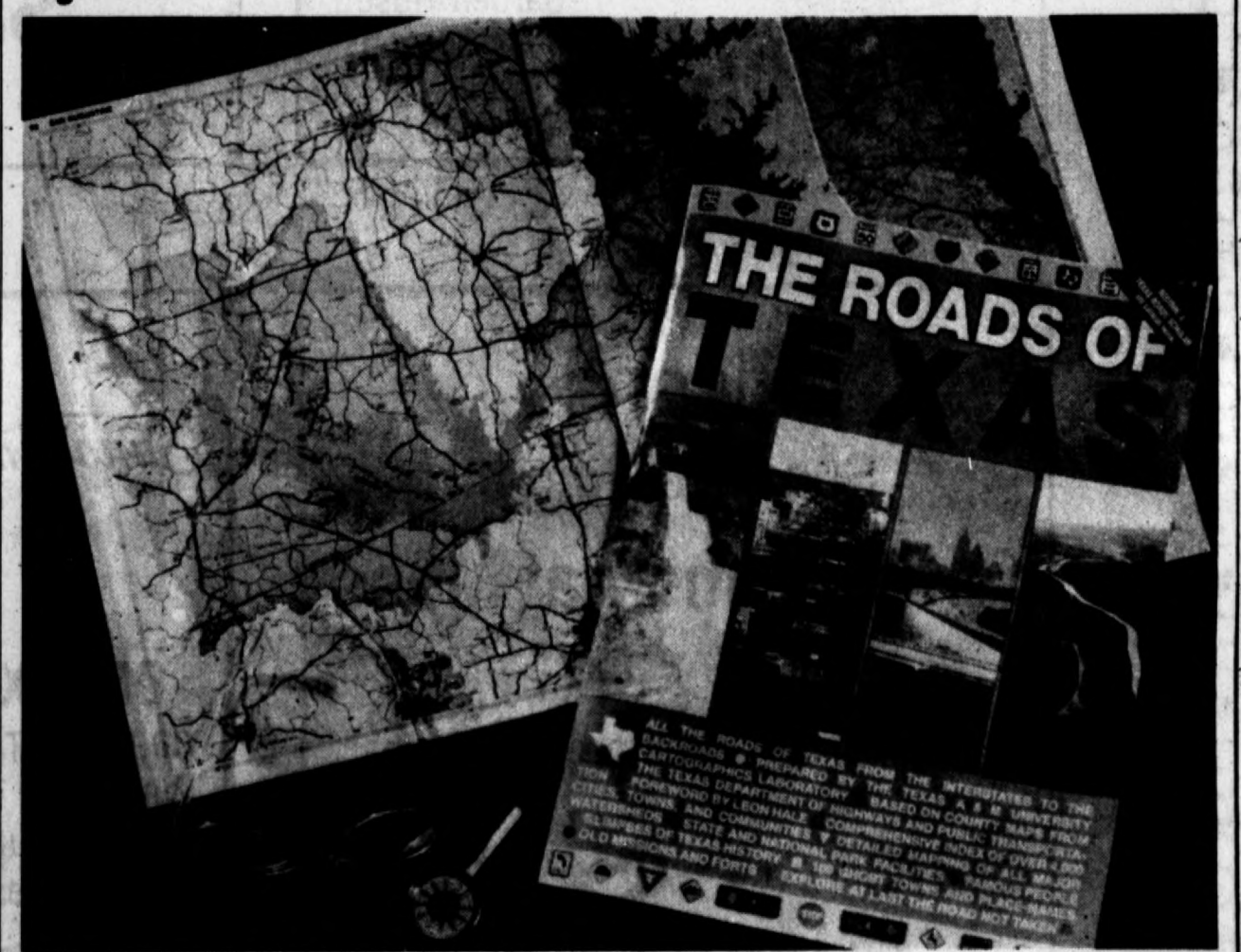
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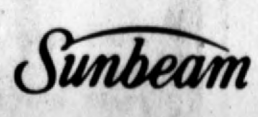
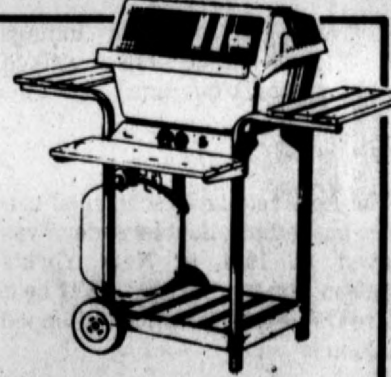
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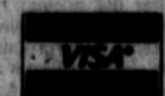
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Friday vote could open Olympic ball

By BILL BARNARD
AP Basketball Writer

How about a starting lineup of Karl Malone, Charles Barkley, Patrick Ewing, Magic Johnson and Clyde Drexler for the 1992 U.S. Olympic team in Barcelona?

With FIBA, the international governing body for basketball, expected to open the Olympics to all professionals when they vote in Munich, West Germany, on Friday, that possibility is closer to reality.

But according to an Associated Press survey of 295 NBA players, they are a long way from speaking with one voice about whether the NBA should be allowed to play and whether they would play if allowed to participate.

Malone, Barkley, Ewing, Johnson and Drexler were among the 47.1 percent who believe that NBA players should be allowed into the Olympics and who would play if the league's players gain entry.

"I would play in a heartbeat," Malone said. "I'd pay my own ticket over there. It teed me off when the Russians were high-fiving like they had beaten America's best and I knew they hadn't."

"It's about time for us to let to world see what we can really do," Johnson said.

Almost two-thirds of NBA players think professionals should be allowed in the Olympics, but

only 58 percent said they would play if they could.

The majority of those opposed to participation said the Games are better suited to college players and that NBA players would make a travesty of competition.

Others said that it would disrupt their family life, or that they doubted NBA owners would let them play.

A total of 185 players - 62.7 percent - answered yes when asked by the AP if NBA players should be allowed in the Olympics. Another 100, or 33.9 percent, said no; 10 had no answer or no opinion.

Asked if they would play, 172 players, or 58.3 percent, said yes; 114, or 38.6 percent, said no; and the rest, nine players, had no answer or no opinion.

Only 139 of 295 NBA players contacted by the AP said yes to both questions. There are a maximum of 300 players on the active NBA roster at any time - 12 players on each of the 25 teams.

If the proposal passes today, much would have to be decided between NBA and amateur basketball officials about how and when the U.S. team would be chosen.

The problems include having the NBA in playoffs until late June and the next Olympics in July. The regular season ends in late April,

which could preclude tryouts - a sore point for some players in any case.

Twenty-seven players who thought professionals should not be allowed in the Olympics said they still would go if they could. Forty-six said professionals should be allowed, but they would not play.

Not everyone said why, but the most common reason, given by 60 players, was the belief that the Olympics are better suited for college players.

"For us to be selfish and say we want to win at all costs is not right," said Detroit's Isiah Thomas, who made the 1980 Olympic team but lost out to the U.S. boycott. "I'd hate to deprive a college player like Bimbo Coles, for whom the Olympics are the crowning point of his career."

Thirteen players said they opposed NBA participation in the Olympics because it would give the U.S. team an overwhelming advantage in the Games.

Among other responses:

- Eighteen players listed age or family considerations for saying they would not play.
- Twenty-three players mentioned the length of the NBA season.
- Six players included the risk of injury for a negative response.
- Five players said they wanted others to get a chance.

Television

- THURSDAY**
- EVENING**
- 6:00 News
 - Nightly Business Report
 - Our House
 - Cheers
 - Night Court
 - SportsCenter
 - Family Ties
 - Inspector Gadget
 - Miami Vice
 - MOVIE: Raising Arizona ****
 - (HBO) MOVIE: Hunk
 - Top Card
 - World Monitor
 - Chronicle
 - Spenser: For Hire
 - Marilyn Hickey
 - Senors
 - 6:05 Andy Griffith
 - 6:30 Puff the Magic Dragon Burgess Meredith (1988) NR
 - Cosby
 - Tax Tips
 - Wheel of Fortune
 - Night Court
 - USA Today
 - Speedweek NR
 - Newhart
 - Looney Tunes
 - (MAX) MOVIE: China Run
 - Crook and Chase
 - Rendezvous
 - World of Survival John Forsythe
 - James Robison
 - 6:35 Sanford and Son
 - 7:00 The Best of Walt Disney Presents NR
 - The Cosby Show
 - This Old House
 - MOVIE: ABC Family Classic Rock and Roll Mom A music-loving mother climbs the charts overnight to become a hot rock sensation, but is forced to hide the fact that she has two teenage children. *Dyan Cannon, Taina Hopkins*
 - MOVIE: Norwood *** A Vietnam veteran returns home and finds he is bored with his job and disturbed that his sister has married an overbearing man. *Glenn Campbell, Kim Darby (1970) G*
 - MOVIE: The Lonely Guy *** A lonely and very eligible guy is an overnight success when he writes about loneliness, but when the girl of his dreams finds him, his troubles begin. *Steve Martin, Charles Grodin (1984) R* Profanity, Nudity, Mature Themes.
 - 48 Hours
 - Off Road Racing
 - Simon and Simon
 - Mr. Ed
 - Shirley, She Wrote
 - Nashville Now
 - The Black Rhino
 - The Edge and Beyond
 - Cagney and Lacey
 - Camp Meeting USA
 - Amandote
 - 7:05 Sanford and Son
 - 7:30 A Different World
 - Made in Texas
 - Major League Baseball
 - Patty Duke
 - Wild World of the East
 - 8:00 MOVIE: Buffalo Bill ***
 - Cheers
 - Mystryl Ian Holm (1989)
 - The Equalizer Joe Seneca, William Atherton
 - Thursday Night Thunder
 - MOVIE: Whose Life is It Anyway?
 - My Three Sons
 - Professional Golf
 - MOVIE: A Nightmare on Elm Street 3: Dream Warriors **
 - (HBO) MOVIE: Off Limits **
 - (MAX) MOVIE: Born in East L.A. **
 - Beyond 2000
 - MOVIE: The Red Shoes ****
 - MOVIE: Cover Up When a fashion photographer is killed, his wife and a Vietnam vet go undercover to investigate his death. *Jennifer O'Neill, Jon-Eric Hexum NR*
 - Heritage Today
 - Encadenados
 - 8:30 Dear John
 - Donna Reed
 - VideoCountry
 - 9:00 L.A. Law
 - A Refusenik Diary NR
 - Heartbeat
 - 700 Club
 - News
 - Knots Landing
 - USAC Midgets
 - Saturday Night Live
 - The Black Museum
 - Richard Roberts
 - Noticiero Univision
 - 9:30 Animals in Action NR
 - SCTV
 - (MAX) MOVIE: Less Than Zero **

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 - USA Today
 - Pro Tennis
 - Newhart
 - Looney Tunes
 - Crook and Chase
 - Goodland's Story
 - World of Survival John Forsythe
 - James Robison
 - 6:35 Major League Baseball
 - 7:00 Sesame Street 20...And Still Counting
 - D.C. Week in Review
 - Perfect Strangers
 - MOVIE: Belle Starr's Daughter **
 - MOVIE: Brighton Beach Memoirs
 - Beauty and the Beast
 - Simon and Simon
 - Mr. Ed
 - Murder, She Wrote
 - MOVIE: Risky Business ***
 - (HBO) MOVIE: Witchboard It starts out as a harmless game. But the message on this wicked Ouija board comes straight from Hell. Don't play it alone. *Tammy Klien, Stephen Nichols (1987) R* Violence.
 - (MAX) MOVIE: Beetlejuice ***
 - Nashville Now
 - Wild Westers
 - The Eagle and the Bear
 - MOVIE: After the Promise ***
 - Camp Meeting USA
 - Amandote
 - 7:30 Nightingale NR
 - Wall Street Week
 - Full House
 - Patty Duke
 - Winston Churchill: The Valiant Years NR
 - 8:00 MOVIE: Dennis the Menace *
 - Quantum Leap
 - Great Performances (1989)
 - Mr. Belvedere
 - MOVIE: The Stalking Moon *** An Army scout helps a white woman who has lived with the Apaches escape with her young half breed son while the boy's Indian father pursues them. *Gregory Peck, Eva Marie Saint (1969) G*
 - My Three Sons
 - Professional Golf
 - American Diary
 - MOVIE: Pieta A surrogate mother, her brain-damaged baby and a teacher form a tragic triangle in this disturbing drama. *Maggie Miller, Sally Cooper (1986) NR*
 - Heritage Today
 - Encadenados
 - 8:30 Just the Ten of Us
 - 700 Club
 - News
 - Falcon Crest
 - Saturday Night Live
 - Brothers Robert Walden, Brandon Maggart NR Adult Themes.
 - (HBO) MOVIE: Instant Justice *** A Marine sergeant whips into action after his sister is murdered in Madrid. The case is closed but the sergeant vows to find the killer. *Michael Pare, Tammy Klien (1987) R* Profanity, Nudity, Violence.
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 - Days and Nights of Molly Dodd
 - Richard Roberts
 - Noticiero Univision
 - 8:35 (MAX) MOVIE: Risky Business ***
 - 8:40 Comedy Club Network NR
 - 9:00 UNBUS Jason Bernard, Virginia Capers
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 - 9:20 Between Games
 - 9:30 NBA Basketball
 - It's Garry Shandling's Show Garry Shandling, Michael Tucci NR
 - Classic Rock with Wolfman Jack
 - Leading Edge
 - Shortstories
 - Days and Nights of Molly Dodd
 - Tres Generaciones Carmen Montejo, Angelica Maria
 - 10:00 The Adventures of Ozzy and Harriet Ozzy Nelson, Harriet Nelson NR
 - News
 - Remington Steele
 - Honeymooners
 - John Chandler
 - Laugh In
 - Miami Vice
 - Super Dave NR
 - You Can Be a Star
 - World Alive
 - At the Improv
 - Spenser: For Hire
 - Color Places
 - MOVIE: Un Nuevo Modo de Amar Hombres y mujeres en busca de la formula perfecta para disfrutar del amor en todas sus formas. *Mauricio Garcés, H. Lechuga PG*
 - 10:30 The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes NR
 - Tonight Show
 - Black/White Newshour
 - Cheers
 - Hill Street Blues
 - Masters Highlights
 - Freddy's Nightmares
 - Car 54 Where Are You?
 - MOVIE: Bulletproof ** An ex-secret agent is recruited back into service in order to recapture an American supertanker, and his former girlfriend, from communist rebels. *Gary Busby, Darlanne Russell (1988) R* Profanity, Violence.
 - (MAX) MOVIE: Casanova Company ** Casanova and his look-alike companion are pressed into service by the lusty ladies of Venice. *Tony Curtis, Maria Bensen (1978) NR* Profanity, Nudity, Adult Situation.
 - Crook and Chase
 - In Search of Paradise
 - Today in Bible Prophecy
 - 10:45 Pat Sajak Show (HBO) One Night Stand: Bill Maher (1989) NR
 - 11:00 Entertainment Tonight (1986)
 - MOVIE: Belle Starr's Daughter ** An outlaw kills Belle Starr and lays the blame on the new marshal, but Belle's daughter comes to town to avenge the real killer of her mother. *Rod Cameron, George Montgomery (1948) NR*
 - Make Room for Daddy
 - Camp Midnite
 - Nashville Now
 - Coplane of the Wild
 - The Eagle and the Bear
 - Lady Blue
 - Fletcher Brothers
 - 11:15 (HBO) MOVIE: Rage of Honor Kozugi plays Shiro, a man out to find his police partner. When the police officially close the case, Shiro does some investigating of his own. *Sho Kosugi (1986) R* Profanity, Violence, Adult Situation.
 - 11:30 Return of Sherlock Holmes Jeremy Brett NR
 - Late Night with David Letterman
 - Sign On
 - Nightline
 - MOVIE: Valley Girl *** A cool Valley girl gives up her Valley dude boyfriend to find happiness with a Hollywood punks rocker who is totally awesome. *Nicole Capri, Deborah Foreman (1983) R* Profanity, Nudity.
 - SportsCenter
 - Monsters
 - Mr. Ed
 - Wildlife Chronicles
 - Winston Churchill: The Valiant Years NR
 - James Robison
 - No Es un Juego Vivir
 - 11:45 Inside the NBA
 - 12:00 Arsenio Hall
 - National High School Dance Team
 - Police Story
 - Patty Duke
 - (MAX) MOVIE: Double Exposure A photographer's dreams turn to nightmares and his nightmares to reality when five models are found brutally stabbed. *Michael Gough, James Feltner (1982) R* Violence, Adult Themes.
 - World Monitor
 - MOVIE: Pieta A surrogate mother, her brain-damaged baby and a teacher form a tragic triangle in this disturbing drama. *Maggie Miller, Sally Cooper (1986) NR*
 - Self-Improvement Guide
 - Heritage Today
 - 12:05 MOVIE: Fairy Tales Knowing he will lose his kingdom if he doesn't produce an heir, a handsome prince wanders through Fairyland in search of Princess Beauty. *Dan Sparks, Angela James (1979) R* Profanity, Nudity, Adult Situation.
 - 12:15 Night Tracks: Power Play Daniels
 - MOVIE: CBS Late Movie Tomorrow on Trial: United States vs Sally Alcott Explore the legal, moral and emotional aspects of the capture and U.S. trial of an internationally known Arab terrorist and his skilled attorney. *Sam Waterston, Ron Leibman (1987) G*
 - 12:30 Steve Allen's Golden Age of Comedy Steve Allen (1988) NR
 - Friday Night Videos
 - Saturday Night Live
 - MOVIE: A Boy and His Dog *** After the nuclear holocaust, a young man fights to survive against a brutal, bizarre underground society. *Don Johnson, Susan Fisher (1975) R* Profanity, Nudity, Violence, Adult Situation.
 - American Magazines
 - Footnote of the World
 - Johnny Canales
 - 12:45 (HBO) MOVIE: The Stranger ***

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BLONDIE by Dean Young and Stan Drake

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Barney Google and Snuffy Smith By Fred Lasswell

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- Official seal
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- Strength
- Domicile
- Jalopy
- Shabby
- Wednesday
- Queen of folklore
- Exclamation
- Urban
- Invent
- Warmth
- Source of an oil
- Faithful
- English river
- Banquet
- Car section
- Lassie
- Dutch commune
- Beanie
- Cent
- WWI battle scene
- Mad
- Winged
- Contradict
- Stair post
- DOWN
- Animal protection org.
- Riven
- Elsewhere
- Opera house, for short

5 Proposition

6 Disney deer

7 Arab cloak

8 Extended

9 Item

10 Glimpse at

11 17 St. crossing

12 Castlike animal

13 Small opening

14 Decimal point

15 Culbertson

16 Wine (Fr.)

17 Post's evening

18 A long time

19 Region (abbr.)

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Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: Every now and then when I get the feeling that the world is going to hell in a hand basket, I read something that restores my faith in humanity.

I know you can't print it all, Ann, but here is a shortened version of a story that appeared in the Cleveland Plain Dealer. It made my day.

About 40 people came to the rescue of a young rape victim who was naked and screaming. "Let me in!" as she pounded on the door of her next-door neighbor. A 17-year-old employee of a Pizza Hut restaurant heard the screams and took off after the alleged rapist, who was carrying a knife and wearing a ski mask.

All the employees and customers in the Pizza Hut ran out and joined in the chase. So did several salespeople and customers of a Chevrolet dealership nearby. The police were called and joined in the pursuit.

"It was a sight to behold!" said one of the observers who ran to the young woman's rescue. "There were at least 40 people chasing the guy. He tried to hide under a truck when the traffic light was in his favor, but we had him cornered every which way."

Apparently the woman was alone when the intruder entered her home through an unlocked back door. She said he raped her repeatedly and then tried to burglarize her home. While he was rummaging through her belongings she ran out of the house to get help.

I hope this story gets a lot of coverage, Ann. We need to encourage people everywhere to stick

together and not be afraid to become involved when they see a fellow human in danger. Thanks for spreading the word. -- PLAIN-DEALER READER

DEAR READER: You might be interested to know that we checked the story and learned that the suspect was indicted on 54 counts, involving seven rape charges in Michigan. The police there had been looking for this creep for more than a year.

These days when so many people are afraid to get involved, it's encouraging to know that there are still folks who will take a risk and rescue a person in danger. Hallelujah!

Dear Ann Landers: A lot of teenagers read your column and I have a message for them. I live in Hartford, and as you know, New Haven (and your beloved Yalies) are nearby. This is for teens all over the nation.

I work as a doorman in a restaurant that has a bar. The drinking age in this state is 21. It is my job to check the IDs, driver's license or whatever, to make sure that the people who come into this place are 21. The restaurant can be sued or have its liquor license taken away if it is caught serving minors. Here's the message:

If you don't have an ID, that's YOUR problem. I don't care where it is, who has it, when it was lost or if you have friends who will vouch for you. If you don't have an ID, you can't get in. Period. It doesn't matter if you have shown it to three other doormen tonight or if you have a stamp on your hand. I need to see it. If your ID is really lost, bring your birth certificate.

One more thing. Please don't leave without paying your tab. The waiter or waitress who served you will have to pay if you don't. Most of them are barely making it, and they can't afford to entertain you. -- ENUF SAID IN CONN.

DEAR CONN.: Thanks for saying it. You couldn't have made it any plainer.

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Q. What can I do to prevent drop cookies from spreading so much? Mrs. D.M.D., Mantua, OH

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Q. Does chocolate contain cholesterol? Mrs. F.M., Lakewood, N.J.

A. No, chocolate is made from a plant source, cacao beans. Cholesterol is found only in animal fat sources. However, chocolate does have a significant saturated fat content.

Q. How can I bake a fully cooked ham so it doesn't dry out?

A. Fully cooked ham needs only to be heated through to 140 degrees F. Bake a half ham for 18 to 24 minutes per pound.

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Talking it over

The Nazarene Christian Academy will be hosting a dinner theatre at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday in the Hereford Community Center. Dinner will be served at the evening performances and dessert only will be featured Sunday. Tickets are priced at \$10 per person each evening and \$5 for Sunday's event and may be purchased from any academy student, the school office, Thames Pharmacy and Ouida's. Participating in a humorous conversation on family life are (from left) Michael Power, Jim Lewis and David Fanning. The play is entitled "Family Outings" and deals with a middle-class family struggling to remain together and finally achieving its goal. Other cast members include Mary Jo Hamman, Ronnie Lance, Steve Johnson, Eugene and Michelle McMorries and Priscilla Power.



Examining prop

In depicting the theme Wonderland, carousel horses will be among the props used during the 1989 Little Miss Hereford Pageant planned Saturday, April 15, in the Hereford High School auditorium. Decorating one of the props are pageant committee members, Eileen Alley, at left, and Sue Malamen. All young girls wishing to compete in the annual event, sponsored by the Women's Division, must fill out registration forms at the Chamber of Commerce office, 701 N. Main St., by 5 p.m. Friday. Entry fee is \$5 for each contestant. All rules and regulations, including rehearsal times, are attached to each entry sheet.

The first father and son to serve at the same time in the U.S. Senate were Henry Dodge of Wisconsin and his son, Augustus Caesar Dodge of Iowa. They served from 1848 to 1855.

Hairstyles flexible

By The Associated Press
Computer chip technology has come to the aesthetic world of hair care.

The "Smartsetter" hairsetter by the Vidal Sassoon division of the Helen of Troy Corp. can be programmed to go on at a specific time and has an automatic 60-minute shut-off.

It serves as a ponytail holder and is described as a "wardrobe for the hair."

"It" is a Rommi, the creation of Rommi Revson, a hair accessory made up of three layers of fabric that come together when twisted in the hair. Designs include eyelet, lace, bandanna, animal prints, florals and dots.

Versatility in hairstyles is the answer to keeping up with wide variations in fashions this spring, says Xenon, the hairstylist called, simply, Xenon.

"Today's woman doesn't want her hair to look the same every day. Not only does she need a look that can adapt to the clothes she's wearing, but also to match her activities.

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Dessert Theater April 9--2 p.m. \$5.00
Proceeds to benefit Nazarene Christian Academy
Please purchase tickets IN ADVANCE at
Thames Pharmacy, Ouida's,
or from any NCA student. 1-194-2c

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1A-Garage Sales

Garage sale. Fri & Sat 9:00-? 230 Douglas. Boys 10 speed, picnic table, girls clothes, books, toys, dishes, lots of misc. 1A-196-2p

Garage sale 204 Hickory-Small appliances, tables, antique chairs, lamps, barstools, clothing, etc. Friday and Saturday at 8:30. 1A-196-2p

Yard sale Fri & Sat. 136 Ave. H. 8 a.m. Baby clothes, walker, strollers, maternity, formals sizes 3-11, furniture. 1A-196-2p

Garage sale 604 Union, Fri & Sat. 9:00-? Too much to mention! 1A-196-1p

Garage Sale 333 Ave. J. Fri & Sat. 1A-196-2p

Garage sale Fri & Sat 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Little of everything, clothing, 134 Ironwood. 1A-196-2p

Estate sale. 411 South 25 Mile Avenue. Saturday and Sunday 9:00 a.m. Furniture, clothing, utensils, lots of miscellaneous items. 1A-196-2p

Garage sale. 424 Sycamore. Friday 1:30 p.m. until?? Saturday 8:30 a.m. to ?? Lots of miscellaneous items. 1A-196-2p

Garage sale. 229 Northwest Drive 8:00 a.m. Saturday, piano, upright freezer, furniture, dishes, linens, ceramics, appliances, bicycles, etc. 1A-196-2p

Big Backyard Sale. Friday afternoon from 5:00 p.m. til? Saturday morning from 8:00 a.m. til? Lots of neat stuff. 332 Ave. J. 1-85-tfc

G & W FLEA MARKET
Will be open each Friday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. at 124 Gough. (Corner of Gough and 2nd St.) 1A-196-20p

3-Cars For Sale
1983 Olds Royale Brougham. Very clean, and in good condition. See at 337 Stadium Drive or call 364-4939. 3-189-10c

For sale: 1968 Pontiac LeMans, only 44,000 miles. \$1750.00 Call 364-6743 after 6 p.m. 3-194-5p

1985 Mercury Cougar. White. Excellent condition, loaded. New tires. Call 364-7287. 3-190-tfc

1977 Buick Limited, 2 dr. automatic air, stereo, \$1050. Call Judy at 276-5814. 3-190-5p

Attention-government seized vehicles from \$100. Fords, Mercedes, Corvettes, Chevys, Surplus Buyers Guide. 1-602-838-8885 Ext. A1488. 3-194-5p

1979 Lincoln Continental Town Coupe. Driven 31,000 miles. Like new. See Carlos Anderson at Tip Top Oil Company or phone 806-364-5182 or 806-364-3378. 3-195-tfc

1988 Olds Royale Brougham. High mileage. Want to sell quick! Call Steve 364-2927 home; 364-2435 office. 3-195-4c

For sale: Topper for a long bed pick-up. Newly painted. Call 364-6891. After 6:00 Call 364-0293. 3-196-6c

AXYDLBAAXR
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.

CRYPTOQUOTE
4-6
T C T N K R C G K R L V X C R
C G O O F G A R L H R I U G Q X J I Q
C R V G C A R L I V R O Q . N R
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X J I Q . - X G K I A Q . C X R I G J L
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: DETOUR: SOMETHING THAT LENGTHENS YOUR MILEAGE, DIMINISHES YOUR GAS AND STRENGTHENS YOUR VOCABULARY. - OLIVER HERFORD

1979 Chev. Blazer. Also copier machine. Call 267-2390 after 5 p.m. 3-196-5p

MILBURN MOTOR COMPANY
We pay cash for Used Cars
136 Sampson
Phone 364-0077 3-tfc

NEW & USED
Now for sale at **STAGNER-ORSBORN BUICK-PONTIAC-GMC**
1st & Miles 3-8-tfc

1982 charcoal grey El Camino. Chrome wheels and bumpers, Power windows and doors. Conquistista Edition. Call Tom 364-2219. 4-194-tfc

3A-RVs For Sale
35' Traveleze trailer with 4' foot pullout in living area. FULLY furnished. Can be seen at Ute Lake, NM. Asking price \$3,000. Negotiable. Call (806) 364-5857 after 5:30 p.m. 4-194-5p

4-Real Estate
Irrigated farm land with grass, Pullman clay loam soil, \$400 per acre. call HCR Real Estate 364-4670. 4-194-tfc

Money paid for houses, notes, mortgages. Call 364-2660. 4-97-tfc

Small equity. Take up payments. Extra nice, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, single garage. Call days 364-3450; nights 364-3297. 4-164-tfc

3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, fenced yard. Near school. 139 Ranger \$29,000 or assume loan. 364-1176. 4-183-22p

Great starter home, 2 bedrooms, one bath, new carpet. Remodeled. Only \$25,000, low move-in. Call HCR Real Estate 364-4670. 4-187-tfc

2 bedroom house and apartments for sale, corner lot. \$13,000 Call 364-6305. 4-187-tfc

Have home in the country with acreages, owner financing. Call HCR Real Estate, 364-4670. 4-187-tfc

Attention-Government homes from \$1 (U-repair). Delinquent tax property. Repossession. Call 1-602-838-8885 Ext. GH1488. 4-193-5p

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Need extra storage space? Rent a mini storage, two sizes available. Call 364-4370. 5-25-tfc

For rent: 30x60 building with offices, garage and fenced-in area. Located on East Hwy. 60. Excellent for business and storage. 364-4231 or 364-2949. 5-36-tfc

Nice, large, unfurnished apartments. Refrigerated air, two bedrooms. You pay only electric-we pay the rest. \$275.00 month. 364-8421. 5-48-tfc

Best deal in town. Furnished 1 bedroom efficiency apartments. \$175.00 per month bills paid, red brick apartments 300 Block West 2nd Street. 364-3566. 5-174-tfc

Spacious, clean, freshly painted apartment available. Includes ceiling fans, central heat and air. Well maintained yard. From \$190 for one bedroom and \$210 for two bedroom. No pets. EHO. 364-1255. 5-121-tfc

Bachelor apt. clean-furnished bills paid. Single person, no pets. Call 364-1797. Please Leave Message. 5-144-tfc

2 bedroom duplex. New carpet. Gas and water paid. 364-4370. 5-144-tfc

Nice 2 bedroom apartment, stove and refrigerator, fireplace, dishwasher, disposal, fenced area. Water and gas paid. 364-4370. 5-154-tfc

For rent: Executive Apt. Large 2 bedroom, 3 bedroom or 1 bedroom. Cable and water paid. Call 364-4267. 5-161-tfc

417 Avenue G. Nice brick house. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1 car garage, mini blinds, central heat and electric cook stove. Call Don C. Tardy Co. 364-4561. 5-173-tfc

For sale by owner: Four bedroom, 2 bath, fenced backyard. Low price. Call 364-5287. 4-194-5p

4A-Mobile Homes
For sale by owner. 12x50 American Mobil Home on 60'x120' lot with 6' fence. Storage shed could be made into extra room. Fruit trees & large garden. Call 364-4946 after 5:00. 4A-192-7p

Attention first time home buyers-2 and 3 bedroom mobile homes. No credit experience needed. We deliver. Call 806-894-7212. 4A-193-21c

Repos: 2 and 3 bedroom mobile homes. No credit experience needed. We deliver. Call 806-894-8187. 4A-193-21c

5-Homes For Rent
Self-lock storage. 364-8448. 5-95-tfc

One and two bedroom apartments. All bills paid except electricity. 364-4332. 5-61-tfc

Saratoga Gardens, Friona low rent for needy families. Carpet, laundry facilities. Rent starts \$265, bills paid, collect 247-3666. 5-87-tfc

1,2,3, and 4 bedroom apartments available. Low income housing. Stove and refrigerator furnished. Blue Water Garden Apts. Bills paid. Call 364-6661. 5-68-tfc

Two bedroom apartment. Stove, and refrigerator. Furnished or unfurnished. Fenced patio, laundry facilities. Water and cable paid. 364-4370. 5-191-tfc

10 acres. large barn, storage bldg., water, on pavement, 5 miles north. \$150 per month. 364-2087. 5-193-tfc

Large 3 bdrm, 2 bath, brick home at 500 E. 3rd, 364-3566. 5-193-tfc

Office space available at 1500 West Park. Newly carpeted. \$125 per month. Call 364-1281. 5-193-tfc

2 bedroom house with washer/dryer hookup. Attached garage 364-4370. 5-194-tfc

For rent: 2 bedroom house. 312 Western. \$325 per month; \$300 deposit. 364-2831. 5-194-tfc

2-1-1 like new home. 905 Brevard. \$325/mo. Perfect condition. 364-3209. 5-196-tfc

For rent: 40 ft. x 54 ft. Metal building, concrete floor, 12 ft. door. Excellent for storage or warehouse type business. Very reasonable rent. Call Gene Brownlow Hereford, 276-5887. 5-196-tc

One bedroom, all bills paid. Fridge, stove, a/c, covered parking, carpeted. 364-3209. 5-196-tfc

For sale or rent by owner: 4 bedroom, 2 baths. Call 379-6520. Th-F-S-5-196-6p

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Mobile home lots for rent
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7-Business Opportunities
KWIK KAR OIL & LUBE CENTER
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7A-Situations Wanted
I will do tree removal. Call Bill Devers for free estimates. 364-4053 after 5 p.m. Sit-148-tfc

I'm interested in doing Home Health Care Nursing in home. Call 364-4756 or 364-2048. Sit-194-5p

14 year old boy would like to do babysitting. Week nights and weekends. Call 364-1072 after 5:30 p.m. Ask for Chris Hart. Sit-196-3p

8-Help Wanted
Need waitresses and delivery drivers. Apply in person, Pizza Hut, 1304 West 1st. 8-169-tfc

Steere Tank Lines, Inc. Dimmitt, Texas is now accepting applications for experienced semi-truck drivers. One year experience in the last three years necessary. Must be at least 21 years of age. Please apply in person. Equal Opportunity Employer. 8-184-15c

Attention-hiring! Government jobs your area. Many immediate openings without waiting list or test. \$17,840-\$69,485. Call 1-602-838-8885 Ext. R 1488. 8-193-10p

9-Child Care
Experienced child care, keeping all ages. Call Bonnie Cole, 364-6664. 9-188-tfc

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10-Announcements

Operation Good Shepherd. 364-0382.
People helping people. 10-237-10c

Drinking a problem? Alcoholic
Anonymous. Monday through Friday,
12:5-3:0 p.m. Saturday 8 p.m.;
Sunday 11 a.m. 406 West 4th. 364-
9620. 10-tfc

10A-Personals

Problem Pregnancy Center, 505 East
Park Avenue, 364-2027. Free
pregnancy tests. Confidential. After
hours hot line 364-7626, ask for
"Janie." 10A-236-tfc

11-Business Service

Will pick up junk cars free. We buy
scrap iron and metal, aluminum
cans, 364-3350. 11-196-tfc

Overhead door repair and adjust-
ment. All types. Robert Betzen,
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Custom plowing, large acres.
Discing, deep chisel, sweeps,
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Time to Rototill your garden. Call
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and communications wiring, instal-
lation, repair, rearrangements. Also
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Hauling dirt, sand, gravel, trash,
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0553; 364-1123. 11-180-20p

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er Company, 276-5549. 11-189-21p

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tes. Eddie Bastardo, 364-5907.
11-196-10p

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Save 50% to 100% on your
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Call 364-0605, 412 Sunset.
11-178-20p

13-Lost and Found

Lost from 201 Juniper, two female,
lemon and white English Pointers.
Please call 364-6995 days; 364-
7432 nights. 13-194-3

LEGAL NOTICES

**OLDER AMERICANS ACT
NUTRITION PROGRAM
NOTICE OF FUND AVAILABILITY
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL(REP)**

DEAF SMITH COUNTY--Service pro-
viders interested in applying for fed-
eral funding under the nutrition cate-
gory C, and C₂ of Title III of the Older
Americans Act have until May 10,
1989, to submit proposals for fiscal
year 1990.

The Older Americans Act provides
about \$65,210 for C, Congregate and
\$49,992 for C₂, Home-Delivered meals
annually in Deaf Smith County to help
meet the nutritional needs of people
age 60 and older. In addition, \$2,400
of federal funds will be available for
recreational services.

Applications and additional informa-
tion are available from the Panhandle
Area Agency on Aging, which is lo-
cated in the Panhandle Regional
Planning Commission (PRPC), mail-
ing address P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo,
Texas 79105-9257. The street ad-
dress is 2736 West Tenth. A Bidders'
Conference will be held on Thursday,
April 13, 1989, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00
p.m. in the PRPC Conference Room,
2736 West Tenth Avenue, Amarillo,
Texas. All interested parties are en-
couraged to attend. 196-1c

**The Pentagon has 68,000 miles of
telephone lines.**

Hints from Heloise

CAR KEYS
Dear Heloise: I just read your
column with information for those
who lock their keys in their cars, and I
would like to offer a suggestion for a
foolproof and simple way to prevent
doing it in the first place.
Lock the car with the key. I have
done this for years since my first car,
of the 1950s and 1960s, could be
locked in no other way. Competition
finally forced the manufacturers to
provide the convenience of a lock
which made it possible to lock the
keys inside, but the door can still be
locked by using the key. I have
helped many people extricate their
keys from a locked car but never from

my own. — I. Dean Elkins, Hender-
son, Ky.

PRICE STICKERS
Dear Heloise: I have seen several
pet peeves in your column and
thought I would share mine with you:
when merchants affix "non-
removable" price stickers directly to
the merchandise, or directly over the
instructions on the merchandise.

I spend hours trying to get these off
and it really burns me up! — A
Reader, Chicago, Ill.

This is one of my peeves too. I
have this problem when I am
looking at a package and want to
read the ingredients or the calorie
count and the sticker is covering
it. — Heloise



People once believed fruit from the cypress tree would tighten loose
teeth.

Prices Effective
Wednesday, April 5, 1989

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COMMODITY SERVICES 364-1281

CATTLE FUTURES		GRAIN FUTURES		METAL FUTURES	
Apr 79.50	79.50	May 207 1/2	207 1/2	Apr 262.00	262.00
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Senator Bivins Reports

While campaigning for this office, one of the most difficult things I did was take my hat off. The people of Hall County were gathered at a rally in Memphis to raise money to save their hospital. It was easy for me to remove my hat and let them pass it around to serve as a bin for their donations, but it was hard to swallow the fact that rural Texas has to fight so hard to keep its health care facilities.

The fact is our rural hospitals are in trouble. Spiraling health care costs, a depressed economy, decreasing access to medical services in rural areas, and inadequate reimbursement rates under Medicaid and Medicare, have led to a financial hurdle that too many of these hospitals cannot overcome.

Texas has lost 66 hospitals since 1984. There are 14 counties that do not have a physician. Sixty-one percent of general and family practitioners have curtailed or abandoned obstetrical care, while 92 counties do not even have obstetrical care.

The closing last fall of the Hall County Hospital illustrates the problems rural hospitals face. The tenacious citizens of that community received national media coverage for their attempts to save their hospital.

Then came the next step. Rep. Warren Chisum (D-Pampa) filed HB 393, of which I am the Senate sponsor, enabling the citizens of Hall County Hospital District to increase their funding through a local option election. This is important because without the ability to adequately fund their hospital for the long term, all of the efforts to save the hospital would be for naught. Hopefully, before this column appears, this legislation will have been enacted allowing those citizens to rest easy, knowing their hospital services will continue.

Much work has already been done this session in the area of

hospital district legislation, including several bills I have carried creating new districts and modifying existing legislation to better increase a community's input. But those changes alone will not solve the crisis.

Rural hospitals still face rising insurance costs, including worker's compensation, a shortage of health care professionals as they compete with their urban counterparts for physicians, and inequitable Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements. The Special Task Force on Rural Health Care Delivery identified these unequal payments as a reason for hospital closures. In an attempt to achieve parity for rural Texas where none has existed, the House Appropriations Committee ordered last month that the multimillion-dollar Medicaid reimbursement program be overhauled by the Texas Department of Human Services.

Medicaid enhancement is a legislative priority that can save our state millions of dollars. Currently, I am working on a plan with the State Auditor and Lt. Governor Hobby's staff that could substantially increase federal Medicaid money without increasing state spending by making use of local funds, which are not now eligible for federal Medicaid matching funds. Later in April, a meeting will be scheduled for select hospitals around the state, which will include some of our area hospitals, to discuss their specific ideas for this plan.

Because the rural health care crisis is so real in my district, I am working with Rep. Mike McKinney (D-Centerville), the only physician in the legislature, on a major rural health care bill, HB 18. I believe that this proposed legislation will address many of the problems that I have addressed thus far. It is supported by Speaker of the House Gib Lewis and other influential house members such as Stain

Schlueter, (R-Kileen). I plan to be the Senate sponsor.

Under HB 18, an Office of Rural Health will be established to keep track of how the different state agencies are impacting the rural areas. This is particularly important in light of the often conflicting regulations promulgated by agencies like the Texas Department of Health and the Texas Department of Human Services.

Another very important section deals with smaller hospitals dumping their indigent patients onto the larger hospitals, and the reverse dumping problem of a large, better equipped hospital refusing transfer patients for economic reasons.

The bill attempts to deal with the rising cost of liability insurance. The burden of proof in medical malpractice cases has been changed in truly emergency situations, because many doctors are refusing to perform services which cost too much to insure.

Also, the Medicaid standard dollar amount is to be raised, which will in turn increase the minimum payment to rural hospitals. Under the proposed amount, 83 rural hospitals will benefit. Medical personnel recruitment is also addressed in the legislation through expanded education requirements. Also, this bill encourages medical students to locate in rural areas by making use of already existent loan funds.

I care about the future of the Panhandle and the South Plains and this future must include adequate medical care at affordable cost. I believe that progress is being made toward our goal with this far-sighted Rural Health Bill. Knowing the complexities of the problem that our state faces, we should realize that all the changes will not be made overnight. Because of the progress that has been made thus far, and the spirit of cooperation

that currently exists in the Legislature on this issue, I am certain that an impact can be made toward solving Texas' rural health care problems.

Abundant Life

THE SPIRIT OF AMERICA
By Bob Wear
Many of the signs in our nation today are the signs of fears, uncertain-

ties, weaknesses and discouragement. Of course, this is disturbing to all of us. If these symptoms are being read correctly, it is logical to conclude that some immediate changes are needed.

A favored people is how we have appeared throughout the years of our national life. There was something different about us; a special quality of spirit. The social, moral and political characteristics of our people were all tied together in one package and called "The Spirit of America."

Prominent in this spirit were reverence for law, initiative, courage, independence, self-reliance, enthusiasm and hope. These and other closely related social traits blended to make us a great nation. Today, by common consent, it is admitted that some changes have taken place, that the elements which made us what we were are less dominant today. Surely they are not lost. Let us say that they need reviving and should be returned to their rightful places of prominence; re-finished and renewed until they can be seen from pole to pole.



Friday deadline approaches

A Monday night meeting of steering committee members of the Miss Hereford Scholarship Pageant focused on the rules for the upcoming pageant. Among the Women's Division members who are helping with the event are, from left, Donna West, Women's Division president, and Kim Buckley. The planners have set Friday as the deadline for girls age 16-20 to enter the pageant; entry forms are due at the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce office by 5 p.m. This year's pageant will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 22 in the Hereford High School auditorium.

We are losers to the extent that immorality, lawlessness, cynicism, defeatism, lethargy, fear and idleness are exalted. These are always indicative of an inferior social order—a growing inferiority characterized by a shifting faith. To the extent that inferior objects of faith and dominant interest are elevated to higher places than time-tested and enduring objects, "The Spirit Of America" is being lost.

Historically, nations have prospered until the spirit of life was gone, and they died. When the moral and spiritual values were trampled underfoot, everything else eventually fell apart and the life of the nation was gone. The "spirit" all of us desire for America is formed by full devotion to the highest and best of all that is known to us.

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