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Ex-VP Spiro Agnew succumbs at age 77

By TOM STUCKEY
Associated Press Writer
ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) - Spiro T. Agnew, a nationally obscure governor who rose to become Richard Nixon's vice president on the strength of his die-hard conservatism before resigning in disgrace in 1973, died at age 77.

Agnew was taken Tuesday afternoon to Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin, where he died. Hospital officials refused to release details of his death.

Picked by Nixon as his running mate in 1968, Agnew established himself as a national political force by employing a colorful phraseology in criticizing anti-war protesters, liberals and the media.

"We speak of the Ronald Reagan revolution. ... Spiro Agnew was the John the Baptist for that revolution," said Victor Gold, who was Agnew's campaign press secretary in 1972.

His most famous lines came in a 1970 speech, when he attacked the news media as "nattering nabobs of negativism" and "the hopeless, hysterical hypochondriacs of history."

But Agnew's meteoric six-year

rise from county government to Maryland governor to vice president came to abrupt halt in October 1973, when he pleaded no contest to a single count of income-tax evasion and resigned.

"He served Maryland well. He served President Nixon well. And the misfortunes that came his way should be allowed to die with him," said Helen Bentley, a former Republican congresswoman from Maryland and Agnew's friend.

Feeling that Nixon had sacrificed him in order to mollify Watergate critics, Agnew withdrew from political life, working as a businessman and splitting time between homes in Ocean City, Md., and Rancho Mirage, Calif.

In May 1995, he made a rare public appearance, attending a ceremony at the U.S. Senate chamber as his bust was installed among the likenesses of other former vice presidents.

"I'm not blind or deaf to the fact that there are those who feel this is a ceremony that should not take place," Agnew said at the time.

Only one other vice president - John C. Calhoun, who had a political

split with President Andrew Jackson - was forced to resign from office. Agnew's was the first resignation stemming from legal problems.

In court, Agnew did not contest the government's charge that he "willfully" evaded paying \$13,551.47 in federal income taxes in 1967. Judge Walter E. Hoffman fined him \$10,000 and sentenced him to three years' unsupervised probation.

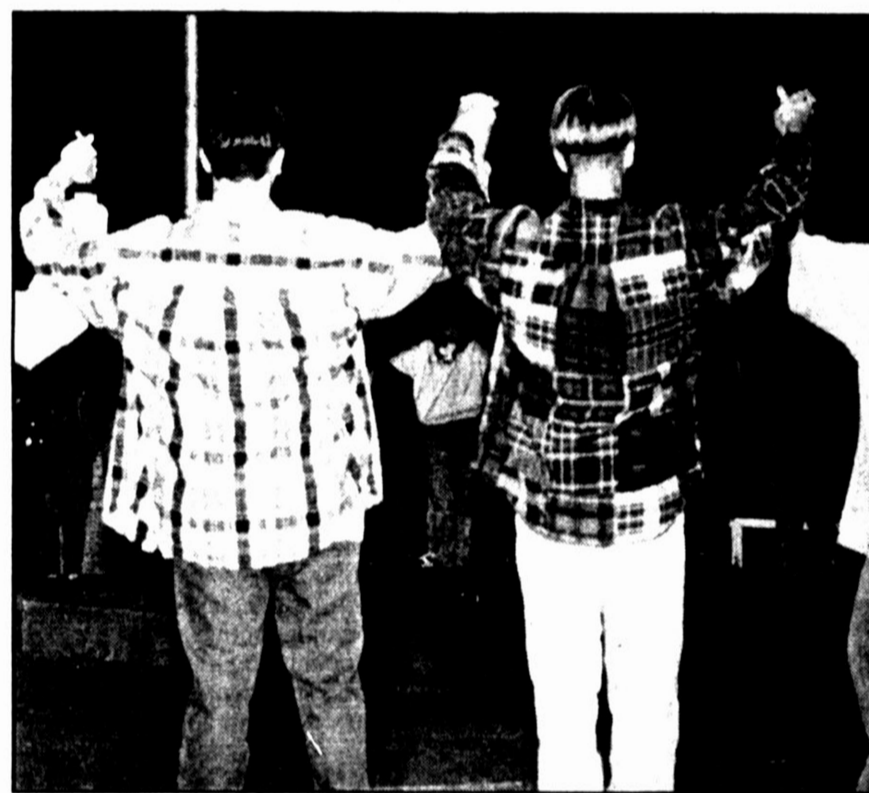
But following the plea, Agnew denied all the government's allegations in the case, including claims that he accepted cash kickbacks from contractors over 10 years while he was Baltimore County executive, governor and vice president.

On Oct. 15, 1973, just five days after his resignation, Agnew told a national TV audience that he resigned to restore "unimpaired confidence and implicit trust" in the vice presidency.

He described his accusers as "self-confessed bribe brokers" and said he had done no wrong.

Agnew was a virtual political

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Day of prayer

Students from Hereford Junior High School, above, and Hereford High School, left, gathered at 7 a.m. today for "See You at the Pole." Local students joined students around the world to pray for their schools.

US sends troops to Kuwait to bolster presence in area

By SUSANNE M. SCHAFER
AP Military Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) - The United States will have nearly 5,000 troops in Kuwait by week's end and will respond "very sharply" if Iraq threatens American forces or its allies in the region, Defense Secretary William Perry says.

Perry, just back Tuesday from a weekend spurt of diplomacy in Europe and the Persian Gulf, said Washington was still keeping a close watch on Saddam Hussein even

though he has been moderating his behavior.

"The bottom line is, we will not tolerate any threatening activities against our air crews," Perry said at a Pentagon briefing, speaking of the allied aircraft patrolling no-fly zones in northern and southern Iraq.

Should any be taken, he pledged, "we will respond very sharply."

In the past, administration officials have said Iraq must not fire missiles at U.S. aircraft, rebuild its air defense sites destroyed by the U.S. cruise

missiles, move mobile surface-to-air missile units into the no-fly zones, illuminate allied aircraft or drive armored units into the southern zone and threaten Kuwait with them.

U.S. troops were sent to Kuwait because Iraq's threats against Kuwait were "completely unacceptable," Perry said. "We're doing it because the Kuwaiti government feels threatened."

Some 3,500 soldiers from Fort Hood, Texas, will join 1,200 others conducting exercises in Kuwait by the end of the week, he said.

Perry rejected speculation that the Kuwaiti government initially was unwilling to accept additional U.S. forces or that the U.S.-led coalition that mounted the 1991 war against Iraq had been fractured during the past two weeks of confrontation with Saddam.

"The bottom line is, the coalition is alive and well," said Perry.

The first contingent of soldiers from Fort Hood could be dispatched as early as today, officials said. Members of the 1st Cavalry Division went to Kuwait several weeks ago as part of a routine desert training exercise that was scheduled to last into December.

Army officials said soldiers in Kuwait would use 120 Abrams M-1 tanks and 60 Bradley fighting vehicles currently stored in Kuwait for their military maneuvers.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott expressed satisfaction after attending the meeting with Clinton, although he termed it "somewhat belated."

He said he hoped there would be no reason for the troops to go into action but said that would depend on whether Saddam threatens U.S. forces or his neighbors.

Local youth take part in flagpole prayer activities

By SHERRI MARTIN
Staff Writer

While holding hands around the flagpole, students at Hereford High School and Hereford Junior High gathered for group prayer this morning.

It was part of the "See You at the Pole" prayer movement, in which students around the world gathered together to pray.

Sept. 18 is "SYATP" day of prayer.

"This is the one day when everyone does it," Church of the Nazarene youth director Jim Pope said.

Approximately 150 high school

students joined hands around the flagpole for prayer.

In the prayer circle, several students lead the group in praise, worship and song. As the circle became larger and larger, the songs became louder and louder.

Several students even danced around the circle during one song.

At Hereford Junior High, about 50 students gathered around the flagpole for prayer.

"This is like taking a stand as a Christian. It's showing our friends and others what we believe in," eighth-grader Cody Hodges said.

"It's just to thank God for our

school system. We want to thank God for letting us come here to pray," eighth-grader Brendon Edwards said.

Students prayed for their school, administrators, teachers and one another, Pope said.

"It is a neat effort," he said.

The Ministerial Youth Alliance will sponsor a "See You at the Pole" rally at 7 p.m. tonight in the HHS auditorium.

The rally will include worship, student testimonies, live music, videos and giveaways.

Videos were taken at each school this morning and will be shown at the rally tonight, Pope said.

Certificates to aid school stolen from pickup at park

A program designed to benefit St. Anthony's Catholic School took a major hit on Tuesday when someone stole \$700 in food gift certificates from a vehicle.

According to police reports, the gift certificates, purchased from Homeland and Thriftway, were taken from a pickup while it was parked at Dameron Park.

The gift certificates were in a bank bag that also contained the complainant's Hereford High School varsity football season tickets.

Joyce Schlabs, who coordinates the Scrip Program for the school, said the gift certificates were to have been used to raise money for the school.

She said the school purchases gift certificates from the stores for 95 percent of their face value, then sells them to St. Anthony's Catholic Church members and parents of school students for 100 percent of their face value.

The school gets to keep the remaining 5 percent.

"We usually make somewhere between \$500 and \$1,000 a month" from the program, Schlabs said, adding that the total adds up to some \$10,000 a year.

The certificates that were stolen on Tuesday had already been purchased by the school for \$665, she said, meaning that money is gone. In addition, the certificates will not be sold, so the school will also lose out on the \$35 profit it would have realized from the sale.

Schlabs said the scrip, once it is sold, can be used by purchasers to buy their personal groceries at either of the stores.

Police Capt. Pat Michael said the department is investigating the theft.

Schlabs said the certificates, if found, may be returned to the police department or the church.

United Way receiving funds before annual drive begins

The United Way of Deaf Smith County will not kick off its annual fund-raising drive until noon Thursday, but volunteers are already hard at work to raise the \$132,000 needed to reach this year's campaign goal.

As of Wednesday morning, United Way executive director Karen Sherrod reported, the agency has raised \$4,617.35, which is about 3.5 percent of the goal.

Most of that has come, she said, through contributions in the Senior Citizens and Agriculture divisions, as well as through a gift of \$362.25 from Bluebonnet Intermediate School.

The six-week drive will officially kick off with a luncheon at noon Thursday in the Community Center. This year's theme is "Angels Among Us," which is a tribute to all volunteers in Hereford.

The chairman of this year's campaign is County Judge Tom Simons.

Sally Nolen, former executive director of the local United Way, will serve as assistant campaign chairman.

The luncheon will feature a catered meal, entertainment and viewing of the campaign video, which is a customized version of the Alabama hit "Angels Among Us," in which video highlights of local agencies, volunteers and benefit recipients are

edited into the video.

The campaign will run through Oct. 31, with volunteers making presentations to local company employee groups, civic clubs and organizations, schools, governmental agencies and others.

Money raised through the drive will be used to fund 12 Hereford non-profit agencies that work with those in need.

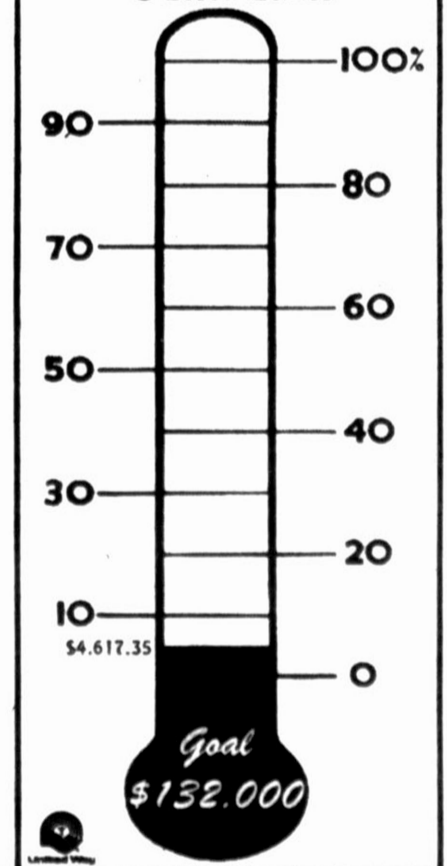
Through the beginning of the drive, Mrs. Sherrod said, the United Way will have already conducted more than 20 employee meetings.

The campaign is organized into several divisions, which enables volunteers to conduct employee presentations and solicit donations from specific segments of the population.

The divisions this year, along with their campaign goals are:

- Agriculture, \$2,000.
- Business and Industry, \$26,000.
- Commerce, \$10,000.
- Corporate, \$1,500.
- FIRE, \$6,000.
- FEED (Finance, Insurance and Real Estate), \$5,000.
- Non-Profit, \$5,000.
- Pacesetters, \$55,000.
- Professionals, \$6,000.
- Pacesetters, \$55,000.
- Public/Federal/State, \$7,000.
- Senior Citizens, \$8,500.

United Way '96-'97 Fund-raising Campaign



Waiting to unload

Silage trucks wait in line to unload in a storage pit at Great Plains Cattle Feeders. Local farmers continue to harvest silage while the weather cooperates and there is not too much moisture.

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Local Roundup

City records trace of rain

KPAN Radio, the city's weather reporting station, recorded a trace of moisture on Tuesday, along with a high temperature of 84 degrees. This morning's low was 58 degrees. For tonight, look for mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low will be in the middle 50s with south winds of 10-20 mph and gusty, shifting to the north by midnight. Thursday will be partly cloudy and cooler with a high in the lower 70s. North winds will be at 10-20 mph.

Hospital board sets public hearing

The Deaf Smith County Hospital District board of directors will hold a public hearing on the proposed 1996-97 annual budget at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Hereford Regional Medical Center conference room. Any property taxpayer of the hospital district has the right to attend the hearing and take part in it by presenting written or oral comments to the board. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the HRMC financial office.

Hospital district board to meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Deaf Smith County Hospital District board of directors will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Hereford Regional Medical Center, 801 E. Third. The session will be after the 6 p.m. public hearing. Among the items scheduled for the session are a closed meeting for evaluation of the administrator and lease/purchase proposals for the Rural Health Clinic. In addition, the board will be asked to act on a feasibility study with South Plains Health Providers Clinic and will be asked to act on acquisition of a replacement ambulance and on lease/purchase proposals for Rural Health Clinics. There will be financial and operations reports from the hospital and Hereford Health Clinic as well. The meeting is open to the public.

Senior Class supper set Friday

The Hereford High School Class of 1997 will host the Senior Class supper from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday in the Hereford Junior High cafeteria. The supper will be held before the Herd football game against Coronado High School. Cost to attend is \$4 per person at the door, and 50 cents more for take-out. Menu will be German sausage, potato salad, beans, corn bread and cobbler. Proceeds will benefit senior class activities.

AGNEW

unknown on the national scene when he was elected Maryland governor in 1966 because he was considered more liberal than the Democratic candidate. He took the chance Nixon offered him in 1968 and validated the choice with his aggressive campaigning and hard-line statements.

He attracted wide attention with his law-and-order line and harsh ridicule of liberals and Vietnam War protesters, who he said did not speak for the "silent majority."

He derided opponents of the war as "an effete corps of impudent snobs" and labeled national TV commentators "a tiny fraternity of privileged men elected by no one and enjoying a monopoly sanctioned and licensed by the government."

Student protesters, he said, "have never done a productive thing in their lives. They take their tactics from Fidel Castro and their money from daddy."

While many of his controversial comments were planned, some were not. He was criticized as insensitive and even racist after using racial epithets. And at one point in the campaign, he canceled a trip to an inner-city ghetto, saying "When you've seen one slum, you've seen them all."

Agnew's career had elements of the classic American success story. He was born on Nov. 9, 1918, in suburban Baltimore, the son of a Greek immigrant father. He became a lawyer and moved into politics, winning his first election to become executive of Baltimore County in 1962.

Prior to that election, he had been chairman of the county zoning board, winning a reputation for his integrity.

He was only the fifth Republican in 180 years to be elected governor of Maryland, a heavily Democratic state.

Agnew's response to the April 1968 riots in Baltimore following the death

of Martin Luther King Jr. proved to be a watershed in his career, almost immediately changing his image from liberal Republican to outspoken conservative.

As violence broke out, he summoned black leaders to his office and lectured them sternly for keeping silent while militants ignited crowds to action. The lecture enraged his listeners, many of whom walked out on it. But it earned him praise from conservatives and attracted the attention of Nixon and his advisers, leading to his nomination that summer.

"He was elected county executive and six years later he was vice president. ... Can you believe that?" said former Maryland Gov. Harry R. Hughes.

After leaving office, Agnew worked as a broker or middleman in business deals for an international clientele.

Agnew was later disbarred by the Maryland Court of Appeals, which described him as "morally obtuse," and in 1981 was ordered to pay \$268,482 to the state to cover the kickbacks and interest.

Only very rarely did he appear on a TV show or grant an interview. He continued to press his case that he was innocent in his book, "Go Quietly ... or Else," published in 1980.

Agnew said he was railroaded out of office by Nixon, who, beset by the Watergate scandal, "naively believed that by throwing me to the wolves, he had appeased his enemies."

When Nixon died in 1994, Agnew went to the funeral because "I decided after 20 years of resentment to put it all aside." He said he hadn't talked to Nixon since the day he resigned, refusing to take several calls from Nixon because "I felt totally abandoned."

Agnew is survived by his wife, Judy, and their son and three daughters.

Banks acquire new branches

BRYAN--Bank of America Texas and First American Bank Texas, SSB Tuesday announced they have signed a definitive agreement under which First American Bank Texas will acquire 11 Bank of America branches in Abilene(4), Bowie, Burk Burnett, Henrietta, Iowa Park, Merkel and Wichita Falls(2).

Completion of the transaction is subject to approval of applicable regulatory authorities and is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 1996 or early 1997. Terms were not disclosed. Bank of America announced in June its intentions to

sell 68 branches. Bank of America Texas is a subsidiary of Bank America Corporation, which has more than 1,900 branches in 10 western states. At June 30, 1996, Bank America had assets of approximately \$239 billion and deposits of about \$162 billion.

First American Bank Texas, SSB is a subsidiary of The Adam Corporation/Group and currently has 52 branches throughout West and North Central Texas. At July 31, 1996, First American Bank Texas had assets of approximately \$2.2 billion.



United Way contribution

Bluebonnet Intermediate School students show off the \$362.25 they raised for the United Way of Deaf Smith County during a recent fund-raiser in which they showed a movie and sold popcorn. Shown with the donation are, back from left, Maria Gonzalez, Jeffrey Gomez, Solomon Moreno, Whitney Walker and Linda Calderon; and front, from left, Cynthia Calderon, Jessica Marquez and Brenda Ruiz.

Senate Republicans propose more federal aid for schools

By ALAN FRAM

Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) - Senate Republicans are proposing \$2.3 billion more for schools in hopes of denying Democrats the high ground on education as a campaign issue.

The partisan duel over federal aid to schools is only the latest dispute slowing congressional work on spending bills for fiscal 1997, which begins Oct. 1. Congress has completed just five of the 13 annual measures, and about six of the remaining bills probably will be finished only during closed-door negotiations between lawmakers and Clinton administration officials.

On Tuesday, faced with the prospect of a parade of Democratic

efforts to beef up social programs, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., halted his chamber's work on the spending measures - at least for now. He said fights over the Democratic proposals would accomplish little.

"We have a good shootout down there," Lott told reporters, referring to the Senate floor. "It might make good articles, but I don't think that contributes" to the image leaders want as a "place where we try to get our work done."

White House chief of staff Leon Panetta met with top lawmakers Monday to begin seeking compromise on the spending legislation, but there were no meetings Tuesday. Neither side wants the federal shutdowns that highlighted last year's budget battle.

"If there is trouble in these waters, I don't see it," House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, told

reporters. He added, "Obviously, there's a lot of negotiating to be done."

Unlike last year's GOP effort to force its budget priorities on President Clinton, Republicans right now seem mostly driven by a desire to hit the campaign trail.

"We want to complete our work and move out," Lott said.

The administration wants about \$6.5 billion more for education, anti-terrorism efforts, and other domestic programs. They want perhaps half to be paid for by shifting money from the Pentagon's proposed \$244 billion budget for 1997, which is nearly \$10 billion more than Clinton wants.

Armey warned that there might not be enough votes to move such a measure through the conservative House if more than \$500 million was sliced from the defense bill.

PSF completes restructuring

Premium Standard Farms of Princeton, Mo., announced Tuesday that the company has successfully

completed its financial restructuring and emerged from Chapter 11.

The restructuring process went as planned, according to Dennis Harms, CEO of PSF. "The dedication of our associates and the loyalty of our customers and suppliers was critical to the success of this process with little interruption in day-to-day operations," said Harms.

PSF emerges from the financial restructuring with a low debt to equity ratio, a strong balance sheet and ample liquidity to meet operating requirements even in time of extreme market volatility, according to Bill Patterson, PSF's chief financial officer.

PSF began formal restructuring July 2, with the commencement of the Chapter 11 cases following more than 18 months of unprecedented market volatility in both the hog and grain markets. The company continued to meet all financial obligations to associates and suppliers throughout the entire process.

PSF had selected Deaf Smith County as the site for a \$65 million hog processing facility in December, 1994. The company, in May 1995, announced a delay in expansion of hog production facilities in Dalhart, as well as construction plans for the processing plant.

Options on land for the proposed plant near Hereford were dropped in December, 1995.

Olson wins Angus show

Moriah Olson of Hereford took top honors in the Open Angus Show at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo on Tuesday.

She led her Angus female to the Grand Champion Female honors.

Here are the results of local exhibitors:

**OPEN ANGUS SHOW
GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**
--Olson.

**SENIOR HEIFER CALF
CHAMPION--**Sy Olson; Class 1, Olson, first place; Class 2, Olson, second.

**RESERVE INTERMEDIATE
CHAMPION HEIFER--**Joanna Olson; Class 2, Olson, first.

JUNIOR CHAMPION FEMALE
--Moriah Olson; **RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION FEMALE**
--Sy Olson; Class 2, Moriah Olson, first; Class 3, Sy Olson, first.

**JUNIOR BARROW SHOW
HAMPSHIRE--**Class 2, Jay Wilson, fifth.

Disaster loan deadline Oct. 9

LUBBOCK -- Businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers who sustained crop losses have until Oct. 9 to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration, according to an announcement by the agency.

Deaf Smith County businesses are among those eligible to apply for the loans, which cover losses among farmers and ranchers caused by prolonged and continuous drought, late freezing conditions and hail which have occurred since Jan. 1.

Farmers and ranchers in the affected area are not eligible to apply, although nurseries that are victims of drought disasters may apply.

In addition to those in Deaf Smith County, businesses in the following counties may apply for the loans: Bailey, Cochran, Hartley, Oldham and Parmer.

The loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting working capital losses suffered as a result of the weather conditions that reduced the crop income of area farmers and ranchers.

Applications and additional information is available by calling 1-800-366-6303, or TDD for the hearing-impaired, (817) 267-4688.

Officers for new energy company are nominated

Names of 21 people who have been nominated to be officers of New Century Energies, the company that will be formed by the merger of Southwestern Public Service Co. and Public Service Co. of Colorado, were announced this week.

Twelve of the nominees presently are officers of SPS, and 11 are from PSCO, according to Bill Helton, SPS chairman and CEO. Helton will be the chairman and CEO of the new company.

Regulatory approval of the merger is on-going, Helton said, and the merger is expected to be complete in early 1997.

Amarilloans nominated as officers of the new company include: David Wilks, who will continue as president of SPS; Doyle Bunch, senior vice president; and Henry Hamilton, executive vice president.

Also nominated to be vice presidents of the new company are Gerald Diller, Gary Gibson, Kenneth Ladd and John McAfee. Other Amarilloans expected to become officers of the new company are Albert "Pete" Smith, Louis Ridings and Bob Dickerson.

Obituaries

RALPH A. BROWN

September 16, 1996

Ralph A. Brown, 90, of Plainview died Monday. A sister, Evelyn Lesley of Hereford is among the survivors.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Lemons Funeral Home Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Rush Coffman, pastor of First Baptist Church in Edmonson, officiating. Burial will be in Parklawn Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Brown was born in Wingate. He moved to the Prairie Chapel community in Floyd County in 1907. He married Hettie Frances Morrison in 1924 in Hale County. She died in 1992.

He farmed in the Providence community, then moved to Ruidoso, N.M., in 1948 and operated Brown Air Service. He flew for the Forest Service and ranchers. He retired in 1974 and moved to Plainview. He was a member of International Flying Farmers and Edmonson Baptist Church.

Survivors include five daughters, Otero Scheele of Lockney, Maxine Rigler of Austin, Marie Sammann of Dimmitt, Shirley Burrows of Van Buren, Mo., and Patsy Haley of Socorro, N.M.; two sisters, Evelyn Lesley of Hereford and Helen Ruth Dickason of El Paso; 19 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandson.

G.A. 'AL' HUNTER

September 16, 1996

Glenn A. "Al" Hunter, 69, died Monday of cancer at his home in Torrington, Wyo. A chemist for Holly Sugar Corporation, he formerly lived in Hereford.

Services were held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the First Wyoming United Presbyterian Church. Military services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Delta City, Col., Cemetery.

Mr. Hunter was born Dec. 1, 1926 in Delta, Col. He served with the U.S. Navy in the Pacific Theater during World War II. He married June Bushnell in Delta in 1947. He farmed near Delta, then went to work for Holly Sugar in 1957.

Hunter worked in Brawley, Ca., Delta, and Hereford before moving to Torrington in 1968 as chief chemist. He was active in the Boy Scouts for 24 years as a scout and adult leader. He served as a deacon and trustee in the Presbyterian Church and was a member of the American Legion and VFW.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jane. In 1994, he married Zita Rice.

Survivors include his wife, Zita; three sons, Paul of Elizabeth, Col., Bryce of Riverton, Wyo., and Brent of Cheyenne, Wyo.; a daughter, Cynthia Beretta of Colorado Springs, Col.; 10 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Ag Dept. announces changes in program

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Agriculture Department has announced changes in conservation programs aimed at making the programs more flexible and reducing the chances that landowners will be penalized.

The rules, which take effect some time after a 60-day comment period, carry out the 1996 Farm Bill sections on wetlands and highly erodible land. The comment period ends Nov. 5.

Comments may be sent to Lloyd E. Wright, Director, Conservation Ecosystems Assistance Division, Natural Resource Conservation Service, P.O. Box 2890, Washington, D.C. 20013-2890. Attention: HELWC. Fax: 202-720-1838.

Lottery

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

19-23-31-33-39 (nineteen, twenty-three, thirty-one, thirty-three, thirty-nine)

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

7-0-6 (seven, zero, six)

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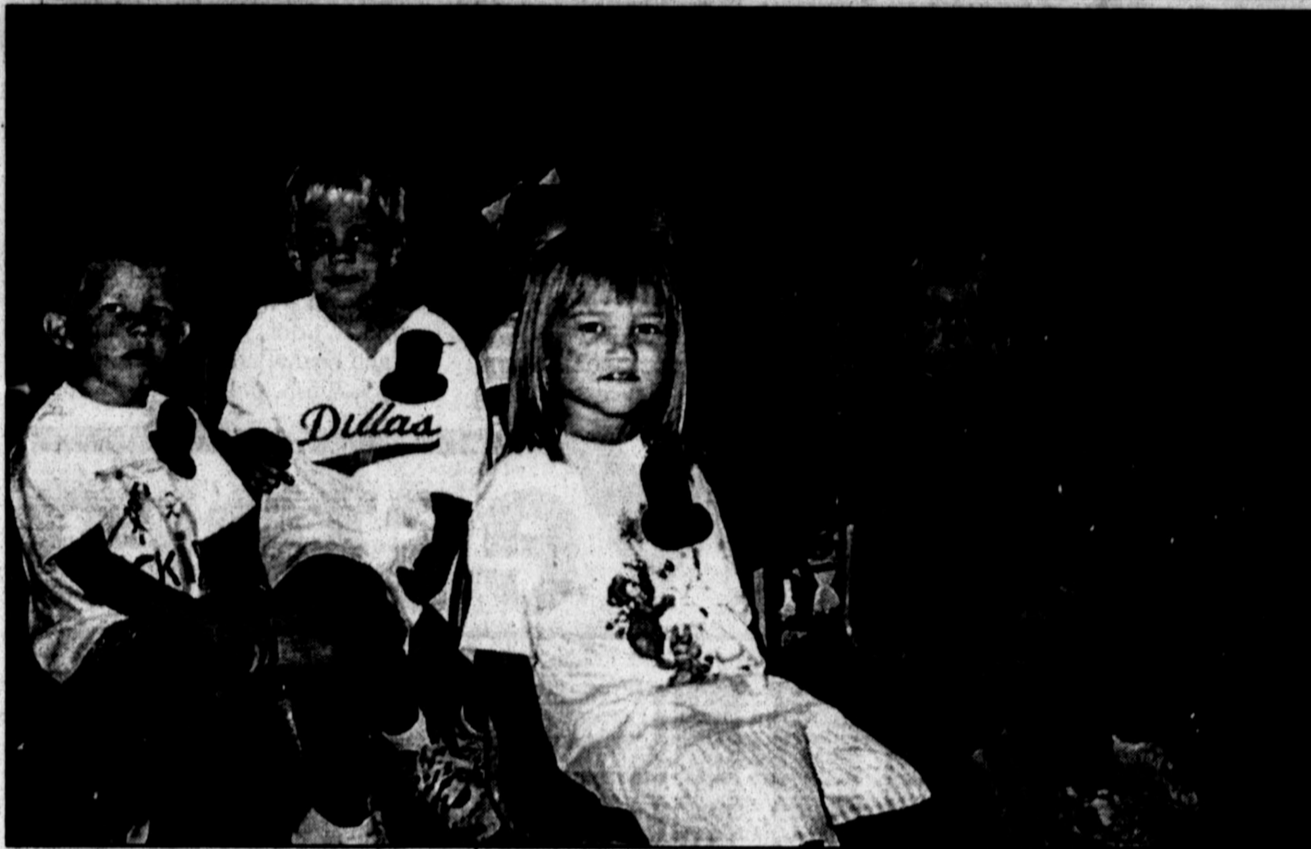
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Lifestyles



Kids at the library

Kids' Day Out kids enjoy story time at the Deaf Smith County Library. In addition to story time for community pre-schools and day cares, public story time for pre-schoolers is planned for 10 a.m. each Thursday morning.

Trails that pioneers traveled is focus of essay contest sponsored by DAR

Los Ciboleros Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution is sponsoring the American History Essay Contest again this year.

The 1996-1997 topic is "Trails West." The essay is to focus on a trail, road, gap, trace or pass over (or through) which the pioneers traveled during the westward expansion of the United States.

The opening of the trail, experiences and consequences during the

journey, historical significance, as well as the life of the pioneer(s) may be included.

All 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade students in public, private, parochial schools, or sanctioned home study programs are eligible to participate.

Contest information has been distributed to all schools in the county. Information sheets are available at the Deaf Smith County Library for home study students.

The deadline for submitting essays to the local chapter is Dec. 9.

DAR members judge the essays on historical accuracy, adherence to topic, organization of material, interest, originality, spelling, grammar, punctuation and neatness.

A non-DAR judge selects the best overall essay from the finalists.

Every student submitting an essay will receive a certificate of appreciation while first place winners in each grade level in each school will receive a bronze medal and second place winners are given certificates of award at their closing school assemblies.

A book on American History is given to the school that the over all winner attends with a name plate honoring that student.

February is designated as "American History Month" and winners will be announced during that month.

"Los Ciboleros Chapter has sponsored the American history Essay Contest for 25 years and we appreciate the cooperation of principals, teachers, school librarians and county librarians, and participation by students over this period of time," said Kathryn Ruga, chairman of the chapter American History Essay Contest.

Persons interested in obtaining further contest information should contact Mrs. Ruga at 364-4375.

Ann Landers

Home of brother-in-law with gun unsuitable environment for baby

Dear Ann Landers: I am a 25-year-old mother with a 6-month-old son. I need some third-party advice.

My husband's brother, "Joe," who is 23, extremely unstable and still living at home with his parents, got into trouble with the law. He purchased a gun, took it to church and was horsing around, pointing it at the backs of two girls. The girls told friends, who told their parents, and they reported the incident to the church. The church reported it to the police, and now, there is a warrant out for Joe's arrest.

Joe has been physically abusive to his father and has threatened to kill his mother. He lies constantly. There is always tension in that family.

My problem is that my mother-in-law wants to baby-sit my son at her house. My husband and I don't want our child to go there without one of us being present. We have agreed that Joe cannot be trusted and leaving our son there would put him in jeopardy. We have offered to let my mother-in-law baby-sit at our house -- without bringing Joe along -- but until Joe is out of their home, there will be no visits from their grandson unless we are there, too.

Are we out of line? We don't want our son exposed to someone who carries a gun and thinks it's a joke to poke girls in the back with it. Nor do we want our son around a person who is physically and verbally abusive. What do you advise, Ann? -- Concerned Mother, No State

Dear Concerned Mother: You are wise to keep your child away from an unstable 23-year-old who plays with guns, has threatened to kill his parents and is in trouble with the law.

What are his parents waiting for? A murder? Joe needs to be evaluated by a psychiatrist immediately. And he has no business owning a gun. Obviously, the boy is mentally ill and needs professional help.

Dear Ann Landers: My husband and I have been friends with another couple for about 10 years. The past few times we have seen "Tom" and "Alice," the tension was so thick you could have cut it with a knife.

What bothers me is the way Tom verbally abuses Alice. She is a wonderful and kind woman. I have written a letter to Tom, telling him how cruel he's being and encouraging him to get counseling to deal with whatever issues he is grappling with. However, I don't know if I should send it.

People speak out on physical and

sexual abuse all the time, but verbal abuse is something I don't hear much about. My husband says it's not my place to get involved, but to tell you the truth, it wouldn't bother me much to lose this couple's friendship if it helped Tom realize it's time to fix the problem. What do you say? -- Tehachapi, Calif.

Dear Tehachapi: Your husband is mistaken. Send the letter, but be prepared to lose the friendship. If it helps to save the marriage, it will be worth it.

Dear Ann Landers: I sympathize with the teen-ager who wrote that her boyfriend's kiss was not at all romantic. She said it felt like he was trying to suck her whole face off.

The up-close TV kissing I have

witnessed of late makes me want to upchuck. What happened to the sweet, tender, romantic kiss? -- Salinas, Calif.

Dear Sal.: It was too tame for today's viewing audience, so it has gone the way of the poodle skirt and the whooping crane.

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AD CORRECTION

The Homeland Ad for Wednesday, September 18th through Tuesday, September 25th contains two typographical errors. The correct copy should appear as follows:

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Granddaughter of resident participates in rose festival

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ELIZABETH MCCASLIN

pate in the 63rd annual Texas Rose Festival in Tyler Oct. 17-20.

The 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. McCaslin of Dallas is a junior business major at the University of Texas in Austin.

The Festival's theme this year will be "Carnegie de la Rose, the Festival of Roses" which celebrates the reign of the 1996 Texas Rose Festival Queen, Anna Elizabeth Clyde, and the presentation of her court of royal representatives from Carnivals throughout the world.

The Ladies-in-Waiting will represent the mistick Krewes of Mardi Gras in the Crescent City. Visiting duchesses will portray royal subjects from Rio's Carnevale Brasileiro, Cologne's Karneval Rosenmontag, La Batailles de Fleurs in Nice, Carnevale di Venezia in Venice, and Carneval de Madrid.

Progressive dinner held by club

Nouvelles Amies Club held its first meeting of the year as a progressive dinner.

The meal started in the home of Amanda Gallagher then proceeded to Laurie Paetzold's for the main course. Dessert and the meeting were in the home of Andra Schlabs.

Also hosting the meeting was Kayla Schilling with additional help from Krista Detten.

Others in attendance were Danielle Bartles, Beth Killabrew, Kim Leonard, Delayne Lowrance, Melanie McNutt, Janet Mercer, Daphne Narrell, Cookie Taylor, Missy Wilcox and Amy Yosten.

Guests present were Joyce Schlabs, Shelly Schilling and Terry Martinez.

Plus workshop starts at dance

Merry Mixers Square Dance Club will start a plus workshop along with its regular dance at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Hereford Community Center.

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ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil painting class 9-11 a.m., choir practice 1-2 p.m., Thrift Store open.

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Sports



Between the blockers

Hereford's Julie Rampley finds a huge gap between two Borger blockers for an easy kill. The Lady Whitefaces rolled to a 15-5, 15-2 victory Tuesday in Whiteface Gym.

Herd spikers blitz Borger

By JAY PEDEN
Sports Editor

The Lady Whitefaces smiled for camera and beat up on the Borger volleyball team Tuesday in Whiteface Gym.

With a cameraman from Prime Sports' High School Extra show in attendance, the Herd quickly defeated Borger 15-5, 15-2. Hereford improved to 3-0 in District 1-4A and 17-0 overall, while Borger fell to 0-3 and 5-5.

Hereford's volleyball team will be featured on the television show next week. It airs on Prime Sports (Hereford Cablevision Channel 28) three times: 8:30 a.m. Sunday, 6:30 p.m. Sunday and 10:30 p.m. Monday.

The Herd put on its own show Tuesday night, while Borger was definitely not ready for prime time. Hereford streaked out to a 14-2 lead with a nine-point run. The run started with four straight errors by Borger, but it ended with two kills each by Julie Rampley and Cassie Abney.

"We got so many free balls passed back to us, we really were able to run just about anything we wanted," coach Brenda Reeh said. "I felt like we ran a variety of attacks tonight and I'm pleased with that."

The few points Borger got were the results of Hereford trying more complicated attacks than usual. Borger scored three straight points on Hereford errors to make it 14-5, before Borger's own errors ended the game.

"On two of those three points, we just didn't get to the quick set early enough and high enough," Reeh said. "I can't fault the kids for doing something that's hopefully going to make them better down the road."

Hereford also dominated the second game, scoring the first five points before Borger got to serve. Rampley served two aces to make it 5-0. Later Rampley had two kills and two stuff blocks in a 5-0 run to make the score 13-2.

The game and match ended with three straight kills by Hereford: Cassie Abney got a sideout, Sarah Ramey got the 14th point and Rampley finished it off.

Rampley led the team with seven kills. She also had two stuff blocks, two aces and four digs.

Abney chipped in five kills and four digs, and Danielle Cornelius had four kills and two stuffs. Catie Betzen also had two stuff blocks. Kari Barrett set for 13 assists.

Hereford also won the junior varsity match easily, 15-5, 15-1. Misty Tice served for seven points, and Makesha Rives served for five, including three aces.

The Hereford freshmen volleyball team hosted Borger and the Hereford Junior High teams hosted Dumas Monday night at HJH, with the freshmen and eighth grade A teams picking up wins.

The eighth-graders downed

Dumas, 15-10, in the first game, then fought back from a 14-8 deficit to win the second game, 16-14. Bethany Williams was at the service line for the rally, serving for points 9-14.

The freshmen dispatched Borger, 15-4, 15-3. Janet Blakely served for seven points, including six in the first game. Angie Evers and Crystal Mendiaz also served for six points each.

Dumas took the other three junior high matches, winning the seventh grade A match, 15-9, 15-10, and the eighth B match, 15-1, 15-11. Dumas needed three games in the seventh B match but won 15-7, 4-15, 15-13, despite nine service points from Hereford's Ashley Gonzalez.

The freshmen took second place in a tournament Saturday in Dumas. Dumas won the tourney, defeating Hereford, 15-2, 15-5.

Hereford won four matches on the way to the title match. In pool play, Hereford beat Caprock, 15-9, 15-9, and beat Borger's B team, 15-10, 16-14. In bracket play, Hereford defeated Caprock's B team, 15-6, 15-5, and Valleyview, 15-9, 16-14.

Mendiaz served for 12 points in the Caprock match, then served for 13 against Valleyview. Valerie Guzman had six service points against Caprock and five against Valleyview. Blakely contributed six service points in the Valleyview match.

Tennis team wins at Caprock

The girls on the Hereford tennis team swept all nine of their matches against Caprock Tuesday in Amarillo, leading the team to a 13-5 victory.

It was the Herd's first win in District 1-4A play after losses to Borger and Pampa. Hereford will host Randall Saturday at Whiteface Courts, starting at 1 p.m.

HERD 13, CAPROCK 5
Girls' singles: Holly Weishaar (Hereford) defeated Heather Gossett, 6-1, 6-2; Rachel Bezner (H) def. Heather Hand, 6-0, 6-1; Annie Hoffman (H) def. Shasta Bates, 6-1, 6-0; Monica Rodriguez (H) def. Jan Littlejohn, 7-6, 7-6; Tamara Diller (H) def. Mandy Hermsillo, 7-6, 6-1; and Amanda Kriegshauser (H) def. Maggie Catano, 6-2, 6-1.

Girls' doubles: Weishaar/Bezner (H) def. Gossett/Hand, 7-5, 6-3;

Diller/Hoffman (H) def. Bates/Burgess, 6-1, 6-1; and Kriegshauser/Diana Detten (H) def. Littlejohn/Hermosillo, 7-5, 6-2.

Boys' singles: Rob Reinauer (H) def. Devesh Raha, 6-0, 6-0; Andrew Carr (H) def. Paul Mendez, 6-3, 6-3; Dru Garcia (Caprock) def. Brent Berend, 3-6, 6-1, 6-1; Dustin Lewis

(H) def. Bryan Phelps, 6-3, 6-0; James Hyde (C) def. Nelson Beville, 6-1, 6-2; and Gerald Purdy (C) def. Riley Hall (no score given).

Boys' doubles: Reinauer/Carr (H) def. Mendez/Phelps, 6-0, 6-2; Raha/Garcia (C) def. Lewis/Berend, 6-1, 6-0; and Hyde/Purdy (C) def. Beville/Hall, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4.

Holtz hopes to win at UT

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) - Lou Holtz has never won a game at Texas. Notre Dame has never lost. Now that the two are making the trip to Austin together, somebody's streak is bound to end.

Holtz hopes it's going to be his. "The odds are in our favor this time," the Notre Dame coach said Tuesday. "There's no way I'll lose four. God didn't put me on this earth to lose four."

Even if Holtz is due, the ninth-ranked Irish are going to need a little more than luck. This Longhorn offense is the best Holtz has ever seen, and he likened it to the 1994 Colorado squad that had Kordell Stewart, Rashaan Salaam and Michael Westbrook.

Michael Adams is as talented a receiver as they come, and the same for James Brown at quarterback. The Longhorns are stocked at running back with Ricky Williams, Priest Holmes and Shon Mitchell, and tight end Pat Fitzgerald had three touchdown receptions against Notre Dame last year.

The Irish defense put on impressive showings in their first two outings, but they've yet to play a tough team. No. 6 Texas will test just how good the defense is.

"We're not a great defensive football team," Holtz said. "We're a good defensive football team, but a good defensive football will not slow down Texas."

Notre Dame's offense is a little iffy, and Holtz said he doesn't relish the idea of trying to work out the kinks against the Longhorns. While the running backs try to find their rhythm, the Irish have been relying more on their passing game, and that always makes Holtz a little nervous.

The good news is tailback Randy Kinder is back from a pulled leg muscle, but his playing time will be limited because he missed so much practice.

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Nomo throws no-no at unfriendly Coors Field

By The Associated Press
In the ballpark that pitchers fear, Hideo Nomo pitched a game that most pitchers only dream about.

With his team fighting San Diego in the pennant race, Nomo pitched a no-hitter against the Colorado Rockies at Coors Field on Tuesday night, leading the Los Angeles Dodgers to a 9-0 victory.

"You may not believe me, but I'm glad we picked up the win at this time rather than I accomplished a no-hitter," Nomo said through an interpreter. "We're battling for the division title, so this is a big win."

Coors Field has made the Friendly Confines of Wrigley Field seem expansive. The Rockies have averaged 8.3 runs and 12.6 hits per game at home this season, a major league record for offense at home.

"He probably doesn't realize how unbelievable that accomplishment is," Dodgers first baseman Eric Karros said. "I'm betting it won't be done again."

Nomo (16-10) walked three batters in the first four innings, including the leadoff men in the second and fourth, but walked just one more the rest of the way. He had five strikeouts through five innings and finished with eight.

He ended the game by striking out

Ellis Burks, who's hitting .342. Nomo then punched the air and a smile spread across his face as his teammates came out of the dugout to mob him. The fans in Coors Field gave him a standing ovation.

"His demeanor never changed," Dodgers manager Bill Russell said. "We finally got a smile out of him after the last out. He was always focused. He was serious on every pitch to every hitter."

With Nomo's win, Los Angeles opened a 1 1/2-game lead over San Diego in the NL West.

"He was a one-man show," Russell said. "He seems to meet the challenge whenever we've needed a big game."

Braves 5, Astros 4

John Smoltz became the majors' first 22-game winner, and Ryan Klesko hit a three-run double at Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium. The Braves won their third straight following a six-game losing streak and lowered their magic number to seven for clinching their fifth straight postseason berth.

The Astros, 0-8 on the road this month, lost their fourth straight and seventh in nine games.

Smoltz (22-8) allowed three runs and eight hits in eight innings and

struck out eight, increasing his league-leading total to 262.

Mark Wohlers got his 36th save, getting Craig Biggio to ground into a game-ending double play with the bases loaded. Darryl Kile (12-9) was the loser.

Pirates 5, Reds 3

In Jim Leyland's first game as their lame-duck manager, Pittsburgh beat visiting Cincinnati behind John Wehner, who went 3-for-3 and scored three runs. The Pirates have won six straight, their longest winning streak this year.

Leyland, in his 11th year in Pittsburgh, announced earlier in the day that he will leave the Pirates after this season to pursue a job with a contending team.

Francisco Cordova (3-7) allowed two runs and eight hits in seven innings.

John Smiley (12-14) lost to Pittsburgh for the fourth time this season.

Giants 9, Padres 7

Barry Bonds broke a tie with a two-run homer in the eighth after the visiting Padres wasted a 6-0 lead. San Diego's lead over Montreal in the NL wild-card race was cut to one game.

After Bill Mueller reached on shortstop Chris Gomez's fielding error, Bonds connected against Dario

Veras (2-1) for his 41st homer. Ken Caminiti homered twice for the Padres, raising his total to 35.

Expos 7, Mets 1

Moises Alou went 3-for-4 with three RBIs at Olympic Stadium and Jeff Fassero (15-9) pitched a six-hitter to reach the 15-win mark for the first time.

Henry Rodriguez drove in two runs, giving him 99 RBIs, and Alou

and Lenny Webster homered as Montreal won for the fifth time in six games. Jason Istringhausen (6-14) was the loser.

Cardinals 5, Cubs 3

Brian Jordan's two-run homer capped a four-run rally in the eighth at Busch Stadium that helped St. Louis open a 3 1/2-game lead over second-place Houston in the NL Central.

Donovan Osborne (13-9) gave up three runs in eight innings, and T.J. Mathews got the final out for his fifth save. Bob Patterson (3-3) was the loser.

Marlins 11, Phillies 5

Greg Colbrunn homered and drove in three runs at Veteran Stadium, and Pat Rapp (7-16) won for the first time in over a month. The Marlins knocked out Matt Beech (1-4) with a four-run fifth.

Surging Mariners win second game of series with Rangers

By The Associated Press
Seattle is surging and Texas is tumbling in the AL West.

The Mariners, who trailed the first-place Rangers by nine games on Sept. 11, closed the gap to four Tuesday night by rallying to beat Texas 5-2 at the Kingdome.

By beating the Rangers for the second straight night and stretching their winning streak to six, the Mariners also moved past Chicago into second place in the AL wild-card race, three games behind Baltimore.

"We don't have anything to lose," said Seattle pitcher Terry Mulholland (5-2), who took a perfect game into the sixth and wound up allowing four hits in 6 1/3 innings. "We don't have to look over our shoulders because nobody is chasing us."

If the Mariners sweep their four-game series with Texas, they would be two games back with 11 to play. Seattle has gained five games in the standings in six days.

The Rangers are falling as fast as the Mariners are climbing. Texas, seeking its first postseason appearance, has lost six of its last seven.

"You can't give them a crack," Texas manager Johnny Oates said of the Mariners. "You leave the door open and they will come rushing in."

After Texas scored twice in the top of the sixth, Seattle rallied for four runs in the bottom half of the inning, with Dave Hollins getting the go-ahead, two-run single.

Indians 9, White Sox 4

At Chicago, Kevin Seitzer hit a grand slam as Cleveland became the first team to clinch a playoff spot. The Indians scored three runs in the first off Alex Fernandez (14-10) and added five more in the second. Seitzer, acquired from the Milwaukee Brewers on Aug. 31, hit his fourth career grand slam. Manny Ramirez had three singles, a double and three RBIs for Cleveland, which got 13 of its 15 hits off Fernandez.

Red Sox 4, Tigers 2

At Detroit, Boston kept its wild-card hopes alive and handed Detroit its 10th straight loss and 100th defeat of the season. Jose Canseco, playing for the first time in almost two months, broke a 2-2 tie when he drew a bases-loaded walk in the Boston seventh. The Red Sox pulled within 5 1/2 games of Baltimore in the AL wild-card race. Felipe Lira (6-14) lost his seventh straight decision, giving up three runs on six hits over 6 1/3 innings.

Orioles at Yankees, Ppd

At New York, the opener of a three-game AL East showdown series between Baltimore and the Yankees was rained out in the bottom of the first inning. Play was stopped by umpire crew chief Joe Brinkman and the game was called after a wait of 2 hours, 45 minutes. Weather permitting, the game will be made up as part of a doubleheader on Thursday. The

Yankees lead the second-place Orioles by three games.

Brewers 4, Blue Jays 0

At Milwaukee, Ben McDonald pitched eight scoreless innings and Fernando Vina had a two-run triple. McDonald (12-10) allowed three hits and matched his career high with 10 strikeouts. Angel Miranda pitched a perfect ninth to complete the Brewers' fourth shutout of the season. Luis Andujar (1-3) allowed four runs on four hits in 4 2/3 innings. He left after being hit in the leg by a line drive.

Royals 4, Twins 2

At Kansas City, Paul Molitor did not start for the first time this season and Chris Haney got his career-best 10th win. Molitor, who got his 3,000 hit Monday night, led off the ninth with a pinch single for his AL-leading 213th hit. Kansas City won its fourth straight and sent Minnesota to its fifth consecutive loss. Chris Haney (10-14), who had lost eight of his previous nine decisions, allowed eight hits in seven innings.

Athletics 5, Angels 1

At Anaheim, Ariel Prieto pitched 6 2/3 scoreless innings, and Terry Steinbach and Brian Leshar hit consecutive homers in the second inning. Jason Giambi and Scott Brosius had sacrifice flies for the Athletics, who handed the Angels their seventh straight loss.

Psychic Friends owner buys Murray ball

BALTIMORE (AP) - When he caught Eddie Murray's 500th home run, Dan Jones may have put himself in a higher tax bracket.

Jones agreed Tuesday to sell the ball to the founder of the Psychic Friends Network for \$500,000, the most ever paid for a piece of sports memorabilia, according to USA Today.

"I haven't thought about what I'd do with the money," Jones is quoted as saying in today's editions of the national newspaper. "I'll probably take a vacation."

Jones was not immediately available for comment on the report this morning.

Jones told The Associated Press on Tuesday he was interested in

selling the baseball, if the offer still stood. At the time, he said there was no deal struck with Michael Lasky, who made the offer.

Lasky, president and chief executive officer of Inphomation Communications Inc., the Baltimore company that runs the Psychic Friends Network, took out an ad in The (Baltimore) Sun on Sunday, offering to pay \$500,000 for the ball Murray hit into the right-field bleachers at Camden Yards on Sept. 6. Murray joined Hank Aaron and Willie Mays as the only players in baseball history to get 500 homers and 3,000 hits.

Lasky said he made the offer in order to keep the ball in Baltimore and out of the hands of a collector

who might lock it up out of public view. Lasky said he will put the ball on display at a downtown hotel he bought last year and eventually give it to the Babe Ruth museum in west Baltimore.

"I'm not a collector," Lasky said Monday. "This is just done for the people of Baltimore."

Jones said Baltimore area memorabilia stores told him the ball was worth \$50,000 to \$100,000.

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Planning group to hold meeting on Ogallala aquifer management

The Planning Group for the High Plains Ogallala Regional Water Management Plan will meet on Sept. 26 at 10 a.m. in the Virgil Henson Activities Center Ballroom at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

The meeting is open to the public, and all interested persons are invited to attend. A \$6 buffet lunch will be served, and reservations must be made by contacting the High Plains Water District at (806) 762-0181 no later than 5 p.m. on Sept. 20.

During the Sept. 26 morning session, the planning group will review TWDB estimates of the amount of ground water in storage (as

of 1990) in the 47 counties underlain by the Ogallala Aquifer. Historic surface and ground water use by user class will also be examined by region and county.

Following a lunch break, the planning group will review budget spreadsheets and discuss proposed work effort for the plan as funded under a \$600,000 contract with the Texas Water Development Board in Austin and \$600,000 in matching local funds. The attendees will be given the opportunity to provide their suggestions on what needs to be included in the planning effort.

Members of the Ogallala Water

Management Team will meet immediately following the adjournment of the Planning Group in order to finalize study components.

"For the past year and a half, representatives from the area's primary water user groups have been meeting on a quarterly basis to develop, promote and implement water conservation, augmentation and management strategies to provide adequate water supplies for the Ogallala Region of the Texas High Plains," said A. Wayne Wyatt, co-chairman for the Ogallala Regional Water Management Plan.

"Additionally, we hope to identify ways we can help stabilize or improve the economic and social viability and longevity of the region. The success of the Ogallala Water Management Plan will be gauged by the reduction in the projected water depletion rates currently being forecast by the Texas Water Development Board," Wyatt said.

Additional information is available by contacting Dr. Lloyd Urban at (806) 742-3597 or Wyatt at (806) 762-0181.

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KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON
U.S. SENATOR

Tax Bill Has Big Impact On All Involved in Small Business

A bill signed into law this month brings to mind the familiar dilemma of whether the glass is half-empty or half-full.

While it raises the minimum wage from \$4.25 per hour to \$4.75 per hour on October 1, and then to \$5.15 an hour on September 1, 1997, at the same time this legislation provides the owners of small businesses with significant tax relief. What follows is a rundown on provisions of the new law that I hope those involved in small businesses will find instructive.

How does the new law affect expensing for small businesses? It increases expensing for small businesses substantially. The amount of equipment purchases that a small business can deduct in the first year, rather than depreciating over the life of the equipment, will rise each year starting from \$17,500 and ending at \$25,000 in the year 2003.

Does this legislation change pension rules in any way?

The bill makes a variety of changes that loosen current requirements for business' pension and profit-sharing plans and eases the administrative burden associated with creating these programs which benefit small businesses' employees.

For businesses with fewer than 100 workers, a new type of pension plan known as SIMPLE would allow workers to contribute up to \$6,000 annually into an Individual Retirement Account or other tax-preferred pension plan. Employers would match employees' contribution up to 3 percent of the employees' salary. The amount contributed would be deductible for the employer, while workers could exclude their contributions from their taxable income. Small business owners will be able to set up pension plans for themselves and their employees in a way that is simpler, less costly and free of many of the burdensome rules and regulations imposed on current plans.

What do restaurant owners need to know about the new law? The law sets the minimum wage for employees who receive tips at \$2.13 an hour. It expands the tip credit, which accrues to employers. Under current law, owners of bars and restaurants pay Social Security taxes on servers' tips as well as on their salaries, but they can receive a credit for the taxes paid on tips as long as the servers are on the premises. Under the new law, tips of workers who deliver food—such as the ubiquitous pizza deliverers—would be eligible for the credit as well.

Does the new law provide for a lower starting wage for youthful, entry-level employees? Yes, the law sets an "Opportunity Wage" for new employees 19 years of age or younger at \$4.25 per hour for the first 90 days of employment.

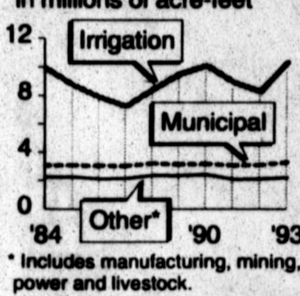
The taxes imposed on small businesses are still too high, and our tax code remains far too complex. We must continue to look for better ways for the government to deal with the firms that create two out of every three new jobs in America.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Water supply: Half-full or half-empty?

As the population of the state increases—it has doubled since the 1950s—demands on water resources will rise and could exceed supply by 2030 in some regions of Texas without planning for conservation, waste prevention and drought management. Irrigation accounts for about two-thirds of the annual water use in the state, with the High Plains region drawing 4 million acre-feet a year from the Ogallala aquifer.

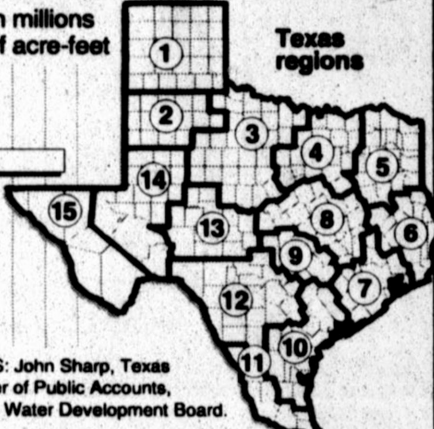
Statewide consumption, in millions of acre-feet



Projected needs in 2050

Region	Projected needs in 2050 (millions of acre-feet)
1 High Plains	3.5
2 South Plains	2.5
3 West Central	2.0
4 North Central	1.5
5 Northeast	1.0
6 Deep East	0.8
7 Gulf Coast	0.7
8 Heart of Texas	0.6
9 Central Texas	0.5
10 Coastal Bend	0.4
11 Lower Rio Grande	0.3
12 Edwards	0.2
13 Concho Valley	0.1
14 Permian Basin	0.1
15 Upper Rio Grande	0.1

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and Texas Water Development Board.



Shuttle's crew prepares to pick up colleague

By MICHELLE KOIDIN
Associated Press Writer
SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP)—Atlantis closed in on the Russian space station Mir today as the shuttle's crew prepared to pick up colleague Shannon Lucid and drop off another astronaut for a four-month stay.

Atlantis was to dock tonight with the orbiting outpost, where Lucid has lived for a record six months.

"We're sure anxious to see Shannon looking out the window in Mir," crew member Tom Akers told NBC late Tuesday night.

For his part, astronaut John Blaha said he was looking forward to

replacing Lucid.

"I think she's ready to leave," Blaha said as Atlantis circled Earth at 17,500 mph. "I'm ready to get there and get on to working with the Russians."

Blaha and his Atlantis crewmates are bringing fresh garlic, onions, cucumbers and oranges to Valery Korzun and Alexander Kaleri, the two cosmonauts aboard Mir.

For reasons that aren't entirely clear, space travelers often complain that food tastes bland in weightlessness.

During her record-breaking stay on Mir, Lucid has asked for potato chips, m&ms and other junk food.

Korzun and Kaleri - in orbit just a month - already crave zesty food.

"When we're up here, we like things just a little bit spicier and tangier than we do down on Earth," Akers said.

Meanwhile, commander William Readdy said he was ready for the docking, scheduled for around 11:15 p.m. EDT.

"We're in good shape here for performing the rendezvous and getting John up and getting Shannon back," Readdy said.

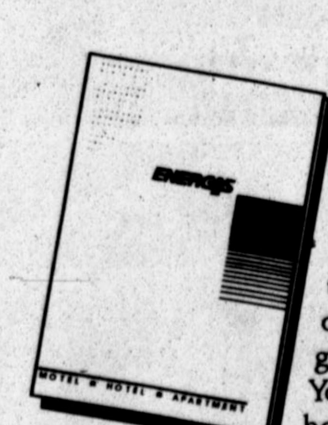
He said the mysterious failure of one of three hydraulic power units

minutes after liftoff Monday would have no effect on the linkup. The hydraulic units are used during landing.

NASA considered shortening the 10-day shuttle mission because of the problem, but decided Tuesday to complete the flight as planned. Mission operations director Lee Briscoe said the two other units are in pristine condition.

Lucid, 53, has set a U.S. space endurance record and a world record for a woman. If the shuttle comes back Sept. 26 as scheduled, she will have spent 188 days aloft, 48 more than planned.

Here's another necessity for your apartment.



If you are living in an apartment or duplex, this may be the first opportunity you've had to experience the terrific benefits of having natural gas in your home. You will find that for heating your home during cold weather, for hot water, or for cooking, nothing beats natural gas for convenience, economy, and efficiency.

With cooler temperatures just around the corner, here are a few reminders from your friends at Energas Company on the safe and responsible use of natural gas where you live.

Your furnace needs an annual check-up.

Your natural gas furnace has been sitting quietly all summer, waiting for the time it's really needed. And like anything that's been idle a while, your furnace needs a check-up before it starts back to work. You may want to check with your landlord or apartment manager about arranging for an annual inspection by a qualified professional heating contractor. Once it's been inspected, your furnace should require very little attention the rest of the winter.

A closet isn't always a closet.

Your water heater or furnace is probably in a closet all by itself. And that's the way it should stay. As tempting as it may be, don't use the space around a water heater or furnace for storage. Even

if these major appliances sit in the open, the space around them should be kept clear to insure adequate air circulation.

If you smell gas.

We hope that you will never have to deal with a gas leak. If you do smell gas, day or night, exit the building then call your local Energas office immediately. Do not flip light switches or use any other electrical equipment. Do not light a match or a candle. Do not try to find the leak yourself.











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Flavor of honey can add taste of nature to any food, menu

By JOY AULT
Valley Morning Star
HARLINGEN, Texas -- Honey is a taste of nature, the scent of the harvest, the sound of bees buzzing their timeless song.

But that's not all. With a splash of gold, honey can brighten any food or menu with beauty and flavor. On chicken and with beef, in summer sauces and winter glazes, baked into muffins and slathered on ribs, honey shines in so many recipes.

But with work, school, family activities, and chores, everyone seems to be "busy as a bee" these days. Yet despite the hectic schedules, most Americans are committed to providing their families with delicious and nutritious meals. A sampling of some quick tips will add flavor and variety to breakfast, lunch and dinner:

-Sweet and Spicy Peanut Dip. Reminiscent of Indonesia, a mixture of peanut butter, honey, vinegar and crushed red chilies can be used as a dip for raw vegetables and grilled kebabs.

-Honey Butter. Whip 1 cup of

butter in a food processor or blender and add about 1/3 cup of honey slowly while continuing to mix. If desired, add nuts, dried fruit or cinnamon. Spread on morning toast, pancakes or biscuits.

-Honey Glaze. Combine honey with a dash of Dijon-style mustard and ground cloves. Brush mixture on ham during last 10 minutes of baking.

-Honey Fruit Topper. Top a fruit salad with a mixture of plain yogurt, a splash of honey and crushed or minced mint leaves to taste.

-Honey Marinade. Enhance the flavor of pork, beef or chicken with a quick soy sauce marinade. Blend 1/2 cup honey with 1/4 cup each soy sauce and dry white wine and a small amount of grated orange peel and minced garlic. You can brush this recipe on while cooking too.

-Honey Cream Cheese Icing. Put the crowning touch on carrot cake or banana bread: whip 8 ounces of cream cheese, 1/4 cup of honey and a pinch of salt until smooth.

Of course, honey is an excellent sweetener. When exchanging it for granulated sugar in recipes, substitute

up to half of the sugar. With a little experimentation, honey can replace all the sugar in some recipes.

Also reduce the amount of liquid in the recipe by 1/4 cup for each cup of honey and add about 1/2 teaspoon baking soda for each cup of honey used in baked goods. The oven temperature should be reduced by 25 degrees F. to prevent over-browning of the food.

From the more than 300 varieties of honey in the United States, choose mild- or rich-flavored honeys depending on the strength of flavor desired. Try pairing various honeys and foods, for the fun of it.

And store honey at room temperature, never in the refrigerator. If it crystallizes, which is a natural process, remove the lid and place the honey jar in warm water until the crystals disappear. Never boil or scorch honey.

 Cooks on the go can send for a free time-saving, low-fat recipe booklet, "Squeezed for Time, Honey?," available during September, which is National Honey Month. To receive

the booklet, send a self-addressed, stamped, business-size envelope to: Squeezed for Time, Honey?, National Honey Board, Department HM, 390 Lashley St., Longmont, Colo. 80501.

 The National Honey Board cautions that honey should not be fed to infants under 1 year of age. But for older children and adults, honey is a safe and wholesome food.

The following recipes were developed for using honey.

CRUNCHY HONEY-YOGURT BREAKFAST PARFAIT
 1 large banana, sliced and divided
 1/3 cup honey, divided
 1/2 cup plain low-fat yogurt, divided
 1/2 cup Honey Granola, divided (recipe follows)

Reserve several slices of banana for garnish. Layer 1/4 of the sliced banana, 1 tablespoon honey, 2 tablespoons yogurt, 2 tablespoons granola, 1/4 of the sliced banana, 1 tablespoon honey, 2 tablespoons yogurt, and 2 tablespoons granola in a parfait glass. Repeat for second parfait.

Garnish with reserved banana and remaining honey. Makes 2 servings.

Nutrients per serving: Calories 372, protein 22.2g, carbohydrates 66.4g, dietary fiber 2.86g, fat 5g, cholesterol 7.6mg, sodium 65.6mg. From the National Honey Board.

HONEY GRANOLA
 4 cups old-fashioned rolled oats
 3/4 cup coarsely chopped nuts
 1 cup raisins
 3/4 cup honey
 1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
 2 egg whites, lightly beaten

In large mixing bowl, combine oats, nuts and raisins; mix well and set aside. Combine remaining ingredients. Pour honey mixture over oat mixture and toss until well blended. Spread on lightly greased cookie sheet.

Bake at 350 degrees F. for 20 minutes or until lightly browned; stir every 5 minutes. Remove from oven and cool.

Crumble and store in airtight container up to 2 weeks. Makes 16

half-cup servings.

Nutrients per serving: Calories 222, protein 5.4g, carbohydrates 36.4g, dietary fiber 3.2g, fat 7.5g, cholesterol 7.8mg, sodium 39.6mg. From the National Honey Board.

HONEY DOUGHNUTS
 1 package (1/4 ounce) dried yeast
 2 tablespoons warm (105-115 degrees F.) water
 2 tablespoons honey
 2 cups flour
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 2 tablespoons butter, softened
 1 egg, beaten
 1/4 cup milk
 1/4 cup vegetable oil
 Honey Nut Filling

Dissolve yeast in warm water; stir in honey. Combine flour and salt; blend in butter. Add yeast mixture, egg and milk to form a soft dough. Beat well and knead 5 minutes on floured board.

Divide dough into 12 portions; form into a ball and place on a greased baking sheet. Cover and let rise in a warm place about 1 hour or until doubled in bulk.

Deep-fry in 350 degrees F. oil 2-3 minutes or until browned on both sides; turn dough over halfway through cooking time. Drain on paper towels.

Slit one side of doughnut and fill each with 2-3 teaspoons Honey Nut Filling. Makes 12 doughnuts.

Nutrients per serving: Calories 195, protein 3.6g, fat 6.8g, carbohydrates 25.8g, cholesterol 27mg, fiber 1.1g, sodium 122mg.

Honey Nut Filling: Combine 1/4 cup each chopped dried apricots, apples and walnuts; stir in 2 tablespoons honey and mix well. Makes 3/4 cup.

Serving tip: Serve with honey to drizzle on filled doughnuts.

From the National Honey Board.

HONEY WHOLE WHEAT BREAD
 2 packages active dry yeast
 2-1/4 cups warm water (105-115 degrees F.), divided
 3 cups whole wheat flour
 1 cup finely shredded carrots
 1 cup mashed ripe bananas

1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened
 1/3 cup honey
 1 tablespoon salt
 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
 4 to 6 cups all-purpose flour
 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted

In large bowl, dissolve yeast in 1/2 cup warm water. Stir in whole wheat flour, remaining 1-3/4 cups warm water, carrots, bananas, softened butter, honey, salt and cinnamon and mix until smooth using an electric mixer. Switch to a dough hook and mix in enough all-purpose flour to make a soft dough, or mix in flour by hand.

Turn dough out onto lightly floured work surface and knead about 10 minutes or until smooth and elastic. Shape dough into a ball. Place in large greased bowl; turn to grease sides. Cover bowl and set in warm place to rise about 1 hour or until doubled in bulk.

Punch down dough; divide into two equal pieces. Roll each piece on lightly floured surface into 18x9-inch rectangle. Overlap the sides, folding into thirds to form 6x3-inch rectangle. Roll each piece tightly from 6-inch side, jelly-roll style. Pinch ends and seal; place in greased 9x5x3-inch loaf pan. Brush tops with 2 tablespoons melted butter. Set in warm place to rise, about 1 hour, or until doubled in bulk.

Bake at 375 degrees F. 40-45 minutes or until loaves sound hollow when tapped and crust is brown. Remove from pans and cool on wire racks.

Makes 2 loaves (about 16 servings.)

Nutrients per serving (1 slice per serving): Calories 344, protein 7.8g, carbohydrates 62g, dietary fiber 4.7g, fat 8g, cholesterol 19mg, sodium 78mg. From the National Honey Board.

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Today in History

By The Associated Press
 Today is Wednesday, Sept. 18, the 262nd day of 1996. There are 104 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
 On Sept. 18, 1793, President Washington laid the cornerstone of the U.S. Capitol, using a silver trowel and marble-headed gavel to put the stone in place, in accordance with Masonic ritual.

On this date:
 In 1759, the French formally surrendered Quebec to the British.
 In 1810, Chile declared its independence from Spain.
 In 1850, Congress passed the Fugitive Slave Act, which allowed slaveholders to reclaim slaves who had escaped to other states.
 In 1851, the first edition of The New York Times was published.
 In 1927, the Columbia Phonograph Broadcasting System (later CBS) made its debut with a basic network of 16 radio stations.
 In 1947, the U.S. Air Force was established as a separate branch of the military; William Stuart Symington

was sworn in as the first Air Force secretary.

In 1961, U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld was killed in a plane crash in northern Rhodesia.

In 1970, rock star Jimi Hendrix died in London at age 27.

In 1989, Hurricane Hugo reached Puerto Rico, causing extensive damage as it continued to barrel toward the U.S. mainland.

In 1990, the city of Atlanta was named the site of the 1996 Summer Olympics.

Ten years ago: In his first public comment on the arrest of American journalist Nicholas Daniloff, Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev described the reporter as a spy who was caught in the act, and he accused Washington of exploiting the case to damage superpower relations.

Five years ago: Saying he was "pretty fed up," President Bush said he would send warplanes to escort U.N. helicopters searching for hidden Iraqi weapons if Iraqi President Saddam Hussein continued to impede weapons inspectors. The space shuttle

Discovery landed in California, ending a five-day mission.

One year ago: President Clinton began a five-day re-election campaign fund-raising tour that got off to a rocky start after a deal to convert the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard to civilian use collapsed at the last minute.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Jack Warden is 76. Actor Robert Blake is 63. Sen. Robert Bennett, R-Utah, is 63. Actor Fred Willard is 57. Singer Frankie Avalon is 56. Rock musician Kerry Livgren (Kansas) is 47. Rock musician Dee Dee Ramone is 44. Baseball player Ryne Sandberg is 37. Singer Joanne Catherall (Human League) is 34. Actress Holly Robinson Peete is 32. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ricky Bill (Bell Biv DeVoe and New Edition) is 29. Actors Taylor Porter and Brandon Porter ("Party of Five") are 3.

Thought for Today: "I seem to be the only person in the world who doesn't mind being pitied. If you love me, pity me." -- Jessamyn West, American author (1902-1984).



Robert L. Baker, Manager
 A little history

The Credit Union idea was born in 1849 when the mayor of a small village in Germany wanted to help his people recover from the physical and financial devastation caused by the Napoleonic wars. His plan was for people to pool their small but regular savings and give out low interest loans. His plan worked well and the idea quickly caught on, and spread across Europe.

The United States saw its first Credit Union established in Manchester, New Hampshire in 1909 — based on the same principals of pooled savings and low interest loans. Today, there are over 17,000 Federal Credit Unions and that number is growing rapidly. The popularity of Credit Unions is due to many contributing factors, but the primary one is the quality of service they provide to members.

What's so special about Credit Unions?

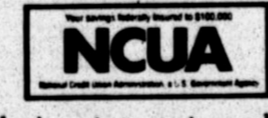
Unlike other financial institutions, Credit Unions are owned and run by its members. Members make up the Board of Directors, who manage and elect the officers to handle the business and operation of the Credit Union. Members make up the Credit Committee which decides on loans that are made. Members make up the Supervisory Committee which makes sure the Credit Union is run correctly.

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Health campaign dubbed 'Operation Clean Hands'

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Medical Editor
NEW ORLEANS (AP) - A group of researchers has discovered a dirty little secret: Millions of Americans routinely don't wash their hands after using the john.
 The situation has gotten so bad, contends the American Society for Microbiology, that it has teamed up with a drug company to teach people how and when to wash.
 "Hand washing in this country has become all but a lost art," said Dr. Michael T. Osterholm, the Minnesota state epidemiologist and head of the society's public health committee.
 The unsettling news was gathered by watching people in public restrooms. The researchers hid in stalls or pretended to comb their hair while observing 6,333 men and women do their business in five cities

last month.
 The public health campaign, dubbed "Operation Clean Hands," includes such tips as: Use warm running water and rub your hands together for at least 10 to 15 seconds - about how long it takes to sing one chorus of "Yankee Doodle Dandy," Osterholm notes.
 Another hint: use soap.
 The survey was sponsored by the microbiology society, the country's largest organization of microbe experts, and Bayer Corp., the aspirin maker. The figures were gathered by Wirthlin Worldwide, a survey firm, and released Monday at the society's annual infectious-disease conference.
 Among the results:
 -The country's dirtiest hands may be in New York City. Just 60 percent of those using restrooms in Penn Station washed up afterwards.

-In Chicago, hands are reasonably clean, relatively speaking. The watchers saw 78 percent take the time to wash after using the bathroom at the Navy Pier.
 -Seventy-one percent washed up at a casino in New Orleans, 69 percent at Golden Gate Park in San Francisco and 64 percent at a Braves game in Atlanta.
 -Women are cleaner than men. The survey found 74 percent wash after using the toilet, compared with 61 percent of men. Only in New York and New Orleans did men use soap and water slightly more often than women.
 -The most slovenly men were at the Braves game. Just 46 percent of the guys stopped to wash, compared with 89 percent of female fans.
 Dirty hands are an extremely common way to spread diseases,

ranging from common colds to a variety of bugs that cause diarrhea and other digestive unpleasantness. In restaurants, one food handler with dirty hands can make dozens of patrons sick.

People probably know better. Wirthlin also did a telephone survey last month of what people had to say about their hand-washing habits. Of 1,004 adults, 94 percent claimed they always wash up after using public

restrooms.
 The survey, which had a margin of error of plus or minus 5 percent, also found that about 80 percent contend they wash after changing a diaper and before eating.



In case you find yourself among the British peerage, you might like to know that a marquis—also known as a marquess—is higher than an earl or baron but not as high as a duke. A marquis's wife is a marchioness.

Superman and Lois Lane to marry in print and on TV

NEW YORK (AP) - Who says there's no such thing as a storybook romance? Only those who have forgotten about the rocky but persistent love affair between comic hero Superman and Lois Lane.
 They're finally getting married - in print and on television - after a courtship of about 60 years, DC Comics executive editor, Mike Carlin said.
 "They've decided it's the right thing to do," Carlin told the New York Post in today's editions.
 The Man of Steel, a.k.a. mild-mannered reporter Clark Kent, will say "I do" to his Daily Planet colleague in a special comic called "Superman: The

Wedding Album."
 The comic book goes on sale Oct. 9, just three days after their TV counterparts get hitched on ABC's "Lois and Clark: The New Adventures of Superman."
 The couple has dated since 1938, when the first Superman comic book debuted. They got engaged six years ago.
 Lois dumped Superman just seven months ago, on Valentine's Day, accusing him of spending more time saving the world than on their relationship. She even left Metropolis to become a foreign correspondent.
 But she has done some "serious soul searching," since then, Carlin said. "She came to

the conclusion she couldn't live without him."
 Carlin promises that the ceremony won't be marred by any villains, but the same cannot be said of the honeymoon in Hawaii, where an ancient menace will cross their paths.
 Superman will have a bachelor party in the Ace of Clubs, a "sleazy bar in the longshoremen section of Metropolis," Carlin said.
 There won't be any dancing girls, just a good old fashioned brawl, he added.
 Not to be outdone, Lois plans her own bachelorette party and bridal shower, complete with a knockdown fight of its own.

Television

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 18

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Roseanne	Mad-You	Beverly Hills, 90210	Party of Five	Hercules-Jmys.	Med-You	Martin	Real TV			
Sportstr.	Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced									
Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club	Three Stooges	Bonanza					
Movie: 3 Ninjas Knckt	Movie: Operation Dumbo Drop Danny Glover. *** PG	(8:50) Movie: The Santa Clause *** PG	Movie: Getting Even							
Movie: A Little Princess	Movie: Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls	Crypt Tales	Arlies	Comedy	Movie: The Late Shift Kathy Bates. R					
Movie: Urban Cowboy PG	Movie: Sleeter Tracy Griffith. 1/2 R	Movie: Outbreak (1995) Dustin Hoffman, Rene Russo. R	(45) Movie: Nadja (1994)							
Movie: Scene of the Crime	Movie: Saint's Double	(15) Movie: The Saint in Palm Springs	Movie: Saint's Vac.	Movie: Behind the Mask						
Dukes of Hazzard	Hank Williams Tradition	Prime Time Country	Club Dance	News	Hank W.					
Bey. 2000	Next Step	Wild Discovery	Invention	Next Step	Wildest of Tribes	Next Step	Bey. 2000	Wild Disc.		
Equalizer	Biography	American Justice	20th Century	Law & Order	Biography					
HopeGlori	Designing	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Devil's Food (1996) Suzanne Somers.	Final Take	Mysteries					
Pro Beach Soccer	American Sportswomen	Tennis Champions Tour -- Final	Press Box	Big 12 Show	Triathlon					
In the Heat of the Night	Movie: For a Few Dollars More (1965) Clint Eastwood. ***	(45) Movie: A Fistful of Dynamite (1972) ***								
Doug	Rugrats	Happy Days	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	Munsters	M.T. Moore	Rhoda	Taxi	Odd Couple	Bewitched
Highlander: The Series	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: Run for the Dream: The Gail Devers Story ***	Silk Stalkings	Big Date						
Marisol	Cancon	Pobre Nina Rica	Fuera	Lente Loco	Noticiero	P. Impacto	Hoy Daniela			
Air Combat	Four Years of Thunder	True Action Adventures	Weapons at War	Year by Year	4 Yrs.					
RPM 2Night	Powerboat Racing	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	RPM 2Night	NBA Today				

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Pooh	Mermid	Wonderland	Umbrella	Grounding	Pooh Cmr.	Ducktales	Care Bears	Dumbo	Wonderland	Gummi B.
Today			Leza			Geraldo Rivera	Real Life	Days-Lives		
Taking Lead	Taking Lead	Sesame Street	Lamb Chop	Storytime	Mr Rogers	Critters	Barney	Puzzle Place	Kidsongs	
Brady	Bewitched	Little House on the Prairie	Boss?	Family Ties	Empty Nest	Griffith	(05) Matlock	Movie:		
Good Morning America	Live -- Regis & Kathie Lee	Caryl & Marilyn: Friends	Medicine Woman	News						
BugsDaily	Animanics	Woody	Bewitched	Griffith	Empty Nest	Charlie's Angela	Geraldo Rivera	News		
This Morning			Ricki Lake	Price is Right	Young and the Restless	News				
Bobby	Quack Pack	The Mask	C. Sandiego	Fox After Breakfast	Maureen O'Boyle	K. Copeland	Paid Prog.	Matlock		
Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sports			
Family Challenge	Waltons	700 Club								
Movie: Mixed Nuts Steve Martin. PG-13	(45) Movie: She Always Gets Their Man	Movie: Street of Sinners ***	Movie: Vanya-42nd St.							
Movie: First Look	Movie: The Last of His Tribe PG-13	Kids	Movie: Graffiti Bridge Prince. 1/2 PG-13	Movie: Malcolm X (1992)						
Movie: Screaming Mimi Anita Ekberg	(20) Movie: Legends of the North PG	Movie: Brotherhood of Satan *** PG	(35) Movie: Little Giants							
Movie: Dust-Destiny	Movie: They Made Me a Criminal (1939)	(35) Movie: Flowing Gold (1940) ***	Movie: Air Force (1943) ***							
(Off Air)	VideoMorning									
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Assignment Discovery	Home	Start	Housesmart!	Graham K.	Culains	Great Chfs		
Columbo		Lovejoy Mysteries	Mike Hammer	Quincy	Equalizer					
Baby Knows	KidsDays	Sisters	Designing	Our Home	Main Ingrid.	Handmade	Living	Our Home	Designing	
Press Box	Training	Paid Prog.	Get Fit	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	This is the PGA Tour	American Sportswomen	Trans. Sport		
JonQuest	Scobby Dooby Doo.	Flintstones	Gilligan	Gilligan	Knots Landing	CHiPs		Thunder		
Looney Tunes	Rugrats	Busy World	Rupert	Muppets	Allegra	Gullah	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Busy World	
Mighty Max	Sonic	MacGyver	Murder, She Wrote	Major Dad	Major Dad	Wanted	Top Cops	Peoples		
Plaza Sesa	El Chavo	Chespirito	Papa Solt.	Dr Perez	La Picara Sonadora	Divina Obsesion	Morelia			
Classroom	History Showcase	Real West	Blue and the Gray							
Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Crunch	Training	Flex Appeal	Crunch	Gotta Sweat	Fitness	Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Sports Babe

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
C. Brown	Donald	Pooh	Movie: Dumbo (1941) G	(05) Goofy Sports Story	Ducktales	Chip 'n' Dale	Goof Troop			
Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Maury	Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC News				
Body Etc.	Minister	Keeping Up	Capital	Sc. Focus	Painting	Reading	C. Sandiego	Science Guy	Creatures	Wishbone
(12:05) Movie: *** Legal Eagles (1986)	Flintstones	Scobby-Doo	Taz-Mania	JonQuest	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.		
TBA	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Montel Williams	Rosie O'Donnell	News	ABC News				
News	Magnum, P.I.	Beauty and the Beast	Beverly Hills, 90210	Fam. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell			
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Newlywed	Dating	Day & Date	News	CBS News			
Matlock	Little House on the Prairie	Mr. Cooper	Step-Step	Eek!stravag	Batman	Beetleborgs	Rangers	Fresh Pr.	Simpsons	
Drag Racing	Auto Racing	Auto Racing	Hydroplane Racing	Harness Racing	Up Close	Sportstr.				
(12:00) Home & Family	Highway to Heaven	Punky B.	Fall Preview	Family Challenge	Three Stooges					
Movie: Vanya-42nd St.	Movie: Educating Rita Michael Caine. *** PG	Movie: Murder Elite Ali MacGraw. * NR	(15) Movie: Mixed Nuts	(11:30) Movie: *** Malcolm X (1992) Denzel Washington, Spike Lee	Movie: Head Office Reinhold. **	Movie: Baby's Day Out Joe Mantegna				
Movie: Little Giants (1994)	Movie: Simon Alan Arkin. *** PG	(15) Movie: The Power Within Ted Jan Roberts. PG-13	Movie: Clash of the Titans							
Movie: Air	(05) Movie: Between Two Worlds (1944) ***	Movie: Seven Sweethearts (1942) Van Helin ***	Movie: The Big Hangover							
Wildhorse	VideoPM	Dukes of Hazzard	Wildhorse Saloon	Club Dance						
Home	Start	Easy Does It	Homeworks	Graham K.	Cuisine	Great Chfs	Popular Mechanics	Wings		
Equalizer	Columbo	Lovejoy Mysteries	Mike Hammer	Quincy						
Nurses	Movie: A Stranger in the Family (1991) Teri Garr. 1/2	L.A. Law	Comish	Supermkt	Debt					
Trans. Sport	Tennis Legends of Time	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Championship Wrestling	Dave Rader	B. Simmons				
Thunder	How the West Was Won	Wild, Wild West	Movie: The Big Gundown (1968) Lee Van Cleef. **	In the Heat of the Night						
Storytime	Gumby	Chipmunks	Nick in the Afternoon	You Afraid?	Rocko's Life	Clarissa	Tiny Toon			
Live With the People's Court, Love Connection & the Big Date	Wanted	Top Cops	Wings	Wings	Renegades					
Morelia	Confidente de Secundaria	Cristina	Primer Impacto	Dr Perez	Noticiero					
Crusade	Combat at Sea	Real West	Blue and the Gray	Crusade	Crusade					
Sports Babe	Karate	NFL's Greatest Moments	Auto Racing	1993 NASCAR Winston Cup -- Goody's 500	Outdoor	Speed				

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
Movie: Ewoks: The Battle for Endor	(40) Movie: 'batteries not included Hume Cronyn. PG									
News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Single Guy	Seinfeld	Suddenly	Pretender	News	(35) Tonight Show		
NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	The West	Movie: My Friend Walter (1993)	Computer	Charlie Rose						
(35) Major League Baseball Montreal Expos at Atlanta Braves										
News	Wh. Fortune	High Incident	Behind Closed Doors IV	Turning Point	News	Seinfeld	Nightline			
Fam. Mat.	Bzz!	Major League Baseball Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals	News	Hmooner	Heat					
News	Home Imp.	Diagnosis Murder	Moloney	48 Hours	News	(35) Late Show				
Roseanne	Mad-You	Martin	Single	New York Undercover	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Mad-You	Martin	Real TV		
Sportstr.	Kickoff	College Football Florida State at North Carolina State	Sportscenter							
Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club	Three Stooges	Bonanza					
(5:15) Movie: Mixed Nuts	Movie: Gang in Blue Mario Van Peebles.	Clip Notes	Bedtime	Sherman	Latino	Full Frontal	Movie:			
(15) Movie: Tommy Boy Chris Farley. ** PG-13	Movie: Power 98 Eric Roberts. 1/2 R	Movie: Inside the NFL								
Movie: Clash of the Titans	Movie: Free Willy 2: The Adventure Home *** PG	Movie: Tracks of a Killer Kelly LeBrock.	(45) Movie: Kiss of Death							
Movie: The Big Hangover	Movie: Malaya (1950) ***	(45) Movie: Vengeance Valley (1951) ***	Movie: The Great Caruso							
Dukes of Hazzard	Life of Hank Williams	Prime Time Country	Club Dance	News	Williams					
Bey. 2000	Next Step	Wild Discovery	Mysterious	Movie Magic	Time Traveler	Next Step	Bey. 2000	Wild Disc.		
Equalizer	Biography	Ancient Mysteries	Mysteries of the Bible	Law & Order	Biography					
HopeGlori	Designing	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Child of Rage (1992) Mel Harris, Dwight Schultz.	Living	Mysteries	Mysteries				
In-Line Skating	College Volleyball	Cycle World	This Week in NASCAR	Press Box	Spotlight	Football				
In the Heat of the Night	Movie: The God, the Bad and the Ugly (1967) Clint Eastwood. ***	Lee Van Cleef. ***	Movie: Desperate Trail							
Doug	Rugrats	Happy Days	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	Munsters	M.T. Moore	Rhoda	Taxi	Odd Couple	Bewitched
Highlander: The Series	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: Raising Arizona (1987) Nicolas Cage. ***	Silk Stalkings	Big Date						
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Combat at Sea	Four Years of Thunder	Civil War Journal	Automobiles	Year by Year	4 Yrs.					
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COUNTY COURT DISPOSITIONS

State of Texas vs. Daniel Rivera, 19, criminal mischief, 180 days in jail, \$175 court cost, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Lorenzo Soto, 36, deadly conduct, 90 days in jail probated one year, fined \$100, \$187 court cost, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Albert Acevedo, 38, theft by check of over \$20 but under \$500, 180 days in jail probated one year, fined \$100, \$187 court cost, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Daniel Rivera, 19, criminal trespass, 180 days in jail, \$175 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Savino Castellon, 33, theft of service of over \$50 but under \$500, fined \$50, \$187 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Daniel Paul Rivera, 19, evading arrest, 180 days in jail, \$175 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Daniel Paul Rivera, 19, bail jumping and failure to appear, 230 days in jail, \$175 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Daniel Paul Rivera, 19, bail jumping and failure to appear, 230 days in jail, \$187 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Bryan Gillispie, 19, theft by check of over \$20 but under \$500, 12 days in jail, \$175 court cost, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Kristie Barrera, 23, theft by check of over \$20 but under \$500, fined \$100, \$187 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Daniel Rivera, 24, evading arrest, 180 days in jail, \$175 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Betty Jean Soria, 27, fraudulent destruction, fined \$150, \$187 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Daniel Paul Rivera, 19, evading arrest, 180 days in jail, \$175 court costs, Aug.28.

State of Texas vs. Janie Martina Fuentes, 32, driving while license suspended, 20 days in jail, fined \$300, \$187 court costs, Sept.5.

State of Texas vs. Jimmy Lafayette Lawler, 32, possession of marijuana under two ounces, fined \$200, \$187 court costs, Sept.6.

State of Texas vs. Luis Martin Rodriguez, 31, bail jumping and failure to appear, 120 days in jail, \$183 court cost, Sept.4.

Samuel Lopez, driving while license suspended, 90 days in jail probated six months, fined \$150, \$187 court cost, Sept.5.

State of Texas vs. Yvonne Flores, 19, theft by check of over \$20 but under \$500, fined \$100, \$187 court costs, Sept.4.

State of Texas vs. Brian Villarreal, 21, driving while license suspended, fined \$100, \$187 court costs, Sept.5.

State of Texas vs. Andy Scott, 44, theft by check of over \$20 but under \$500, 20 days in jail, \$175 court cost, Sept.4.

State of Texas vs. Marquise Brown, 20, assault, fined \$300 with \$200 suspended, \$187 court cost, Sept.4.

State of Texas vs. Jose Jimenez, 44, driving while license suspended, 45 days in jail, fined \$100, \$187 court cost, Sept.4.

State of Texas vs. Ronda Kay Lee, 25, theft by check of over \$20 but under \$500, 180 days in jail probated two years, fined \$100, \$187 court cost, Sept.5.

State of Texas vs. Candelario Landeros, 64, failure to give information, fined \$150, \$187 court cost, Sept.4.

JUSTICE OF PEACE COURT

Tip Top Oil Co., Agent Harold Anderson, vs. Ricardo Gonzales; \$468, \$60 court costs, paid Sept.5.

Big T Pump Co., Inc., Betty Hagar, agent vs. Freddie's Pipe Line, care of Alfredo Barrera; \$653.99, \$60 court cost, paid Aug.30.

222nd DISTRICT COURT

State of Texas vs. Daniel Bustamante, order setting hearing date, Aug.16.

State of Texas vs. Ruben Martinez, order revoking probation, Aug.16.

State of Texas vs. Ruben Martinez, judgement and sentence on plea of guilty and waiver of trial for sexual assault of a child; nine years in jail with 36 days in jail credited, Aug.16.

State of Texas vs. Fred Gonzales Fuentes, judgement on plea of guilty, waiver of trial for felony driving while intoxicated, probated five years, fined \$500, Aug.16.

State of Texas vs. Fred Gonzales Fuentes, order placing defendant on community supervision, Aug.16.

State of Texas vs. John Puente, order revoking probation and sentence for aggravated assault, four years in jail with 100 days in jail credited, Aug.16.

State of Texas vs. Raul Salinas, order to arrest in response to state motion to revoke probation, Aug.16.

Deaf Smith County vs. Frank A. Shaffer, order of nonsuit, Aug.26.

Hereford Independent School District vs. Manuel Estrada, order of nonsuit, Aug.26.

Deaf Smith County vs. Ruben

Ramirez, order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

Deaf Smith County vs. George D. Zetzsche, order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

Deaf Smith County vs. Gloria Salderez, order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

Deaf Smith County vs. Terri J. Johnson, order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

Deaf Smith County vs. Dan Mendoza, order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

Deaf Smith County vs. Ramiro Ramos Jr., order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

Deaf Smith County vs. Richard M. Rodriguez, order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

Deaf Smith County vs. Margarita Valdez Varela, order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

Deaf Smith County vs. Serpio Vasquez, order of nonsuit, Aug.20.

In interest of Katherine Tess Ordonez, a child, decree of paternity, Aug.21.

State of Texas vs. Alejandro Alviar, order appointing Rex Easterwood of Hereford as attorney, Aug.22.

State of Texas vs. Reese Allen Dawson Jr., order to arrest in response to state motion to revoke probation, Aug.23.

State of Texas vs. Kendall Allen Cranmer, order for arrest in response to state motion to revoke probation, Aug.23.

State of Texas vs. Rigoberto Rodriguez, order to arrest in response to state motion to revoke probation, Aug.23.

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State of Texas vs. Susan Pacheco, order to arrest in response to state motion to revoke probation, Aug.23.

State of Texas vs. Andy C. Scott, order appointing Terry D. Langchenning of Hereford as attorney, Aug.26.

State of Texas vs. Barbara Leslie, principal and surety, default judgement, Aug.26.

State of Texas vs. Samuel Montoya, order revoking probation and sentence for felony driving while intoxicated, second offence, four years in jail, fined \$1,500, Aug.26.

State of Texas vs. Alfredo Penalber Jr., order revoking probation and sentence for burglary of a habitation, probated eight years, fined \$500, Aug.26.

In interest of Judith Cervantez, a child, order confirming child support review order, Aug.26.

In interest of Brendan Duane Lee, a child, order confirming child support review order, Aug.26.

State of Texas vs. Daniel Bustamante, order placing defendant on community supervision, Aug.27.

State of Texas vs. Alejandro Alviar, order revoking probation and sentence for felony driving while intoxicated, four years in jail, fined \$1,500, Aug.27.

The Access Group Inc. vs. Sunnyside Feed Yard Inc., order of dismissal, Aug.27.

In the marriage of Patricia Ann Holden and Stephen Hans Holden and in interest of Kimberly Anne Holden, agreed order on motion to modify in suit affecting the parent-child relationship, Aug.27.

State of Texas vs. Barbara Leslie, principal and surety, first amended default judgement, Aug.27.

State of Texas vs. Sergio Alamo and Jose M. Meja, first amended default judgement, Aug.27.

State of Texas vs. Isabel Ornelas Jr., order revoking probation and sentence for aggravated assault, four years in jail, Aug.29.

State of Texas vs. Jimmy Lafayette Lawler, judgement on plea of guilty before court waiver of jury trial-state jail felony for possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), two years in jail probated five years, fined \$500, Aug.29.

State of Texas vs. Jessie Martinez, agreed order to modify probation, Aug.29.

State of Texas vs. Monica Viagomez, order appointing Ronald T. Sprig of Amarillo as attorney, Aug.29.

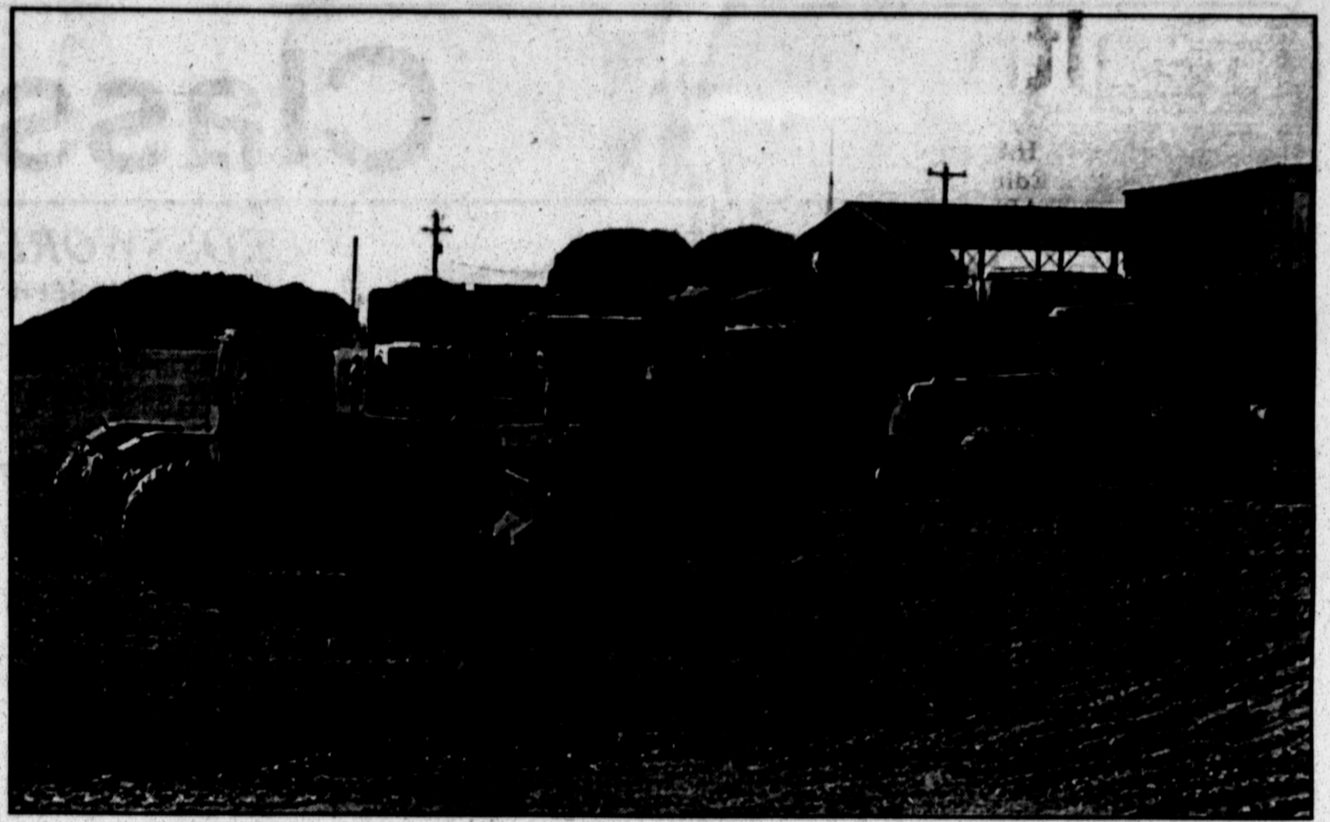
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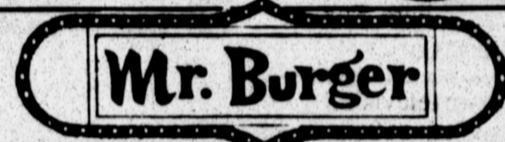
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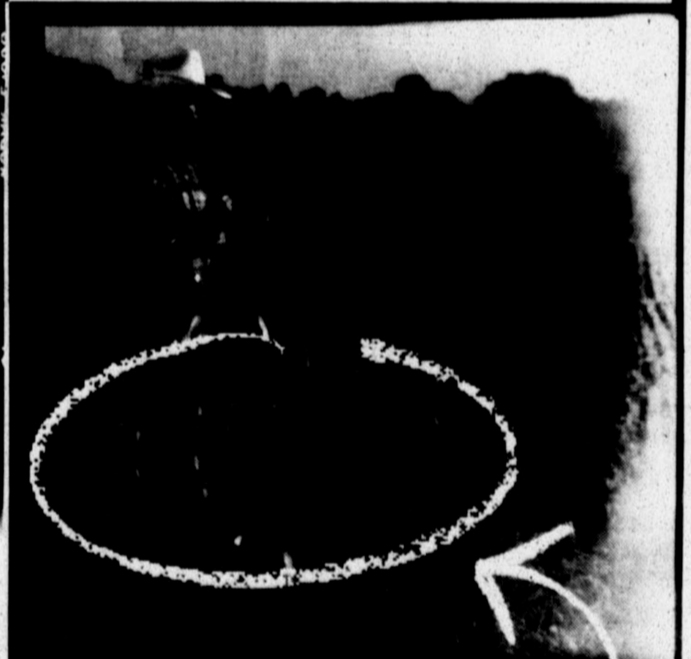
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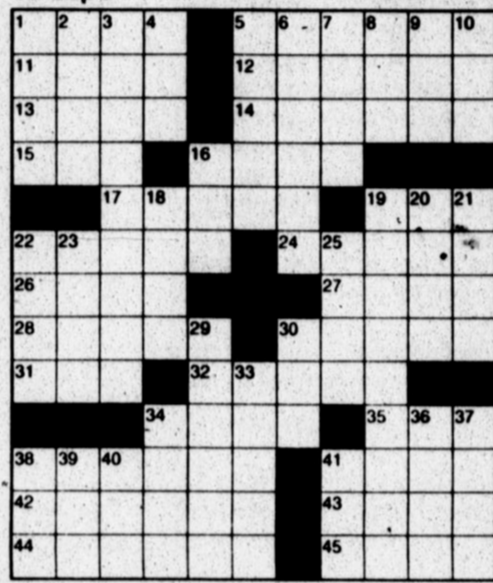
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Haragan wants to build endowment fund at TTU

By MARK BABINECK
Associated Press Writer
LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Texas Tech President Donald R. Haragan has turned an eye toward the future now that the "interim" part of his title is a thing of the past.

"Our No. 1 priority has to be the capital campaign and getting it off to a good start," said Haragan, whose expected appointment as 12th president of the 24,000-student university came Monday.

Chancellor John T. Montford also tapped Dr. David R. Smith, the state's health commissioner, as the president of Tech's medical school.

Haragan stressed that university officials, particularly Montford, are concerned with stimulating the school's endowment fund. For Texas Tech to continue to compete, he said, the school roughly needs to quadruple its current \$125 million fund by the turn of the century.

Endowment money would pay for new academic chairs and professorships, but Haragan said his focus will be on scholarship gifts.

"We've done a really good job for scholarships for the very highest level," he said. "We haven't done as good a job for the group right below that."

Sentiment for a plump endowment appears universally favorable on the Lubbock campus.

"Obviously, the faculty is hopeful

and cautiously optimistic," said Faculty Senate President John Howe said, adding that he and other professors supported hiring Haragan from within after regents hired an outsider as chancellor.

Haragan came to Tech in 1969 as an assistant professor of geosciences. He had held a number of posts, including executive vice president and provost of Texas Tech since 1988. He was named interim president after his predecessor, Robert W. Lawless, became president of the University of Tulsa in February.

"My wife and I made a decision a long time ago that this was the place we wanted to be," Haragan said. "Many academics' loyalties lie with their disciplines rather than their university, but that's not the case with me."

The Texas Tech board of regents created the chancellorship in April in a rearrangement of the school's hierarchy. Haragan and Smith will handle the day-to-day operations of their schools and report to Montford, a former state senator who was hired last month.

Student Association President Geoff Wayne described Haragan's interim tenure as being more open to student concerns than Lawless' reign, and Wayne said he expects that will continue.

"I think it's a great step, and I

think it's what most of the faculty and staff wanted," Wayne said. "It brings something to the office we haven't had in awhile."

Howe expressed concern about the selection process, which largely was left to Montford. However, he said the method will be a rousing success if the endowment skyrockets and Haragan is left alone to operate the university.

In addition to the endowment push, Haragan said he'll focus immediately on the new recruiting offices the school plans to open in Houston and Dallas in the next 30 days.

Charge against cadet changed

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - The charge against former Air Force Academy cadet David Graham has been changed from murder to capital murder, raising the chance that he might receive the death penalty.

Graham, 18, is charged with the December killing of 16-year-old Adrienne Jones of Mansfield.

Police say Graham confessed that he and his 18-year-old girlfriend, Diane Zamora of Fort Worth, decided to lure Miss Jones out to his car and then drive her out near Joe Pool Lake so he could "break her young neck."

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United Way gets new head

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) - The head of the United Way umbrella agency for New York, New Jersey and Connecticut will become president and chief executive officer of United Way of America, the national charity said Tuesday.

The United Way's board of governors chose Betty Stanley Beene for the \$275,000-a-year post Monday evening, said Paula Harper Bethea, the board's chair.

Ms. Beene has more than 25 years with the United Way, including 12 years of local and regional experience and 15 years with a United Way agency, the Girl Scouts Council in Houston.

In that role, she led the nation's largest United Way campaign that raised \$96.6 million in 1995, said United Way of America spokeswoman Ann Smits.

Before joining the United Way of Tri-State, Ms. Beene, 49, was president of the United Way in Houston. She began her work in the nonprofit sector in the Girl Scouts Council in Houston, serving as president of the council for five years.

She will begin her tenure with United Way of America before the end of the year, Ms. Smits said.

Ms. Beene succeeds Elaine Chao,

who left in May after 3-1/2 years. Ms. Chao resigned to aid the re-election campaign of her husband, Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., and to work in the campaign of Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole, Ms. Smits said.

Ms. Chao was hired to restore the credibility and financial controls of the national charity after her predecessor, William Aramony, was accused of looting the agency to pay for illicit romances and exotic vacations.

Aramony and two top United Way associates were convicted in April 1995 of defrauding the charity.

Execution tonight for Amarilloan

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) - No appeals were pending today and state officials expected a convicted killer from Amarillo would be put to death early this evening at his request.

Joe Gonzales, 36, was volunteering for lethal injection for the robbery-slaying of the man he worked for as a roofer in the Texas Panhandle city.

Gonzales' execution, scheduled for after 6 p.m., would be the quickest in Texas since the death penalty resumed in the state 14 years ago.

He was convicted in November of the 1992 fatal shooting William Veader, 50, and arrived on death row January 10. That gives him about eight months on death row.

The previous Texas record for the shortest time on death row before execution was the 18 months spent by George Lott, given lethal injection in September 1994 for killing two attorneys at the Tarrant County Courthouse. Lott, like Gonzales, was an execution volunteer.

Gonzales' execution would be only the third this year in Texas, which in 1995 sent a record 19 men to the death chamber. An appeal challenging the constitutionality of a new state law designed to speed up executions virtually has halted them while the measure is being reviewed by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Gonzales, however, has refused to allow any appeals.

A Potter County jury took just 12 minutes to decide on the death penalty after Gonzales pleaded guilty and, acting as his own attorney, urged them to give him death.

Gonzales was convicted of fatally shooting Veader, who employed him, on Oct. 19, 1992 at Veader's Amarillo home in a robbery that Gonzales tried to cover up as a suicide. In a tape recorded confession with police, Gonzales said Veader owed him about \$200 and went to the man's house "to get my money one way or the other."

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Texas crop report

Good yields anticipated for Texas Winter Garden

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) - Conditions have been favorable for the winter vegetable crops and good yields are expected from the Texas Winter Garden, reports the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The area of South Texas known as the Winter Garden produces most of the winter vegetable crops in Texas and a sizeable amount of the total winter vegetable crops produced in the United States.

Joe Pena, Extension economist from Uvalde, said that the vegetables have not been adversely affected by the drought conditions and good yields are expected from the winter crop.

"I think that the vegetables will actually benefit from the dry conditions we had over the summer and the rain that we're getting now," Pena said.

He said that in the first 16 days of September, the Winter Garden has seen twice as much rainfall as they usually receive in the entire month. So far, they have received almost six inches of rain.

Pena did say that the soil moisture situation is not as good as it could be, but that the rain definitely saves some irrigation water.

"We have good surface moisture down to about a foot, but once you go past that, it's pretty dry," Pena said. "The rain we've gotten this month will save us one or two irrigation waterings."

Harvest for crops such as cabbage and spinach is normally around late October to early November. Pena said that this harvest time is when they do not want the rain.

"We don't want high humidity and rain just before or during harvest because then we get disease problems, but the rain we've gotten in September won't hurt because we'll have time to dry down before harvest," he said.

Pena said that in the Winter Garden area, wells are used for irrigation water. However, in the Rio Grande Valley, the Rio Grande River is the source of water for crop irrigation.

Brad Cowen, Hidalgo County

Extension agent, said that the winter vegetable crop in the Rio Grande Valley will not be as large as normal.

"Our acreage will be about half of normal because of a lack of water for irrigation. The river just doesn't have as much water because of the drought," Cowen said.

Pena explained that in the Rio Grande Valley, riparian water rights are used. This system allows those farmers near the river the right to pump water from it for use on crops. However, because there is half the amount of water in the river this year, the riparian rights are also half of usual.

"Half the water in the river means half the water for irrigation," Pena said.

Pena said that at this time, he expects a good crop from the Winter Garden.

"We had record yields for watermelons and cantaloupes, and we're expecting a good crop from our winter vegetables," Pena said.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: Moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges rated good to excellent. Livestock in good condition. Corn, sorghum rated good to excellent. Cotton, peanuts, soybeans rated good. Wheat planting continues; some early greenbug problems.

SOUTH PLAINS: Moisture adequate. Cooler temperatures and rainfall for most areas of the district. Cotton maturity delayed with rains. Sunflower harvest is nearing completion. Wheat planting continues.

ROLLING PLAINS: Moisture short to adequate. Pastures, ranges continue to improve due to recent rainfall. Livestock in good condition. Stock tanks filling up. Cotton in fair to good condition. Wheat planting was the major activity this past week.

NORTH TEXAS: Moisture very short to adequate. Pasture and range conditions vary from poor to excellent across the district. Cotton, sorghum in good to poor condition.

Soybeans being harvested. Summer pruning of peaches. Fair pecan crop with some scab.

EAST TEXAS: Moisture short to adequate. Pastures and hay meadows improving. Nearing sufficient hay for winter. Fall armyworm infestations in some areas. Sweet potato harvests continue. Fall gardening under way.

FAR WEST TEXAS: Moisture very short to surplus. Pastures, ranges improved dramatically since recent rainfall. Cattle feeding decreasing; cattle condition excellent. Harvesting cantaloupe. Insect pressure on home gardens. Light pecan crop expected.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: Moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures, ranges in very good condition. Wheat planting occurring where fields are dry enough. Livestock in good to excellent condition. Heavy horn fly populations. Fall gardening continues with few problems.

CENTRAL TEXAS: Moisture adequate. Rainfall increasing forage production in area pastures. Fall armyworm outbreaks. Sorghum yields much lower than last year. Cotton harvest delayed as farmers try to kill regrowth. Cattle market improves.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: Moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges improving. Scattered rain over the district. Cattle feeding continues in some counties; cattle market improving. Fall vegetable planting. Light crop of pecans this year.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: Moisture adequate. The recent rains are causing pastures, ranges to improve. Wheat, oat plantings under way. Some ranchers have suspended supplemental feeding. Rains improve the outlook for winter vegetable production.

COASTAL BEND: Moisture short to surplus. Pastures, ranges responding to rains, but need more rainfall for winter pasture production and spring crops. Rain halted cotton harvest. Cattle in good condition. Aphids reported on pecan trees.

SOUTH TEXAS: Moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges improved dramatically. Livestock doing better; less supplemental feeding. Recent rains helping sugarcane. Not much planting due to water shortages.

Junior high students recruited as undercover cigarette buyers

By JOHN SOLOMON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - In the Chicago suburb of Woodridge, Ill., police recruit undercover operatives at the junior high school. Their mission? Catch stores illegally selling tobacco products to underage kids.

"It can be kind of exciting for them to go out with a police officer on an undercover thing," Deputy Police Chief Geoff Korous said, adding the youths are trained beforehand about thorny issues like entrapment.

"They don't misrepresent themselves. They walk in and ask for a pack of cigarettes. If they are not served, the officer goes in and congratulates the clerk," he explained.

Korous said the impact has been stunning: Tobacco sales to underage buyers has dropped from a high in the late 1980s of more than 80 percent at the city's three dozen stores to less than 11 percent now.

If the federal government has its way, the stings will become more commonplace.

A provision of President Clinton's crackdown on youth smoking - implemented with little fanfare - encourages states to use teen-agers in tobacco sting operations, or risk losing federal aid.

The government acknowledges its new rule generated a healthy dose of responses from citizens about the physical and psychological safety of undercover children and their ability to understand legal issues like entrapment.

But federal officials say they're confident such problems can be solved with proper adult supervision.

"We took into consideration the impact on youth in any of these sting operations," said Mark Weber, spokesman for the Department of Health and Human Services agency that implemented the rule. "We are working with the states to do it in a way that is acceptable to us and that is acceptable to them."

The rule was issued in January by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, which distributes \$1.2 billion a year in drug treatment and prevention funds.

"I think it really has become that age group because it is really about them that they begin talking about it in their health classes," said Ginny Markell, the Parent Teacher

Association's vice president for programs. "For them, it is something they can do for their communities that is positive."

Although the national PTA would not ordinarily advocate stings, some local chapters have participated, she said. "It seems to grab the policy-makers' attention when you can have a 13-year-old walk into any convenience store and actually purchase" tobacco, she said.

Weber said his agency proposes that states follow several safeguards in stings, including:

- Obtaining parental consent.
- Ensuring the children are supervised by adults with proper legal training, preferably an agency that can provide proper insurance.
- Providing proper training.
- Making sure the children conduct stings only at stores where they are unknown.

It requires that all states have mandatory inspection programs by next year to catch businesses that illegally sell cigarettes and other tobacco products to children. States that don't comply risk losing federal drug prevention money.

The rule leaves it to the states to determine how to catch illegal tobacco sales, but strongly urges the use of undercover stings with children at least two to three years younger than the state's legal smoking age, which is 18 nearly everywhere.

"The department believes that the use of minors in inspections is very effective," the rule says.

For states where officials are considering alternatives, the government warns. "The department has not identified evidence of any other workable or valid method" and the department's system to determine whether states are meeting expectations "is based on the 'sting' method."

States begin submitting their enforcement plans for federal approval this month.

Critics are concerned the government's push might expose undercover kids unnecessarily to retaliation from an angry store owner or grueling cross-examinations in court - or set a precedent that drags them into other types of stings.

"What's next? If this seems to be successful, how do we know we won't get kids to do hard-core drug stings," said Joyce Johnson, spokeswoman for the Child Welfare League of America.

The tobacco industry's trade group says it supports crackdowns on illegal sales but has reservations about using minors.

"Any time you use kids essentially to break the law, it does send a mixed message," said Walker Merryman, vice president of the Tobacco Institute. "And it's obvious on its face that 13-year-olds are not terribly sophisticated about the intricacies of the law."

Experts say most communities that do stings use students ages 12 to 15. Parental permission is obtained, and the children aren't paid.

Names in the news

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) - Well, it sure beats eating bugs.

Capt. Scott O'Grady - who resorted to eating insects and drinking rainwater after his F-16 was shot down over Bosnia last year - was on hand Saturday to help judge this year's Miss America Pageant.

But the 30-year-old bachelor didn't have much luck finding someone to set his romantic sights on.

"I think they were all gorgeous, and it's not just a matter of physical beauty," O'Grady said. "Unfortunately, I didn't get to meet any because (judges) couldn't fraternize or socialize."

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Christopher Darden is moving up in the

world - or at least northward.

The former O.J. Simpson prosecutor has purchased a \$460,000 three-bedroom, 2,500-square-foot home in the Ladera Heights section of Los Angeles, a real estate agent says. His new digs are a few miles northwest of his old neighborhood of Carson.

"The house is perfect for a single guy," says LaShelle Washington, who works in the Fred Sands Realtors office in Marina del Rey. She said the house has a backyard ocean view and room for guests.

Darden left the district attorney's office after the Simpson trial and now teaches at Southwestern University School of Law in Los Angeles.



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