

Family loses belongings in Monday blaze

By GARRY WESNER Managing Editor

A Hereford family lost their home and everything in it on Monday when a electrical fire fanned by high winds swept through their rural Deaf Smith County trailer house.

reported in the home of Frank and Juanita Segura, on Lakeview Drive near South Progressive Road.

Battling north winds of 35-40 mph, firefighters struggled for nearly an hour before extinguishing the blaze, which left behind a gutted hulk with collapsed roof.

The severity of the fire was first known when initial units on the scene reported the house as "fully involved."

Grass and trees in the front yard were blackened and shriveled as heat and flames were blown in the wind.

No injuries were reported in the

fire. Segura, who works as a night she said, the family will need watchman at Keeling Cattle Co., had just come home from work when the items. blaze erupted.

Segura and his wife escaped. Their son, Sabino, 16, was at school.

Fire Marshal Jay Spain said the Firefighters were called to the fire apparently started with an scene at 8:33 a.m. after the blaze was electrical short in the breaker box.

Betty Henson of the Tri-Counties Chapter of the American Red Cross said the family has found temporary housing with a daughter, but they will be in need of considerable assistance when they find a new home.

Mrs. Henson said the immediate need for the family is clothing. The young man, she said, wears 33-by-30inch pants, while Mrs. Segura needs women's sized clothing.

Mrs. Henson said donations for the Segura family will be accepted at the Red Cross office on South Main Street.

Once they find a permanent home, building when nobody is there.

furniture, household goods and other

"We need beds real bad," she said, noting that the Red Cross has a twin bed available, but not a larger one for the couple.

In addition, the Red Cross has a couch on hand that will be given to the family when the find a home.

Other needed donations include dishes, bed linens, towels, pots and pans and the like.

Anyone interested in donating any of these items may contact the Red Cross, 364-2761, to make arrangements to drop off gifts.

Financial contributions also will be accepted in the Segura family's name at the Red Cross office.

Mrs. Henson asked, however, that donations not be left outside the



Hospital board sworn in; **Manchee still president**

BY SPEEDY NIEMAN Editor-Publisher

Newly-elected board members were installed and officers elected as directors of Deaf Smith County in the board room at Hereford total. Regional Medical Center.

were reelected as president and secretary, respectively, while Dean of the board.

Boyd Foster, and newcomer Mark bottom line, a net gain of \$346,388 Collier were administered the oaths

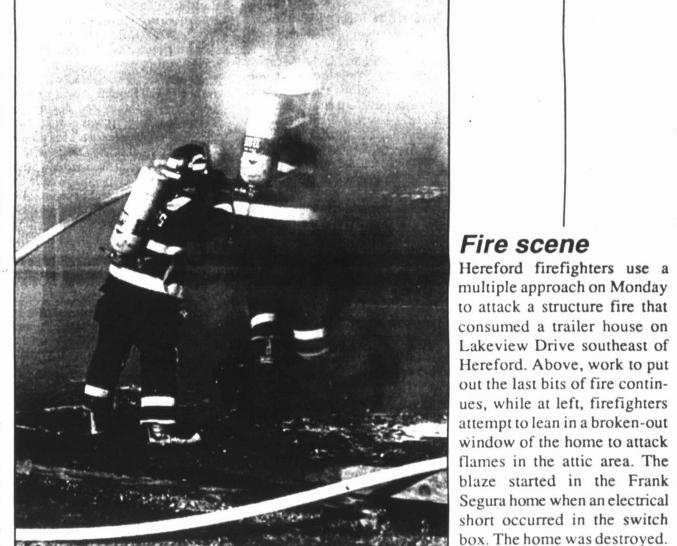
The board praised the work of the home health department during director Carolyn Simpson's report. A total of 2,335 visits were made in April, and the year-to-date total of Hospital District met Monday night 14,913 was 3,796 ahead of last year's

The financial report, presented by Mal Manchee and Larry Watts Jo Beth Shackelford, showed net patient revenue down from April a year ago, but the year-to-date total Crofford was named vice president was \$5,320,711 as compared to \$4,693,098 a year ago. With non-Incumbents Watts, Crofford and operating revenue added to the Methodist Regional Services; and

was reported, compared to \$184,089 a year ago.

Manchee discussed committee assignments with the board, and they will be finalized later.

All board members were present: Manchee, Crofford, Watts, Shackelford, Foster, Collier and Scott Keeling. Others present included Rodney Bailey, chief financial officer; Peggy Fox, administrative secretary; Ray Mason, Lubbock several other hospital staff members.



Fire scene Hereford firefighters use a

of office by County Clerk David Ruland. Manchee presented Steve Cortez, outgoing trustee, with a plaque in appreciation for his service on the board.

session, approved reports from the medical staff, rural health and the home health departments, as well as payable reports.

Jim Robinson, hospital administrator, reported the upcoming purchase as well as lifepacks for the EMS, all diets. of which were budgeted this year. He approved under the employee incentive plan for the first quarter.

During the operations report, Robinson pointed out that the hospital admissions. Total admissions for the year-to-date were 1,197, down 179 from a year ago. Average daily census dipped from 15.9 to 14.

Outpatient visits had decreased, but emergency room visits and lab tests had increased. Respiratory and runs and home health visits had increased.

The administrator said the hospital was applying for a \$50,000 grant from the Children's Trust Fund to lay there and died," the investigator operate a children's development and said. behavior program. He said a board orientation training session is National Cattlemen's Beef Associatentatively set for June 21 from 6 to tion spokeswoman Kate Orr said 10 p.m.

Activists fear killings of The board. The board, in regular monthly cattle in wake of drought

ODESSA, Texas (AP) - Animal among career ranchers who take their operations, financial and accounts welfare activists are worried that work seriously.

some cattle owners caught between high feed prices and low beef demand might allow their herds to die off she said. "Why let an entire herd go of several surgical equipment items, rather than maintain their expensive to waste? You can still get some

"If people don't have any also reported a total of \$11,918 was integrity, we're going to have is playing out on a ranch nine miles carcasses all over Texas because of south of Toyah, located near Pecos the drought," Austin-based animal welfare advocate Marnie Reeder said Monday, adding that she does not believe the rotting carcasses and "summer slump" was reflected in oppose raising beef cattle for thinning live cattle are results of slaughter.

> A Dallas lawyer recently was apparent starvation of 32 head of cattle on his ranch near Italy, about halfway between Waco and Dallas. Investigator Tommy Parks of the drought-stricken land.

physical therapy treatments were Ellis County Sheriff's Department down in numbers, while ambulance said he had never seen a worse case investigates possible abuse for of cruelty to livestock. The animals various humane agencies says he's hadn't been fed since November. "Some were so weak they

couldn't get out of the mud and just

The man isn't a full-time rancher. neglect incidents won't be a problem

"If (incidents) do happen, they would be so few and far between,' money for them.'

Some fear another neglect scenario in remote West Texas. Federal and county officials have said they don't neglect.

'There is no abuse taking place charged with animal cruelty in the here," said local veterinarian Ronald Box, who said a pneumonia outbreak last year killed the calves whose remains are bleaching on the

An Odessa man who independently not the only one who disputes Box's assessment.

"Some other ranchers over here called me," said Scott Armstrong, who declined to name the cattlemen. "One of them said he's been watching these cows drop for months now.



Swearing in the board members

County Clerk David Ruland, left, swears in the newly-elected members of the Deaf Smith County Hospital District board of directors on Monday. Those elected to spots on the board are, from second from left, Mark Collier, Dean Crofford, Larry Watts and Boyd Foster. See related photo, Page 2.

Feds probe blast at Laredo building housing FBI office

By KELLEY SHANNON Associated Press Writer

LAREDO, Texas (AP) - Federal agents have started a meticulous search of an explosion site in their blast outside a building housing the it's that extensive (in) structural FBI.

leads from phone calls, including one from a man who claimed responsibility for the explosion and said he belonged to a group called "Organization 544."

The blast early Monday blew out windows on three floors of the five-story Walker Plaza building,

security at federal installations in through blades of grass for clues. Texas and four surrounding states. No major injuries were reported.

of glass and some structural damage. quest to track down who set off a But at this time it doesn't look like damage," said Don Tisaby, FBI San Antonio, which oversees the news briefing. Laredo office.

An FBI bomb assessment team from Washington arrived Monday evening and began combing the building and its premises. Wearing rubber gloves and crawling on their hands and knees, investigators prompting the government to tighten examined debris and even picked thing."

Large portable lights were set up outside so the investigation could "It was window damage, breaks continue after dark. Dogs were brought in to sniff the explosion site.

A caller to ABC affiliate KGNS-TV in Laredo said "this would be happening at other federal Investigators also are pursuing assistant special agent in charge in buildings also," Tisaby said in a

> "He basically said that he was with an organization, 'Organization 544,' and that's all we know at this time," Tisaby said, adding that he had no information about the group or its motives. "At this time we don't know if it's a prank or if it's a serious

Federal Reserve panel examining economy; interest change unlikely

By JOHN D. McCLAIN Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Faced with conflicting economic signs, Federal Reserve policy-makers are unlikely to push interest rates one way or the other anytime soon, many analysts March to hold rates steady at 5.25 believe

"The Fed's instinct is to wait and see," said David Jones, an economist with Aubrey B. Lanston & Co., a New York government securities firm. "There is no sense of urgency to make any policy shift."

The central bank's Federal Open Market Committee was meeting privately today to review economic developments. The panel is composed of the Fed governors in Washington

presidents.

After cutting the federal funds rate last July and again in December and January to stimulate economic growth, the committee decided in percent as signs of a moderately

rebounding economy emerged. The funds rate is what banks charge each other for overnight loans. In a survey of regional conditions last month, the Fed concluded the economy continued to grow moderately with few signs of inflation.

Since then, signals have been

For instance, there have been

and five of the 12 regional bank spotty signs of weakness, including continued sluggishness in the manufacturing sector. But at the same time, housing activity remains at a high level despite rising mortgage rates.

> Still, some prices have been rising recently, notably for energy and some food products. There also have been reports of wage pressures where tight labor markets exist. The unemployment rate in April was just 5.4 percent, lowest in more than a year.

> Many analysts believe, however, that most price increases will be short-lived, due to one-time factors such as a severe winter that fed demand for heating products.

mixed.

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Local Roundup

Special city meeting set Friday

A special meeting of Hereford City Commission is scheduled Friday at noon in the commission room at City Hall. The only item on the agenda is to consider and award the bid for conversion of an agricultural well to a municipal well.

Clouds to move into area

Hereford recorded a high temperature of 82 degrees on Monday, with an overnight low of 55 degrees this morning, according to KPAN Radio. For tonight, look for low clouds, with fog possible, and a low of 55-60 degrees. Winds will be from the southwest at 10-20 mph. For Wednesday, the forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and breezy, with a high in the lower 90s. Winds will be from the south at 10-20 mph, becoming southwesterly at 15-25 mph and gusty.

News Digest

State

LAREDO - Federal agents have started a meticulous search of an explosion site in their quest to track down who set off a blast outside a building housing the FBI. Investigators also are pursuing leads from phone calls, including one from a man who claimed responsibility for the explosion and said he belonged to a group called "Organization 544."

DALLAS - Ross Perot's Reform Party won't be on the November ballot in his home state. Supporters already have turned in signatures to put Perot on the Texas ballot as an independent but are abandoning efforts to get his new political party officially recognized there this year.

HOUSTON - Houston's major league pro teams would get fancy new or renovated stadiums under a recommendation from a sports advisory panel. What's yet to be resolved is how to cover the construction tab, estimated at \$625 million.

SAN ANTONIO - The Edwards Underground Water District advanced in its drought management plan, calling for major water users and suppliers in Bexar, Comal and Hays counties to cut consumption by 20 percent from a year ago.

CORPUS CHRISTI - It appears the Most Rev. Bishop Renc Gracida will remain a member of the charitable foundation from which he is accused of improperly allocating millions of dollars.

SAN ANGELO - Testimony was scheduled to begin today in the capital murder trial of a 20-year-old Andrews man accused in what prosecutors call a "murder-for-hire" scheme initiated by the victim's granddaughter.

AUSTIN - 'fexas officials say the city wants to treat them like second-class tenants at the new airport. Agency, executives and elected officials traveling on state-owned planes would be told to use the back entrance at the airport when it moves to the former Bergstrom Air Force Base.

AUSTIN - A chip manufacturer is moving forward with a revised list of semiconductor development projects and a broader base of target customers after undergoing restructuring.

ODESSA - Animal welfare activists are worried that some cattle owners caught between high feed prices and low beef demand might allow their herds to die off rather than maintain their expensive diets.

AUSTIN - The U.S. Supreme Court's decision to strike down a Colorado measure banning laws that protect homosexuals from discrimination will help gay men and women reach equality in Texas, advocates say.



Mistreating the assistant principal

Sharon Hodges, assistant principal of Tierra Blanca Intermediate School, grimaces as she is hit from all angles with cups of "slime" on Monday. The sliming -- with semi-congealed green Jell-O -- came after students participating in the Accelerated Reading program exceeded the school goal for the year. Mrs. Hodges had challenged all the students at Tierra Blanca to accumulate 5,000 points through the program. The students, reading more than 13,000 books during the year and taking comprehension tests on the material, actually earned more than 6,000 points while maintaining an average comprehension rate of 83 percent.

Runners enjoy 'supreme moment' carrying Olympic flame in Dallas

By CHARLES RICHARDS

Associated Press Writer DALLAS (AP) - For 30-year-old middle school coach Danny Barentine, running down a sun-washed alley of cheering spectators was a supreme moment of athletic glory.

"I'll tell my grandchildren," said the newlywed Barentine, who carried the Olympic flame into downtown Dallas Monday. "It was unreal. You knew the applause wasn't for you, it was for the symbolism of the torch."

The flame is in Waco today after arriving Sunday in Fort Worth by train from Oklahoma City on the 24th day of a 42-state, 15,000-mile journey. The journey will end in Atlanta on July 19 for the start of the opening ceremonies of the 1996 Olympic Games.

icycles motorcycles and a biplane - meet the best in the wor will help the flame make its way through Waco, Bryan, Houston and ultimately to the Louisiana line in the southeast corner of the state, by 7:30 be featured on a Wheaties box. "The

p.m. Wednesday.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Hereford resident Paul Hamilton ran his leg of the torch relay Monday morning in Arlington.)

The flame passed through the historic Fort Worth Stockyards at 6:45 a.m. Monday. Tens of thousands of people cheered along roadways from Fort Worth to Dallas before the torch arrived for the ceremonies in downtown Dallas.

Two-time Olympic pole vault champion Bob Richards, who watched Barentine carry the flame, said the fire embodies the spirit that has always surrounded the Olympic movement.

"Lay down your weapons of war; come to a peaceful competition. Be the best that you can be ... stand tall Several hundred Texans - plus ... the world is waiting; prepare to

glory is not in conquering, but in aspiring to be your best."

Some of the torch carriers are, like Richards, past Olympians. Many are charity-chosen "community heroes" and others were picked because someone in their family thought they deserved it and Coca-Cola agreed.

Barentine won the honor after a student nominated him in a school lottery, he said.

No matter how they earned their spot on the route, each will share the glory for a kilometer - the equivalent of 2-1/2 laps around a football field and roughly three minutes - less if they're overly excited and speed up; more if they slow down to savor the moment.

Each will take home a special memory, not to mention the uniform. For another \$275, they can even keep the torch.

miniature U.S. flags,

pennants for \$5 and Uncle Sam hats for \$10. Free balloons and bumper stickers were passed out.

"After I handed the torch off, people rushed up to me, shook my hand and wanted to have their picture taken with me. People wanted to see the torch, to touch it," said Michelle Kiernan, 37, of Duncanville, after her segment in west Arlington.

"It's such a part of history for them. I'm so pleased I could be a part of it," she said.

Sgt. Tony Crawford, a Dallas policeman who has been wheelchairbound since being shot while on duty on Nov. 13, 1991, took the torch for one-half mile on its way out of Dallas and to towns and cities to the south.

Former Dallas Police Chief Bill Rathburn, now the Olympic Security Director, ran the torch on the leg immediately prior to Crawford. Rathburn was police chief when Crawford was wounded, and the two have remained friends since Rathburn left Dallas to assume Olympic duties in Atlanta in 1993.

National

WASHINGTON - Faced with conflicting economic signs, Federal Reserve policy-makers are unlikely to push interest rates one way or the other anytime soon, many analysts believe.

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WASHINGTON - The U.S. assistance program in South Africa is riddled with waste, mistreatment of staff and politically motivated decision-making, a foreign aid official and self-described "whistleblower" testified today on the eve of his forced departure from government service.

UNITED NATIONS - Iraq hopes its acceptance of an oil-for-food deal will encourage the U.N. Security Council to lift crippling economic sanctions imposed after Baghdad invaded Kuwait in 1990. But U.S. officials insist Iraq must comply with council resolutions banning Iraqi weapons of mass destruction.

WASHINGTON - A Supreme Court ruling that threw out Colorado's ban on laws that protect homosexuals from discrimination will force a new critical look at anti-gay initiatives across the country.

In particular, the high court justices could order a federal appeals court to reconsider its ruling reinstating a Cincinnati law that reads much like the Colorado measure.

WASHINGTON - When Ralph Reed suggested the Republican Party rewrite its platform on abortion, he set off a firestorm in GOP circles. Within days, the director of the Christian Coalition had backed off. But Reed hasn't retreated from chastising evangelical Christian leaders for their harsh attacks on homosexuals and on President Clinton's character.

WASHINGTON - In an hour-long televised interview, Hillary Rodham Clinton lamented the "unforgiving glare" that shines on public officials as she mourned the second top official to take his own life since she moved into the White House. And she discussed how she has held up when that same glare points her way. "It's painful sometimes. It does upset me."



Thanks for the help

Mal Manchee, left, president of the Deaf Smith County Hospital District board of directors, presents outgoing board member Steve Cortez with a plaque of appreciation for his service to the board. Cortez left the board after he was not re-elected earlier this month.

The glory in the Olympic Games "is not in victory, but in taking part," said Richards, the first Olympian to

Obituaries

the Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo 79106, or to the American Cancer Society. .. Nell McCain of Gainesville died Sunday at Denton Regional Medical Center. Services will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in First United Methodist

will be in Fairview Cemetery under direction of George Carroll & Son Funeral Home. Mrs. McCain was born in

at Spur Jan. 3, 1943. She graduated from Hereford High School and Gainesville Junior College.

Cooke County Heritage Society, a member of DAR, and was an avid and accomplished artist.

Survivors include her husband, J.D. McCain; four sons, Brent and Michael, both of Dallas, Charles of Arlington and Kenneth of Benton; three sisters, Mozell Phipps and June Fielder, both of Hereford, and Gladys Brown of Amarillo; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

EDNA ESTELLE TAYLOR May 20, 1996

Edna Estelle Taylor, 85, died Monday at McLean. Services will be at 10 a.m.

Thursday in First Baptist Church of McLean with the Rev. Buel Wells, retired Baptist minister of Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Taylor was born in Vernon and had been a resident of McLean since 1949. She married Joe Taylor in 1933 at Lake Kemp. She was retired school teacher, having retired in 1978. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband, two daughters, Louvera Dillbeck of Lubbock and Lynn Ellyn Taylor of Amarillo; three sons, Dan Taylor of Evergreen, Col., and Don Taylor and Joe B. Taylor Jr., both of Hereford; a brother, A.B. Wilkinson of Vernon; 12 grandchildren and 13 greatgrandchildren.

Waving sitting in lawn chairs and carrying cameras, Texans excitedly awaited the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see the torch, which will arrive in Atlanta on July 19 at Olympics opening ceremonies.

Tom Chestnut and his wife, Mary Ruth, were among hundreds who took positions along the roadway an hour or more before the torch was to pass. Chestnut, 60, works in Dallas, but

decided to take the morning off. "I'm not that important, but this

is," he said. "I wouldn't miss it. I've lived here 30 years and never thought we'd see an Olympic torch come within one half mile of our house." Vendors lined the route, hawking

Montfort shuts down beef plant in Des Moines

GREELY, COLO. -- Monfort, Inc. has permanently closed the Monfort Beef plant in Des Moines. The shutdown was effective May 15.

In announcing the closure, Kevin LaFluer, president of Monfort Beef, cited continued economic problems with operating the aging and inefficient plant. "We suspended operations at the plant on April 15 because it was losing money. This is our least productive plant and it is old and inefficient. We have had 30 days to evaluate the situation and have now made the difficult decision to close the plant."

Now that this decision has been made, the company recognizes it triggers the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act and Monfort intends to fully comply with its obligations.

In addition, the company will be working with state and local agencies and other resources for outplacement, transition, and retraining assistance as well as presenting employees with

internal transfer opportunities. The move is in line with a restructuring effort by ConAgra, Inc., Monfort's parent company in Omaha. ConAgra announced a major restructuring program designed to improve the efficiency, competitiveness and profitability of the company's operations.

The decision to close the Des Moines plant is in no way a reflection on the performance of its 1,322 employees who have been laid off since April 15. The company will be meeting with the appropriate employee parties to explain and discuss the impact and effects of the decision upon the work force

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AUSTIN (AP) - No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 5, 14, 26, 31, 38 and 48.

There were 76 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth \$1,919. There were 4,590 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning \$116. And there were 90,550 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic \$3.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game vill be \$8 million.

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

9-2-4 (nine, two, four)

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

9-8-1 (nine, eight, one)

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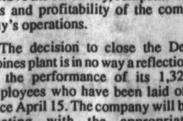
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DIXIE WEST May 19, 1996 Dixie Rae West, 60, longtime

Hereford resident and active 4-H leader, died Sunday at Hereford **Regional Medical Center.**

Services were held at 2 p.m. today in Avenue Baptist Church with the Rev. Johnny Griffith, minister, officiating. Burial was in West Park Cemetery under direction of Rix Funeral Directors.

Mrs. West was born in Albany, Ok., and moved to Hereford in 1952. She married Bill G. West on June 6, 1954 in Hereford. She was a graduate of Hereford High School, a member of Avenue Baptist Church, and an

avid bridge player. She worked for H&R Block accounting service for 16 years and had owned the Hereford office for three years. She was an enrolled agent for IRS.

Survivors include her husband, Bill; three daughters, Carla West of Washington, D.C., Glena Reel of San Antonio and Polly Bryant of Muleshoe; her mother and stepfather, Rose Lee and Clyde Gallagher of Plainview; a brother, Clayton Neal of Gustine; two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Robert Lloyd of Hereford and Odie Rohde of Amarillo; and two grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Ricky Lloyd, Jeff Neal, Craig Neal, Jay West, Billy Lloyd, Joe West and Joby Claborn. The family suggests memorials to Church at Gainesville with the Rev. Joe Pool, pastor, officiating. Burial

NELL McCAIN

May 19, 1996

Newport. She married J.D. McCain

She was a charter member of the

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Lifestyles



Bridal shower held

Jana Baird, bride-elect of John Stormes, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Marline Watson. Greeting guests were, from left, Gearldean Vestal, grandmother of the bride-elect; Linda Baird, mother of the bride-elect; the honoree; Ella Jo Stormes, mother of the prospective bridegroom; and Tammy Stormes, sister of the prospective bridegroom.

Bridal shower held in Watson home

The home of Marline Watson was bacon crunch, finger sandwiches, the site for a bridal shower Saturday honoring Jana Baird, bride-elect of John Stormes.

The couple plans to wed June 1. Greeting guests with the honoree were Linda Baird, mother of the bride-elect; Gearldean Vestal, her grandmother; Ella Jo Stormes, mother of the prospective bridegroom; and Tammy Stormes, his sister.

Terri Reiter presided at the registry.

Traci Reiter and Taylor Sublett served refreshments which included

Pioneer Club installs officers

Willie Wimberley, using the theme "Keys of Success, Keys to Success," conducted the installation of officers

fruit kabobs, dipped strawberries, miniature cinnamon rolls, breakfast breads, coffee and punch.

The serving table was covered with a white linen cloth, centered with a bouquet of spring flowers and featured crystal and pewter appointments.

A vacuum cleaner and electric skillet were gifts from hostesses Watson, Betty Wilcox, Billie Landrum, Kay Matthews, Anne Reiter, Sherry Harder, Susan Robbins, Gladys Merritt, Barbara Burkhalter, Clovis Scago, Marie Stringer, Patty Hill, Susan Sublett, Beverly Harder and Darliss Peabody.



Poppy Day observed as tribute to lives lost in war, honors living

#192, American Legion Auxiliary, will be seen at various locations in the city on Wednesday, Poppy Day, for distribution of the poppy.

Poppy Day has become a tradition in almost every American community. Distribution of the bright red memorial flower to the public is one of the oldest and most widely recognized programs of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Poppy Day has been held each year in Hereford since the unit was chartered in 1930.

By resolution, the poppy was made the memorial flower of the American Legion Auxiliary and the wearing of it by all citizens on Memorial Day encouraged in 1921 at the first National Convention.

Contributions were for the sole

work which is still the same today. The first poppies were made of silk

by French war widows and orphans but by 1922 the first American-made poppies were produced by veterans in Minnesota hospitals.

The manufacture of poppies by veterans has become a small industry in itself. Each state has poppy shops set up in designated VA Medical Centers. The Texas shop is located in the Temple hospital.

Disabled veterans who make the poppies are paid for each poppy made. Materials are furnished free by the American Legion Auxiliary. The units then order and pay for the poppies to be distributed keeping two-thirds of the contributions to be used locally for veterans and their families' needs.

The other one-third is sent in to The Department headquarters to be used

Members of the Hereford Unit purpose of aiding in veteran's relief to the lives lost in wars and conflicts since World War I and honors the living. Poppy Day is an opportunity for each one in our community to make a statement by wearing a poppy to say "I remember.'

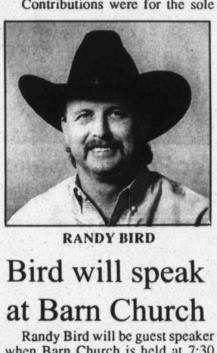
Through the years more services and new programs have become necessary to meet the needs of the veterans. America's veterans, living and dead, deserve to be honored, to be remembered, and to be helped when they are in need.

Americans should understand that the Poppy Program is not to glorify war but to honor the patriotism of millions who served and are now serving.

Wear a poppy proudly to make a personal statement.

To See:

Jerry Shipman, CLU to purchase materials for the next 801 N. Main (806) 364-3161 year's poppy production and expenses. The poppy now serves as a tribute State Farm Insurance Companies Home Offices: Bloomington, Illinoid congratulations "I can't believe ou made it. Raymond You'll Always be our babies It's Finally Here !! Now Available There's DISCOUNT NO Deductible DENTAL Folks



when Barn Church is held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the B Bar S Arena, ocated west of Hereford. Barn Church is for everyone who

ikes things "a little bit country." The public is invited to dust off

their jeans and bring the family for a time of Christian fellowship and an inspiring message.

Friends Club

during the meeting of the Pioneer Study Club recently at King's Manor.

Installed were Catherine Gripp, president; Maria Escamilla, vice president; Oleta Hoffman, recording secretary; Joy Dones, corresponding secretary; Nell Culpepper, treasurer; Rosemary Thomas, historian; and Mary Jane Burrus, parliamentarian.

Burrus presided over the business meeting during which the club voted to purchase a Community Concert student membership.

Gripp served as hostess to Escamilla, Culpepper, Wimberley, Burrus, Thomas and Hoffman.

Del Toro attends HOBY seminar

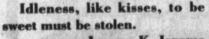
Hereford High School sophomore Andres Del Toro recently attended the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation Texas Panhandle Leadership Seminar in Amarillo.

The Hereford Brand was the local HOBY sponsor.

HOBY Leadership Seminars bring together a select group of high school sophomores so they can interact with groups of distinguished leaders in business, government, education and the professions to discuss present and future issues.

The goal is to provide the youths a stimulating forum for learning about the American incentive system and democratic process and for broadening their understanding of their leadership potential and quest for self development.

Del Toro is the son of Juanita Del Toro.



-Jerome K. Jerome



Beautifying Main Street

Members of the Hereford Beautification Alliance, (from left) Ruth Knox, Bobbye Riddle and Bobbie Kitchens, got an early jump on the heat this past Saturday morning as they planted and cleaned the gardens and grounds at Mother's Park located at Park Avenue and Main Street. HBA plans to aide the city in beautifying Main Street from the downtown area to Park Avenue.



concludes year

The Friends 4-H Club reviewed its yearly project, "Life Skills," with the assistance of Beverly Harder, County Extension Agent, during the last meeting of the year.

Harder explained the purpose of he project report and assisted members with its preparation.

The club met at Nazarene Christian Academy with vice president Amanda Smith presiding. Whitney Goforth served as secretary and led the Pledge of Allegiance while Alyssa Hill led the 4-H Motto.

Also in attendance was leader, Sue Smith.

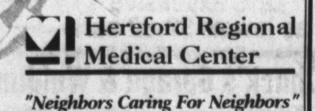


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Sports

Herd's McPherson named all-district

Dumas, Randall claim most honors

named to the second team of the District 1-4A all-district baseball team. He was the only Hereford player chosen.

The team was announced Monday after both of the district's playoff representatives lost over the weekend. Randall lost a single game to Andrews, 7-2, on Friday, and Dumas lost the first two in a best out of three series to Big Spring: 7-5 Friday and 10-0 Saturday.

A senior center fielder, McPherson compiled solid offensive Jason Rahlfs and Caprock DH Layne statistics but impressed other coaches Darnell. in the district with his defense.

"Most of it was his defensive play - all the runners he threw out from center field," Herd coach Pete Rodriguez said, estimating McPherson had five or six assists from the outfield in district play.

Only statistics from the 12 district games are considered by coaches when the all-district team is selected.

McPherson led the Herd with a .550 on-base percentage and seven runs scored. He was second with a .310 batting average in district play.

District champion Dumas received both the top awards, as senior pitcher Stacey Milligan was named player of the year and Bill Zumberis was named the coach of the year.

Dumas only put three players on the first team: Milligan, shortstop Jeremy Dickinson and outfielder Jason Brown, who was one of three juniors on the first team.

The first team including four pitchers, four outfielders and one player for each other position, including designated hitter.

District runner-up Randall put four (junior), Dumas.

Hereford's Wade McPherson was on the first team. The Raiders went around the horn: third baseman Brad Dewey, second baseman Aaron Watson and first baseman Mark Ladd, plus pitcher Drew Daniel.

· Borger also put three on the first team. Pitcher Russell Washer - last year's district MVP - made the first team, as did catcher Jason Hardin and outfielder Toby Guest.

Pampa landed pitcher Todd Finney and outfielder Ryan Cook on the first team. Rounding out the first team were two juniors - Canyon outfielder

Hereford was the only school without a first-teamer. Also, every school except Hereford put at least two players on the second team.

Following is the second team. Unless otherwise noted, all players are seniors (unusually, of 29 players on both teams, 22 were seniors and six were juniors)

SECOND TEAM Pitchers--Toby Hudson, Randall; Micah Bonilla, Caprock; Casey Weiss, Randall; and Kris Bosley

(junior), Canyon. Catcher--Jim Ball, Dumas.

1st base--Tim Baker, Borger. 2nd base--Jameson Hancock

(junior), Pampa. 3rd base--Rene Armendariz,

Pampa. Shortstop--Micah Ladd (sophomore), Randall.

Outfielders--Wade McPherson, Hereford; Jimmy Simpson, Canyon; Chris Cano, Caprock; Michael Mittelstat, Borger; and Chris Felan, Dumas.

Designated hitter--Steven Krebbs

Jordan claims his fourth MVP award

By MIKE NADEL

highest percentage since the media a 54-47 win over Lone Star.

At least three basketball teams championship of the 11-under girls with Hereford kids on them qualified division. Griffin poured in 18 points in the championship game. for national AAU tournaments with

The Metro Stars advance to the AAU Championship Basketball national tourney, set for June 28-July Tournament, which was completed 6 at Ogden, Utah.

The West Texas Stars, a team with The Texas Trojans, which includes a roster full of Hereford kids, lost 31the Hereford trio of Chayse Rives, 13 to Amarillo Magic in the finals of Cody Hodges and Slade Hodges, won the 10-under boys' division. the 13-and-under boys division with However, both finalists qualify for the national tournament Aug. 3-10 in

Kemp, Sonics take 2-0 lead over Jazz

By JIM COUR AP Sports Writer SEATTLE (AP) - A maturing

Shawn Kemp was able to put the game's first 46 minutes and 49 seconds - and five fouls - out of his mind.

In the final 71 seconds, Kemp had two baskets and a key steal to give the Seattle SuperSonics a 91-87 victory over Utah on Monday night for a 2-0 lead in the Western Conference finals.

"We had to figure out a way eventually," Kemp said. "I was patient and it worked out fine."

After having only seven points and three rebounds while picking up five fouls in the first three quarters, Kemp was the Sonics' hero in the fourth quarter, when he scored eight of 15 points.

He got two baskets over Karl Malone and stole John Stockton's pass in the last 1:11 as the Sonics overcame a 32-point performance by Malone for their eighth straight playoff victory.

Games 3 and 4 will Friday night and Sunday in Salt Lake City, where the Jazz are 6-0 in the playoffs.

Kemp sat on the bench for all but 27 seconds of the third quarter and watched Malone score 18 points in the period for a 73-65 Utah lead. All he could do was grit his teeth and think about his foul problems.

"You sit over there on the sideline and you're frustrated," Kemp said. "But you have to push your frustration to the side and say, 'Hey, when I get back out there, I'm going to do something.' I had to make a difference out there."

He did.

When Kemp came back into the game with 10:50 to go, the Sonics trailed 73-67 and appeared on the way of losing their homecourt advantage in the best-of-7 series.

With 9:13 left, Malone lost the ball, Gary Payton picked it up and Kemp had a fastbreak slam dunk to cut Utah's lead to 73-71. Kemp later sank two free throws after being fouled by Antoine Carr for a 77-76 Sonics lead.

Payton's free throw gave Seattle

Mr. Burger Combo

an 85-83 lead with 2:44 on the clock before Malone tied the score with a 17-footer.

Then Kemp really went to work to make up for his lost first three quarters.

Kemp's 4-foot jumper put Seattle ahead 87-85 before Carr's layup tied the score. With 38.8 seconds to go, Kemp made his biggest shot of the night, a running 5-footer.

Then Kemp intercepted Stockton's ass at the Utah foul line and Detlef Schrempf hit two free throws with 1.6 seconds left.

Utah coach Jerry Sloan said he wanted to get Malone help in defending Kemp on Kemp's final two shots.

"We tried to come down from the top of the key and didn't get there,' loan said.

After Kemp's steal, the Jazz decided to stand around on defense for 20 seconds rather than send Seattle to the foul line ahead by two.

"That's the philosophy we've always had," Utah's Jeff Hornacek said. "That's always been our strategy here when there's a differential between the shot clock and the game clock."

Hornacek lost the ball out of bounds off his fingertips with 2.4 seconds left after Schrempf missed jumper from the corner as the 24-second clock expired.

On the ensuing inbounds pass, the Jazz fouled Schrempf.

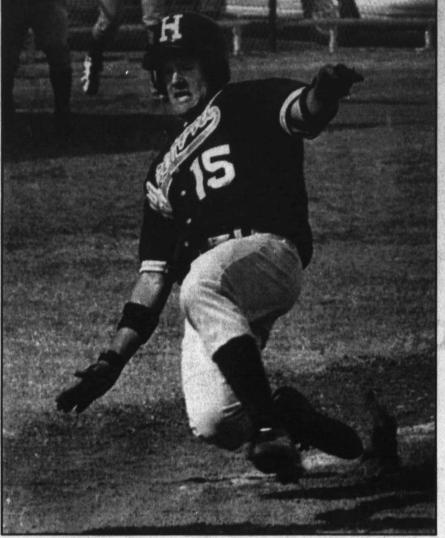
"Other people may do it di.ferently, but I don't care what other people

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McPherson makes all-district team

Hereford senior Wade McPherson, shown sliding home in a

baseball game this season, was named to the second team of

the District 1-4A all-district baseball team. The outfielder was

AAU teams with Hereford

kids qualify for nationals

the only Herd player who made either team.

AP Sports Writer NORTHBROOK, III. (AP) -Numbers have dominated Michael Jordan's career.

titles, the three league championships with 360 points. with the Chicago Bulls, the thousands of points, rebounds, assists and steals. And now there are the four Most make more money than Jordan (just Valuable Player trophies.

Those numbers, however, are small potatoes compared to the \$36 million he expects on his paychecks over the next two seasons.

"You grow up and see it as a game, something you'd play (for free) bottom figure." at the YMCA or Boys Club," Jordan said. "But now we've learned this is a business, with a lot of money to be made."

Jordan måde that comment upon receiving his fourth MVP award Monday, a day after demanding at least \$36 million to play through the 1997-98 season for the Bulls.

Is he worth it?

"I don't know what worth is in this game," Bulls coach Phil Jackson said. "But I do know this: If anybody gets paid money in this league, complaining or negotiating would be Michael Jordan deserves it, And with a very selfish act," said Jordan, who the kind of salaries I've heard bandied about ... Michael Jordan is annually in off-the-court endorsethe best player, and has been for the last eight, 10 years."

Mourning and Juwan Howard - good young players but hardly athletes of getting upward of \$20 million per season beginning next year.

None of them ever led a team to the best regular-season record in NBA history, as Jordan did this victories of a fourth NBA title in the 1990s.

. Jordan was runaway winner of the MVP award. He received 109 of 113 first-place votes - 96.5 percent, the conference," Franklin said.

began selecting the winner in almost double the 574 of San Antonio's David Robinson. Orlando's There are the eight NBA scoring Anfernee Hardaway finished third

> But both Robinson and Hardaway under \$4 million), as do dozens of other NBA lesser lights.

> So Jordan told the Chicago Tribune on Sunday he wants at least \$18 million for each of the next two seasons, and "that's the absolute

He went on to say: "If they mess around with me here, which I don't think they will, I'll ... play on another team for \$10 million less if I have to, just on principle. They've made a lot of money here, and it's time to give a little back."

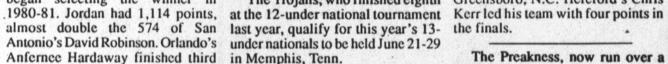
Jordan, also MVP in 1987-88, 1990-91 and 1991-92, didn't want to talk about his contract at his MVP news conference Monday.

"We're in the process of trying to win a championship. For me to start makes an estimated \$40 million ments. "My attorneys haven't talked. I haven't communicated with (Bulls Shaquille O'Neal, Alonzo owner) Jerry Reinsdorf. It's purely speculation.'

When told that the speculation Jordan's stature - have talked about apparently was his own, Jordan said his quotes were "taken a little out of context," and that he "didn't understand the intentions of what was happening.'

Tribune sports editor Tim Franklin season. And none is within seven said columnist Bob Verdi made sure "Michael was clear on the terms of the conversation."

> "At no point did Jordan dispute the facts in the story at his press



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Sunday in Amarillo.

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Red Sox get hot as weather, spank Athletics

innings.

By The Associated Press For all the complaints there may have been in Boston as the mercury soared to a record 91 degrees, there were just as many happy Red Sox. Monday's unlikely mid-May heat

wave was cited as good a reason as any for the Red Sox coming up with a second straight big number against the Oakland Athletics.

You can come to the ballpark loose on a day like this," said Jose Canseco, whose two two-run homers in the 16-4 victory gave him his first multi-homer game in a Red Sox uniform. "I'm a Floridian. I love this weather. June and July have been my most explosive months. When the weather gets hot, I feel pretty good up there.'

So did a lot of other Boston hitters. Wil Cordero had a bases-loaded double in Boston's seven-run third, its biggest inning of the season. Bill Haselman had a homer in his first four-hit game and Mo Vaughn tied

Cleveland's Albert Belle for the league lead with his 17th homer of the season. The Red Sox had nine extra-base hits in a 21-hit attack. It was the most hits for Boston since getting 22 in Milwaukee on July 2, 1991.

"When things start warming up, this is better off for everybody," said Vaughn, who has a league-leading 47 RBIs. "Our pitchers just have to go out and throw strikes and get ahead of hitters, because we know we can score runs."

The 16 came one day after a 12-2 victory over the Athletics, who have lost five of six.

"They got to our starters again," Oakland manager Art Howe said. "The amazing thing is we won a game here, as well as they played."

Boston won five of six and scored 59 runs in the first six games of the current nine-game homestand. The Red Sox have hit 22 homers in their last 10 games.

"They're waiting for their pitches knee. It's too early to speculate." and not missing them," said Oakland starter Doug Johns (3-5), who was knocked out in the seven-run third. Johns is 1-5 with a 7.14 ERA in his last seven starts after opening the season 2-0 and allowing only two earned runs.

In the only other AL games Monday it was Baltimore 13, California 1; Milwaukee 3, Minnesota 2; and Kansas City 5, Toronto 4. Cordero's double made it 4-0 and

he is 7-for-10 with 13 RBIs with the bases loaded this season. The second baseman had to be helped from the field in the ninth inning when George Williams slid into him breaking up a double play. X-rays revealed a sprained right lateral ligament, according to the Red Sox public relations department.

"I'm just (ticked) off right now," Boston manager Kevin Kennedy said. "The slide looked like it was late to me. It scared him. He sprained his

Tom Gordon (3-2) allowed four

runs and seven hits over eight

Orioles 13, Angels 1

Roberto Alemar and Bobby Bonilla both homered and drove in four runs for the Orioles, who have won eight of 10. Brady Anderson also homered for Baltimore, which had 17 hits, including three by Luis Polonia and two by Alomar, who raised his major league-leading batting average to .389.

David Wells pitched seven strong innings to earn his first victory in five starts since April 16. Wells (3-3) allowed one run, four hits and four walks.

Royals 5, Blue Jays 4

Chris Haney won his third straight and again stopped a Royals losing streak. Haney (3-4), who beat Texas in his last start to end a four-game slide, broke a more modest two-game streak this time for the Royals. He allowed seven hits, struck out four and didn't walk a batter. Haney left after Ed Sprague's two-run homer with one out in the ninth made it 5-4. Jeff

Montgomery got his 11th save. The Royals beat Pat Hentgen (4-4) for the first time after he won his first seven decisions against them. Hentgen allowed seven hits over seven innings.

Brewers 3, Twins 2

series at the Metrodome as Ricky



Bones allowed one earned run over seven-plus innings and Chuckie Carr drove in two runs. Bones (3-6) picked up his sixth straight win over the Twins, who have lost four straight and 12 of 16.

Bones gave up two runs on seven hits. He was relieved in the eighth after allowing a leadoff homer to Rich Becker that made it 3-2. Mike Fetters pitched the ninth for his sixth save.

Frank Rodriguez (3-5) allowed The Brewers swept the four-game three runs and nine hits in eight innings.



Braves pick up for Justice Young

By The Associated Press Those who thought David Justice's injury would sidetrack the Atlanta. Braves have been wrong thus far.

Chipper Jones and rookie Tyler Houston both drove in five runs Monday night as the Braves scored their most runs in more than two years, routing the Chicago Cubs 18-1.

"Some of the other guys have stepped up and are really swinging the bat," Jones said.

Jones went 3-for-5 with a three-run homer. Houston replaced Fred McGriff in the fifth inning and hit a three-run homer in the sixth, his first major league home run. He added a two-run single in the seventh.

"On the bench, I root for games like this," said Houston, who had been limited to a pinch-hitting role. "I know, at least, I'll get in for a few innings."

Justice separated a shoulder last week and is out of the rest of the season. Atlanta, which had 17 hits and raised its batting average to .280, has won four straight since then to run its hot streak to 13 of 15.

"Everything fell in tonight," Braves manager Bobby Cox said. "The hard hit balls dropped in. The flares fell in and the head-knockers

went through. Everything just found a hole."

In other games, San Francisco beat Montreal 6-5, New York beat Los Angeles 7-1, Florida beat Cincinnati 5-3, Colorado beat Pittsburgh 10-7 and St. Louis beat Houston 5-3.

At Atlanta, Steve Avery (5-3) allowed five hits and struck out six in six innings.

Frank Castillo (1-6) gave up eight runs and seven hits in 11-3 innings.

"I felt like I had decent stuff," Castillo said. "But the bottom line is that I gave up eight runs and hit rock bottom. They're swinging the bats pretty good, but I think I'm a better pitcher than that.

Giants 9, Expos 6

Mike Dyer (3-1) walked Tom Lampkin with the bases loaded, forcing in the go-ahead run as San Francisco rallied with a five-run eighth.

Visiting Montreal, which lost starting pitcher Jose Paniagua after Matt Williams' liner hit his right wrist in the second inning, led 5-0 in the fourth and 6-4 in the eighth. After Lampkin's walk, pinch-hitter Mark Carreon hit a two-run single.

eighth, and Rod Beck finished for his regaining control. 11th save.

Mets 7, Dodgers 1

Rico Brogna homered at Dodger Stadium and matched his season high with four RBIs.

Bobby Jones (4-1) won his fourth straight decision, pitching his first complete game since last Sept. 8 at Montreal. He allowed nine hits, struck out seven and walked one.

Tom Candiotti (3-3) allowed six runs and a season-high 11 hits in 6 1-3 innings. The Mets had one more hit than their total in Sunday's doubleheader loss at San Francisco.

Rockies 10, Pirates 7

Eric Young homered and added an **RBI** single as Colorado stretched its winning streak to a season-high five games.

Ellis Burks, Larry Walker and Andres Galarraga also drove in two runs each for the Rockies, who had 14 hits and won their sixth straight home game.

Armando Reynoso (3-3) won for the first time since May 3, allowing three runs and seven hits in six

Denny Neagle (5-2), who had won his five previous decisions, was tagged for six runs and 10 hits as Pittsburgh lost for the 11th time in 14 games.

Marlins 5, Reds 3

Craig Grebeck drove in a pair of runs with a sacrifice fly and a single as visiting Florida won for the 12th time in 14 games. Cincinnati has lost six straight and 15 of 22.

Pat Rapp (3-4) allowed five hits in 62-3 innings. Robb Nen got the final two outs in the eighth and finished for his 11th save in 12 chances.

Dave Burba (0-5) remained winless in nine starts, giving up five runs and five hits in six innings.

Cardinals 5, Astros 3

Donovan Osborne (3-2) scattered eight hits at the Astrodome for his first complete game since June 9, 1993, and Ray Lankford broke a 2-2 tie with an RBI single that put St. Louis ahead to stay.

Doug Drabek (1-4) allowed three runs and nine hits in 6 2-3 innings, struck out eight and walked three. It was only the seventh win in 26

innings. Colorado took a 6-0 lead and Mark Dewey (2-2) pitched the saw the Pirates close to 6-5 before games for the Cardinals.

Seeds set for NCAA baseball tourney

CRAIG HORST AP Sports Writer

OVERLANDPARK, Kan. (AP) -Enlarging the NCAA baseball tournament field from 48 to 64 teams would sure make life easier on the selection committee.

Picking the eight top seeds for the tournament leading to the 50th College World Series was not that hard, said Ron Maestri, chairman of the NCAA Baseball Committee.

It was seeding Nos. 2-5 in the regionals that was difficult, because of the parity in college baseball.

The quality of competition against non-conference opponents was the determining factor in most choices for the 48-team field, Maestri said.

Regional play begins Thursday, with the eight-team College World Series scheduled to begin May 31. The regionals and the World Series ratings will not be released until after

ion tournaments. Maestri said he advocated expansion of the tournament, but

doubted the NCAA Executive Committee would approve it, at least not in the next few years.

Defending champion Cal State-Fullerton, which lost 10 of its last 15 games, was made a second seed in the Midwest Regional behind Wichita State, which won 50 of 59 games this year, the most victories of any team in the tournament. Fullerton finished the season 43-14 and remained No. 1 in the latest Baseball America poll, while Wichita State was ranked sixth.

The committee in large part bases the selections on RPI rankings, which rates the quality of opponents, and, therefore, the quality of victories. The

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think," Sloan said.

He defended his decision not to call a timeout when Utah had the ball and a chance to tie in the final 38 seconds.

"As long as John Stockton is on the floor, we don't call a timeout," Sloan said. "We've had more problems getting the ball inbounds

than getting a good shot." In the final quarter, the Sonics kept reminding Kemp he had five fouls.

"You look at a game like this and it shows Shawn's progress as a basketball player," teammate Nate McMillan said. "It was just a great effort on his part. Am I surprised? Nothing amazes me what Shawn does on the court anymore."

Seattle coach George Karl had Kemp on the bench to start the second half. When he did put him in the game, Kemp committed his fifth foul 27 seconds later.

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"The referees didn't let Shawn play," Schrempf said. "But he made the great baskets down the stretch."

The Sonics won on a night when Kemp and Payton (18 points) didn't play like all-stars for 48 minutes. A big reason was their bench.

For the second game in a row, the Sonics' bench outscored Utah's bench, this time 29-14. Sam Perkins had 15 and McMillan nine. Seattle's bench was 11-for-19 from the floor.

"I love our bench, Karl said. "I might like our bench more than I do our starters."

Stockton, the NBA's all-time assists and steals leader, had nine points in the first quarter and then disappeared. He took only four shots in the final three quarters and had only two more points.

In addition, Stockton had seven turnovers to tie a Jazz playoff high.

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The Southeastern Conference put the most teams in the tournament with six, while the Atlantic Coast Conference got five.

Other top seeds were Clemson (45-15) in the Atlantic Regional at Clemson; Miami (43-12) in one Central Regional at Austin, Texas; Southern California (41-14-1) in the other Central Regional at Lubbock, Texas; Florida (44-16) in the East at Gainesville; Alabama (45-17) in one Southern Regional at Tuscaloosa; Louisiana State (44-15) in the other Southern Regional at Baton Rouge; and Florida State (47-15) in the West Regional at Stanford.

Maestri said the two Texas

Famous quarter horse euthanized

The 23-year-old stallion had equine protozoal mycloencephalitis, a progressive neurological disease that caused him to lose coordination in his hind legs.

Bred by B.F. Phillips Jr., Dash For Cash won 21 of his 25 races and



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regionals, with No. I seeds miami if Austin and Southern Cal in Lubbock, could be the most difficult.

"Last night we spent a lot of time making sure there was a lot of parity in all the regions," Maestri said. "I'm sure the regionals at Lubbock and at (Austin) Texas are going to be tough.'

Wichita State, top-seeded and at home, is a favorite to come out of the Midwest. Cal-State Fullerton's slump at the end of the year probably cost the defending champions a top seed.

'Quite obviously, they've had a great year," Maestri said of Wichita State. "They have quality wins outside the conference. Their strength is there. They deserve to be there.

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) - Dash carned \$507,688 between 1975 and 1977. Trained by C.W. "Bubba" Cascio and ridden by Jerry Nicodemus, Dash For Cash won nine stakes races and was twice named world champion.

His 440-yard track record of 00:21:17 at Los Alamitos Race Course in California, set in the 1976 Champion of Champions, still stands. Off the track, Dash For Cash

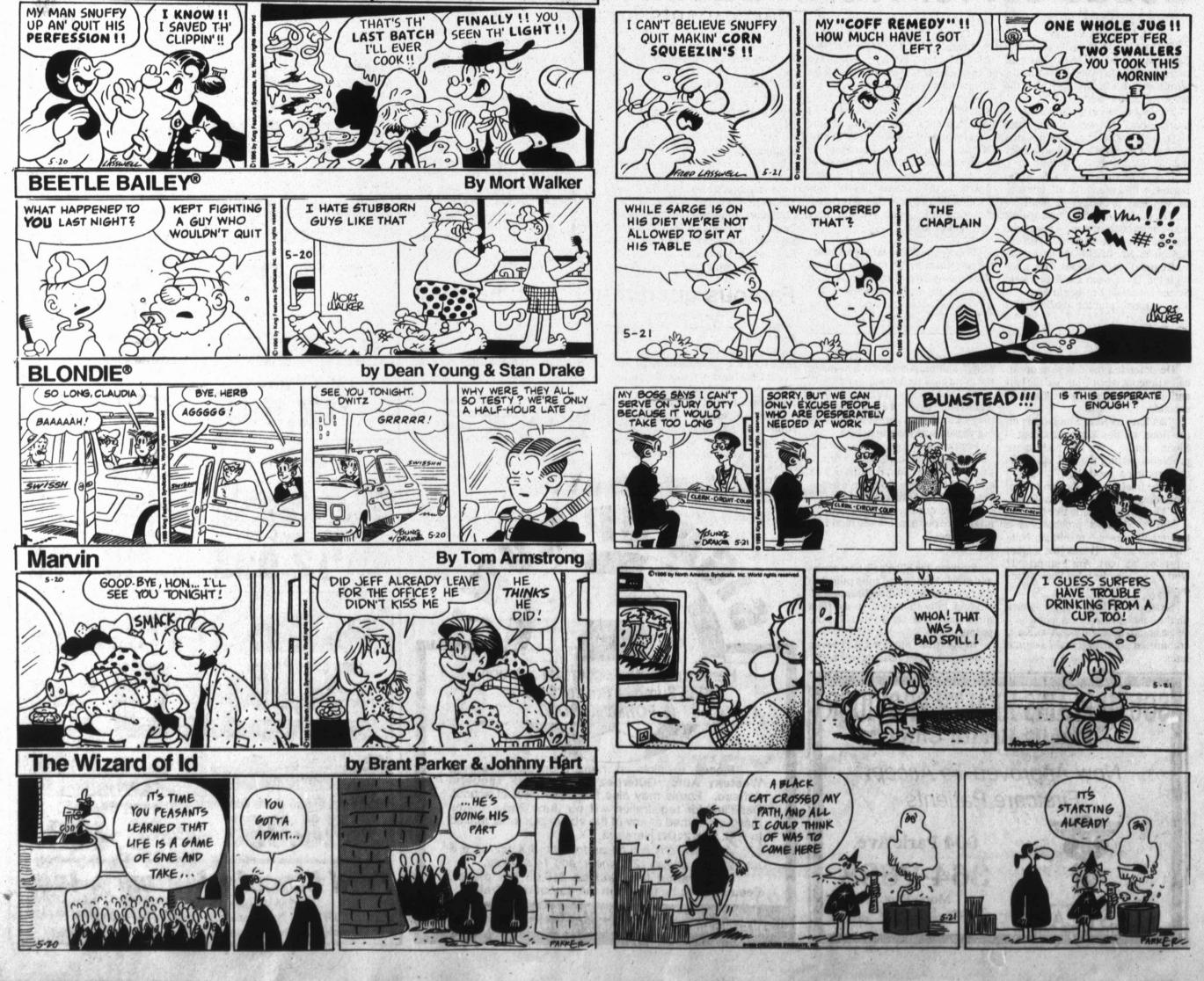
became the all-time leading sire of money earners in American Quarter Horse racing.

For Cash, who in the late 1970s became the first horse to win back-to-back American Quarter Horse Champion of Champions titles, was euthanized Monday at Four Sixes Ranch in Guthrie, Texas.

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straight all my life and always have put my family first. I am married and have children who are almost grown. Lately, I've had thoughts that I would be happier living with another woman rather than with a man. I guess what I'm trying to say is I have strong lesbian leanings and want to explore the possibilities.

This is not something that happened overnight. I have had these feelings for quite some time. I am not involved with another woman as yet, but I am definitely looking for a potential "partner."

I know you can't tell me to go ahead and do this, but maybe you can help me make sense of it. -- Trying to Stay Straight But Losing the Battle

Dear Trying: Your letter suggests to me that you are bisexual, even though you have not acted on your bisexual impulses.

I urge you to seek a psychological evaluation before you make any decisions about this. You need to find out WHAT you are and WHO you are and weigh the consequences of coming out of the closet. Should you decide to take that course of action. be aware that it will affect every aspect of your life, as well as the lives of your family members.

Dear Ann Landers: I had to write when I read the letter from "Bill in Oregon," who has a bipolar disorder (manic-depression). I, too, suffer everything I can find about it. Besides counseling and medication, there are lifestyle changes that have been key to my own continuing recovery. May I give Bill a few pointers that might help?

First, get adequate sleep. Even if you must use sleeping pills, make sure that you sleep every night. Eat regularly, and avoid excessive use of sugar and caffeine. Stay away from dumb people scald themselves, yet alcohol. Other people can drink, but we cannot.

Make a conscious effort to reduce the stress in your life. If it means 7-year-old accidentally shoots changing jobs, do it. No job is worth dying for. Your state department of vocational rehabilitation can help you get training to change to another made to do. -- Unarmed, Raleigh, career if that is necessary.

As you suggested, Ann, the National Depressive and Manic Depressive Association is a great resource and will give referrals to local support groups. It is helpful to know there are others who are coping with this illness. Please pass the word, Ann. -- M.S., Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Dear M.S.: Consider it passed. Meanwhile, I hope you have a good doctor who keeps your medication balanced. This can make a world of difference.

Dear Ann Landers: The surgeon eneral has a warning on cigarettes. Many states have seat-belt laws.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been from the malady and have read Some bottles of sparkling wine have a label urging caution in opening because the cork could pop out and hit somebody in the eye.

Why, then, are there no warning labels on handguns? Better yet, why is it virtually impossible to win a product liability suit against a manufacturer of firearms? Why do juries penalize the purveyors of hot coffee and chili when unbelievably nobody sues gun makers and sellers over the deadly harvest?

I'll tell you why. When a himself in the head with the pistol his daddy keeps in the bedside drawer, the gun has done exactly what it was N.C.

Dear Raleigh: You're right on. Thanks for the bull's eye.

Do you have questions about sex, but no one to talk to? Ann Landers' booklet, "Sex and the Teen-Ager," is frank and to the point. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Teens, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.55.) ANN LANDERS (R) COPYRIGHT 1996 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

Graduation is planned for square dancers

Merry Mixers Square Dance Club Community Center for dancing with six squares present.

Plans were made for the graduation of 26 students to be held at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Bull Barn.

The public is welcome to come and observe the event.

Guests are expected from Amarillo, Muleshoe, Dimmitt and Clovis, N.M.

Herrick Allen is the club caller. Bill Harmon is the round dance cuer.

Grandchildren are horse show participants

Kasi Gallagher and Kalyn Esqueda, Deaf Smith County 4-H

members, recently participated in the Swisher County "Big 5" Horse Show held in the Horse Center located on

the West Texas A&M University

The pair brought home two, first

place ribbons, a fourth place, a fifth

place and a tenth place ribbon.



Scholarships awarded

Two Hereford High School graduating seniors, Joshua Bullard, second from left, and Stephen Wright, center, were recipients of \$250 scholarships presented by St. Anthony's Catholic Youth Organization. The students were chosen for good attendance and participation in class and CYO projects. Also pictured are CYO president, Jacque Bezner, second from right, and Julie and Dennis Detten, CFC grade 12 teachers.

Honors, awards presented at WTAMU

University communication majors their class. were inducted into Lambda Pi Eta, a national communication honor society, at ceremonies recently.

Among the inductees was Michelle Beltran, a junior from Hereford.

To qualify for membership in Lambda Pi Eta, undergraduate students must have a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale, have met recently in the Hereford completed 60 semester hours with at least 12 hours in communication courses while maintaining a 3.26 GPA in all communication courses

The West Texas A&M University speech program hosted a Best Speaker Contest recently for students enrolled in basic speech or business and professional speaking courses.

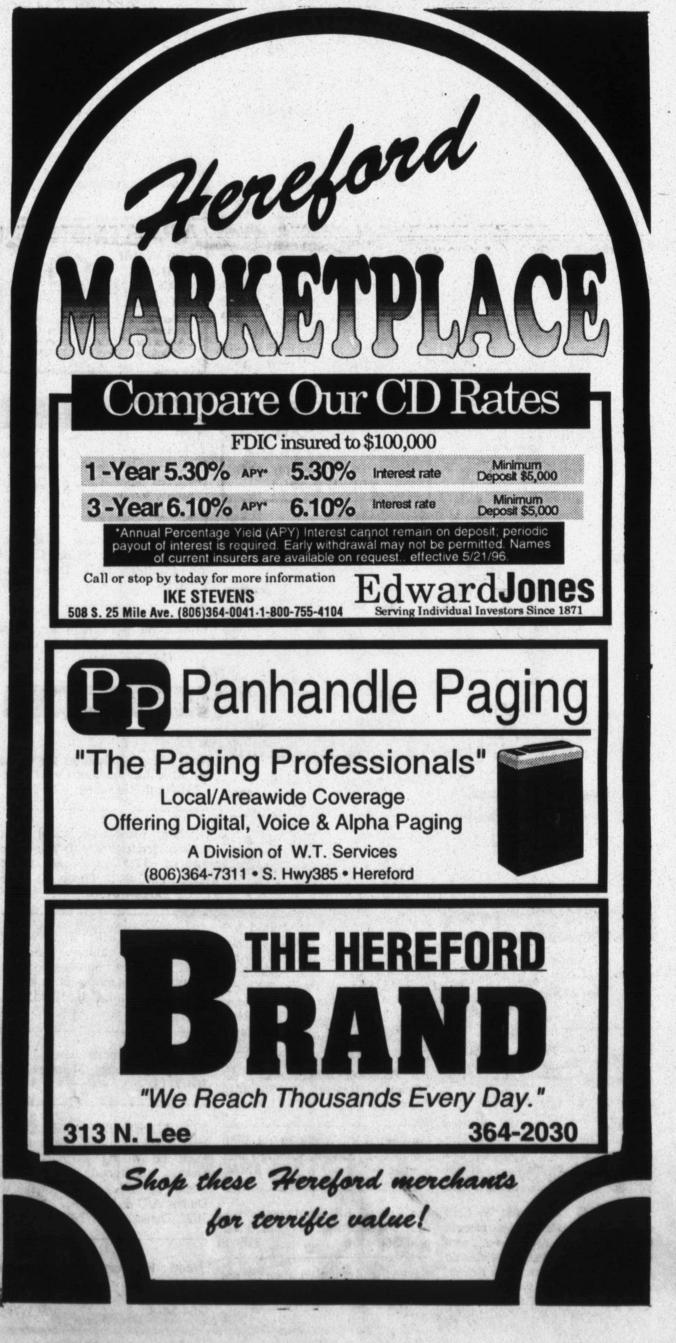
Among the students who placed and earned cash awards was Chasaidy Weddel, a junior life/earth science major from Hereford, who earned second place honors and \$50 for her speech about affirmative action.

Students participating prepared persuasive speeches of five to seven

Sixteen West Texas A&M and be listed in the top 35 percent of minutes in length and presented them extemporaneously before a panel of communication teaching assistants who served as judges.

Other finalists included Beth Haile, a freshman biomedical science major from Hereford.

The Best Speaker Contest is sponsored by the speech communication faculty from the Department of Art, Communication and Theatre as a means of providing beginning speech students an opportunity to showcase their talents and informing them about career opportunities in communication.





Recital by seniors

Senior students of Susan Shaw Studio, Cady Auckerman and Scott Shaw, will present a voice, piano and violin recital at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Fellowship of Believers Church.

List of college graduates includes local students

Four Hereford students at Angelo proficiency certificate. State University were among 549 students to receive degrees during the spring commencement at the university.

Brek Amber Binder received a bachelor of art, with a major in mathematics. Melissa Ann Cloud received a bachelor of arts, with a major in history.

Stacy M'Lynne Culpepper received a bachelor of science, magna cum laude, with a major in psychology. Angela Jill Dutton received a bachelor of science, cum laude, with a major in special learning and development.

Commencement exercises for the Washburn University School of Law in Topeka, Kan., were held recently.

Among the out-of-state graduates who received diplomas was Adrian Castillo of Hereford.

Castillo also received a taxation

Daniel Pena of Hereford graduated from The College of Santa Fe in commencement ceremonies recently.

Pena received a bachelor of arts from the four-year liberal arts college.

Mikel Wayne Walser of Hereford was among the 82 graduates of Western Texas College in Snyder.

He received his associate of applied science degree in golf and landscape technology.

Two students from Hereford were among those who graduated Saturday Arena at Westway. from Wayland Baptist University.

Wendy Dawn Peabody received a bachelor of science degree in social sciences. Ronnie J. Lyons received a business of science in occupational education degree, with a major in occupational technology.

Gallagher and Esqueda are PeeWee showman in the 4-H program and compete with students under 9 years of age in the Western Showmanship, Western Pleasure and Western Horsemanship divisions.

campus.

They will compete in approximately nine shows throughout the summer and will take part in the Hereford show on June, 22, at the Circle A

Kasi, 8 years, is the daughter of Kathy and Craig Gallagher and Karen and Richard Esqueda are the parents of Kalyn also age 8.

They are the grandchildren of Harvey and Joan Milton of Hereford.

Hints from Heloise

checks for my checking account explained the situation. We checked through some of the discount mailorder companies. They offer a multitude of designs to choose from, and the checks are a lot cheaper than the ones I got through my bank. One day I called my bank, which

has an automated system, to see what checks had come in and none of the check numbers corresponded with the numbers I had written in

Dear Heloise: I've been ordering loss, I spoke with a bank teller and several things and finally she asked me what the numbers on the very bottom of the check were (past where the account number is listed). The number listed was 1234 and the number in the right-hand corner of the check was 2234! Problem solved! - Louise Silvas, Peyton, Colo.

Wow! Never thought of checking to be sure the numbers were the my check register. At a complete same. So, readers, when ordering

checks be sure to check your address, phone number, account number and check numbers!

Thanks so much for taking the time to write in and share this. I hope this will save someone else from going through this same hassle. - Heloise

Ask your child what he wants for dinner only if he is buying. -Fran Liebowitz



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The Roads of Texas and The Roads of New Mexico are for sale at The Hereford Brand in book form. Texas maps are \$14.95 plus tax, and New Mexico maps are \$12.95 plus tax. Discover roads you never knew

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Accident scene

Hereford police Cpl. Albert Garza directs traffic around the scene of a two-vehicle accident here on Monday. The truck at left, driven by Landon Heath Morris, 17, of Hereford, rear-ended a 1991 Geo Storm driven by Jennifer Klecker, 18, also of Hereford at about 4:07 p.m. Klecker's vehicle was stopped in the eastbound lane of the 600 block of East Park Avenue waiting for traffic to clear so she could turn left when the accident occurred. A passenger in Klecker's car, 6-week-old Bryan Klecker, was transported by Hereford EMS to Hereford Regional Medical Center, where he was treated and released. Morris was issued citations for failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to control speed.

Rare Steinway sale brings out fanciers of fine pianos

By TED ANTHONY AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - She bounced from one world-class piano to another and still another - a budding teen-age virtuoso in T-shirt, blue jeans and black sneakers, transported suddenly to musical nirvana.

Rachmaninoff created genius with a Steinway piano. Billy Joel, the Piano Man himself, toured with one. So when Jane Wu, 14, had her pick of more than 100 Steinways to play this weekend, she was excited.

"Each has its own voice, but they all speak to me," the Holmdel, N.J., girl said, flashing a grin after a flawless round of Chopin's "Fantasy Impromptu."

Behind her, grands and uprights stretched to the horizon. She eventually decided on an ebony Model L, a medium-size grand.

Steinway & Sons, America's premier piano maker and the repository of 160 years of handcrafted tradition, opened its sprawling factory Sunday for an unusual sale of used pianos up to 75 years old.

These were not the freshly minted

Concert pianist Fei Ping Hsu, who owns a Steinway, loved the spectacle.

"Most people pay too much attention to other things today," said Hsu, who has played Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center. "If you study music, if you play the piano, life will touch you when you grow up."

Hsu accompanied his students -9-year-old Pauline Yang and her 7-year-old brother, Jason - on their quest for the perfect used model. Pauline, who has played with a symphony orchestra, was "ready for a better piano - which is a Steinway."

"We want them to learn something beautiful that will stay with them for the rest of their lives," said her father, Sunshine Yang, a retail salesman. "Everybody spends time and money on something. We'd just rather spend it on this."

And spend it on this. And spend visitors did -- from \$6,000 for one of Steinway's Boston line, up to \$52,000 even at discounted prices, broken down into monthly sums bigger than many car payments.

"I've always wanted a Steinway," said Alla Kivva, a piano teacher who moved from Russia to New Jersey three years ago. "The sound quality is more human - so full of soul. You can talk with your fingers." A teacher paid \$15,570 to become the latest owner of piano No. 228793 - Steinway's meticulous files show it was purchased new on Jan. 7, 1925, by Robert J. Davis of Montclair, N.J. - but not before Betsy Hirsch got a chance to sit down at it and belt out Carole King's "It's Too Late."

"A piano captures every shade of your emotions. I really do lose myself when I play," said Hirsch, an effervescent songwriter and piano-bar veteran who sells Steinways as her "day gig."

The nation's oldest piano maker began in 1836 in Hamburg, Germany, when cabinet maker Heinrich Steinweg, later Henry Steinway, built one in his kitchen. He came to New York and set up shop in lower Manhattan in 1853 before moving to midtown and ultimately to the current 10-acre compound in the city's Queens section.

The company, family-owned until 1972, is going public this year. But most things don't change; each instrument still takes more than a year to craft.

"There's sort of a constant with Steinway," company spokesman Leo Spellman said. "Everything else has changed in life and society. If you still have that Steinway, it connects you to the past."

Not a bad thought, said one Steinway shopper. Kevin Kiddoo, a New Jersey software trainer who plays jazz piano and writes songs, bemoans young musicians' affection for electronic instruments. "Kids think synthesizers are cool because you can push a button and get a lot of sounds," he said. "They're going down an artistic cul-de-sac. If you play an acoustic piano right, you can get incredible and varied sounds. A piano is a much better tool for getting what's inside of you out."

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Steinways that trickle out of the factory at a clip of fewer than 2,500 annually. They were orphans that somehow wound their way home, sold back to their creator by people who wanted to upgrade, liquidate an estate or just didn't have room. Some were returned after being used slightly at music festivals.

But, oh, the music they played - a multi-piano cacophony that resonated across the factory floor.

In one corner, an elderly woman gently keyed Beethoven's "Fur Elise." Two pianos down, a selection from George Winston's "December" flowed from a Steinway Grand D model. Across the wooden floor, a young boy played "Chopsticks" and an even younger one plunked out "Mary Had a Little Lamb" with a forefinger.



NEW YORK (AP) - Rating the presidential candidates, "Nightline" anchor Ted Koppel says President Clinton is no longer spineless, Bob Dole is "hard to love" and Pat Buchanan is a name-caller.

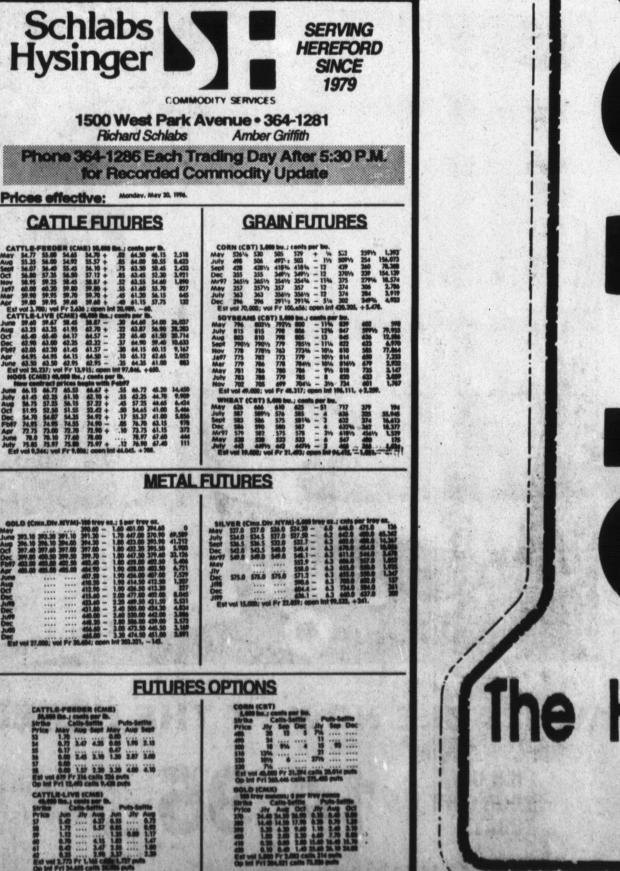
"Clinton is a much older man today," Koppel says in TV Guide's May 25 issue. "He's clearly developed a spine. He could especially if elected to a second term - turn out to be quite a remarkable president."

As for Dole, Koppel characterized the Kansas senator as having "courage and a sarcastic, edgy sense of humor." Many Americans, however, still think Dole is too mean, he says. "Obviously, it's very hard to love Bob Dole."

Koppel is still angry about remarks made in March by Buchanan's campaign manager and sister, Bay Buchanan. She called Koppel a "two-faced anti-Catholic bigot" following a segment about Buchanan's Catholic upbringing.

"This from a candidate who routinely refers to Hispanics as 'Jose' in a disparaging fashion, who frequently makes what I perceive to be anti-Semitic references," Koppel says. "I don't need to be lectured by Pat Buchanan on bigotry."

Every man is a borrower and a mimic; life is theatrical and literature a quotation. —Ralph Waldo Emerson





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House builders, lifters

You've heard of the house made of straw, the house made of sticks and the house made of bricks? Well these students at Tierra Blanca Elementary School made their house out of old cardboard boxes. The project, by kindergartners in Melanie McNutt's and Mary Lou Perez's class, took two weeks and included lessons in counting boxes, comparing sizes and measuring. The house will remain on display in the library through next fall.

Hillary laments 'glare' in television interview

By LAURA MECKLER Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - In an hour-long television interview, Hillary Rodham Clinton lamented the "unforgiving glare" on public officials as she mourned the second.

"I don't think you can get used to it," she said. "It's painful sometimes. It does upset me."

She said she follows advice from one of her heroines, Eleanor Roosevelt. "You just grow as thick a skin as you possibly can, and you

Emergency Services

Weekend emergency services reports -- which are typically collected at 7 a.m. daily -- contained the following information.

HEREFORD POLICE

Tuesday A 37-year-old male was arrested

in the 100 block of Avenue E for disorderly conduct by using obscene language.

A domestic incident was reported in the 100 block of Catalpa, where a couple that has broken up try to file charges against each other.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 500 block of Avenue I.

Telephone harassment was reported in the 100 block of Beach.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 700 block of Irving, where a couple got into an argument before the husband gathered some belongings and left. There was no assault.

Theft was reported at Sixth and Schley.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of East Third, where a business window was broken; in the 600 block of Blackfoot, where a mailbox was damaged; in the 200 block of Norton, where a window was broken; and in the 400 block of Paloma Lane, where a window was broken.

Disorderly conduct was reported at North Street and Washington Avenue, where several subjects were reported to be fighting. Most of those involved, however, fled the scene time he allegedly slapped her and left before officers arrive. No charges were filed.

Assault was reported in the 300 block of Miller, where the complainant opened his door after hearing a car honk, and was struck in the eye and head with a beer bottle. He was treated at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Assault was reported in the 600 block of Irving. No charges have been filed.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 200 block of Irving, where someone reportedly entered the complainant's home and made phone with possible injuries and two calls to a "psychic hotline." The incident was discovered when the complainant received his phone bill that included \$175 in charges to the 900 number.

Officers issued six traffic citations. Two curfew violation citations were issued.

There was one traffic accident two females walking home were cussed

reported with possible injuries and at by a person who drove by. one reported with no injuries. Monday

A 22-year-old male was arrested in the 200 block of East Park for public intoxication.

A 37-year-old female and a 56year-old male were arrested in the 500 block of Blevins for domestic violence in connection with an incident in which both people pushed each other around.

A 32-year-old male was arrested in the 700 block of East Park Avenue on city warrants for disregarding a stop sign and violating promise to appear and was issued instantered citations for expired motor vehicle inspection.

A possible stolen vehicle was reported in the 400 block of Sycamore Lane.

Attempted suicide was reported in the 600 block of North Miles. The subject was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital and later released and transported home.

A welfare concern involving an unattended child was reported in the 800 block of Brevard.

Theft of gas was reported in the 400 block of East First.

Theft of two bikes was reported in the 400 block of Ranger.

A domestic assault was reported in the 400 block of Avenue B, in which an argument began and the wife locked her husband out of the house, then let him back in, at which the scene.

Domestic assault was reported in the 300 block of North Avenue K, in which a husband and wife got into an argument and the husband allegedly assaulted his wife. She left the home. No charges were filed.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 100 block of Avenue H, in which two people were arguing. No assault was reported.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 500 block of Lawton. Officers issued 18 traffic citations.

There was one accident reported reported with no injuries.

Sunday

An incident was reported of a broken lock in the 100 block of Sunset. A civil matter was reported in the 900 block of South Schley.

An incident was reported in which

Runaways were reported in the 100 block of Avenue H and in the 300 block

of Avenue H. A suspicious fire was reported in the 300 block of Avenue E, where a fence burned. It is believed that a juvenile subject playing with a lighter

ignited some dried grass near the fence. Theft of beer was reported in the 300 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of Irving, where the complainant said his wife threatened him with a knife. The wife was gone when police arrived.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 100 block of Avenue H, where a couple argued and the wife was locked out of the apartment. No assault occurred and no charges were filed.

Domestic assault was reported in the 300 block of Miller Street, where a couple argued and the husband allegedly struck his wife on the face, then left the area. No charges were filed at the time.

Domestic assault was reported in the 600 block of East Park Avenue, where an argument began involving two people and the female allegedly pushed the man's head into a wall. The incident also involved a civil matter. The complainant refused to file charges and left the scene.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 200 block of Star Street. No charges were filed.

Beer thefts were reported in the 900 block of East Park.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of Stanton, where a pickup window was broken; in the 500 block of North 25 Mile Avenue, where two vehicles were scratched; and in the 200 block of Sunset, where tree branches were broken.

Names in the News

NEW YORK (AP) - Heather Locklear will be back for another season of "Melrose Place." Beyond that, don't hold your breath.

'I signed on for one more year and that's it," she says in the May 25 issue of TV Guide. "And I think that everybody's contract is up. It will be very expensive to bring us all back. Very.'

Locklear, 34, who got her start on she says.

in the 300 block of Blevins, where tools valued at \$1,300 were taken from a

garage. Officers issued 34 traffic citations. There was one traffic accident reported with no injuries.

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF Weekend

A 19-year-old male was arrested

for false identification to a peace officers.

A 30-year-old male was arrested by the Department of Public Service for DWI.

A 28-year-old male was arrested by the DPS for DWI.

A 29-year-old male was arrested by the DPS for speeding and no drivers license.

A 19-year-old male was arrested by the DPS for possession of marijuana.

A civil standby was reported.

A runaway was reported.

Two domestic assaults were reported.

A trailer with a riding lawn mower and roto-tiller were reported stolen with a total value of \$2,500.

FIRE DEPARTMENT Monday

Volunteer firefighters were called out at 8:33 a.m. to a structure fire on Lakeview Drive.

Firefighters were called out at 4:27 p.m. to a grass fire in the 500 block of West Gracey.

Saturday

Firefighters were called out at 12:04 p.m. to a wreck rescue 2 miles east on U.S./60.

Firefighters were called out at 7:46 p.m. to a fence and trash fire in the 300 block of Avenue F.

Friday

Firefighters were called out at 3:31 anches were broken. Burglary of a habitation was reported Road and Progressive Road.

"Dynasty," also stars in the upcoming NBC movie "Shattered Mind," playing a woman with

multiple personalities. As for "Melrose," Locklear says since the show has done just about everything, its plot lines are getting too outragcous.

"It's a little ridiculous. Every character has become almost insane,'

top official to take his life since she moved into the White House.

And she talked about how she has held up when that same piercing glare has pointed her way. "It's painful sometimes. It does upset me.'

Speaking on CNN's "Larry King Live" Monday night, Mrs, Clinton discussed how Adm. Jeremy "Mike" Boorda, the Navy's top officer, could not live with suspicions that he wore military decorations he may not have carned.

"He seemed to believe that no one would accept his explanation that it was an honest mistake, if indeed it was," she said, noting that some military experts have said Boorda was entitled to two disputed valor pins.

"In today's atmosphere, which is so highly charged, a lie is halfway around the world before the truth can get out of someone's mouth," she said.

Mrs. Clinton recalled the 1993 suicide of Vincent Foster, a close friend who served as deputy White House counsel. "I don't know that any of us who are left will ever know the reasons why," she said.

But she said these deaths point to the stress of living with today's "extraordinary scrutiny ... and the relentless and unforgiving glare that people who live in public life are subjected to."

She called Boorda's suicide last Thursday "just unbelievably sad."

"What a great guy - the kind of person who would just light up a room (and) make you feel so at ease," she remembered. "The times he was at the White House ... he would be sure to say hello and thank you to all the people who worked there."

Mrs. Clinton, often under fire in relation to the still brewing Whitewater and Travel Office controversies, said she tries not to let sometimes intense personal criticism get to her.

try to take criticism seriously but not personally," she said.

"I think that what prepared me most for Washington was playing lots of sports with boys in my neighbor-hood growing up," she added. "I'm so used to them razzing each other and razzing me. ... That's why I urge girls to play competitive sports with boys at an early age."

In the interview, Mrs. Clinton touched on a number of subjects: -On Elizabeth Dole, the wife of

presumptive Republican presidential nominee, Sen. Bob Dole: "I don't know her well, but I admire her work."

-On the first lady's suspected liberal influence on President Clinton: "There is no left wing of the Clinton White House. You know, I listen to that and I don't know where those folks have been because they certainly haven't followed my husband in the last four years."

-On Whitewater and Arkansas trial of the Clintons' former partners in the land deal: "I'm just hoping that once and for all these allegations against Bill are discredited and will be pushed off the screen."

-On the White House travel office firings: She said she only expressed general concern about misuse of funds but did not direct the firing of seven travel office employees. She acknowledged, however, that her comments may have been misinterpreted. She noted that while in France once, she casually mentioned that the president had allergies and her French hosts took that to mean there could be no flowers on their dinner table.

Mrs. Clinton said it has taken a while for her and Clinton to realize that casual musings are taken very seriously. "My husband is saying, 'Gee I want a banana,' and next thing you know there's bananas everywhere," she said. "So we have learned to be a little more careful about that."

Endeavour chases satellite released for test of antenna

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) - Depending on your point of view, the Astronauts today chased a 2,000pound satellite they set free from or a round trampoline on an space shuttle Endeavour to test a huge inflatable antenna.

platform for the experimental antenna, which expanded to the size of a tennis court when it was pumped with nitrogen gas.

Tiny explosives set off by a timer severed the silvery antenna from the satellite about an hour later, today's retrieval.

antenna looked like a flat parachute upside-down tripod.

'experiment, flew more than 20 miles away from the shuttle while awaiting

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