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## Storms bring rain to county

A line of thunderstorms moved across the area Monday, leaving 2.19 inches of rain in Hereford and up to 7 inches or more in some areas of the county. More rain is forecast for tonight.

KPAN Radio, the local weather station, recorded 2.19 inches, while some areas of town reported 1.5 to 2 inches.

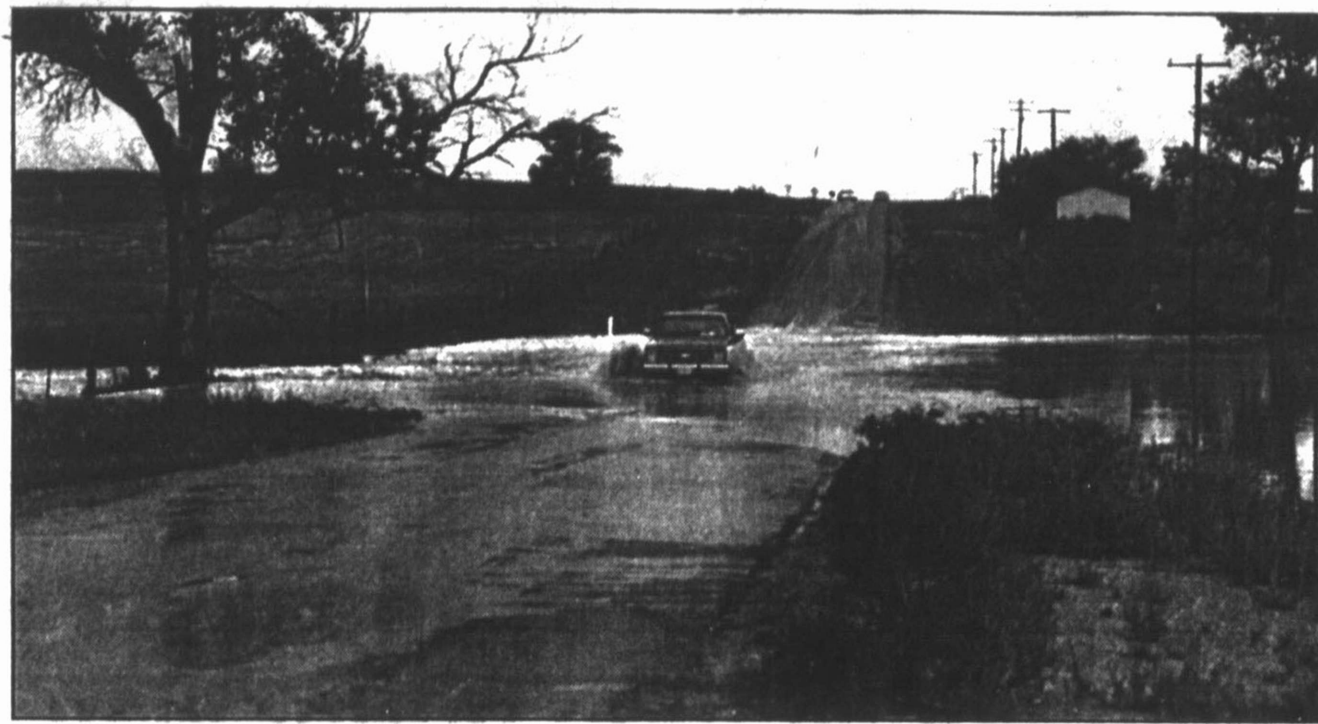
The Westway area, west of Hereford, reported from 5 to 7 inches in places. "If we get more rain tonight, it's going to be difficult getting to the pavement and going to town," reported a resident at Westway.

The rains were very spotted across the county, ranging from a trace up to more than 7 inches. At the Northwest Grain elevator at Milo Center, only .50 of an inch was reported. There was a report of 2 inches at the Jim Marsh farm.

A farmer who lives several miles south and east of town reported 2 inches, also. There was a report of about 2 inches of rain near the Castro County line south of town.

The Dawn Cafe, 12 miles east of Hereford, reported 1.38 inches.

The forecast calls for a 50 percent chance of thunderstorms tonight, dropping to a 30 percent chance Wednesday.



## Deep water crossing

A pickup truck kicks up a pair of waves as it travels through a stream of water crossing South Progressive Road Tuesday morning. High water covered the road in the wake of storms that dumped more than 2 inches of water on the city of Hereford.

## County panel gets update on manual rewrite

By WILLIAM SEELEY  
Staff Writer

Deaf Smith County workers could get an expanded version of the rules and regulations that govern their employment as soon as next month.

County Commissioners say the Deaf Smith County Personnel Policy Manual, now being updated for the first time in over a decade, will be ready for approval when Commissioners' Court meets in late September.

The greatly expanded manual, now under review and in its sixth revision, comes none too soon, members of the four-man Commissioners' Court panel said Monday at the Court's regular bi-monthly meeting. Members of the court further called the current policy "archaic," saying the updates, among other things, would close the door on liabilities that exist under current policy.

Even so, the consensus among the panel seemed to be that writing new policy at times poses as many quandaries as it eliminates. When spelling out the official word, even the fundamentals can get called into question.

Precise accounting of employee hours, for instance.

To safeguard the potential of failing a State Department of Labor audit, the Commissioners' Court has proposed a new attendance policy, complete with newly designed time sheets which calculate the exact number of hours and minutes an employee worked each day, as opposed to simply declaring eight-hour days for most employees, as is common practice.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Tony Castillo said those under his authority were hired to work eight-hour days. In his opinion, Castillo said, they should be paid accordingly.

Presiding Judge Tom Simons

replied that the state seeks to ensure, through its regulations and audits, that workers get what they have coming, whether it be overtime pay or paid time off in exchange.

Simons said he recently spoke with a colleague employed by Potter County who overcame the pay sheet dilemma by adding a standard 15-minute "comp time" to each of his employees' daily time cards.

"It all comes down to what you require your employees to do," Simons said.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Lupe Chavez said he may consider moving to a time clock for those under his payroll authority to ensure precision.

Other personnel policy issues discussed Monday were not as contentious.

Decisions to pay employees while on military reserve leave, and to employ all workers "at will" as opposed to on a contract basis were agreed upon with comparative ease.

The current personnel policy manual, the cover of which makes it obsolete as of March 11, 1991, was authored in 1983 by George Lowder, an Amarillo-based consultant, at a cost to the county of approximately \$5,000.

According to Precinct 3 Commissioner Troy Don Moore, who is close to the end of his third term, the 14-page pamphlet was intended to iterate in detail the county's official policy on every issue from employee recruitment to their political activities once hired. Deaf Smith County, he said, fared less than well on the deal.

Moore said in a post-Commissioners' Court interview, the 1983 project was at minimum over-priced, and at times has fallen short of expectation.

By comparison, the proposed new personnel manual is authored by a

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## One arrested in weekend gang violence

One arrest has been made and more are pending as the Hereford Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division continues its investigation into several unrelated incidents over the weekend that involved members of local gangs.

Police Lt. Esrael Silva said a 17-year-old male was arrested in connection with a stabbing Friday night.

According to Silva, an adult male was stabbed in the left wrist and kicked and struck with beer cans while at the Auto Zone parking lot, 300 N. 25 Mile Avenue, on Friday night.

Silva said the victim was attacked by some 13 to 20 people, including three individuals he knew.

The man was transported to Hereford Regional Medical Center, then transferred to an Amarillo hospital, where he asked that no information be made public about

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## Auckerman, Harder hailed at 4-H banquet

By BECKY CAMP  
Lifestyles Editor

"Together 4-H Will Bloom" was the theme for the 1996 Deaf Smith County 4-H Awards Banquet held Sunday in Hereford Community Center.

Highlight of the banquet was the presentation of Erin Auckerman and Cindy Harder as Gold Star Award winners. The Gold Star Award is the highest county achievement award.

Recognized as emerging leaders were I Dare You Award winners Amber Brumley and Brent Carlson.

Each year an individual from the community who has made a substantial contribution to the 4-H program is recognized with the Friend of 4-H Award. This year's recipient was Jim Marsh.

Beverly Harder, County Extension Agent in Family Consumer Sciences, announced the winners for Best Record Book and awards were presented by County Judge Tom Simons to Jaime Steiert, senior; Kylee Auckerman, intermediate; and Dawn Auckerman, junior.

4-H members who submitted a record book for the first time were recipients of Rookie of the Year Awards. Jantzen Louder was senior boy and Rachel Wilks was senior girl; Erin Louder, intermediate; and Seth Hoelscher, junior boy and Amanda

Smith, junior girl.

Distinguished Leader Awards were presented to Georgia Auckerman and Karla Vasck in recognition of their years of service as 4-H leaders.

Deaf Smith County 4-H members who competed at the state level in their chosen projects were recognized by Dennis Newton, County Extension Agent in Agriculture.

County Agent Alan Patranello presented National Awards Pins, then 4-H members were presented year pins and individual achievement awards.

Cady Auckerman, outgoing member of the State 4-H Council, installed the 1996-1997 County 4-H Council officers Joanna Brumley, president; Rachel Wilks, vice president; Amber Brumley, secretary; Miriam Wilks, reporter; Seth Hoelscher, recreation chair; Abigail Wilks, communications chair; and Jaime Steiert and Amber Vasck, District 4-H Council members.

A recent highlight in the eight-year 4-H career of Gold Star recipient Auckerman was a trip to Washington D.C., which she won by placing in State Record Books.

Other project areas have included swine, sheep, livestock judging, public speaking, and food and nutrition. She exemplifies the 4-H program in the area of leadership, being a teen leader and teaching younger 4-Hers in all areas of the program.

Auckerman attends Hereford High School, where she is in band and FFA. She is also active in her church. She is daughter of Rick and Georgia Auckerman.

Cindy Harder, the other Gold Star recipient, has an eight-year 4-H career spent in projects of public speaking, breads, food and nutrition, consumer education, and clothing and textiles.

Participating in 4-H activities has

led her to realize she is a "people-person" with special abilities to teach and lead others in group settings.

Her other interests and activities include photography, band, being a twirler and participating in her church youth group.

Harder is daughter of Sherry and Norman Harder.

Gold Star Awards were presented by Lupe Chavez, Precinct 2 County Commissioner, with the assistance of Joanna Brumley and Justin Betzen.

I Dare You recipient Brumley, daughter of Mike and Janice Brumley, has completed projects in consumer education, clothing and textiles, TCFA Junior Fed Beef Challenge, breads and county government awareness.

In her eight years as a 4-H member she has exhibited special skills in public speaking and has developed a strong commitment to community service.

Brumley attends Community Christian School.

Carlson, also the winner of an I Dare You Award, states that 4-H ranks at the top with the most influential programs in his life.

Seven years in 4-H have seen him involved in projects of beef, swine, livestock judging, agriculture and public speaking.

Basketball, golf, band, meteorology and being involved in his church youth group also occupy this Hereford High student's time.

Carlson is son of Roy and Shirley Carlson.

Presenting the I Dare You Awards was Tony Castillo, Precinct 1 County Commissioner, with Erin Auckerman and Jaime Steiert announcing the winners.

Mike Brumley, 1996-1997 president of the 4-H Parents Association, introduced Marsh as the Friend of 4-H.

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By Speedy Nieman

That feller on Tierra Blanca Creek says a stitch in time saves embarrassment.

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"I hope we never live to see the day when a thing is as bad as some newspapers make it." --Will Rogers, 1934.

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It has sure been a wet August, and most folks are thankful for the moisture. KPAN, our official weather station, recorded 2.19 inches from Monday's rain. Folks out in the Westway area have really had the rain with another 5 to 7 inches reported in places Tuesday morning.

It's amazing what a little rain can do. We haven't heard many complaints about the condition of the golf course lately!

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I had a feeling it was coming. The first person to greet me in church Sunday said, "Speedy, I read your story about tax rates, and I'm sorry but it's still clear as mud to me!"

Then, one of the first calls at the office Monday morning was to inform me that I had a mistake in the Bull column on a percentage increase. He was right.

Comparing the total tax rate on the four local entities from 1990 to the actual and proposed rates this year, I gave the percentage increase. Tax rates for the city, county, school and

hospital taxes totalled \$1,854 per \$100 in 1990. This year, the proposed rates total \$2,488.

The 63.4 cents difference is an increase of 34.1 percent, not 25 percent as was reported in the column. (Sorry, used the wrong numbers when dividing!)

We also discovered that some folks didn't know about the school's tax freeze for senior citizens. After a senior reaches the age of 65, he/she should go to the tax appraisal office the next Jan. 1 and apply for the exemption.

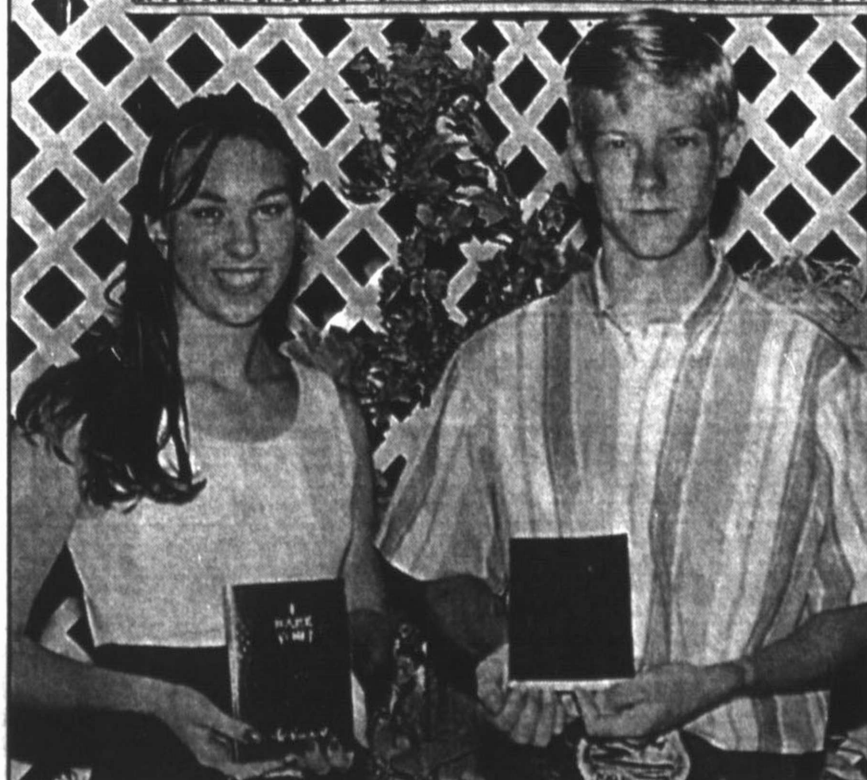
The school tax value on the senior's home will be lowered by \$15,000 and the current rate applied to that figure. The tax dollars will be "frozen" in the computer and that taxpayer will pay the same amount from that time on. This specific exemption is for the school district, only.

For example, if a senior had a home valued at \$50,000 last year, his school tax at \$1,239 would have been \$619.50. If he turned 65 during 1995 and applied for the exemption on or after Jan. 1 this year, the value would be reduced to \$35,000. At the current rate of \$1,239, the tax would be \$433.50 and it would "freeze" at that figure. Even if the tax rate or valuation goes up, that taxpayer will pay the same dollar amount each year thereafter.



## 4-H Gold Star winners

Cindy Harder, left, and Erin Auckerman were recipients of the 1996 Gold Star, the top 4-H achievement award, presented during the annual banquet Sunday in the Hereford Community Center.



## Recipients of I Dare You award

Amber Brumley and Brent Carlson were winners of the I Dare You Award at the 1996 4-H Awards Banquet Sunday. The award recognizes youth who are considered to be emerging leaders.

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# Local Roundup

## More rain in forecast

Hereford recorded 2.19 inches of rain Monday, according to the official weather station, KPAN Radio. After a high of 82 Monday, the low was 63 this morning. The forecast for tonight is mostly cloudy with a 50 percent chance of thunderstorms. Locally heavy rainfall possible. Areas of fog possible late. Low in the lower 60s. Southeast wind 5-10 mph. Wednesday, areas of early morning fog possible. Otherwise, partly sunny with a 30 percent chance of mainly afternoon thunderstorms. High 80 to 85. South wind 10-15 mph.

## Veteran's Park meet set

There will be a Veteran's Park meeting held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the VFW Hall located in the park. On the agenda is election of one park board member and approval of the 1996 report.

# Obituaries

ELIZABETH BENSON MOSS  
August 23, 1996

Elizabeth Benson Moss, 67, of Amarillo, died Friday. Services were held at 10 a.m. Monday in Lake Tanglewood Community Church with the Rev. Marvin James, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Citizen's Cemetery at Clarendon by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Moss was born in Hereford and graduated from Hereford High School. She had lived in Amarillo for

more than 40 years. She attended Texas Tech University and Kansas City Art Institute.

She married John Franklin Moss in 1955 at Santa Fe, N.M. He died in 1990. She was a homemaker and a member of Lake Tanglewood Community Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary VanWinkle of Amarillo and Margaret Nalls of San Angelo; and four grandchildren. The family requests memorials to Lake Tanglewood Community Church, Rt. 8 box 26-16, Amarillo 79118.

## POLICE

himself. The man, Silva said, was taken to Amarillo because a major artery and some tendons in his wrist were damaged in the attack. He was released from the hospital on Sunday. Silva said additional arrests will be made after warrants have been issued.

In an unrelated stabbing incident early Saturday morning, a male was attacked by three people -- two adults and one juvenile -- who stabbed him in the right upper arm and beat him

with a bat and kicked him. The man was transported to HRMC, where he was treated and kept for observation.

A third gang-related incident was reported in the 900 block of Lafayette at about 1 a.m. Monday.

In that case, someone allegedly used gasoline to set fire to a pickup and structure, causing some damage.

Silva said detectives have been pursuing suspects in all the cases and are expected to make arrests in the incidents.

## COUNTY

committee made up of salaried county employees in collaboration with the Texas Association of Counties, and comes at no added expense to the county. In 47 pages it declares county policy on 50 personnel issues; and it does so in appreciably greater detail.

County Treasurer Nan Rogers said supplemental amendments to the 1983 manual were not sufficient. "With all the changes in state and federal employment laws," Rogers said, "it was time to completely overhaul the manual."

## 4-H

crediting him with "a lot of hours in planning, a lot of hours in public relations and a lot of thought in building a scholarship program."

Marsh saw the need for a 4-H scholarship endowed program and diligently pursued this goal until the program became a reality.

Presentation of the award to Marsh was made by Jerry Baird, Master of Ceremonies for the awards program was Joanna Brumley, president of the County 4-H Council.



## 4-H recognizes friend

Jim Marsh, left, is presented the Friend of 4-H award for 1996 by Mike Brumley, president of the 4-H Parents Association. Marsh was recognized for making a substantial contribution to the 4-H program.

The committee, appointed by the Commissioners' Court to update the personnel manual, has worked nearly a year with the TAC to bring the project this far.

The committee consists of Simons, Moore, Rogers, County Tax Collector Margaret Del Torro, District Attorney Roland Saul and Assistant District Attorney Jim English.

The county currently employs over 100 workers.

The Commissioner's Court on Monday also heard a report from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Game Warden Chuck Cosper.

Starting a year from now, the state will defer its regulation of domesticated wildlife to individual counties, Cosper said.

"In years past, people who own large cats -- tigers, lions, etc. -- had to be permitted through the state," Cosper told the court.

Judge Simons noted the move seemed largely intended to absolve the state of any liability in connection with the wild animals.

As of Sept. 1, 1997, all state permits for wild animals will expire and renewal and regulation of wildlife permits will be up to counties.

There are currently two individuals in Deaf Smith County with such permits.

The Commissioners' Court will decide Deaf Smith County's wild animal permit regulations at a future meeting.

The Commissioners' Court also approved payment of its invoices, which total \$189,627.46 since Aug. 12.



## How to write a journal

Amarillo newspaperwoman Beth Duke, standing, addresses the PALS Class at Hereford High School on Monday. Duke, the city editor of the Amarillo Globe News, was in Hereford to speak to the class about keeping a journal, which is a year-long assignment for members of the group.

# Hillary, Jackson to speak as Demo convention under way

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG  
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO (AP) - Seeking political balance, Democrats hear tonight from Hillary Rodham Clinton and Jesse Jackson as they reach for the center with a platform that is tough on crime and calls for a balanced budget. President Clinton assailed those who try to cram him into an ideological box.

"If you spend more money you're a Democrat," he said in an interview broadcast today on CBS. "If you spend less you're a Republican. If you're a Democrat who spends less you must not have a conscience. ... I believe that politics should be more about what to do than who to blame."

Riding a train toward the convention that will nominate him for a second term on Wednesday, Clinton visited a Jeep plant in Toledo, Ohio, today and watched the two millionth Cherokee come off an assembly line.

"You proved one more time that whenever we're given a chance to compete we can be the best in the

world," he told cheering workers.

Jackson and former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo, voices from a liberal tradition spurned by Clinton, get their moment on the podium tonight. But the prime time slots go to Gov. Evan Bayh of Indiana, the more moderate convention keynote, and to first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.

"I intend to speak about traditional values and what we can do to renew them," Bayh said. He will talk about the need "most importantly to create a better world for our children," he added.

The convention speeches and platform define Clinton's Democratic Party and try to co-opt political ground held by the Republicans over the past decade and a half.

Often identified with the liberal wing, Mrs. Clinton gave no advance hint of her speech. But in a CNN interview, she defended her husband's decision to sign a welfare bill opposed by many convention delegates.

"This bill does a lot of good things that need to be done. I don't think it was that flawed," she said.

Cuomo said he would make clear his opposition to the welfare measure, which puts a five-year lifetime cap on cash assistance to the poor and requires them to find jobs within two years. Jackson called Clinton's decision to sign the bill "a very hurtful thing to do."

Included in the initiative is money for his AmeriCorps program so national service workers can teach more children to read.

The president will focus on the environment on Wednesday, proposing ways to improve toxic waste cleanups and develop so-called "brown field" sites in inner cities.

His party's platform, scheduled for approval today, backs the death penalty for a range of crimes and calls for prosecuting young people as adults when accused of serious crimes. The document decries a "failed welfare system."

# Emergency Services

Weekend emergency services reports contained the following information, which it typically collected at 7 a.m. for the previous 24-hour period.

## HEREFORD POLICE

**Tuesday**  
A 27-year-old male was arrested on traffic charges.

A 17-year-old male was arrested on county warrants for aggravated assault in connection with a police investigation into several gang-related incidents over the weekend. More arrests are expected in relation to these incidents.

A 38-year-old male was arrested on a warrant for violation of probation.

A report was filed of a .25-caliber semi-automatic weapon stolen from a residence in the 900 block of Lafayette Street.

A barbecue grill valued at \$70 was reported stolen from a residence in the 400 block of West Third.

A Sanyo AM/FM stereo was reported stolen from a pickup that was parked in the 400 block of West First. The stereo was valued at \$150.

A teenager was reported to have taken an 18-pack of beer from a convenience store in the 500 block of Avenue H.

A jack and some booster cables were reported stolen from a pickup in the 700 block of Baltimore Street. They were valued at \$80.

Two fog lights mounted on a pickup that was parked in the 400 block of West Third. Damage was estimated at \$269.

In the 400 block of Avenue B, a woman and her husband got into an argument because was said to be having an affair with another woman. No assault occurred.

A woman and her ex-husband got into an argument at a business in the 700 block of South 25 Mile Avenue. During the argument, the ex-husband slapped the woman. Class C assault charges are being filed.

An ex-husband was reported to have attempted to break into his ex-father-in-law's house in the 100 block of La Villa. An argument ensued, during which the ex-father-in-law was struck in the forehead. Class A assault charges are pending. Later that day, police were told that the ex-son-in-law returned to the house and was shot at by the ex-father-in-law. Police located a bullet hole in the ex-son-in-law's pickup. The case is under investigation for possible

charges against the ex-father-in-law. Officers issued 14 traffic citations. There was one traffic accident reported with minor injuries.

## Monday

A 34-year-old male was arrested in the 1900 block of Plains Street for driving while intoxicated.

A 42-year-old male was arrested at 15th and Avenue I for public intoxication.

A 33-year-old male was arrested in the 1900 block of Plains for public intoxication.

A suspicious fire was reported in the 900 block of Lafayette, where someone possibly used gasoline to burn a vehicle, house and items in the yard.

A report was filed regarding a 2-year-old female found unattended in the street near 14th and Avenue H. The child's parents were later located and Child Protective Services is investigating the matter.

A report was filed when a pet hamster bit its owner, causing a puncture of the skin.

A hit and run accident was reported in the 200 block of Avenue J. No injuries were reported.

Harassment was reported in the 900 block of Union.

A possible prowler was reported in the 400 block of Gracey. Nobody was located.

Theft of an air conditioner was reported in the 400 block of Mable Street.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of Grand, the 200 block of Avenue I, the 400 block of Jowell, the 500 block of Myrtle and the 700 block of South Main in the alley.

Aggravated assault was reported in the 200 block of North Street, where several suspects assaulted an individual.

Domestic assault was reported in the 600 block of Irving, where a man pulled a woman's hair. The woman did not want to file charges and no injuries were seen.

Domestic assault was reported in the 200 block of North Street, where a woman was assaulted by her common-law husband. Charges were filed by the woman.

Officers issued 25 traffic citations. There was one minor accident reported with no injuries.

## Sunday

A 22-year-old male was arrested at 13th and Avenue K for DWI.

A 23-year-old male was arrested at Park Avenue and Avenue D for DWI.

A 21-year-old male was arrested in the 100 block of Jowell Street for DWI.

Class A domestic violence assault was reported in the 800 block of Knight Street.

Class C domestic violence assault was reported in the 500 block of Schley. Harassment was reported in the 900 block of Union.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 900 block of Avenue K.

An animal bite was reported in the 500 block of George.

An unspecified incident was reported in the 700 block of Blevins.

Officers issued 12 traffic citations. There were two curfew violation citations issued.

Three minor traffic accidents with no injuries were reported.

## SEX OFFENDER

The Hereford Police Department has released the following information regarding a convicted sex offender who has registered with the department:

A 19-year-old male convicted of indecency with a child has registered with police. He lives in the 200 block of Avenue K.

**DEAF SMITH SHERIFF**

A 23-year-old female was arrested for burglary of a motor vehicle.

A 37-year-old female was arrested for theft by check over \$20/under \$500.

A 41-year-old male was arrested for felony DWI.

A 38-year-old male was arrested for violation of parole.

A 23-year-old female was arrested for theft by check.

A 31-year-old female was arrested for theft by check.

An 18-year-old male was arrested for forgery.

A 34-year-old male was arrested for criminal mischief and violating a protective order.

A 71-year-old male was arrested by the Department of Public Safety for DWI.

Violation of a protective order was reported.

A report was filed of trash being dumped in the county.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Monday

Volunteer firefighters were called out at 1:03 a.m. to a truck and structure fire at 911 Lafayette. The fire is being investigated as being of a suspicious nature.

### Friday

Firefighters were called out at 9:32 p.m. to a wreck rescue at U.S. 385 and U.S. 60.

# PALS class told benefits of journaling

Students in Hereford High School's PALS Class will be required to keep a journal this year, as they move through the community to work with younger students as peer leaders.

On Monday, members of Martha Paetzold's class got an introduction to the art of keeping a journal from an Amarillo newspaperwoman who testified to the benefits of journaling.

Beth Duke, city editor of the Amarillo Globe News, addressed the class about the benefits of keeping a journal.

Duke, who attained her current position in June, said keeping a journal can be considered "as a letter to myself" that can "become a very enriching experience."

Duke said there are several benefits to keeping a journal, including:

-- "It can serve as a reminder," she said, noting that she has kept a journal of a Rotary International trip she took to Belgium, and that the journal helped her remember specific details about the trip, even though it took place several years ago.

-- "It organizes your thoughts," she continued. A journal, Duke said, can be a list of things to remember, or something that the writer is thinking about.

-- "Another great thing a journal does, it lets you confide your feelings," she said, noting that a journal is a safe place for feelings "because that's a non-judgmental way."

-- "A journal can tell you how you're growing," she continued, noting that it is similar to a growth chart that chronicles the development of a child.

-- "Journaling, Duke continued, is a "constant practice on writing. ... The great thing about being a writer, you can do it every time you have paper and a pencil."

-- A journal, she went on, can tell someone "where you're going. You can have a lot of dreams, but until you write them down, they don't become goals," she said.

Duke said she can look back over her journals -- which she said she does not share with others -- and see how she is moving toward her goals and dreams.

Duke challenged the students to set a goal to write at least half a page in the journals each day, noting that they need to write daily to keep that day's thoughts fresh.

# Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - The Lotto Texas jackpot will be worth an estimated \$25 million on Wednesday night.

No tickets in Saturday night's drawing, which was worth \$18 million, matched all six numbers, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were 8, 12, 13, 20, 35 and 49.

There were 120 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth \$2,003. There were 8,077 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning \$107. And there were 156,435 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic \$3.

AUSTIN (AP) - Three tickets correctly matched all the numbers drawn in Friday's Cash 5 lottery game.

State lottery officials said the tickets are each worth \$98,830.

There were 971 tickets sold with four correct numbers. Those tickets are worth \$458. Some 32,488 tickets, each worth \$23, had three winning numbers.

Cash 5 numbers drawn Friday night, from a total of 39 numbers, were 6, 16, 23, 24 and 26. The next drawing is Tuesday.

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

0-3-1 (zero, three, one)

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

8-4-9 (eight, four, nine)

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# Lifestyles



## Bridal shower held

A bridal shower was held Saturday in the home of Judy Detten honoring Gina Leann Alley, bride-elect of Carl Luna. Greeting guests were, from left, Mrs. Richard Lupton, grandmother of the bride-elect, the honoree, and Mrs. Larry Alley, mother of the bride-elect.

## Alley is honoree for bridal shower

Gina Leann Alley, bride-elect of Carl Luna, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Judy Detten.

The couple plans to be married Oct. 13.

Greeting guests with the honoree were Mrs. Larry Alley, her mother, and Mrs. Richard Lupton, her

grandmother.

Refreshments were fruit plates, watermelon baskets, breakfast casserole and tea ring adorned with flowers.

The serving table was centered with a mixed floral bouquet and featured crystal appointments.

A Waverly comforter was the gift

from hostesses Donna Albracht, Theresa Artho, Connie Backus, Brenda Barrett, Nadine Berend, Cheryl Betzen, Jane Coplen, Linda Daniel, Judy Detten, Diane Hoelscher, Patsy Hoffman, Judy Kriegshauser, Christine Marnell, Charlene Sanders, Pat Simmacher, Denise Teel, Donna Warrick, Shirley Wilson, Marian Yosten and Mary Zinscr.

## Ann Landers

### Twelve rules for raising children

Dear Readers: I am on vacation, but I have left behind some of my favorite columns that you may have missed the first time around. I hope you enjoy them. -- Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: Several years ago, you printed Twelve Rules for Raising Children. I carried the column in my wallet until it became so dog-eared and yellowed with age that it is no longer legible. Please print it again, Ann. It's worth a repeat. -- San Antonio Mother

Dear Mother: Here it is. Thanks for asking.

1. Remember that a child is a gift from God, the richest of all blessings. Do not attempt to mold him in the image of yourself, your father, your brother or your neighbor. Each child is an individual and should be permitted to be himself.

2. Don't crush a child's spirit when he fails. And never compare him with others who have outshone him.

3. Remember that anger and hostility are natural emotions. Help your child to find socially acceptable outlets for these normal feelings or they may be turned inward and erupt in the form of physical or mental illness.

4. Discipline your child with firmness and reason. Don't let YOUR anger throw you off balance. If he knows you are fair, you will not lose his respect or his love. And make sure the punishment fits the crime. Even the youngest child has a keen sense of justice.

5. Remember that each child needs TWO parents. Present a united front. Never join with your child against your mate. This can create in your child (as well as in yourself) emotional conflicts. It can also create feelings of guilt, confusion and insecurity.

6. Do not hand your child everything his little heart desires. Permit him to know the thrill of earning and the joy of achieving. Grant him the greatest of all satisfactions, the pleasure that comes with personal accomplishment.

7. Do not set yourself up as the epitome of perfection. This is a difficult role to play 24 hours a day. You will find it easier to communicate with your child if you let him know that Mom and Dad can err, too.

8. Don't make threats in anger or impossible promises when you are in a generous mood. Threaten or promise only that which you can live up to. To a child, a parent's word means everything. The child who has lost faith in his parents has difficulty believing in anything.

9. Do not smother your child with superficial manifestations of "love." The purest and healthiest love

expresses itself in day-in, day-out training, which breeds self-confidence and independence.

10. Teach your child there is dignity in hard work, whether it is performed with callused hands that shovel coal or skilled fingers that manipulate surgical instruments. Let him know a useful life is a blessed one and a life of ease and pleasure-seeking is empty and meaningless.

11. Do not try to protect your child against every small blow and disappointment. Adversity strengthens character and makes us compassionate. Trouble is the great equalizer. Let him learn it.

12. Teach your child to love God and to love his fellow men. Don't SEND your child to a place of worship, TAKE him there. Children learn from example. Telling him something is not teaching him. If you give your child a deep and abiding faith in God, it can be his strength and his light when all else fails.

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## Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: I have several children's games that need replacement parts. Can you give me the addresses or phone numbers of major manufacturers? The game instructions list no resources for replacing pieces.

Certainly there are many people in this country who could benefit from information like this! -- Terri Simpson, Slidell, La.

You bet there are, and the answer is as close as your phone. All you have to do is call 800 information (1-800-555-1212) and ask if there is a listing for the company's name.

If there is no listing, you can call your local library and ask for the reference desk. They have reference books with phone numbers and addresses of most manufacturers, so they should be able to locate it.

Also, your local toy store should have phone numbers for toy manufacturers and may even have just the info you want.

That's all there is to it. -- Heloise

**EASY TO READ**

Dear Heloise: I have an idea that may help many people.

A dear friend could no longer read my letters because her eyesight was getting poor. I started typing my letters and then took them to a copy machine that could enlarge the text so she could read it. It's been a great help. -- Judy Brasseur, Richmond, Texas

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The things you can put in this basket are endless. -- M.L. Flynn, Houston

Send a money- or time-saving hint to Heloise, PO Box 795000, San Antonio TX 78279-5000 or fax it to 210-HELOISE. I can't answer your letter personally but will use the best hints received in my column.

## Today in History

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, Aug. 27, the 240th day of 1996. There are 126 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:** On Aug. 27, 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa blew up; the resulting tidal waves in Indonesia's Sunda Strait claimed some 36,000 lives in Java and Sumatra.

**On this date:** In 1770, the German philosopher Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel was born in Stuttgart.

In 1859, Colonel Edwin L. Drake drilled the first successful oil well in the United States near Titusville, Pa.

In 1892, fire seriously damaged New York's original Metropolitan Opera House, located at Broadway and 39th Street.

In 1894, Congress passed the Wilson-Gorman Tariff Act, which contained a provision for a graduated income tax that was later struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1908, Lyndon B. Johnson, the 36th president of the United States, was born near Stonewall, Texas.

## Library will host time after school

After-school-time at the Deaf Smith County Library will begin Sept. 9 and 10. The theme selected for this year is "Barn Yard Buddies."

Monday afternoons from 4 p.m.-5 p.m. is after-school-time for first through third graders. Fourth through sixth graders will have their after-school-time from 4 p.m.-5 p.m. on Tuesdays.

Some of the activities planned are getting acquainted with your library, keeping a journal, story time, writing a puppet play and presenting it, crafts, etc.

Public story time for preschoolers will continue to be at 10 a.m. on Thursdays. Other preschool and kindergarten story time schedules will be released soon.

In 1928, the Kellogg-Briand Pact was signed in Paris, outlawing war and providing for the peaceful settlement of disputes.

In 1945, American troops began landing in Japan following the surrender of the Japanese government in World War II.

In 1962, the United States launched the Mariner 2 space probe, which flew past Venus the following December.

In 1967, Brian Epstein, manager of the Beatles, was found dead in his London flat from an overdose of sleeping pills.

In 1975, Haile Selassie, the last emperor of Ethiopia's 3,000-year-old monarchy, died in Addis Ababa at age 83 almost a year after he was overthrown in a military coup.

In 1979, British war hero Lord Louis Mountbatten was killed off the coast of Ireland in a boat explosion claimed by the Irish Republican Army.

Ten years ago: President Reagan's chief spokesman, Larry Speakes, said the administration was worried about new terrorist plots by Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi, but

refused to say whether there was evidence to back up that concern.

Five years ago: Warning of impending "catastrophe," Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev threatened to resign unless the Soviet Union's splintering republics could at least preserve a military and economic alliance. In a split vote, the American Bar Association gave Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas a "qualified" rating.

One year ago: American and Chinese officials agreed to begin planning a fall summit between President Clinton and Chinese President Jiang Zemin.

Today's Birthdays: Nobel Peace laureate Mother Teresa is 86. Actor Tommy Sands is 59. Musician Daryl Dragon is 54. Actress Tuesday Weld is 53. Actress Barbara Bach is 49. Country musician Jeff Cook is 47. Actor Paul Reubens is 44. Singer Willy DeVille is 43. Rap musician Bo-Bo is 28.

Thought for Today: "If you board the wrong train, it is no use running along the corridor in the other direction." -- Dietrich Bonhoeffer, German theologian (1906-1945).

## KUB Award recipients

The Keeping Us Beautiful (KUB) Award is a local award bestowed by the Hereford Beautification Alliance on groups, individuals and businesses who exhibit a strong and sustained commitment to the appearance of their neighborhood and community.

Less than one percent of the property owners in Hereford are chosen to receive this award each year.

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# Sports

## Cowboys hope to find healthy team for opener

By DENNE H. FREEMAN  
AP Sports Writer

IRVING, Texas (AP) - It may be the 8 p.m. kickoff on Monday night at Soldier's Field before the Dallas Cowboys know who will line up to play the Chicago Bears. The Cowboys know who won't play.

Wide receiver Michael Irvin, defensive end Shante Carver, and tight end Jay Novacek won't. Irvin and Carver are serving NFL suspensions and Novacek has a degenerative disc in his back that needs rest.

Coach Barry Switzer, who calls his team the "thinnest" in football and he's not talking calories, said he thinks running back Emmitt Smith, offensive lineman Mark Tuinei, cornerback-wide receiver Deion Sanders and tight end Erik Bjornson will take the field against the Bears.

"We think Emmitt and Mark will be able to go," Switzer said. "We'll know for sure later in the week."

Smith was getting treatment for a sprained knee and didn't practice. Nor did Tuinei, who has a sprained knee ligament. Bjornson, nursing a pulled hamstring, worked out in shorts and pads.

"We're counting on Bjornson playing," Switzer said. "We need him in there particularly if we run two tight-end sets."

Free agent pickup Derek Ware, who played for Cincinnati and Atlanta, caught two touchdown passes against the Oilers to make the team.

Sanders, who bruised a shoulder Saturday in the Cowboys' preseason finale against

Houston, attended the brief practice.

Smith and Sanders weren't talking about their injuries, although Smith was walking without a limp and historically has been a fast healer.

"I think I'll be able to go, but I'll just have to see what happens when I get people pushing on me," Tuinei said. "We have a lot of injuries. Maybe the most we've ever had. We've got to find a way to weather the storm."

If Tuinei can't play, Larry Allen will switch from right guard to left tackle and George Hegamin will fill for Allen.

Guard Nate Newton said it was time the Cowboys quit worrying about who was hurt.

"We've got to quit whining," Newton said. "It's time to work through this thing. It's time to start playing football and quit worrying about who is here. It's time to rock and get nasty and mean. No excuses. I'm telling you Tuinei will play and Emmitt will play."

Defensive ends Tony Tolbert and Charles Haley, both nursing injuries, were expected to start for the Cowboys.

"Tony has two tender knees, and we're always worried about Haley's back," Switzer said.

"With the combination of injuries and players missing because of other things, this is probably the most unsettled we've been going into the regular season," said fullback Daryl Johnston. "But this team always finds a way to survive."

The Cowboys get a day of rest on today before seeing on Wednesday whether the injured can practice.

## Spikers blow away Lady Sandies

Lady Whitefaces beat Dumas, then AHS for tourney title

By JAY PEDEEN  
Sports Editor

The Lady Whitefaces volleyball team overcame early problems in the championship match of the Amarillo Invitational to do something the Herd hadn't done in quite some time.

It wasn't that Hereford won the tournament; Saturday's win gave the Herd its fourth championship there in six seasons.

The rarity was a win over Amarillo High, which Hereford beat 11-15, 15-6, 15-13 - and on the Lady Sandies' home floor, no less. The last time the Herd defeated AHS was Sept. 10, 1991, in Hereford. The Sandies won 12 straight in the series after that, until Saturday.

"There's no doubt it was a confidence booster," Herd coach Brenda Reeh said. "We realize that they're not the same team they were the last two years, but they're still a very good team, especially defensively."

Amarillo High went undefeated and won the Class 5A state championship in 1994. Last year, the Sandies were undefeated before losing to Arlington Martin in the regional finals. Most of the key players on that team graduated, though.

Hereford will have to go back today and try it again, as Amarillo High will host a dual match with Hereford and River Road, starting at 5 p.m.

Amarillo High wasn't the only momentous win for Hereford Saturday: the Lady Whitefaces beat District 1-4A rival Dumas in the semifinals, 15-7, 15-12.

"We played well in the first game," Reeh said. "In the first game, I think

there was only one rotation where we didn't score at least one point, so we kept the momentum on our side throughout most of the game.

"The second game was a typical Hereford-Dumas encounter," she said. "I didn't feel like the momentum ever was fully on either side."

After getting past Dumas, Hereford was ready for Amarillo High. A seven-point run gave the Lady Whitefaces a 10-5 lead in the first game, but they got stuck. AHS had scoring runs of three, three and four points in consecutive rotations to win the game.

"In game 1, they just served us off the court," Reeh said. "Our service receive was just awful. We just never could get into any kind of rhythm because we weren't making good passes. That can snowball; you get somebody behind the service line serving rockets, games like that can get over quick."

Hereford was much better in the second game. AHS wasn't able to score more than one point at a time, and Hereford built a 8-3 lead.

"We relaxed a little bit and moved our feet better," Reeh said. "We were able to run some offense against them."

Hereford scored six straight points to move up to 14-4, but AHS held off three game points. Finally, a Sarah Ramey stuff block won the game for Hereford, 15-6.

Hereford stayed hot in the third game, taking a 6-0 lead before Amarillo High even got to serve. Hereford gradually built a 12-4 lead before AHS stiffened.

There was a run of seven

consecutive sideouts, then five straight points. The eighth point came after Hereford's Danielle Cornelius apparently got a kill for a sideout - but she was playing on the back row, and on a delayed call by the referees it was ruled that she had stepped over the 10-foot line before hitting.

Later, Hereford was called in the net for Amarillo's 10th point starting a run that gave AHS a 13-12 lead.

That's where it stopped, though. Julie Rampley got a kill for a sideout, then an AHS error tied the score. Another Rampley kill made it 14-13 for Hereford. AHS got a kill on Hereford's first match point, but Rampley's next kill got the ball back, and Cornelius' kill ended the match.

"Volleyball has such momentum swings that it's not terribly unusual for (a big comeback) to happen," Reeh said. "I thought our kids showed a great deal of character by staying focused on skills rather than their emotions."

Cornelius totaled 18 kills and four stuff blocks in the Amarillo High match, and Rampley added 10 kills and seven digs. Kari Barrett recorded 29 set assists and led the team with 11 digs.

Cornelius also led the team against Dumas, with 11 kills and four stuffs. Cassie Abney was next with 10 kills. Rampley had seven kills and 10 digs.

Catie Betzen had eight digs in each of the last two matches.

## Tennis team rained out, will play today

The Hereford tennis team was rained out Saturday, as weather in Levelland forced cancellation of the triannual match among those schools and Andrews.

Levelland will come to Hereford today for a make-up match. Action will start at about 4:30 at Whiteface Courts.

## Mets fire manager Green, hire ex-Ranger Valentine

By BEN WALKER  
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - Dallas Green was sitting in the New York Mets dugout at Dodger Stadium during the weekend, talking about how times had changed in baseball.

He was from the old school, he freely admitted, a blunt speaker who wasn't afraid to raise his voice to bully people to be their best. Nowadays, he suggested, there was a different attitude, from a touchy-feely approach to dealing with players to an attention on things besides winning in the front office.

"I think I'm becoming a dinosaur," he said.

His statement proved prophetic. Green, at 62 the oldest manager in the National League, was fired Monday by the Mets, who said the slow progress of their young players was a major reason for their 59-72 record.

New York is fourth in the NL East, 23 games behind first-place Atlanta, and 12 games behind Montreal for the wild-card slot.

The Mets promoted Bobby Valentine from Triple-A Norfolk to replace Green. Valentine, 46, managed the Texas Rangers for more than seven years, and also played and coached for the Mets.

Also dismissed were pitching coach Greg Pavlick and bench coach Bobby Wine, a longtime friend of Green. Bob Apodaca, Norfolk's pitching coach, was promoted to take Pavlick's spot, and part-time coach Rafael Landestoy was made full-time.

"Our hope with this change is that the younger players can begin to blossom more," Mets general manager Joe McIlvaine said.

Coming off a 69-75 season, the Mets began this season with high hopes. But while the veterans did well, particularly Todd Hundley and newcomers Bernard Gilkey and Lance Johnson, the kids did not

produce as well.

"I was expecting in the second half that our younger players would come to the forefront. That didn't happen," McIlvaine said. "I was concerned we were beginning to lose some of the young players."

Injuries and inconsistency, especially to the highly touted trio of young pitchers Bill Pulsipher, Jason Isringhausen and Paul Wilson, were prime reasons for the poor mark. Rookie shortstop Rey Ordenez, while flashy at times, has often had problems with routine plays.

Pulsipher has been sidelined the entire season because of elbow trouble. Last week, in the midst of a dismal 2-7 West Coast trip, Green lashed out at Wilson, a former No. 1 draft pick, and Isringhausen, 9-2 as a rookie last year. The 23-year-old pitchers are a combined 9-23.

"These guys really don't belong in the big leagues," Green said. "It sounds very harsh and very negative, but what have they done to get here?"

McIlvaine, who said he made the decision to dismiss Green in the middle of last week, said he didn't like hearing that.

"It was a factor," McIlvaine said.

"I wasn't happy with that comment."

"That's a comment you should make behind closed doors," he said. "When you're trying to develop players, a big part of that is building confidence. I'm not sure how much that builds their confidence when you criticize them like that."

The Mets had to inform Green by Sept. 15 whether they intended to bring him back next year, according to his contract.

"I have very mixed emotions, as you might imagine," said Valentine, hired through the 1997 season. "I have a great deal of elation. But I know the emptiness."

## Coaches getting used to Big 12 Conference

By JAIME ARON  
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) - Kansas coach Glen Mason has had about two years to get used to the idea of the Big 12. And he still can't get it right.

"This is my ninth year, so I'm used to Big Eight, Big Eight, Big Eight," Mason said Monday as he kicked off the new league's weekly coaches update. "I still slip in front of my team. That's just a shortcoming on my part."

Don't worry, coach. You're not the only one.

Kansas State coach Bill Snyder was talking about the former conference of Texas Tech, the No. 21 Wildcats' opponent in Saturday's first-ever Big 12 game, when he mistakenly called it the "Southwestern" Conference. It was the Southwest.

Chalk up those slips of the tongue as growing pains while the former Big Eight hooks up with former SWC schools Tech, Texas, Texas A&M and Baylor to become this so-called superconference.

The hype sure has been super: six teams are ranked, including No. 1 Nebraska. Texas Tech is among those receiving votes.

Texas A&M is No. 23, although the Aggies were 13th before losing 41-37 to Brigham Young in Saturday's national season opener.

"This league is undeniably the strongest in the United States," Snyder said. "That's a tribute to every team, top to bottom. Each

week, you're going to play more difficult opponents, with more at stake."

The stakes will be high from the get-go for Snyder as his Wildcats host Texas Tech at 2:30 p.m. in the first-ever game between two Big 12 teams.

League officials thought it would be nice to match up a representative from each division in the opener, so K-State got the nod for the north.

Texas A&M was the south choice, but the Wildcats balked at the idea. Tech was the alternate pick because, according to Red-Raiders coach Spike Dykes, the league knew they wouldn't complain and neither would K-State.

"I can understand that," said the humble, homespun Dykes. "But it wasn't a bad deal. We had Kansas State later in the schedule, between Texas and Texas A&M. You got to play them sooner or later anyway."

The game is historic in more ways for both schools. Kansas State will be opening against a conference foe for the first time in its 101 years, while Tech will play in August for the first time.

Other Big 12 games this week include Ball State at Kansas in a rare Thursday night game that won't be televised; Washington St. at Colorado; SW Missouri St. at Oklahoma St.; and Missouri in Austin to play Texas in the second-ever Big 12 game (it kicks off at 6 p.m.).

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# Fan, Astros' division lead both fall in Dome

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ  
AP Sports Writer  
HOUSTON (AP) - A fan fell out of the stands, and the Houston Astros dropped within a half-game of falling out of first place in the NL Central.

Willie McGee went 3-for-4 Monday night and hit a two-run homer that inspired the St. Louis Cardinals to a 3-2 victory and a series split with the Houston Astros.

In other games, Colorado beat Cincinnati 9-5 in a game called after seven innings because of rain, and San Francisco edged Philadelphia 1-0.

McGee also doubled in the second and beat out a ground ball for a hit in the eighth. As the call was being argued, a fan fell out of the stands in right field, delaying the game for about 10 minutes.

Center fielder Brian Hunter and right fielder Derek Bell ran over to assist the fan.

"I went over there and asked him

if he was all right," Bell said. "He was kind of slurring his words and he said 'somebody pushed me.'"

Hunter said the fan, George Shaver, appeared semi-conscious when he approached him.

"By the time I got there, he seemed to know what planet he was on," Hunter said.

Shaver was taken off the field on a stretcher and went to the emergency room at Hermann Hospital, where he did not seem to have any serious injuries.

Doctors wanted to keep him for further tests, but he ignored their advice and walked out with a couple of friends.

"He didn't appear to have any obvious deformities," hospital administrator Lee Farrell said. "We didn't see any great distress."

The damage had already been done to the Astros, who lost a chance to go up 2 1/2 games on the second-place Cardinals.

Monday's game was the only one McGee played in the four-game series, but he made his presence felt and may have changed his mind about retiring at season's end.

"We'll have to wait and see how the rest of the year goes, how I feel at the end of the season and how the club feels," McGee said. "There's a lot of things involved. I have to talk it over with my family and see what's out there."

Andy Benes (14-9) overcame early wildness and pitched seven strong innings, striking out 10. Dennis Eckersley worked the ninth for his 23rd save.

"Andy pitched well but it was Willie who got us going," LaRussa said.

With the score 2-2, Royce Clayton singled home Mike Gallego with the go-ahead run in the seventh inning. Mike Hampton (10-9) walked Gallego, who was sacrificed to

second prior to Clayton's hit.

Craig Biggio's 15th home run put Houston ahead 1-0 in the first inning, and the Astros went on to load the bases on a walk to Jeff Bagwell, a double by Derek Bell and a walk to Derrick May.

But Benes escaped without allowing another run, getting Bill Spiers on a force play at the plate and retiring Orlando Miller on a liner that Clayton leaped to catch at shortstop.

"We just played four very good games between two good teams that came into an important series and played hard," Astros manager Terry Collins said. "We need to keep doing that for the next 30 games."

The Cardinals were 2-5 on their road trip.

Giants 1, Phillies 0  
William VanLandingham pitched two-hit ball for eight innings, retiring 17 straight batters during one stretch at 3Com Park.

VanLandingham (8-13) struck out four and walked two. Jim Poole got one out in the ninth and Rod Beck closed for his 29th save.

Curt Schilling (6-7) struck out seven, including seven in a row early in the game, in seven innings. Glenallen Hill hit an RBI single in the first for the lone run.

Rockies 9, Reds 5, 7 innings  
Bill Swift won in his first start since undergoing his second shoulder operation in eight months, and Andres Galarraga took over the major league lead with 124 RBIs.

Galarraga hit his 39th homer and two doubles and drove in three runs. Dante Bichette, Walt Weiss and Jeff Reed also homered as Colorado tied a team record with 10 extra-base hits.

Swift (1-0) pitched five innings and gave up four earned runs. He underwent arthroscopic shoulder surgery on June 13.

Cincinnati starter Mark Portugal strained his left hamstring running out a grounder and will be lost from two to three weeks.

The game was stopped in the bottom of the seventh and called after a wait of 1 hour, 48 minutes.

## AL East race tightens to 5 games

By The Associated Press  
The Baltimore Orioles won a wild one and the New York Yankees lost a tough one, tightening the race in the AL East.

Cal Ripken drew a bases-loaded walk off Mark Acre in the bottom of the 10th inning Monday night, giving the Orioles a 12-11 victory over the Oakland Athletics in a game of crazy comebacks.

"Any time you come back from a deficit to win in extra innings, it's going to be exciting," said Brady Anderson, who tripled in the tying run for Baltimore earlier in the 10th.

The victory, combined with the Yankees' 2-1 loss at Seattle, cut New York's lead over Baltimore to five games in the AL East.

Jay Buhner, mired in a 6-for-37 slump, singled home the go-ahead run for the Mariners in the eighth inning.

Yankees starter Jimmy Key had to leave the game in the first after being hit in the left elbow by Alex Rodriguez's line drive, which rolled all the way to the wall for a triple.

"I got out of the game quick so we could keep the swelling to a minimum," said Key, whose X-rays were negative.

Elsewhere in the American League, Cleveland beat Detroit 2-1,

Toronto downed Minnesota 5-3, Milwaukee defeated Chicago 3-2 and Boston topped California 4-1.

There were seven homers, two triples and 26 hits in the Oakland-Baltimore game, but Ripken got the winning RBI with a walk.

The Orioles blew an 8-3 lead, then scored two in the ninth to tie it. After Mike Bordick singled in the go-ahead run for Oakland in the top of the 10th, Baltimore pulled off a final comeback in the bottom of the inning.

Anderson's two-out triple tied it, Acre (0-2) issued two intentional walks to load the bases. Ripken then hit the dirt to avoid a high 3-1 pitch, forcing in the winning run.

"I was just slinging the ball by then. I was fatigued," Acre said. "I almost took his head off on that one."

At Seattle, Mariners manager Lou Piniella was ejected in the fourth inning following a heated argument with third-base umpire Durwood Merrill, who wiped out a possible homer by Edgar Martinez.

Martinez hit a ball that was caught by a fan reaching over the right-field wall. It was ruled a home run by second-base umpire Rocky Roe, but that was changed to a double by Merrill, who didn't think the ball would have reached the stands

without the fan's helping hand.

"I think I've been too nice all year," Piniella said. "We've had some tough calls against us lately. I'm going to go out there and argue for my team, that's for sure."

Indians 2, Tigers 1  
At Detroit, Jim Thome hit a tiebreaking homer in the ninth and Charles Nagy pitched a three-hitter for his first win in six starts.

Thome's 29th homer came with one out and helped the Indians maintain their perfect record against the Tigers this season. Travis Fryman homered for the Tigers, who are 0-10 against the Indians.

Nagy (13-4) won for the first time since July 25. He was 0-1 with four no-decisions in his previous five starts. Felipe Lira (6-11) allowed just four hits but remained winless since July 7.

Blue Jays 5, Twins 3  
At Toronto, Joe Carter homered, drove in two runs and scored twice as the Blue Jays won for the eighth time in nine games.

Juan Guzman (11-8), leading the AL with a 3.02 ERA, shut out the Twins on four hits until the seventh inning, when a couple of passed balls by rookie Julio Mosquera helped Minnesota score three runs.

Guzman struck out eight and walked none. Mike Timlin pitched the

ninth for his 23rd save. Carter ended a 21-game homerless drought with a two-run shot in the first. Carlos Delgado went 3-for-4, including his 21st homer in the second.

Brewers 3, White Sox 2  
At Chicago, Marc Newfield, Jeff Cirillo and John Jaha each hit RBI doubles for Milwaukee.

Cal Eldred (3-2), who had elbow surgery last year, gave up five hits, walked one and struck out three over 5 1-3 innings.

Doug Jones pitched the last 1 2-3 innings for his first save since joining the Brewers on July 29. He gave up a double to Tony Phillips and walked Dave Martinez with two outs in the ninth, but retired pinch-hitter Lyle Mouton on a liner to second for the final out.

Red Sox 4, Angels 1  
At Anaheim, Tim Wakefield pitched a six-hitter, and Mo Vaughn and Troy O'Leary homered as Boston got its 20th win in 26 games.

The Red Sox, who began the season 6-19, moved two games over .500 for the first time this year. Wakefield (11-11) struck out five and walked one in his fifth complete game.

Vaughn hit his 38th home run in the second inning off Jason Dickson (1-1). Two outs later, O'Leary made it 2-0 with his 15th homer, and fourth in six games.

## Rangers on brink of pennant chase

By CHRIS NEWTON  
Associated Press  
ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) - The Texas Rangers are on the brink of breaking their nastiest habit.

After 35 years without making the playoffs, the franchise is in position to make its premiere post-season appearance.

And Rangers fans everywhere are showing the first signs of the most desired disease in sports - pennant fever.

"This could be the year," said Ken Smithson of Arlington, who has followed the team for 21 years and believes Rangers management is as responsible for this squad's success as the players.

"The front office put forth the effort to get good players, and now we're reaping the benefits."

Since 1961, the franchise has only finished above .500 12 times. They've never held first place in their division past Aug. 18.

Those facts don't spark much optimism with fans.

But many are still willing to say they think this year's team could break the curse - they just knock on wood after saying so.

"I don't want to jinx anything," said Jeff Etheredge of Arlington. "But I think they could go far."

Team spokesman John Blake said this year's team is the best to ever grace a Rangers uniform.

"We've never won like this," Blake said, adding the team will probably announce plans to sell playoff tickets next week. "There have been good Rangers teams in the past, but this is the first that has the potential to go all the way."

Not even the beginning of the Dallas Cowboys season will take fan attention away from the Rangers should they make the playoffs, he said.

"I don't think it has ever been much of a rivalry," Blake said. "We're usually out of contention in September. I think the fans will stick with us and make room for both the Rangers and the Cowboys."

With only 14 home games left, the Rangers' winning ways have translated into bigger bucks for the team, Blake said.

"We're set to break records this year in ticket and merchandise sales," he said. "We're definitely seeing more interest by fans."

But because for so long the

Rangers have been used as a door mat for other teams interested in entering the playoffs, some fans are less than anxious to proclaim the team champions of the AL West.

Subconsciously, Brad Douglas of Arlington is still waiting for the Rangers to blow it.

"Everybody's waiting for the annual slump," he said. "I want to believe, but we've been here before."

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- 13 KCIT (FOX), Amarillo
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## TUESDAY AUGUST 27

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
Movie: The Chipmunk Adventure (1987)	Inside Out	Isa: Commander-in-Chief	Hollywood: Golden Years	Movie: Son of the Morning Star 'PG-13'						
News	Ent. Tonight	Mad-You	Newsradio	Frasier	Caroline	NBC News Special	News	(35) Tonight Show		
NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	National Political Convention							Today's	Charlie Rose	
Videos	(35) Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at Pittsburgh Pirates							Movie: Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo (1977) **		
News	Wh. Fortune	Roseanne	Draw Carey	Home Imp.	Coach	ABC News Special	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
Griffith	Newhart	Movie: Superman IV: The Quest for Peace (1987) **						Night Court	Simon & Simon	
News	Home Imp.	Rescue 911	World's Most Dangerous...			CBS News Special	News	(35) Late Show		
Roseanne	Simpsons	Movie: Point of No Return (1993) Bridget Fonda: ** 1/2	Xena: Warrior Princess	Paid Prog.	Cops	Wanted				
Sportsctr.	Brooklyn Dodgers	Too Hot to Skate II	Women's Volleyball	Baseball	Sportscenter	Baseball				
Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club	Three Stooges	Bonanza					
(4:00) Movie: Patton (1970)	Roger Corman Presents	Outer Limits	(15) Outer Limits	Pottergeist: The Legacy	Women					
Movie: Bye Bye, Love	Movie: Virtuosity Danzel Washington: ** 1/2 R	Movie: Deadly Past Carol Alt: ** 1/2 R	Comedy Hour							
Movie: Dream Little 2	Movie: The Rookie Clint Eastwood: ** 1/2 R	Movie: Cyberzone Marc Singer: ** R	Hot Line	Movie:						
(5:00) Movie: I Live My Life	Movie: Night of Dark Shadows (1971) David Selby: **	Movie: Ada (1961) Susan Hayward, Dean Martin: ***	Movie:							
Dukes of Hazzard	The Road	Prime Time Country	Club Dance	News	The Road					
Bay. 2000	Next Step	Galapagos: Beyond Darwin	Rivals!	Next Step	Bay. 2000	Galapagos				
Equalizer	Biography	Pride and Prejudice	Law & Order	Biography						
HopGlori	Designing	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: For the Future: The Irvine Fertility Scandal	Final Take	Mysteries	Mysteries				
Volleyball	Astros	Major League Baseball Chicago Cubs at Houston Astros	Press Box	Press Box	Finlin'					
In the Heat of the Night	Movie: The Taking of Pelham One, Two, Three (1974) ** 1/2	(20) Movie: Hickey and Boggs (1972) Bill Cosby: ** 1/2								
Doug	Tiny Toon	I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	Taxi	M.T. Moore	Rhoda
Wings	U.S. Open Tennis Opening Round							Silk Stalkings	Big Date	
Marisol	Cancion	Pobre Nina Rica	Primer Impacto Noc.	Noticiero Univision	P. Impacto					
Vietnam War	Real Rasputin	Movie: Villa Rides (1968) Yul Brynner, Robert Mitchum: ** 1/2	Year-Year	Rasputin						
RPM 2Night	Auto Racing NASCAR Winston Cup -- Goody's 500		NASCAR	RPM 2Night	Kelly Racing					

## WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
Movie: Polly-Home	Movie: Ferngully... the Last Rainforest	C. Brown	Donald	Darwin	Tale Spin	DuckTales	Chip 'n' Dale			
Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Maury Povich	Reading	C. Sandiego	Science Guy	Creatures	Wichbone		
Body Elec.	Your Home	Year-Ready	Painting	Embroidery	Dupree	Saved-Bell	Fan. Mat.	Fan. Mat.		
Movie: ** Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo	Flintstones	Flintstones	Scooby-Doo	JonQuest	Saved-Bell	Fan. Mat.	Fan. Mat.	ABC News	ABC News	
Rush L.	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Montel Williams	Videos	Jeopardy!	News	ABC News	ABC News		
News	Major League Baseball Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago White Sox									
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Cur. Affair	Hard Copy	Day & Date	News	CBS News	CBS News		
Griffith	Matlock	In the Heat of the Night	Taz-Mania	Bobby	Batman	Rangers	Full House	Fresh Pr.		
Volleyball	Yearbook	Cycling	Running	Racehorses	Water Skiing	Destination Extreme	Up Close	Sportsctr.		
(12:00) Home & Family	Highway to Heaven	Punky B.	I'm Telling	Family Challenge	Three Stooges					
Movie: M*A*S*H (1970) Donald Sutherland, Elliott Gould	Movie: Ava's Magical Adventure * PG	(15) Movie: The Charge of the Light Brigade 'PG-13'								
Making	Movie: The Gate Stephen Dorff: 'PG-13'	Autopsy: Med.	Movie: Over the Edge Matt Dillon: 'PG'	Movie: Dutch (1991) **						
Movie: Movie: The Client Susan Sarandon: *** 'PG-13'	Movie: Kidco (1984) Scott Schwartz, Cinnamon Ides	Movie: Batman Forever								
(4:45) Movie: The Cobweb (1955) Richard Widmark, Lauren Bacall: ** 1/2	Movie: Front Page Woman (1935) Bette Davis: ** 1/2	Dukes of Hazzard	Wildhorses Saloon	Club Dance						
Wildhorses	VideoPM									
Home	Start	Easy Does It	Homeworks	Graham K.	Cuisine	Great Chefs	Popular Mechanics	Strange Planes		
Equalizer	McCloud	Unsolved Mysteries	Lovejoy Mysteries	Mike Hammer	Quincy					
Nurses	Movie: Rich in Love (1992) Albert Finney: ** 1/2	Cagney & Lacey	Commath							
World Cup Hockey Finland vs. Germany	Bowling	Remington	La. Downs	Pathfinders	Fury of Christy Martin	Erving				
Angels	Charlie's Angels	Charlie's Angels	Charlie's Angels	Charlie's Angels	In the Heat of the Night					
Muppets	Gummy	Chipmunks	Nick in the Afternoon	MacGyver	Highlander: The Series	Renegade				
(10:00) U.S. Open Tennis Men's Opening and Women's Second Round	MacGyver									
Morelia	Confidante de Secundaria	Cristina	Primer Impacto	Primer Impacto	Dr Perez	Noticiero				
Real West	Vietnam War	History Showcase	Movie: Darling-God	First Flights	First Flights	Real West				
RPM 2Night	Auto Racing NASCAR Winston Cup -- Goody's 500									

## WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Pooh	Care Bears	GummiBär	Pooh Cmr.	Dumbo	Umbrella	My Little	DuckTales	Chip 'n' Dale	Tale Spin	Movie: Polly
Today										Days-Lives
Blue Water Hunters	Sesame Street	Lamb Chop	Storytime	Mr Rogers	Animal	Barney	Puzzle Place	Kidsongs		
Gilligan	Bewitched	Little House on the Prairie	Boss?	Gro. Pains	Saved-Bell	Head Ciss.	Charles	Laverne	Movie:	
Good Morning America										
News										
This Morning										
Eek!stravag	Aladdin	Mighty Max	Budgie	Fox After Breakfast	K. Copeland	Cosby Show	Young and the Restless	Murphy		
Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter		
Family Challenge	Waltons	700 Club	FIT TV	Rescue 911	Home					
Movie: The Charge of the Light Brigade Trevor Howard: PG-13	Movie: The Last Shot You Hear ** PG	Movie: Georgia Judy Davis: ** R								
Movie: Dutch (1991) Ed O'Neill, Ehan Randall: 'PG-13'	Movie: Necessary Roughness Scott Bakula: 'PG-13'	Movie: Cheyenne Warrior Kelly Preston								
(5:35) Movie: Lost Horizon	Movie: In the Line of Duty: Waco	Movie: Rustlers' Rhapsody ** PG	Movie: Spellbound Ingrid Bergman							
(6:30) Movie: *** Conquest (1937)	Movie: All This, and Heaven Too (1940) Bette Davis: ***	Movie: Love Affair (1939) ***								
(Off Air)	VideoMorning									
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Homeworks	Easy Does It	Home	Start	Housesmart!	Crafts	Crafts	Wildhorses	
McCloud	Baby Knows	Sisters	Designing	Our Home	Main Ingrid.	Handmade	Living	Our Home	Designing	
Press Box	Aerobics	Training	Get Fit	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	This is the PGA Tour	World Cup Hockey Finland vs. Germany			
JonQuest	Scooby Dooby Doo	Flintstones	Gilligan	Gilligan	Knots Landing	CHiPs	Angels			
Looney Tunes	Busy World	Rupert	Muppets	Allegria	Gullah	Papa Beaver	Rupert	Busy World		
Sonic	Turtles	American Gladiators	Parker	Facts of Life	U.S. Open Tennis Men's Opening and Women's Second Round					
Plaza Sesa	El Chavo	Cheespinto	Papa Solt.	Dr Perez	La Picara Sonadora	Enlace Dumega	Morelia			
Movie: Year-Year	Classroom	History Showcase	Movie: Darling-God	First Flights	First Flights	Real West				
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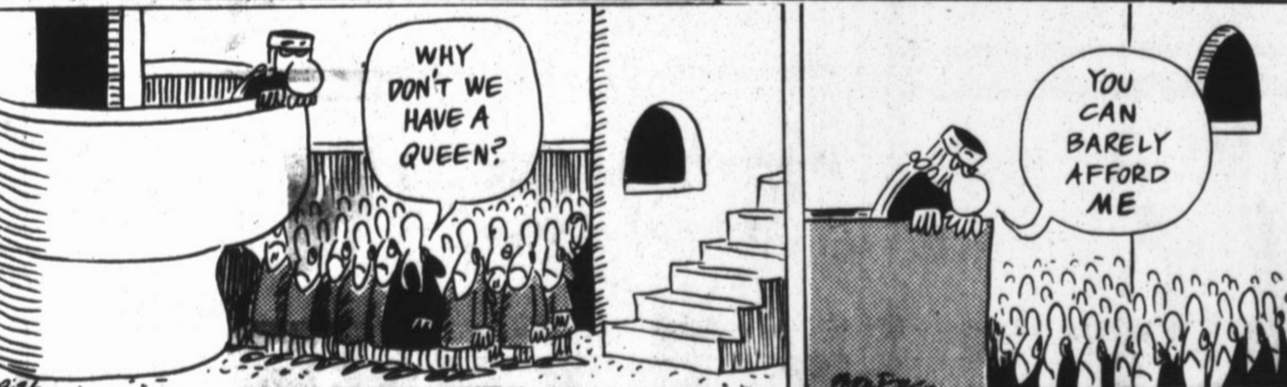
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Faerie Tale Theatre	Movie: Never Cry Wolf Charles Martin Smith: *** PG	Hollywood: The Golden Years	Texas J.	Zorro						
News	Ent. Tonight	Wings	Larouquette	Dateline	NBC News Special	News	(35) Tonight Show			
NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	National Political Convention									
Videos	Videos	(05) Movie: The Living Daylights (1987) Timothy Dalton, Maryam d'Abo: ***	(8:50) Movie: Licence to Kill (1989) ***							
News	Wh. Fortune	Ellen	Faculty	Grace Under	Draw Carey	ABC News Special	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
Griffith	Newhart	Sister, Sis.	Nick Freno	Wayans	Jamie Foxx	News	Night Court	Simon & Simon		
News	Home Imp.	Nanny	Dave's	Diagnosis Murder	CBS News Special	News	(35) Late Show			
Roseanne	Simpsons	Beverly Hills, 90210	Party of Five	Hercules-Jmvs	M*A*S*H	Cops	Paid Prog.			
Sportsctr.	Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced									
Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club	Three Stooges	Bonanza					
Movie: On Set: Fan	Movie: Hellbound Chuck Norris: ** 1/2 R	Movie: Human Timebomb 'R	(15) Movie: A Low Down Dirty Shame	Movie: Last-Cheyney	Movie: Cotti Armand Assante: ** 1/2					
(5:00) Movie: Dutch (1991)	Movie: Murder in the First Christian Slater: *** R	Arllisa	Comedy	Movie: Double Happiness Sandra Oh						
Movie: Batman Forever	Movie: Carnosaur 2 John Savage: ** 1/2 R	Movie: Virtual Combat 'R								
Movie: Last-Cheyney	Movie: Nora Prentiss (1947) Ann Sheridan: ** 1/2	Movie: The Unfaithful (1947) Ann Sheridan: **								
Dukes of Hazzard	Soulmates	Prime Time Country	Club Dance	News	Soulmates					
Bay. 2000	Next Step	Wild Discovery	Invention	Next Step	Rivals!	Next Step	Bay. 2000	WildDisc		
HopGlori	Biography	American Justice	20th Century	Law & Order	Biography					
Equalizer	Designing	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: The Substitute Wife (1994) Farrah Fawcett: ** 1/2	Living	Mysteries	Mysteries				
PGA Today	Astros	Major League Baseball Chicago Cubs at Houston Astros	Press Box	Press Box	Big 12 Show					
In the Heat of the Night	Movie: Paint Your Wagon (1969) Lee Marvin, Clint Eastwood: ***									
Doug	Tiny Toon	Kids-Guns	Bewitched	Bewitched	Bewitched	Taxi	M.T. Moore	Rhoda		
Wings	U.S. Open Tennis Men's Opening and Women's Second Round									
Marisol	Cancion	Pobre Nina Rica	Fuera	Lente Loco	Noticiero Univision	P. Impacto				
Air Combat	Ghosts of Gettysburg II	Movie: Dieppe (1994) Victor Garber, Gary Reineke								
RPM 2Night	Roller Hockey International: Championship Game, 1	Auto Racing Thunder -- Midgets								

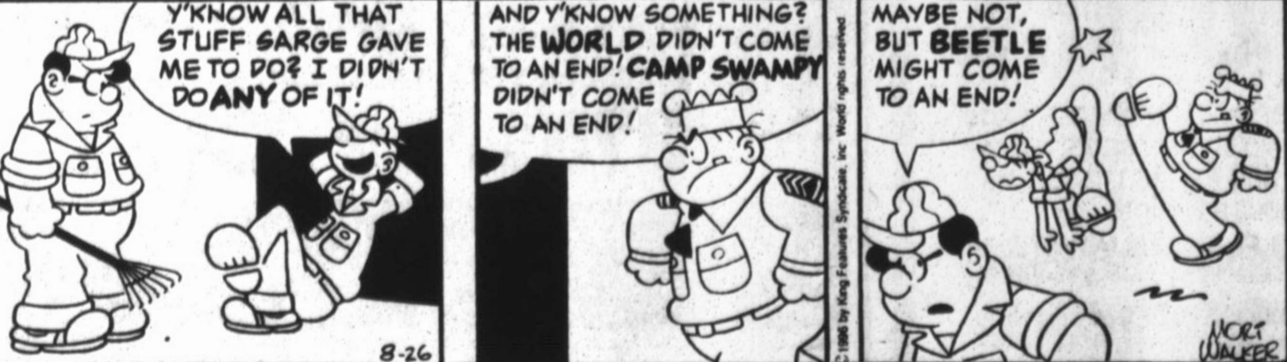
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# Japanese gardening techniques attracting increasing attention

By GEORGE BRIA  
NORTH SALEM, N.Y. (AP) -- Take a rock. Grow some moss at the base. Surround it with white pebbles. Let your imagination roam and you've got a mountain, a forest and a lake, or an island in the sea, or some other vision of your own.

You've also got a beginner's insight into Japanese gardening, whose techniques and philosophy are attracting increasing attention in the West.

If you're pressed for space a weed-free, rock-moss-and-gravel garden may be the answer. Or if you've got plenty of space, you might like to create an Oriental nook somewhere on your grounds for seclusion and meditation.

Concepts like these were explored by a panel of experts at a recent symposium at the Hammond Museum and Japanese Stroll Garden in North Salem, in the Westchester hills 55 miles north of New York City. The three-and-one-half acre garden, an inspiring place attracting visitors from around the world, was established in 1957 by Natalie Hammond from the fortune of her father, the tycoon John Hays Hammond.

In slide lectures and interviews, panel members focused on gardening by suggestion, emphasizing simplicity, austerity and graceful lines. They stressed the theme of "less is more" in contrast to "the busy garden."

"Removing things is basically

what you do in Japanese gardening," said designer and author Maggie Oster of Louisville, Ky.

And Abigail Free, director of the Hammond Museum, suggested, "Instead of a bush, say, use a rock. Rocks are planted in Japanese gardens."

She took me to a place on the grounds called the "Garden of the Buddhist Saints." She pointed out rocks arranged in various positions, symbolizing, she said, Buddha's disciples, the smooth tops of the stones suggesting the shaved domes of the priests.

Award-winning filmmaker Peter Grilli showed his "Dream Window: Reflections on the Japanese Garden" which he made for the Smithsonian Institution. In this probing work, the camera takes you to renowned Japanese gardens, with commentaries by personalities in Japan's artistic, philosophic and religious worlds. The video, which has been shown on public television, is available for \$29.95 from Smithsonian, P.O. Box 700, Holmes, Pa. 19043, 800-669-1559.

Are the concepts perfected in these national gardens reflected in everyday Japanese gardens? Grilli, a New Yorker who grew up in Japan, said that with space critical in the densely-populated country, Japanese gardeners are skillful miniaturists, doing wonders in 6-by-3-foot areas and on apartment terraces.

Landscape architect Stephen A. Morrell of Chester, Conn., showed slides of a beautifully raked gravel river he created at the Mansfield Freeman Center for East Asian Studies at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn. He said the curving course of the gravel evokes the bend in the Connecticut River at its widest point as it flows through Middletown.

Designer Julie Moir Messervy of Wellesley, Mass., creator of noted public and private gardens in the Boston area and author of "The Inward Garden" (Little Brown & Co., 1995) said memories of places we loved in childhood can play significant roles in fashioning a pleasing garden for our adult years. She mentioned caves, the sea, harbors, promontories, islands, mountains and the sky as archetypes with special meanings for us that we can recreate in our gardens.

Patrick Chasse of Bar Harbor, Maine, an authority on moss, illustrated the concept of less is more with many slides showing "the big impact of tiny mosses in Japanese gardens."

A list of public Japanese gardens in 26 states and also one of nurseries specializing in bamboo and other plants and materials are available in Maggie Oster's book, "Reflections of the Spirit" (Dutton Studio Books, 1993.)



## Honored with bridal shower

Tammy Nance, bride-elect of Bryan Kerr, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Arvella Lauderback. Guests were greeted by, from left, Joyce Ann Hibler, mother of the bride-elect; the honoree; and Sidney Kerr, mother of the prospective bridegroom.

## Lauderback home is site of shower honoring future bride of Kerr

Tammy Nance, bride-elect of Bryan Kerr, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Arvella Lauderback.

Guests were greeted by the honoree; Joyce Ann Hibler, her mother and Sidney Kerr, her future

mother-in-law.

Refreshments of fresh fruit, sausage balls, cake and punch were served from a table centered with an arrangement of roses and accented with crystal appointments.

A microwave was the gift from

hostesses Lynn Schroeter, Emily Christie, Martha DeBord, Jane Gulley, Lynn Kriegshauser, Arvella Lauderback, Lydia Montgomery, Lacy Mueggenborg, Donnie O'Rand, June Owens, Sue Schroeter, Marie Stringer and Carolyn Christie.

## Newly planted trees may require staking to hold them upright

By JAMES E. WALTERS  
PHOENIX (AP) -- Many newly planted trees often need staking to hold them upright until their root system develops. Some are staked even if they don't need it, to their detriment.

So how do you make the determination and, when needed, stake correctly?

For starters, remember that it takes two to tango. Likewise, if staking is required, it takes two stakes. You always should have a justifiable reason for any staking, such as trunk support, root anchorage or wind protection. In those cases, develop the habit of checking frequently for hazards such as girdling.

Properly set stakes are opposite each other, anchored outside the root ball and attached by a flexible tie at only one point on the trunk. Such placement allows the trunk to move slightly in the wind and develop taper.

Trees sold in containers by commercial nurseries usually come with only one stake. There is a reason for this. Such rigid staking increases production space, thereby cutting the initial cost to customers. However, it also can lead to landscape trees with weak, spindly trunks and little wind resistance.

If you doubt this, check trees growing in the wild and see how

many you think would benefit from staking. Their trunks usually are well tapered, with the greatest diameter at the base and a smaller diameter as one moves up the trunk.

Such tapering allows for equal weight distribution along the entire height of the tree. Many experts believe the taper results from the gentle swaying of trunks in the wind. Whatever the reason, field-grown nursery trees do have this desirable taper and usually need no staking after transplanting.

A container-grown tree often will be too tall and the trunk too weak to support itself. When this is the case, experiment by bending the canopy slightly to one side. The point where the tree returns to upright will be where ties should be attached.

Unless the single-style staking is reworked, trunk development is slowed, top growth delayed and root development set back. Unfortunately, if the improper staking is continued, the unnatural growth habit also is continued.

Not all newly planted trees need staking, of course, but fast growers - such as eucalyptus - almost always do. Species such as conifers generally never need it. Multitrunked trees have good wind resistance so they seldom need it unless for a particular effect.

Staking is usually necessary in formal landscapes, such as along

roads; around commercial buildings, where space is often restricted, and in windy sites.

In those cases, limit the ties to the top. Ties near the bottom are not recommended. They actually provide another point for damage from rubbing (girdling).

Support staking should be removed as soon as possible, usually the first year after planting. If a tree can't stand by itself after a year, check for causes that can be corrected, such as shallow watering.

Proper pruning will improve the health and function of many plants. It also can transform an ordinary-looking specimen into a striking form. But proper pruning requires a knowledge of how the plant grows so it responds the way you want it to. And to minimize subsequent pruning, select plants well-suited to their place in the landscape.

To restore a balance between top and root growth, transplanted trees often need pruning if their roots have been damaged in the process.

Young trees also may require training to develop strong branch structure. Don't do this with species having naturally irregular or sprawling growth habits. Oaks do best with minimal pruning. For most species, however, it is desirable to control and direct growth. Take the time to first study growth habit and eventual needs. And remember that incorrect pruning can cause serious defects.

If training, select a strong leader (the principal branch out of and around which other branches emerge) and identify the other framework branches, known as the scaffold branches. Remove scaffold branches that are not healthy and well-spaced vertically and radially. It is best to keep no more than four or five.

EDITOR'S NOTE: James Walters worked for the AP as a reporter and editor from 1947 until he retired in 1984.

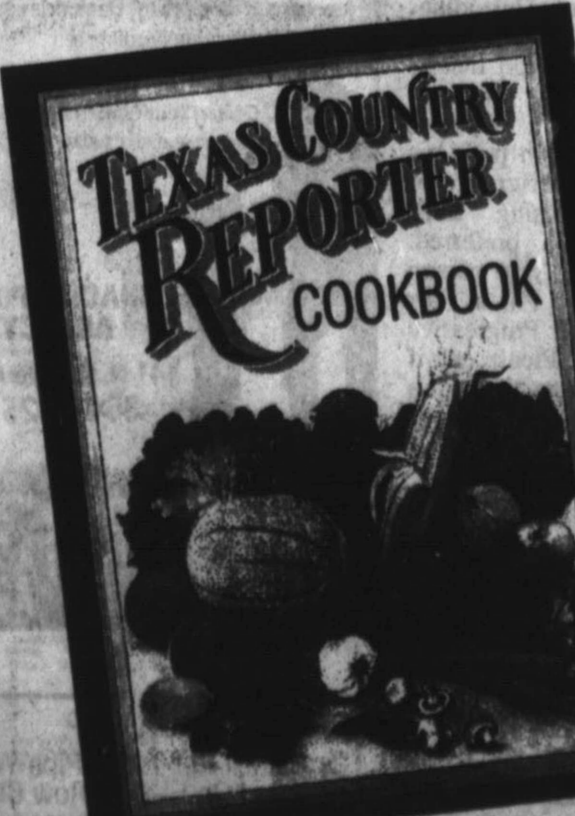
ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) - R.E.M. has cut a reported \$80 million, five-album contract with Warner Bros. Records.

The signing keeps one of America's hottest groups at Burbank-based Warner. The Athens, Ga., band recently completed "New Adventures in Hi-Fi," its sixth and last album under an old Warner Bros. contract.

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P. O. Box 398  
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BY: Bryon J. Boyd  
Attorney for the Estate  
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**HIGHLIGHTS**  
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

**AUSTIN** — Democratic state Sen. John Montford resigned last week to become chancellor of Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock appointed Republican Sen. Bill Ratliff of Mount Pleasant to replace Montford as chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee.

Ratliff, former chairman of the Senate Education Committee, rewrote the state's education law in 1995. Bullock, a Democrat, told the *Austin American-Statesman*, "I'm sick of partisan politics. The extremists in both parties are missing the mainstream Texans. Bill Ratliff works for everyone."

As chancellor, Montford, former Lubbock County district attorney, becomes Texas Tech's chief fundraiser and government liaison.

Montford's departure from the Senate makes his district a prime target for the Republican Party of Texas, said Tom Pauken, state GOP chairman. Now, a GOP majority is possible: Republicans hold 14 of the Senate's 31 seats, and half of the seats are up for election in November.

Montford was elected to the state Senate in 1982. He was roundly praised for his service over the past 14 years. Gov. George W. Bush, who will call a special election in September to fill Montford's seat, said, "I am sorry (Montford) is

leaving the Senate. He has been an unbelievably good member."

Anne Marie Kilday, spokeswoman for the state Democratic Party, said "It is Texas Tech University's gain and the entire state of Texas' loss."

Montford, 53, said he sees himself at Tech for five or six years.

**Laney Appeals Redistrict Order**

House Speaker Pete Laney asked the U.S. Supreme Court last week to overturn an Aug. 6 federal court order to redraw boundaries and set special elections in 13 Texas congressional districts.

In his appeal, Laney argued that redistricting is a "legislative duty" and that state legislators should be allowed to redraw the boundaries during the 1997 Legislative session, beginning in January.

Laney has said that special elections with Dec. 10 runoffs would be confusing to voters. And, he said, the panel of three federal judges redrew more districts than necessary to correct the three districts in Dallas and Houston declared unconstitutional because of "racial gerrymandering."

"I hope the mid-election confusion and expense the judges have caused in 13 districts within 28 counties can be eliminated and elections can be held as planned," Laney was quoted in the *Dallas Morning News*.

**Slots Banned in Bingo Halls**

The Texas Lottery Commission ordered all bingo license holders to move "eight-liner" slot-type gambling machines from their bingo halls by Sept. 1.

Billy Rhea, security director of the commission, said the machines violate state law, which bars other forms of gambling at bingo halls.

Any halls that have the machines after Sept. 1 could lose their licenses and the operators turned over to law enforcement agencies for prosecution.

Under state law, gambling de-

vices are legal as long as they pay no more than 10 times the cost of a single play or \$5, whichever is less.

In some of the banned machines, a dollar can be inserted and credits can be built up to hundreds of dollars.

**Insurance Case Gets Green Light**

The Texas Supreme Court, in a ruling last week, denied a request by Allstate and Farmers Insurance companies to dismiss a lawsuit alleging the companies overcharged customers more than \$100 million.

Six South Texans brought the suit over the companies' practice of "double rounding" insurance premiums to the nearest dollar. The companies divided the annual premiums into two six-month payments and rounded the payments again to the nearest dollar.

Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer has clarified the rules for calculating premiums, and has disallowed double rounding.

But the plaintiffs obtained court permission to pursue a class-action lawsuit on behalf of millions of Texans who were covered over the past decade by Allstate and Farmers.

**Other Capital Highlights**

■ About 1.3 million Texas children under age 18 have no health insurance, and state officials are looking for ways to help parents who can't afford coverage. Texas Health Commissioner David Smith said it would cost nearly \$1 billion to insure those youngsters. Of the billion dollars, \$300 to \$400 million might come through some type of health premium subsidy provided by the state.

■ The Texas Commission on Judicial Efficiency has forwarded a list of proposals to lawmakers to consider in efforts to improve the state's judicial system. One proposal is to raise state judges' pay 30 percent. Doing so would cost taxpayers about \$16 million a year. Another proposal would require the state to fully fund all state courts.

# Senators know problems with underage drinking

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AUSTIN (AP) — Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett, remembers the deaths of two high school classmates of his children in an alcohol-related accident.

Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, holds up a stack of fake identification cards picked up by the state on just one night in one store on South Padre Island during spring break.

Sen. Eddie Lucio, D-Brownsville, distributes a newspaper article detailing how hundreds of teen-agers cross the border into Matamoros to drink: "This is an every-weekend occurrence," he says.

Members of the Senate Interim Committee on Juvenile Driving While Intoxicated Laws know there's a problem with underage drinking.

Now they're recommending stiff punishment to fight it, including driver's license suspension for those under the legal drinking age of 21 found driving with any amount of alcohol in their system.

"Juvenile drinking and driving is absolutely unacceptable behavior, period. It is a serious and deadly action, and we mean business in the Legislature when we say this will no longer be tolerated," said Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano.

The Senate panel unanimously approved recommendations Monday to be forwarded to the 1997 session of the Legislature for consideration. Voting for it were Lucio, Shapiro, Turner, West and Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio.

The zero-tolerance proposal on underage drinking and driving has a financial incentive: While it's estimated to cost \$1 million to implement, Texas would lose millions more in federal highway funding if such a law isn't enacted.

If there's no zero-tolerance law by Oct. 1, 1998, Texas would lose \$38.4 million, according to a federal estimate. If there's no law a year later, it would lose another \$76.8 million for highway construction and maintenance.

Other recommendations include a new driver's license system to limit teen-agers' after-midnight driving and harsher penalties for violating underage drinking laws, including driver's license suspension for non-driving offenses.

Besides the financial incentive to cut down on underage drinking, there's the cost in lives. According to state statistics for 1994, 5,645 people were killed or injured in accidents with an alcohol-impaired or intoxicated driver age 21 or under.

Turner, recalling the deaths several

years ago of two Crockett High School classmates of his now college-age children, said, "When you go to a funeral of a young person that you know and that are classmates of your children, and you see the sadness and the tragedy and the heartache and the loss that that represents you certainly don't want to see it happen again."

West said he wants all the recommendations to be included in one bill to be filed for the upcoming legislative session, which begins in January.

## Recommendations for Juvenile Driving While Intoxicated Laws

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are some recommendations adopted by the Senate Interim Committee on Juvenile Driving While Intoxicated Laws, to be considered by the 1997 Legislature:

- Create a "zero-tolerance" provision for those who are under the legal drinking age of 21 and found driving with any amount of alcohol in their system.

On a first offense, they would face a fine of up to \$500, driver's license suspension for 120 days, community service and an alcohol awareness course. The current blood-alcohol level at which a minor is considered legally intoxicated is 0.07.

- Increase the penalties for other alcohol-related offenses, to include license suspension.

For example, a minor found to be in possession of alcohol currently faces a fine of \$25 to \$200 and a requirement for either an alcohol awareness course or eight to 12 hours of community service.

The proposal would set a fine of zero to \$500, plus a mandatory alcohol awareness course and community service, and a 30-day driver's license suspension.

- Raise the punishment for those who buy alcohol for a minor. For a first offense, the change would be from the current fine of \$100 to \$500, to a fine of zero to \$2,000 and the possibility of up to six months in jail.

- Set up an intermediate license system that would restrict night-time driving by teen-agers.

Teen-agers would be eligible for an intermediate license if they were at least 16 and met other requirements, including having no drug- or alcohol-related convictions within six months of applying.

With an intermediate license, teen-agers could not drive between midnight and 5 a.m. unless accompanied by a licensed driver age 21 or older.

Texans could get a license with full driving privileges either at age 18, or after having had an intermediate license for at least a year, with no drug or alcohol convictions for six months.

## William Bennett goes Hollywood to promote PBS 'Book of Virtues' show

By JENNIFER BOWLES  
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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Has William Bennett gone Hollywood?

The former national drug czar and U.S. secretary of education is being whisked around Universal Studios in a black limousine, passing famous sets like the "Psycho" house and trams filled with camera-toting tourists who probably wondered who the celebrity was behind the smoked glass.

At a hilltop overlooking the sprawling lot, Bennett, clad in a dark suit, steps out of the limo and into a world he has often criticized.

Not that any of the crew notices him. They are too busy scurrying about under a searing sun, carrying lights and other equipment in and out of the house-like set of the national cable talk show on which he was about to appear.

"Do you need makeup?" asks one of the show's handlers.

"No, I'm already made up," Bennett responds.

Makeup? For this veteran Washington politico who prides himself on his substance - quoting philosophers while blasting Hollywood for the violence and casual sex of its offerings, especially on television?

Yet, here is Bennett, venturing into the world of TV to promote his latest project, "Adventures from the Book of Virtues" - an animated PBS series based on his best-selling collection of moral tales.

Beginning Sept. 2, PBS will air one-hour segments over three consecutive nights (most stations will broadcast at 8 p.m.). More episodes will air in early January.

Back on the set, Bennett is led to a couch in a homey living room where he sits beside another guest, Olympic gymnast Kerri Strug. The hoopla seems to unnerve Bennett.

"This is unusual," he says later in between the show's segments. "I mean I do a lot of (Washington news conferences), but I don't do it like this."

TV never entered Bennett's mind when he wrote the book, he says. But after the book came out a few years ago, he was deluged by more than a dozen proposals to transform it into animation.

"I had a lot of reluctance about television because I'm such a critic of television and I was worried that they'd junk it up," he says.

After looking over the proposals, he finally settled on PorchLight Entertainment, run by former Hanna-Barbera executive Bruce Johnson.

Like the book's chapters, the half-hour animated segments are composed of stories and myths that fall into a certain moral theme - whether it be courage, honesty or compassion.

For instance, the "Honesty" portion features such tales as "George Washington and the Cherry Tree," "The Indian Cinderella" and "The Frog Prince."

In between the tales are regular characters - youngsters Zach and Annie and several human-like animals such as Plato, a wise buffalo who serves as a visual pun on Bennett's nickname: Buffalo Bill.

How'd he get that? "Probably large matted hair and bulky," Bennett says. But, he adds, the "American bison is a very lovable character."

The voices behind the characters include such Hollywood notables as Tim Curry, Mark Hamill, Bronson Pinchot, Julian Sands, George Segal, just to name a few.

But most curious are the voices provided by such staunch liberals as Ed Begley Jr. and Ed Asner: political polar opposites of the conservative Bennett, who held White House posts under Presidents Reagan and Bush.

"I would say half the time I'm in radical disagreement with Bill Bennett," Asner says in a telephone interview.

So why take the job? Bennett's book, Asner explains, "merely employs quotes from people who basically observe truisms, truisms that I would not deny... Well first of all money comes into my pocket for doing it, so it's a nice job. But I do not belie my principals by what I have to say by doing this job."

Bennett, his own interviews over, hurries back to the limousine. It speeds away, off to another promotional gig.

Has Bennett gone Hollywood? At least long enough to tout his own project.

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