

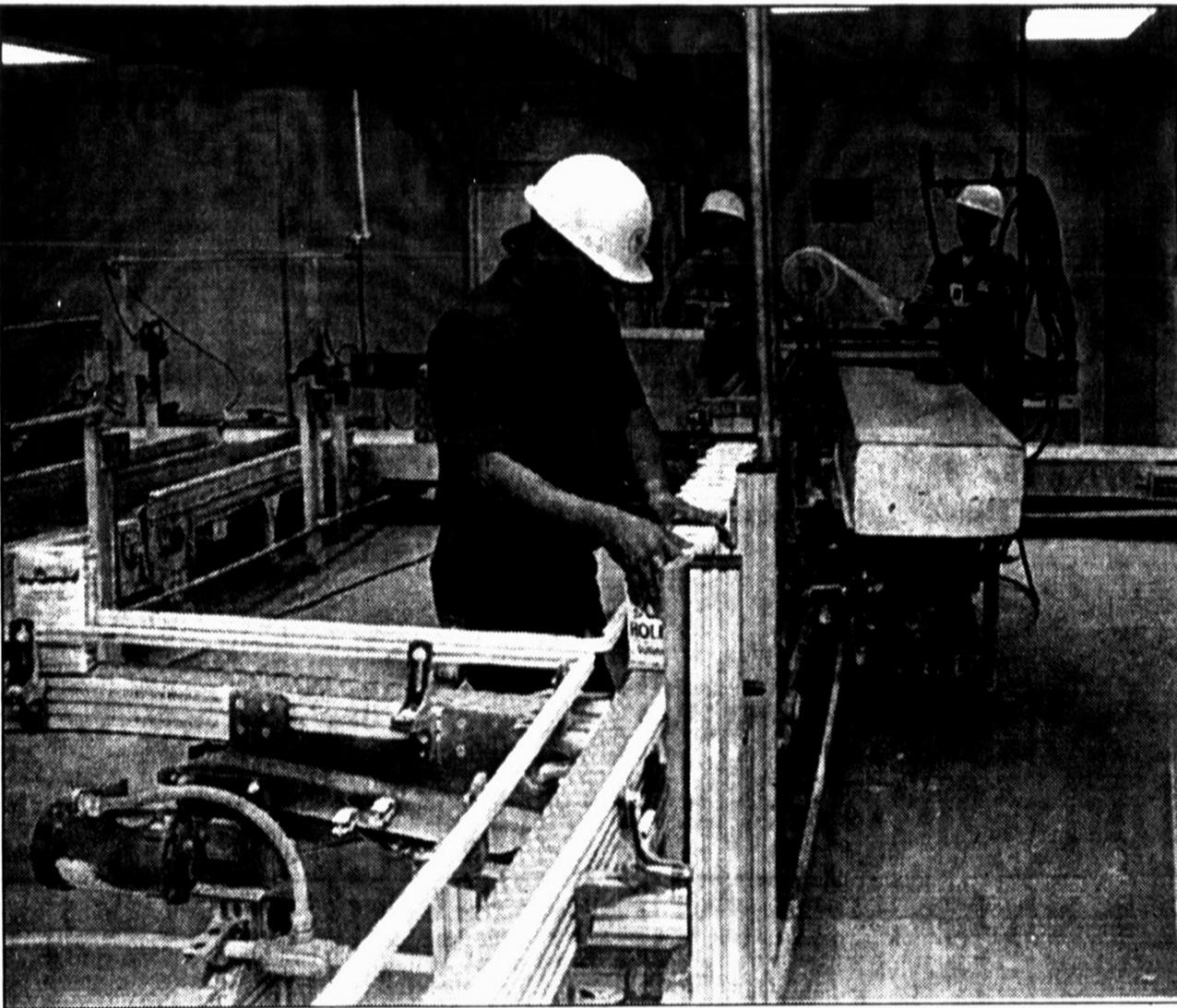
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Holly, beet producers hold Media Day here

By SHERRI MARTIN
Staff Writer

If it's sweet for local sugar beet farmers, it's sweet for the Hereford economy.

The sugar industry helps build the local economy by providing employment opportunities, tax revenues paid and purchases of goods and services.

The Holly Sugar Corp. in Hereford is the only sugar beet processing plant in Texas.

During a media field day Thursday, Holly Sugar and the Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association provided these facts:

-- Holly Sugar employees 400 people, with an annual payroll of \$4.75 million.

-- Holly Sugar paid more than \$600,000 in school, county and hospital taxes.

-- Holly Sugar spent more than \$16.5 million on materials needed to run the Hereford plant.

-- Holly Sugar paid \$15 to \$20 million to regional growers.

-- Sweetener industry has an impact of \$875 million on the Texas economy.

-- Sweetener industry has created more than 13,000 jobs.

According to Executive Director of the TSBGA Bill Cleavinger, 14,000 acres of beets will be

harvested in Deaf Smith County and surrounding areas.

The average yield is expected to be 20 to 21 tons per acre, Holly Sugar Agricultural Manager Dennis Printz said.

Many growers will gross \$700 to \$800 an acre, TSBGA president Kenneth Frye said. However, growers in the Dalhart area with higher yields will gross about \$1,400 per acre.

Currently, the net selling price is \$27 per hundredweight, he said.

The TSBGA has negotiated a 1997 grower-Holly Sugar contract which includes an 80 percent initial payment to growers, Cleavinger said.

The 1997 contract is similar to the this year's contract, which includes a 75 percent initial payment, he said.

Holly Sugar has agreed to combine the 75 percent payment with the second payment to give growers an 80 percent payment at harvest.

Sugar beet farmers do not receive any subsidies, Cleavinger said.

As harvest progresses, the Holly plant receives several truckloads of beets in a day.

The beets are piled at receiving stations or at the Holly Sugar plant.

Holly Sugar District Director Dave Duncan conducted a tour of the Hereford plant Thursday to more than 10 newspaper, television station, and

radio station representatives from areas including Amarillo, Lubbock and Clovis, N.M.

Before the processing begins, beets are washed in water and moved to slicing area. Beets are again washed in water and ran through slicers.

As many as 8,000 tons of beets are sliced a day in the Holly factory.

Sliced beets are called cassettes and resemble common french fries.

This shape eases the diffusion process which takes place in a huge cylinder called a diffuser.

The diffuser extracts raw juice from the beet. The juice is purified, filtered and boiled in a vacuum until it becomes a syrup-like liquid.

The liquid is filtered and boiled again until it crystallizes.

The syrup and sugar crystals are then transferred to a centrifugal station where the crystals are separated from the syrup.

The crystals are washed again and placed in a granulator for drying.

The pure white sugar is then ready for packaging. The sugar is packed in four, five, 10, 25 and 100 pound bags.

Holly Sugar also sells powdered, liquid and bulk sugar.

The 10 large silos at the Hereford plant store refined sugar for further packaging and sales.

Ready for the shelves

Holly Sugar Corp. employees work on the sugar packaging lines in the Hereford plant. Holly Sugar packs granulated sugar in four, five, 10 and 25 pound bags. More than 10 newspaper, television station, radio station representatives from areas including Amarillo, Lubbock and Clovis, N.M. toured the plant Thursday.

New frozen food plant to be built in Dimmitt

A new frozen food processing plant under construction in Dimmitt will employ approximately 40 people and will offer growing contracts to area producers, it was reported Thursday in *The Castro County News*.

Gomax Foods, Inc., owned by Glenn Odom of Dimmitt, will be housed in the old MW Carrot facility east of Dimmitt. Odom said he's adding \$2.5 million worth of value to the 50,000 square-foot facility.

Crews are currently renovating the facility, enclosing open areas of the property and preparing to install new equipment for the new industry, which will process and freeze carrots, peppers and possibly onions.

Contracts will be awarded to farmers willing to raise the vegetables, according to Odom. The facility will process the locally-grown vegetables and will also use products shipped in from other areas - enabling the plant to operate year-round.

According to the Dimmitt newspaper, Odom expects to gross \$4 to \$4.5 million in sales in the first year, then increase that figure over the next five years.

Odom said extensive research determined that there was a market for frozen foods. The plant here originally processed fresh foods, but he said the market was too volatile.

"We feel like our plant will be a fairly modern plant, very economical and we feel like our cost of production will help keep us competitive with anyone," Odom was quoted in the article.

He hopes to contract between 1,200 to 1,500 acres of carrots and about 100 acres of peppers in the first growing season. He added more research was needed on onions.

Odom said Gomax Foods will have the harvesting equipment for the carrots because the special equipment is very expensive to own.

Sims named as TCFA officer

The Texas Cattle Feeders Association, during its "Riding the Wave of Change" annual convention in Houston, named the officers and directors who will lead the group for the coming year.

James Herring of Amarillo was elected president; Bob Sims of Hereford was named president-elect; and Jim Schwertner of Schwertner was elected vice president.

Local cattle feeders elected to a one-year term on the board of directors are Dave Hopper and John Josseland.

Scott Keeling was named to a two-year term.

Mike Heard, Charles Hoover and Johnny Trotter were elected to three-year terms.

TCFA represents cattle feeders in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico, an area that produces more than 25 percent of the nation's fed beef.

Stakes rise on Bush's tax plan

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) - The political stakes are rising as Gov. George W. Bush on Friday receives the report from his blue ribbon property tax committee.

The first-term Republican governor has said he wants to provide relief from local school property taxes, which now total \$10 billion a year.

Democrats, still smarting from the loss of every statewide election this year, say he'd better.

"My own sense is that the (1998) governor's race is going to be determined ... on Bush's ability to keep his promise to eliminate the property tax as we know it," said Bill White, state Democratic Party chairman.

"He'll either succeed or fail, and I think to a large extent that's going to determine the governor's race," White said.

The governor's press secretary, Karen Hughes, said Bush took the lead in what will be a bipartisan effort to provide tax relief because he feels it's the right thing to do - not for political gain.

"He views it in Texas terms, not in political terms," Ms. Hughes said Thursday.

"I suspect many of the Democratic leaders in the Legislature have told Gov. Bush they are willing to work with him because they recognize it's important to all Texans," she said.

The Texas House is controlled by Democrats, and a Democrat is its speaker. Control of the Senate will depend on the outcome of two pending elections. But its presiding officer, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, is a Democrat.

Bush was riding high when the 1995 Legislature adopted all four of his key programs - tougher juvenile justice laws, limits on civil lawsuits, welfare reform and more local control for schools.

The day lawmakers adjourned, Bush said he would turn his attention

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Feds crack down on Lubbock firm, owner; freeze assets

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - A federal judge froze the assets of the local investment firms and their owner following a complaint that the man owes investors more than \$3 million and has only \$25,000 with which to pay them.

Robert C. Cowan must account for all assets and receipts for CS Investments Trust security sales within 10 days, according to a temporary restraining order signed by U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings.

The order prohibits Cowan or any associates of CS Investments or Cowan Asset Management Inc. from defrauding any person.

Cowan, 45, refused comment after

hearing Cummings' ruling Tuesday. SEC documents list 39 possible victims, 29 of whom live in Lubbock, with others ranging as far as Texarkana and New Mexico. The complaint claims Cowan represented CS Investments as having more than \$190 million on deposit.

Cowan owes between \$6,888 and \$474,000 to each investor in an allegedly phony fund that has operated for at least seven years, the documents stated.

A hearing on an injunction against Cowan and his firms is set for Nov. 15, said Phillip Offill Jr., a Fort Worth-based SEC attorney.

Dole to draw comfortable pension

WASHINGTON (AP) - Bob Dole won't have trouble making ends meet as he moves from 35 years of public service into involuntary retirement.

Even though he frequently invoked his humble Kansas origins as he campaigned for president, the former Senate majority leader and his wife Elizabeth have amassed a multi-million-dollar cushion.

Dole has not said yet what he plans to do in the future.

Clearly, he plans to take some time to just sort things out.

"He expects to still maintain a role in public life," campaign spokesman Nelson Warfield said Wednesday. But asked just what Dole might do, Warfield replied, "All I would say is, stay tuned."

Last week, Dole said in an interview with David Frost that he might do some work with the disabled if he lost the election.

Dole's right arm is paralyzed as a result of a World War II injury and he only has partial use of his left arm. Throughout his congressional career, he has championed the rights of the disabled.

At 73, Dole would have no problem taking it easy for a while if he wants, even making lucrative speeches here and there.

He's a year younger than former President Bush, who has seemed to enjoy the freedom that comes from being out of office and out of the news.

For a man whose family survived the Depression by moving into the basement of their home in Russell, Kan., and renting out the rest of the house, Dole and Elizabeth Dole have done quite well for themselves.

In fact, Mrs. Dole, 60, is due to resume her \$200,000-a-year job as president of the American Red Cross in January. She has been on an unpaid leave during the campaign.

Dole became eligible for a \$107,000-a-year pension when he resigned from the Senate last June 11 to campaign full time. During his campaign, he has given his monthly checks to charities.

Dole also receives a \$18,300-a-year pension from the Army, largely due to his World War II injuries in Italy.

The Doles have combined assets of about \$4 million, much of it from smart investments and careful savings.

During his three decades in Congress, Dole - a former chairman of the Senate Finance Committee - took in \$1.7 million in honoraria, more than any other member of Congress.

Until 1991, senators could pocket their speech fees.

Dole put much of his into a retirement account.

More recently, both Doles have given much of their speaking fees to charity.

Dole, as a private citizen, is no longer required to do so and his aides

have not disclosed Dole's future intentions in terms of speaking fees.

Dole also qualifies for Social Security benefits. These are paid when an individual reaches age 70 - regardless of whether he or she is still working. However, Dole so far has elected not to apply for these benefits, based on his tax returns through 1995.

The U.S. ex-president getting the highest pension is Gerald Ford, who was House Republican leader before his three years as vice president and then president. He gets roughly \$240,000 a year in combined White House and congressional pensions.

The two Doles keep their finances separate, but file joint tax returns. That has allowed Dole to take advantage of several tax shelters set up by Mrs. Dole.

She, too, has enjoyed a lucrative speaking career.

During her five years as head of the Red Cross, she has earned more than \$1 million in honoraria, giving \$500,000 to charities and putting \$300,000 into a special retirement account.

The Doles own three homes: a two-bedroom apartment in the Watergate, which Dole bought in 1972 for \$46,900; a condo apartment on the 12th floor of the Sea View Hotel in Bal Harbor, Fla., which they purchased for \$150,000 from agribusiness executive Dwayne Andreas; and Dole's childhood home in Russell.



Three car pile up

A three car pile up at the intersection of Fifteenth Street and Avenue F on Thursday sent three motorists to Hereford Regional Medical Center, two were treated and released. The third's condition was unavailable at press time. The accident occurred when a motorist collided with a stationary animal control vehicle that was waiting for a stop light to change. The impact pushed the animal control car into another vehicle, also waiting for the light to change. Police are pursuing charges against the driver who caused the accident.

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Local Roundup

Clear and cold tonight

Hereford recorded a high temperature of 56 degrees on Thursday and an overnight low of 28 degrees, KPAN radio reported this morning. Tonight, clear skies with a low temperature in the lower 30s with light northwest wind is predicted. On Saturday expect sunny skies with a high in the upper 60s and arable winds at 5-10 mph.

Tutor training workshop

The Deaf Smith County Library will hold a tutor training workshop from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday; 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 15; and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 16. If interested in learning to teach adults to read, individuals should attend the workshop. No previous experience is necessary, and there is no cost for the workshop or materials. A trainee must attend all three sessions to be certified as a Literacy Volunteer of America (LVA) and a teacher of English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL). For registration or more information, contact Rebecca Walls at 364-1206 or come by the library at 211 E. 4th Street.

Obituaries

MYRTLE IVA CONYERS

Nov. 8, 1996

Myrtle Iva Conyers, 87, died Friday at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Rix Chapel with Ray Sanders officiating. Burial will be in West Park Cemetery under direction of Rix Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Conyers was born June 22, 1909 in Dekalb. She moved to the Oklahoma Territory and graduated from high school in Idabel, Ok. She became a registered nurse. She married John E. Conyers in 1941 in Ardmore, Ok., and moved to Hereford in 1950. Her husband died in 1977. She was a homemaker and well known for babysitting.

Survivors include two sons, Bill Conyers of Dimmitt and Fred Conyers of Houston; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The family will welcome friends at the funeral home from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

LIDDIE ELLEN BENTLEY

Nov. 7, 1996

Liddie Ellen Bentley, 76, a former Deaf Smith County resident, died Thursday at Palo Duro Nursing Home in Claude.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in West Park Cemetery with Rev. H.W. Bartlett of Temple Baptist Church officiating. Burial is under direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bentley was born Dec. 8, 1919 in Rodney. She attended school

in Purdon. She married Arthur Curtis Bentley in 1938 in Corsicana. He died in 1981. She was a homemaker and member of Westway Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Gary Bentley of Amarillo and James Bentley of Tulsa, Ok.; three daughters, Evelyn Williams of Opalocka, Fla., and Bertha Sears and Barbara Southern, both of Amarillo; two brothers, John G. Patrick of Corsicana and Bill Patrick of Elkhart; three sisters, Nellie Brown and Ruth Thomas, both of Corsicana; and Minnie Bentley of Hereford; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

ALBERTO GONZALES

Nov. 7, 1996

Alberto Gonzales, 39, of Amarillo, died Thursday.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors Ivy Chapel. Officiating will be Rev. Oscar Maldonado. Burial will be in Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Gonzales was born in Hereford and was a 1975 graduate of Hereford High School. He had lived in Amarillo for 15 years. He was a cement finisher.

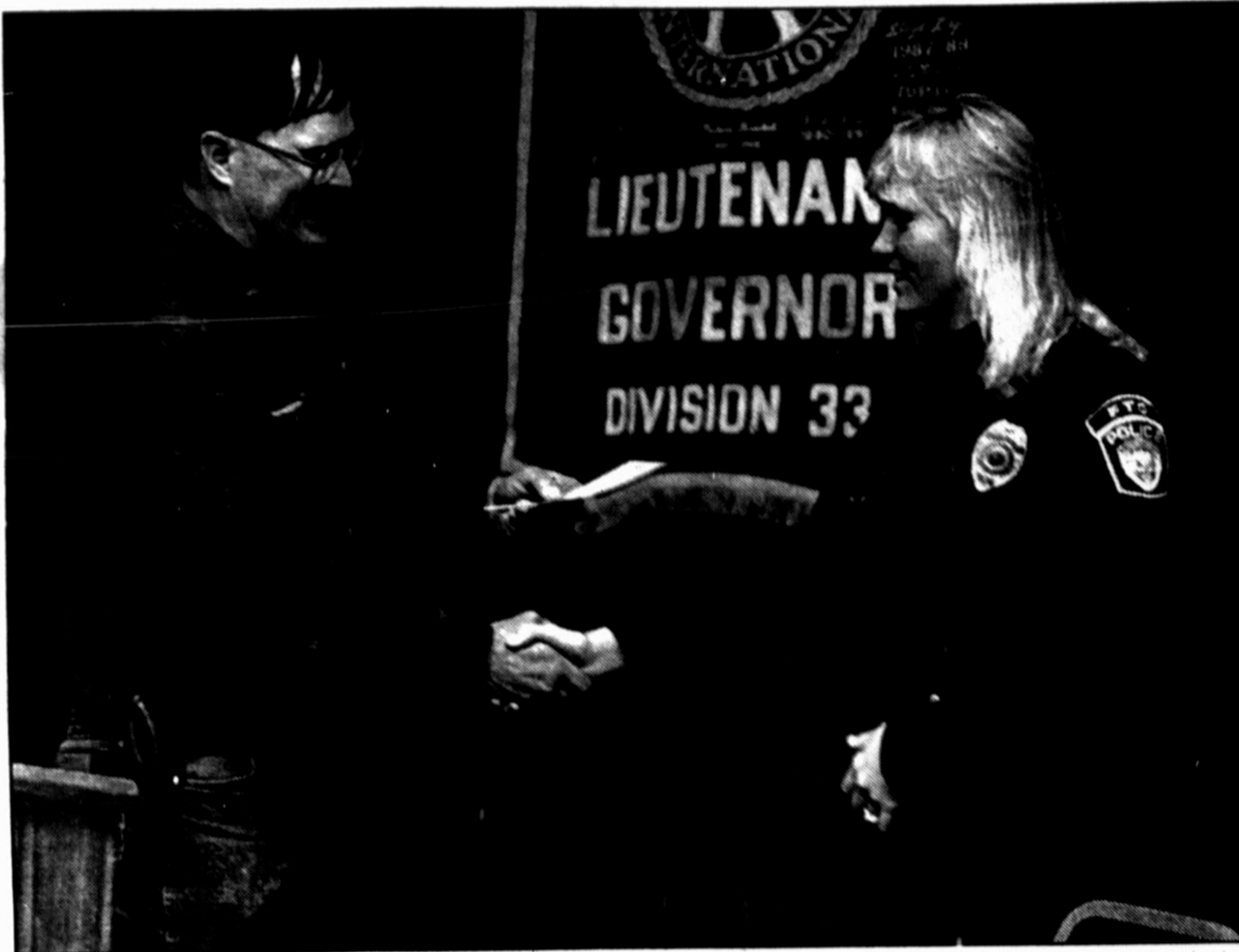
Survivors include his wife, Debbie Gonzales of the home; four daughters, Risha Gonzales, Tashina Gonzales and Marcelina Gonzales, all of Amarillo, and Nichole Gonzales of Hereford; his father, Jim Gonzales of Amarillo; two brothers, Rudy Gonzales of Amarillo and Jesse Gonzales of Muleshoe; and one sister, Linda Gonzales of Amarillo.

Committee Chairman Rob Junell, D-San Angelo, who said he would co-sponsor legislation to reduce school property taxes.

But Bush also got an inkling of how hot the issue is. State Comptroller John Sharp, widely viewed as a top Democratic prospect for governor, already has said he will offer lawmakers a tax relief plan if Bush doesn't.

White, the Democratic Party chief, said there's no doubt tax relief is needed. But he predicted that Bush won't be able to summon the political muscle to get the job done.

Some business and industry groups, always powerful lobbyists in the Legislature, oppose new business taxes.



Kiwanis Club presents DARE donation

Mike Morrison, president of the Hereford Kiwanis Club, is shown presenting Hereford Police Officer Carol Keyes with a \$150 donation to the local D.A.R.E. program. The donation was made on Thursday at the service club's regular Noon meeting at the Hereford Community Center.

Convicted killer volunteers for execution; judge sets date

KINGSVILLE, Texas (AP) - A judge has set Feb. 10 as the execution date for an inmate who wants to die for the 1987 slaying of a Kingsville college student.

Richard Brimage Jr., 40, faces lethal injection for the death of 19-year-old Mary Beth Kunkel, a former high school homecoming queen who was a freshman at Texas A&I University when she was killed Oct. 5, 1987. The school now is known as Texas A&M at Kingsville.

State District Judge Manuel Banales ruled Thursday Brimage was competent to make a decision to drop appeals. The judge set the execution for the ninth anniversary of the date of Brimage's conviction by a Comal County jury. Banales had moved the trial from Kleberg County because of pretrial publicity.

Miss Kunkel was found dead Oct. 7, 1987 in the trunk of a Cadillac parked at the Kingsville home of Brimage's parents.

Testimony showed the woman died either of strangulation or by suffocation from a sock forced down her throat. Brimage said he lured the woman to the home to rape her. Court records showed that when she put up a struggle, he also injected her with cocaine.

At the time of the slaying, Brimage was on parole after serving less than three months of a two-year term for forgery.

Brimage's capital murder conviction was reversed in 1994 by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. The court, however, early this year reversed itself, reinstating the conviction and death sentence.

In its first decision, the court said evidence used against Brimage was obtained in an illegal search of the home where Brimage lived with his parents and shouldn't have been allowed into his 1988 trial.

That evidence included the bound body of Miss Kunkel.

After the initial decision, prosecutors asked for another hearing. It was on that motion the Court of Criminal Appeals said an error was made in its ruling the police search unconstitutional.

Attorneys for Brimage contended because the house belonged to Brimage's parents, who were away on vacation, the judge lacked authority to open the home to police.

Brimage said in a written statement that he deserved to die for the crime.

Secretary of State advises successor about ups, downs

By BARRY SCHWEID
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Warren Christopher's advice to whoever takes his place as secretary of state: Don't let the ups and downs of diplomacy depress you.

"You really have to see this as a long-term endeavor. Some days are better than other days," Christopher said Thursday in an interview.

"I don't allow myself to get depressed," he said. "I am not in the business of being depressed by ups and downs."

What if it were up to him - not President Clinton - to pick his successor?

"It would be somebody who has the capacity to provide forceful leadership, someone who has great tenacity, someone who has a lot of endurance and stamina."

Christopher, 71, showed that in setting a record for travel by a

secretary of state over four years - nearly 723,000 miles - with trips to the Middle East, Europe and China still ahead before he calls it a day in January.

"It's a very, demanding and challenging job, as it ought to be," he said in his office on the seventh floor of the State Department.

"I think it demands someone who could project a policy of determination and activity without failing to be steady and calm."

Why is he leaving? "The time simply has come for someone else to pick up the baton," the self-effacing Christopher said.

Later Thursday at a White House ceremony, Clinton hailed Christopher as America's elder statesman and said he would be hard to replace. "Time and again, I have reached out to my friend for his counsel and support," the president said.

He also joked that Christopher, whose Old World manners and courtesy are well known, was the only passenger on Air Force One who ate his M&M candies with a knife and fork.

Clinton said he would solicit Christopher's advice in picking a successor and might have more to say at a news conference today.

"I owe Warren Christopher a debt that extends beyond the broad range of his responsibilities," Clinton said as they stood with Vice President Al Gore in the White House.

Seated before them were Christopher's wife, Marie, senior State Department officials and Madeleine Albright, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, who is considered a

possible successor.

"Being secretary of state is to take part in history's relay race," Christopher said. "It's been a great privilege to me to have run this challenging leg over the last four years."

Earlier, in the interview, Christopher said he was satisfied that over four years he had helped make the United States "safer and more prosperous."

Asked to list his proudest accomplishments, Christopher cited his role in promoting a ban on nuclear weapons tests and an indefinite extension of an international agreement to curb the spread of dangerous technology.

He also recalled decisions by Ukraine and Kazakhstan to surrender the nuclear weapons the Soviet Union had stored on their territory, and the attention he gave to global issues such as protecting the environment.

"Diplomacy is so much work in progress," he said. "You simply have to keep working at a job like this. I take most satisfaction at having been steady through these four years."

Clinton is expected to decide on Christopher's successor next week. Among those believed to be under consideration, in addition to Albright, are George Mitchell, the former Senate Democratic leader; Anthony Lake, the president's national security adviser; retiring Georgia Sen. Sam Nunn; and Colin Powell, the former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Helms has been critical of Talbot, considering him one who would defer to the United Nations.

Bomb victims challenge ban during trial

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - A group of Oklahoma City bombing victims today filed a legal challenge to a judge's ruling that bans some of them from the courtroom during the hearings and trials of the two suspects.

An appeal filed with the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver claims that U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch violated federal law when he ruled that victims who may testify during a penalty phase cannot attend other court proceedings.

"This ruling is wrong and its impact is so great that it must be challenged to the highest level," said a tearful Diane Leonard, whose husband, Donald, was among the 168 people killed in the April 1995 bombing. More than 500 people were injured.

Bombing suspects Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols could face the death penalty if convicted on federal murder and conspiracy charges. They will be tried separately.

Mrs. Leonard and Glenn Seidl, who lost his wife, Kathy, said they are among prosecutors' top candidates for victim impact statements - testimony by relatives during a sentencing phase on how a person's death has affected the family.

"If I am allowed to say anything that will make sure these guys get the death penalty, it will be worth it," Seidl said.

Paul Cassell, a University of Utah law professor who filed the appeal, said Matsch is mechanically applying a standard rule that bans witnesses from watching trial proceedings before they testify.

In most state courts nationwide, crime victims are allowed to watch the trial before testifying during the penalty phase.

Houston man threatens to kill president

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) - A Houston man convicted of murdering a blind girl and her grandmother now stands accused of threatening to kill the president, authorities say.

Jose Noe Martinez, 19, made the threats in a March 1995 letter sent to U.S. Rep. Kika de la Garza's office in Washington, according to testimony Thursday in the punishment phase of his trial.

A Secret Service agent testified that the letter, signed by Martinez, began: "Dear President: Me and my friend ... want to kill you, kill your wife and rape your daughter."

The letter also said Martinez wanted to blow up the White House and kill the vice president.

Federal authorities have not charged Martinez because he already has been convicted in this case, the agent testified.

Martinez was convicted of capital murder in the Feb. 19, 1995, slayings of his elderly neighbor and her 4-year-old granddaughter in Madero, a tiny town south of Mission.

Investigators said Esperanza Palomo, 68, was stabbed multiple times and raped. The child, Amanda Marie Palomo, also was stabbed several times. Amanda, who lived in Sinton but had been visiting her grandmother, was partially blind.

Martinez faces either life in prison or the death penalty. Jurors were expected to begin deliberating punishment Friday.

Hoboken will honor Sinatra

HOBOKEN, N.J. (AP) - Frank Sinatra hasn't set foot in his hometown in years, but Ol' Blue Eyes has never lost the loyalty of its residents.

The city will honor Sinatra on Sunday, when it unveils a sidewalk plaque in front of what remains of his birthplace on Monroe Street.

The city invited Sinatra, 80, but it's unlikely he'll make the trip from California. Sinatra, who last visited Hoboken in the 1980s with President Reagan, was hospitalized last week with a pinched nerve.

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Texas Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 2-24-26-34-44-46.

Estimated jackpot: \$10 million.

Number matching six of six: one.

Winning ticket(s) sold in: Lufkin.

Matching five of six: 104. Prize: \$1,769.

Matching four of six: 5,636. Prize:

\$118. Matching three of six: 107,970. Prize: \$3.

Next Lotto Texas game: Saturday night.

Estimated jackpot: \$10 million.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

0-6-2 (zero, six, two)



Straightway performs for students

Straightway performed their "In the Light" program to Hereford students on Thursday. Through music and dramatic presentations, Straightway offers students positive alternatives to drugs, alcohol and violence. Here, fourth-grade teachers and students join two members of Straightway, in the foreground, on stage. The group danced to several songs.

Lifestyles

HBA urging local participation in annual Texas Recycles Day

Hereford Beautification Alliance is urging residents of Hereford and Deaf Smith County to join other Texans on Nov. 15 for the third annual Texas Recycles Day.

On that day, every Texan is invited to begin, enhance or support a recycling program.

The average Texan throws away more than six pounds of garbage a day. And more than 22 million tons of garbage go to Texas landfills each year.

By simply recycling, we can reduce the burden on our landfills, save tax dollars, preserve our natural resources and protect our beautiful Texas landscapes.

Anyone who sends in a "Texas Recycles Day Pledge" by Nov. 14 will be entered in a drawing for many great prizes.

The grand prize is a 1996 Jeep

Wrangler donated by Steel Recycling Institute. Other prizes include a 486 Laptop Computer donated by Texas Instruments, a \$4,500 gift certificate to the Home Depot, a vacation package for four to San Antonio donated by Sea World, and five \$500 shopping sprees from H-E-B.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission suggests ten ways to celebrate Texas Recycles Day:

1. Think before you throw. Reduce. Reuse. Recycle.
2. Add new recyclable materials to your home, office or school recycling program.
3. Commit to buy and use recycled products at home and at work.
4. Conduct a Texas Recycles Day sales promotion.
5. Start a compost pile with yard trimmings and food scraps.

6. Take a youth group to visit a recycling facility or a landfill in your community.

7. Take your used motor oil and oil filters to an approved collection center.

8. Leave grass clippings on the lawn as fertilizer.

9. Allow a school to consolidate its recyclables with your workplace recycling program.

10. Conduct a training workshop on recycling or composting.

TEXAS RECYCLES DAY OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES: To enter, fill out the official pledge form, or make an old piece of paper to print your complete name, address and telephone number, and mail to the address below. One entry per person. Must be received by November 14. Pledge cards will be randomly drawn on November 15. You need not be present to win. No purchase necessary to enter. Eligibility: The contest is open to all adults 18 years of age and older except TRNCC employees (and their families), participating recycling committee members and TRNCC's contractor for public education. Void where prohibited, taxed or restricted by law. Winner will be notified by mail. All prizes are awarded from individual companies directly to contest winners. Prize must be claimed within 30 days or alternate winner will be selected. By submitting an entry, participants accept and agree to these rules and the decisions of the TRNCC, which shall be final. Prize winners will be responsible for all taxes and must sign a form releasing all of the participating companies and state agencies from liability arising from the prize. To enter or for a complete list of rules or winners, write to Texas Recycles Day, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission/CLEAN TEXAS 2000, MC113, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: Truckers, I believe, are the Lord's angels in disguise. Here's my story:

Driving west recently, my young son pulled over on a highway when he saw smoke coming from his car. Before he was out of the automobile, two truckers came running toward him with their fire extinguishers.

It turned out that the car was on fire and my son was only a few seconds away from tragedy. The truckers saved the car and probably our son's life as well. They were on their way again before our son could express his gratitude.

My husband and I shall always feel grateful to God and those truckers. I wish we could thank them personally and write to their employers. Please print this letter, Ann. I pray they will see it. -- Appreciative in N.J.

Dear N.J.: Here it is -- yet another accolade for those White Knights of the Road. If I hear from them, I'll let you know.

Dear Ann Landers: I was trying to jump-start a battery at work. The battery was mismatched, and I accidentally connected the positive end of the battery cable to the negative battery post. The whole thing exploded in my face, and I suffered burns from the battery acid. I was lucky, though, because I was wearing safety glasses. Even though the force of the explosion blew the glasses off my face, they were on when the battery acid hit, and my eyes were protected.

My accident happened at an industrial site, but the same thing can happen when people jump-start their car batteries. These explosions can shoot acid and sharp pieces of the battery in all directions. Battery explosions cause as many as 6,000 eye injuries a year.

I'm now a member of a workplace safety group sponsored by Prevent Blindness America, the nation's largest non-profit eye health and safety organization. According to PBA, nine out of 10 eye injuries are preventable.

If your readers would like more information on how to prevent blindness, or even how to safely jump-start a car battery, I recommend they call Prevent Blindness America's toll-free hotline at 1-800-331-2020 or write to them at 500 E. Remington Rd., Schaumburg, Ill. 60173-5611. -- Blake in Longview, Wash.

Dear Blake: You will never know how many people you educated today. I want to thank you on behalf of all of them.

Dear Ann Landers: Here's another seat-mate letter for you. Sylvia and I sat together at N.Y.U. when we were both working on our master's degrees, back in 1936. Class

ended at 10 p.m., and we walked to the subway 3 miles away. I gallantly put in a nickel for Sylvia at the turnstile. She took the train north, and I went in the opposite direction.

After a week or two, we would spend an hour or more on a park bench before taking our subway rides home. When my civil service job finally gave me a pay raise to \$70 a month, we were married. Sylvia and I enjoyed 34 wonderful years together and had twin boys, a doctor and a lawyer. She passed away several years ago, and I thought I could never love again. I was wrong about that.

I am now 81 and happily married for 20 years to a beautiful woman I have known since she was 5, when her aunt married my cousin. Now her aunt is my cousin, and my cousin is her uncle. It was meant to be. -- Herman from Hallandale, Fla.

Dear Herman: You are a lucky man to have been twice blessed. Thank you for sharing your story.

Hamilton gives program

Paul Hamilton spoke about his experiences carrying the Olympic flame when the American Legion and Auxiliary met in Post Home 192.

Hamilton related details of his run and displayed the torch which he carried.

Auxiliary president Patricia Robinson presided over the business meeting.

Prayer was led by Miles Caudle and the Pledge of Allegiance by Grant Hanna.

Ella Caudle was elected to fill the vacancy for chaplain of the Auxiliary.

American Legion Post 192 will host a pancake breakfast for veterans and their wives from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Veterans Day. The meal will be

served in the Post Home.

The holiday dinner for members of the Legion and Auxiliary will be held Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. Meat, bread and drinks will be furnished and members are asked to bring vegetables, salads and desserts. Also, bring a new gift for the gift shop at VA Medical Center in Amarillo.

The gift shop will be open Dec. 9 and 10, so Auxiliary members will take the new gifts on Dec. 8 to set up in the shop.

The 18th District Convention was held in Amarillo on Oct. 19 and 20 with seven from Hereford attending.

Six Hereford members attended the zone meeting in Nazareth on Oct. 24.

Texas Recycles Day Pledge

I (we) pledge to start a new recycling program...expand existing recycling activities...or support a recycling event. Please enter me (us) in the drawing to be held on Texas Recycles Day, November 15.

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Menus

HEREFORD I.S.D. Breakfast

MONDAY-French toast stix with syrup; or cereal, buttered toast, mixed fruit, milk.
 TUESDAY-Scrambled eggs,

buttered toast; or cereal, buttered toast, diced pears, chocolate milk.
 WEDNESDAY-Breakfast burrito; or cereal, buttered toast, orange wedges, milk.

THURSDAY-Little smokie, biscuit and honey; or cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, chocolate milk.
 FRIDAY-Texas style cinnamon raisin toast; or cereal, buttered toast, banana, milk.

Lunch

MONDAY-Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green peas, hot apple raisin cobbler, whole wheat roll, chocolate milk.

TUESDAY-Breaded steak patty on bun, lettuce leaves with tomato slice, tator tots with catsup, orange cream bar, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Turkey ala king, rice, cabbage apple salad, seasoned corn, Waldorf fruit salad, hot roll, chocolate milk.

THURSDAY-Nacho grande with picante sauce, lettuce with tomato bits, pinto beans, Spanish rice, sliced peaches, cowboy bread, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburger, burger salad, French fries with catsup, fresh fruit, no bake cookie, chocolate milk.

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL
 MONDAY-Stuffed baked potato, green beans, homemade bread, blueberry crisp, milk.

TUESDAY-Chicken pot pie, yams, biscuit, applesauce, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Sloppy joes, tator tots, vegetarian beans, peach cobbler, milk.

THURSDAY-Tacos, pinto beans, lettuce/tomato, cinnamon roll, milk.

FRIDAY-Smothered steak, corn, buttered potatoes, homemade bread, apple cobbler, milk.

Community center will be site of annual Westway bazaar

The annual Westway Country Christmas Bazaar will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Hereford Community Center.

Exhibitors are expected from Amarillo, Dimmitt, Pampa, Canyon and Panhandle, as well as many from Hereford.

Featured items will include wood

items, baked goods, Christmas novelties, t-shirts and jackets, Disney toys, ceramics and calligraphy.

One booth will have suckers for the youngsters.

For the convenience of the shoppers, lunch will be available -- furnished by the Deaf Smith County FCE Council.

Thanksgiving meal planned for Rebekah Lodge members

Hereford Rebekah Lodge #228 will host a Thanksgiving supper Tuesday, Nov. 12, in the I.O.O.F. Hall for members and their families.

Plans for the meal were made when the lodge met Tuesday night with noble grand Lucille Lindeman presiding.

Eleven visits, 18 cheer cards, six

Church bazaar is scheduled

An all-church bazaar at First United Methodist Church is set for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the church fellowship hall.

Booths featuring crafts, food, candy and children's activities will be open.

Lunch of King's Ranch Chicken Casserole will be served from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Cost for adults is \$5 and children under 12 eat for \$2.50.

Post 192 will serve breakfast

American Legion Post 192 will host a pancake breakfast from 6 a.m. - 9 a.m. on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, at the Post Home in Veterans Park.

All veterans and their wives are welcome to attend.

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Church News

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Hereford Brand publishes Church News items as a community service. Churches in Deaf Smith County are invited to submit information about upcoming church activities for publication in the Church News listing. Information must be submitted to the Brand offices by 5 p.m. Wednesday for the following Friday's paper. News items may be edited for length.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

You are always welcome at First Baptist Church!
Our schedule of activities includes:
Sunday
9:45 a.m.--Family Bible Study
11 a.m.--Morning worship
4 p.m.--Team Kid
4, 4:30 & 5 p.m.--Disciples College
5 p.m.--Youth

Monday

6:30 p.m.--Adult handbells
Wednesday
5:30 p.m.--Fellowship supper
6 p.m.--Children's choirs
6 p.m.--Acteans
6:15 p.m.--Prayer meeting
7 p.m.--Youth
7 p.m.--G.A.'s and Mission Friends

7:10 p.m.--Adult choir
There is room for you in each of the above areas of fellowship and ministry. There is a place for you at First Baptist Church.

CHRIST'S CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Christ's Church Fellowship would like to invite you and your family to come worship with us. Sunday School classes begin at 9:45 a.m. with the worship service and K.I.D.S. church beginning at 10:45 a.m. Pastor Bill Weaver is speaking on "How to Survive the Storm."

All ladies are invited to join Carlynn Delozier on Monday nights at 7 or Cindy Cole on Wednesday morning at 10. "The Covenant" is the lesson for both.

Each Wednesday, children grades K-4 through 6th are welcomed to Bible Club starting at 6:30 p.m. At 7 p.m. the teens meet with Jeff O'Rand for "Youth." Come grow in Christ and have a fun time.

George Keenan leads "Experiencing God" Bible study on Wednesday nights at 7.

We are preparing for the "Gift and Goodies Holiday Fair." Lots of neat Christmas gift items, baked goods of all kinds and lunch of chili and cornbread will be available. Please plan to join us for a wonderful time preparing for the joyous season of Christmas on Dec. 7.

FRIO BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Larry Perkins and the congregation of the Frio Baptist Church invite you to join them for services each Sunday and Wednesday.

Sunday School begins at 10 a.m. and is followed by worship at 11 a.m. Evening services begin with Discipleship Training at 6 which is followed by evening worship at 7. We would also like to invite you to join us and our youth minister David Splawn.

Wednesday evening prayer services begin at 7:30.

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"Roll Down, Justice, Flow On, Righteousness" is the title of the sermon by The Very Rev. Charles A. Wilson on the Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost. It is based on the Old Testament reading, Amos 5:18-24. The Holy Eucharist is celebrated at 11 a.m. and there is a coffee hour in the parish hall after the service.

Christian Education for all ages is at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday. Children and youth will meet in the Education Wing for "Living the Good News," a curriculum based on the Sunday readings in the Eucharist. The Adult Class meets in the Ruth Warner Room for the video mini-series "A.D.," covering the years A.D. 30-59 in the life of the early Church.

The regular Wednesday Public Service of Healing is at 6 p.m. with the Litany of Healing, the Laying-on-of-Hands with Holy Unction, and Holy Communion. The proper collect and readings will be those "For Stewardship of Creation."

Intercessory prayer requests from the community are most welcome. To have them included in the Prayers of the People at all services, please call 364-0146 and leave a message. In case of emergency, or to make appointments for personal conferences, please call Father Wilson in Amarillo at 353-1734.

St. Thomas' Wardens and Vestry will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

The Rev. Bernardo Martinez, Hispanic Missioner for the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas, will be our guest on Nov. 16-17. There will be an open house for Father Bernardo on Saturday evening and he will be at the Adult Class on Sunday morning. He will be the preacher and co-celebrant at the Holy Eucharist. A covered dish parish fellowship meal will follow the service.

GOOD NEWS CHURCH

400 N. 25 Mile Ave.
Sugarland Mall
Pastor David Alvarado and the Good News congregation invite you to come and worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us in the spirit of love.

Come and experience the goodness of God and His power.

Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and Wednesday services are at 7 p.m. If you have any questions or you need prayer, please call Pastor David Alvarado at 364-5239. God bless you.

FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS

The Fellowship of Believers invites you to attend services this Sunday. The Bible study class begins at 9:30 a.m. and the worship service at 10:30 a.m.

Classes for children are at 9:30 a.m. and are available through elementary ages. Nursery facilities are available during the worship service.

If you need transportation to the church services, please call 364-0359. The youth group will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

NEW HOPE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

13th and Avenue H
Pastor Eida Olivarez and congregation invite you to worship with them.

Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship is at 10:30. Evening worship is at 6 on Sunday and 7 on Wednesday.

The youth meet Friday at 7 p.m. There are monthly meetings for men and women.

New Hope Church of the Nazarene was founded by Pastor Olivarez in June 1992, right in the center of the barrio. We are reaching out to single mothers, teenagers, the elderly and lots of children.

We would like to thank all who were involved in our Vision of "expanding out to reach out." Our new addition will include four Sunday school rooms, a cry room, fellowship hall and restrooms.

We are still praying and raising funds to complete our Vision.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

1204 Moreman
Pastor Danny Parnell and the membership of Bible Baptist Church invite you to visit this week for Sunday School and worship services.

Sunday School for all ages begins at 10 a.m., with the Sunday morning worship service at 11 a.m.

Sunday night services begin at 6 p.m., while Wednesday night services are at 7.

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

The leadership and congregation of Christian Assembly welcome you to worship the Lord with us.

Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. Come, be a blessing and be blessed.

Sunday worship is at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Wednesday evening worship is at 7 p.m.

For more information, call 364-5874 or 364-0974.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The message "If Not Here, Where? If Not Now, When?" will be presented by Dr. Tom Fuller on Sunday, using the scripture lesson Matthew 14:13-21. Deloris Dowell will be featured in the pre-service music segment, and the Cherub Choir will sing "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" as the choral introit. The anthem by the Sanctuary Choir will be "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes." Lisa Coneway, pianist, will present "Rondeau" as the offertory.

All adult Sunday school classes will meet in the church sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. for a special presentation on the stewardship theme "Launch Out Into the Deep."

Evening vespers are set for 6, also in the sanctuary.

Opening at 8 a.m., the all-church bazaar will be held in Fellowship Hall on Saturday. In addition to booths featuring crafts, food, candy and children's activities, the event will include a coffee and homemade goodies table. Lunch will be served from 12 noon until 2 p.m. Adult meals will cost \$5 and children under 12 can eat for \$2.50. The community is invited to do some early holiday shopping and enjoy a meal at the bazaar Saturday.

The Carrie Black/Naomi Hare Circle will meet in Ward Parlor at 10 a.m. Wednesday. The Nettie Slaton Circle will meet in the home of Lois Scott, also at 10 a.m. Wednesday.

King's Manor will host the annual Founder's Day dinner in the Lamar Room at the Manor on Thursday at 7 p.m. Tickets to the dinner are \$25 and entitle persons to membership in the King's Manor Founders Association. Proceeds from the event are used to assist residents in need of financial support.

The Fun Bunch Craft Circle invites interested persons to meet with them to work on ceramics projects at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Dorman Duggan and congregation invite you to come and worship and praise with them Sunday morning.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. and the morning worship service starts at 10:30. A nursery is provided.

The Sunday evening service is at 6 and a nursery is again provided.

The Intercessory Prayer Group meets Monday night at 7 p.m.

Tuesday morning at 9:30 the Ladies Prayer Group meets.

The Wednesday service, children's church and youth group all begin at 7 p.m.

For more information or if you need prayer, call 364-8866 or 364-2423.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Pastor Ed Warren and the church congregation invite the public to all services at the church located on S. Hwy. 385 and Columbia St.

For additional information, call 364-3487.

SUMMERFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

The public is invited to attend all of the church services.

Sunday school is held at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

Transportation is available upon request.

For more information or to make arrangements for a ride, call 357-2535.

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Wesley United Methodist Church is located at 410 Irving in Hereford. Sunday School begins at 10 a.m. each Sunday morning. Worship service with Bonnie DunsWorth, pastor, begins at 11 a.m. Wesley's youth group, led by Charlene Brownlow, meets at 5 p.m. on Sunday, and the evening worship service begins at 6.

The Wesley United Methodist Men will meet at 9 a.m. this Sunday morning for their monthly meeting and breakfast. Perry Ray, the president and head cook, will be helped out by George Ochs. All the men of Wesley Methodist are encouraged to attend.

Wesley's UMW will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the church for their monthly meeting and salad supper. Instead of a program, the women will work on the Arts and Crafts show.

If you would like to attend church where the people are friendly and glad to see you, we would love to have you attend Wesley. We have activities for most age groups, and we would welcome you there.

Wesley UMC will hold its annual Christmas Arts and Crafts Show on Dec. 7 in the Community Center. Many local artists and crafters present their wares at this show. Mark your calendar for Dec. 7 and spend some time with us on that day.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

On Sunday morning at 10:30, J. Jeremy M. Grant, minister, will deliver a sermon "Tears at Death." Scriptures are: Old Testament, Genesis 37:12-35; New Testament, Rev. 14:1-3, 6-7, 12-13; Gospel, John 11:28-37.

The folks at First Presbyterian Church invite you to join us in the worship of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Come to the fellowship hall at 10:10 a.m., before worship, for food, conversation and socialization.

Church Sunday School begins at 9:15 a.m. Come one, come all. Prayer Group meets at 6 p.m. Monday.

Cherub Choir and Youth Choir will practice at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Adult Choir practices at 7:30 p.m. Youth meeting is from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday.

Little Blessings Day Care is open from 7:45 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Advent devotional material is being collected. We need your help. If you would like to add your thoughts and prayers to the season, please contact the church office.

The Hereford Ministerial Alliance is planning a community outreach event in November. This is a drama titled "Heaven's Gates and Hell's Flames." It will be performed Nov. 17-19 in the HISD Building. We need children, youth and adults to participate in this presentation. If you would like to be one of them, please contact Rev. Grant. Donations to help this evangelical event take place are also needed.

The Joy Class (our special needs class) is in need of two additional teachers. Only requirements are Love and Concern for people. If you are interested, please call Norm Smith at 364-3377.

For more information, call the church office from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at 364-2471.

WESTWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

We at Westway Baptist Church welcome you to come join us for all services. We are a church that loves the Lord and teaches His holy word.

We are small in size but our spirit is great. God has blessed Westway Baptist in so many ways.

We have Sunday School classes for all ages from nursery to adult at 9:45 a.m.

Worship services are at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Monday evening at 7 we have a weight loss program.

Our Wednesday Bible study begins at 7 p.m. We are studying "Journey of a Lifetime."

On the first and third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. we have craft classes.

Ronny Sanders is music minister and Ray Sanders is pastor.

COUNTRY ROAD CHURCH OF GOD

401 Country Club Drive
Pastor Woody Wiggins and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services and activities at the church.

The following is the regular schedule of services.

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services are conducted at 7 p.m. each Wednesday. Thursday night prayer service begins at 7 p.m.

A nursery is available.

A new book by Pastor Wiggins, "A New World Order" on the New Age Movement is available by calling the church office at 364-5390.

Pastor Wiggins said, "If you are needing a place to worship, come be with us. We are here for those who are hurting."

Our 24 hour information and prayer line is 364-5390.

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Once again we will prepare approximately 45 Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets to help the less fortunate in our community. If you would like to help, suggested items are: money (for turkeys), pastas, flour, sugar, canned meats, shortening, canned fruits and vegetables, and cereal. Please put money for turkeys in the collection basket, or bring to the church office. Food items may be left in the boxes at the church doors on the weekends of Nov. 16-17 and 23-24.

All Knights of Columbus Councils in the Amarillo Diocese will participate in a project to assist the Texas Special Olympics Program, from Nov. 10-24. A granola sports bar product will be available from KC members or call Jim Hund at 358-7787.

Baptism class will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Teachers' Lounge.

Next Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Antonian Room, R.C. Hoelscher will speak on "The Living Will," in a training time for bereavement ministers and any/all other interested persons.

St. Anthony's School cafeteria is in need of a microwave oven. Please call the parish or school office if you have a way to meet this need.

Make plans to attend the Parish Holiday Dinner at noon on Dec. 8. There will be lots of food, fun and family-type fellowship to enjoy.

BARN CHURCH

Barn Church is a non-denominational Christian ministry. Our goal is to worship God and fellowship with each other. Barn Church is for everyone that likes things a little on the country side. We'll have some singing, some preaching and maybe a testimony or two.

It's come as you are, so dust off your jeans and come on out. Bring the family and tell your friends.

Barn Church services will be held on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Services are held at the B-S Indoor Arena which is 6 miles west on FM 1058 and 2 miles north on FM 1057.

The next regular service is Nov. 21.

La Afflatus Estudio Club heard a program by Alberta Higgins on "Random Thoughts on Chaotic Times of Today" when it met Tuesday with Louise Streun as hostess.

President Mary Williamson presided over the business meeting, calling on Aileen Montgomery to lead the Club Collect.

Roxie Phipps gave the secretary and treasurer reports.

Roll call was answered by Opal Elliston, Virginia Beasley, Virginia Curtsinger, Emily Suggs, Della Stagner, Margaret Baxter, Leola Cook, Streun, Phipps, Williamson, Higgins and one visitor, Ann Suttle.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have classes for all ages. If you need a ride, please let us know. Our numbers are 364-1667 or 364-1668. Our Adult Bible class will continue the study of the book of Acts.

Morning worship is at 11. The sermon title will be "Dream of Things to Come." It is based on Daniel 7:1-14.

The next confirmation class meeting will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17.

There will be an important joint meeting between the Immanuel congregation and the Redeemer congregation on Nov. 28 at 7 p.m. The purpose of this meeting will be to make some decisions concerning the transition period and the services of the church during the vacancy. Vice president Carroll Kohl will meet with these two congregations for this important meeting.

Pastor Kirklen's last worship service with us, and confirmation of our second year students, will come on Nov. 24.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Temple Baptist Church at Avenue K and Forrest Avenue invites everyone to come worship with us Sunday.

The Sunday School classes begin at 9:45 a.m. with classes for everyone. At 11 a.m. we will have a program called "Celebrate America" in which we will honor our country and all veterans. The pastor, H. Wyatt Bartlett, will preach at this service.

At 6 p.m. the Church Training hour is held. Then at 7 p.m. we will have our evening worship service with the pastor again preaching.

Tuesday at 7 p.m. the Women on Missions will have their monthly meeting in the parlor. All women and girls are invited to come meet with them.

Wednesday evening we have United Prayer for all who need it and are still studying Psalms. The week will be Psalm 52. The Wednesday is our monthly business meeting night. The Sanctuary Choir will meet at 7:45 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF DIMMITT

This local congregation was started in 1960, although the church has been in existence since 33 A.D.

We are dedicated to the restoration of New Testament Christianity and its worship, service and life. Our desire is to be New Testament Christians. We invite you to come and study with us in this regard.

Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 10:40. Sunday evening worship is at 6. Also the youth group meets at 6 p.m. Sunday.

Wednesday Bible study is at 7 p.m. James L. Hardwick is minister. The church is located at 600 Western Circle, phone 647-5478.

HEREFORD CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

We, of the Nazarene Church, would like to invite you to join us for Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. then praise and worship and the word of God at 10:30 a.m. this Sunday. We are having baptisms this Sunday, also.

Pastor Carol will teach on "The Rock of Declaration" in Children's Church.

Youth are invited to join us for Club Paradise on Wednesday nights. Junior High Bible Study Club meets at 7:30 a.m. Thursday in the library. Fall care groups meet Sundays at 6 p.m.

A dramatic production, "Heaven's Gates and Hell's Flames," is coming Nov. 17-19. This production brings to life the realities of judgments with its rewards and punishments. The cast will be made up of local people from various churches. We hope you will attend.

Bible Study with Susie Merrick is held Tuesday from 10 a.m.-12 noon. She is teaching on "The 26 Miracles of Jesus." All ladies are welcome to attend.

Join us at Nazarene Kid's Komer on Wednesday and Friday. All kids are welcome to come and share the fun, games, movies and outings we enjoy. Call Eleise at 364-8161.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Nov. 8, the 313th day of 1996. There are 53 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 8, 1923, Adolf Hitler launched his first attempt at seizing power with a failed coup in Munich, Germany, that came to be known as the "Beer-Hall Putsch."

Ten years ago: In the Soviet Union, Vyacheslav M. Molotov, one-time aide to Josef Stalin, died at age 96. (During World War II, Molotov ordered the mass production of bottles filled with flammable liquid to be used against German tanks, giving rise to the term "Molotov cocktail.")

Five years ago: The European Community and Canada imposed economic sanctions on Yugoslavia in an attempt to stop the Balkan civil war.

One year ago: Retired Gen. Colin Powell embraced the Republican Party, but said he would not run for president or any other political office in 1996 because it was "a calling that I do not yet hear."

Today's Birthdays: Actor Norman Lloyd is 82. Actress June Havoc is 80. Actor-director Gene Saks is 75. Heart surgeon Dr. Christian Barnard is 74. Actress Esther Rolle is 74. Singer Patti LaBelle is 69. CBS newsman Morley Safer is 65. Actor Alain Delon is 61. Singer Bonnie Bramlett is 52. Singer Bonnie Raitt is 47. TV personality Mary McCormack is 45. Playboy Enterprises chairman and chief executive Christie Hefner is 44. Actress Alfre Woodard is 43. Singer-songwriter Rickie Lee Jones is 42. Singer-actor Leif Garrett is 35. Actress Courtney Thorne-Smith is 28.

Thought for Today: "Man is born to live, not to prepare for life."



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Sports



Flag football champs - 10 and under

The Eagles edged the Packers in overtime Saturday to claim the championship of the Hereford and Vicinity YMCA's 10-and-under flag football league. The game ended in a 6-6 tie and each team got four overtime plays to gain as much yardage as possible, and the Eagles outgained the Packers by 14 yards. The Eagles are: (front row, left to right) Tim Gonzales, Henry Valdez, Andrew Witkowski, Richard Rieves, Daniel Mendoza, Anthony Hayes, Terry Valdez, (back) coach Donnie Rieves, Jeremy Carruthers, Josh Schroeter, Michael Gonzales, Kenny Miller, Clay Yenser, Carlos Flores and coach Gerald Witkowski.

Longhorns face difficult task of stopping Tech's Hanspard

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - For Texas, pressure isn't traveling to favored Texas Tech on Saturday for the chance to salvage some scintilla of an otherwise disappointing season.

Pressure is facing Tech tailback Byron Hanspard.

"How do you stop Byron Hanspard?" said Longhorns linebacker Tyson King. "I don't know. It hasn't happened a lot this year. He's great. If we do a great job against Byron Hanspard, it will erase all the negatives people have said about this defense."

Actually, a victory by Texas (4-4, 3-2) would do more than that. Texas could take the inside track to the Big 12 South Division championship, partially salvaging a forgetful season in the process.

The Red Raiders (5-3, 4-2) can do

Texas one better. If Oklahoma State beats Oklahoma earlier in the day, Tech could clinch the first Big 12 South title Saturday night.

Texas won't have an easy time against Hanspard, the nation's top runner at 201 yards per game. Texas' foes have racked up a healthy 203-yard rushing average, 86th best in Division I-A. To put it in perspective, Texas' opponents collectively would rank among the top 25 teams on the ground.

That's why Hanspard, who broke 100 yards against stingy Nebraska, is so menacing to Texas.

"He's as fast as anyone and has the strength to run over you," King extolled. "He doesn't know the words 'half-speed.' Every play, he's running like he's running for the

Heisman Trophy. If we hold him to 120 yards, keep him in the low hundreds, that would probably be OK."

The Longhorns did limit Hanspard to 109 yards last season in a 48-7 Texas victory in which they dominated every facet. The Red Raiders (5-4, 4-2) have downplayed talk of revenge this week, though it obviously lies just beneath the surface.

"We're not going to overlook them," said Tech defensive end Montae Reager, who has memories of Texas' backfield tandem of Shon Mitchell and Ricky Williams combining for 218 yards and three touchdowns in 1995. "This year I can say they're not going to get 100 yards on us."

Cowboys get Williams back

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Deion Sanders' offensive workload may be decreasing now that receiver Kevin Williams is again practicing with the Dallas Cowboys.

Williams, who broke his right foot six weeks ago, began working out again Wednesday. His performance left coach Barry Switzer optimistic that Williams could play Sunday against San Francisco.

"He ran routes and caught passes like he hasn't missed a day of practice," Switzer said. "I think he can play. His conditioning will be a factor."

Williams said he expects to be back in the lineup, if he's fully healed.

"You lose (your starting job) by not performing, not by being injured, so I don't even worry about that," said Williams, who caught 11 passes for 154 yards and a touchdown before being injured.

Sanders gave up baseball to spend the off-season preparing to play receiver. Michael Irvin's five-game suspension made Sanders a starter, then he remained in the lineup when Williams went down.

But now that Irvin is back and Williams will be soon, Sanders could begin seeing the majority of his playing time as a cornerback. He's already been weaned out of the receiving rotation the last two games, although those moves were to keep

him fresh on defense.

Sanders said he didn't care who starts opposite Irvin.

"I just want to win," said Sanders, who has caught 30 passes for 372 yards and one touchdown.

Switzer said he'll wait before naming the starter.

"It's going to depend on who we are playing and who we think is best for the team," Switzer said. "I don't want to get into saying who is the starter. Both are starters. One fits one time, one fits the other time."

Sanders will be needed on defense Sunday against the 49ers and superstar receiver Jerry Rice.

Tyson finally to meet Holyfield

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer

LAS VEGAS (AP) - This was the first word promoter Don King chose to utter Thursday: Finally.

Finally doesn't tell the half of it.

Since he hit the comeback trail some 15 months ago, King's meal ticket, Mike Tyson, has bankrolled \$75 million. He has fought a total of 18 minutes, 40 seconds - or four complete rounds and parts of four others.

His first was an awkward ballet against club fighter Peter McNeeley, who was disqualified at 1:29 of the first round, but should have been arrested for fraud the moment he crossed the state line. Tyson's take: \$25 million.

The next was against a fighter

whose name and fighting style suggest he was better suited working for a record-of-the-month club: Buster Mathis Jr., TKO, 2:32, third. Tyson's take: \$5 million.

The one after that featured an Englishman who looked like Charles

Atlas but who fought like Prince Charles. Frank Bruno spent the entire walk from the dressing room to the ring crossing himself. The results (TKO, 50 seconds, third) suggested

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Herd to test Bowie's ranking

By JAY PEDEN
Sports Editor

The Dumas volleyball team, ranked seventh in Class 4A by the Texas Girls Coaches Association, made a mockery of San Angelo Lakeview's No. 10 ranking Tuesday with a 15-5, 15-1 spanking.

On Saturday, the No. 1 Hereford Lady Whitefaces will find out if El Paso Bowie's No. 6 ranking is for real. They play at 2 p.m. at Ector Junior High in Odessa.

Bowie (28-3) runs a simple but unusual offense, said coach Brenda Reeh, whose Hereford team is 28-1. She was able to obtain a videotape of Bowie's 15-12, 10-15, 15-12 win over Snyder Tuesday.

"They run a 4-2, which we haven't seen from a high school team in a long time," Herd coach Reeh said.

The 4-2 utilizes two setters, but they're always in the front row, so Bowie never has more than two eligible hitters. With Hereford's 5-1 offense, two hitters are eligible half the time, but three hitters are eligible the other half.

"They don't hit out of the middle very often; they swing from the left front or the right front," Reeh said.

Bowie's strength may be blocking. "Something that we will have to be wary of is that they've got three 5-foot-11 kids, so they have some height," Reeh said. "It'll be an

advantage to move them around a lot when we're setting. They're big, but they're not really quick."

Reeh found some weaknesses in Bowie's defenses.

"Judging from what we saw in their defense versus Snyder, there are some wide open areas we can hit into if we get to the ball," she said. "If we get to the ball late, with the size of their blockers, we could likely hit right into their blocks, so we've got to be quick and reach."

The winner of Saturday's match will play Sherman (20-11), which defeated Granbury, 18-16, 15-9, Thursday night in Fort Worth.

JV gridders finish with flourish

The Hereford junior varsity football team closed out the season with a 16-10 victory over Canyon Thursday in Canyon.

Hereford scored all 16 points in the second quarter and held on to earn the win, which salvaged a 5-5 record for the Herd.

Canyon took the early lead with a 20-yard field goal in the first quarter, but Hereford responded with its own scoring drive, capped by Jason Foster's four-yard dive and Cory Marsh's kick.

On the ensuing kickoff, Hereford's Jarred Haile smashed the Canyon kick returner, and Herd coach Joe Cabezuela compared it to the hit Henry Hernandez put on a Randall kickoff returner during a varsity game

three weeks ago. Cabezuela also said the hit lit a fire under the Herd.

"We hit them harder than they hit us," Cabezuela said. "We were the more physical team."

Hereford scored twice more in the second quarter. Edward Ruiz nailed a 37-yard field goal, then a gadget play worked perfectly for a touchdown. Pedro Hernandez threw a backwards pass to Chris Henson, and he threw a forward pass to Austin Aycock, who was wide open for a 40-yard touchdown play.

Canyon added a touchdown with

24 seconds left in the game, scoring on a 35-yard pass.

Cabezuela liked how several players made contributions to the JV's 5-5 season.

"We try to teach these kids to play varsity, and we tell them they need to step up and make plays," he said. "We had two kids (Aycock and Hernandez) who were left on the sophomore team, but they came up when the teams combined. Those two

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Flag football champs - 13 and under

The Cowboys quelled the Hurricanes, 6-0, on Saturday to win the championship of the Hereford and Vicinity YMCA's 13-and-under flag football league. The two teams were well-matched; both of their regular season games ended in 6-6 ties. The Cowboys are: (front row, left to right) Whitney Walker, Jeremiah Alejandre, Jesse Rangel, Casey Valdez, Cory Bartels, Pace Lawson, (back) coach Edward Villarreal, player Edward Villarreal, Bryan Gaitan, Scott Murphey, coach Larry Mendoza, Sammy Ellis, Derek Mendoza, Daniel Zuniga and coach Rafael Zuniga.

Rockets nudge Nuggets in OT

By The Associated Press
The Houston Rockets didn't miss Sir Charles nearly as much as the Phoenix Suns did. Charles Barkley fouled out late in regulation Thursday night, but Hakeem Olajuwon scored 12 of his 36 points in overtime as the Rockets remained unbeaten with a 110-108 win over the Nuggets in Denver. Meanwhile, in Phoenix, Barkley's former team dropped its fifth in a row, losing 103-98 to the Seattle SuperSonics.

For the Sonics, it was their first trip to Arizona to face the Suns minus Barkley. "We knew we could come in and beef up on the boards and be physical with their guys because, even when Charles isn't playing, I think he gives guys confidence to be a little more physical," Shawn Kemp said. Seattle, however, missed free throws and allowed the Suns to rally before finally putting them away. "We still made a lot of mental errors, and until we correct that, we're not going to be happy," said Kemp, who finished with 16 points before fouling out late. Gary Payton had 25 points and seven assists and made a key basket

with 1:27 left, slicing through the Phoenix defense for a layup. Payton, though declined to speak to reporters afterward. He missed seven of nine 3-point attempts as the Sonics tied a team record by attempting 33 3s. Hersey Hawkins had 24 points and 12 rebounds, and Detlef Schrempf had 17 points and 13 rebounds for the Sonics. Danny Manning had 23 points and 11 rebounds for the Suns, 0-4 for the first time in 11 years. In Thursday's other NBA games, it was Portland 95, Minnesota 94 in overtime; New York 105, Golden State 100; Atlanta 91, Sacramento 87; and Orlando 108, New Jersey 95.

BOXING

The Lord bet the other way. Tyson's take: \$30 million. The fourth was against someone in such a hurry to lay down (Bruce Seldon, TKO, 1:49, first) that if Nevada's truth-in-advertising laws had any teeth, he would have entered the ring on a mattress. Tyson's take: \$15 million. And now... Finally. Now Tyson is going to fight Evander Holyfield, who is five years past his prime and coming off his second retirement (Tyson's estimated take: \$30 million). This is the same Holyfield who had to visit the Mayo Clinic and pass an extensive battery of tests - cardiac, cervical spine, eye, neurological, shoulder - just to get the Nevada Athletic Commission to renew his boxing license. "Finally," King began the final news conference before Saturday night's fight. "Even my worst critics will have to say this is going to be something great." Not exactly. Only in a sport with no credibility could an opponent such as Holyfield be considered a step forward. Only in a sport in complete disarray could King get up and crow "Finally" as though someone else had conspired to keep Tyson from real contenders like Riddick Bowe or Lennox Lewis. Only in boxing could King have started promoting this fight while Seldon was still gawling out of the ring Sept. 7, and then started

promoting the next one two days before this one is even scheduled to take place. "Nobody need fear," King added after reeling off the names of Bowe, Lewis and several other heavyweights. "Mike Tyson will be fighting them all." He did not bother to provide specifics, but since no one other than King appeared to be paying attention, presumably details will follow when needed. For much of the news conference, Tyson either leafed through the official program for the bout or put his head down on his forearms like someone trying to catch up on his sleep. Holyfield simply stared straight ahead. Called to the microphone, finally, Holyfield thanked the Lord for the opportunity to fight again (Holyfield's estimated take: \$11 million). He has said all week his victory will be a testament to his faith, a chance to convert a nation via pay-per-view. "I'm going to change the world with this fight," he said. "He's right about one thing," Rory Holloway, Tyson's co-manager shot back. "The world is going to change. I just hope he's around Sunday morning to see it." Breaking away from his reading only temporarily, Tyson couldn't be roused to anger, humor or, for that matter, grammar.

"People have been saying things that are overextensive," he said. "We'll see how it comes out." Oddly enough, the public isn't racing to find out. As of Thursday afternoon, about 1,000 seats in the 16,325 MGM Grand Garden arena remained unsold. "Of course, that's at an average of \$800 per ticket," said Marc Ratner, executive director of the state athletic commission. For staging the bout here, Nevada receives about 4 percent of the live gate, estimated at \$13 million to \$15 million. "If the seats were 20 bucks," Ratner said, "then we'd be worried." Then again, the people in the expensive seats were yelling "Fix!" the loudest after the Seldon fiasco. And the fastest-moving segment of the pay-per-view buy so far is being reported by Cablevision, whose innovative \$9.95 per-round pricing scheme has sales up by more than 200 percent over the same point in time for the Tyson-McNeeley bout. And that fight was the best seller of all time. "I got a call from Stevie Wonder and Ray Charles," King said near the end of a presentation during which he managed to insult virtually every ethnic and racial group on hand. "Even they want to see this." The room cracked up. Even Tyson stirred. Finally.

HERD JV

kids stepped up and made plays. "Those two are the ones that come to mind," Cabezuca said, "but throughout (the season) there were all kinds of kids who stepped up." The freshman A team finished on a down note, as Canyon handed the Herd ninth-graders their only loss of the season, 14-0, Thursday in Hereford. Hereford ended up 9-1. "It was a good ballgame," Herd coach James Salinas said. "It was a game between two equal ball teams.

They just made the plays at the end. It was 0-0 with five minutes left to go, but they scored, and then they got a cheapie at the end." Canyon took a 7-0 lead with a 35-yard touchdown pass with five minutes to go. A few minutes later, Hereford was forced to go for a fourth down conversion on its own 40-yard line, but Canyon stopped it. Still, it was a 9-1 year. "I've been so proud of these kids all year long," Salinas said. "They were a very special group, and we're expecting good things still out of this bunch."

Texas' Oates, Torre share AL Manager of Year award

By JAIME ARON
AP Sports Writer
ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) - Johnny Oates had the Texas Rangers' 24 years of bad baseball looming over his head. Joe Torre had the New York Yankees fans and George Steinbrenner peering down at him. Dealing with those pressures and deflecting them from their players, both managers persevered to win their divisions. They were winners again Thursday, sharing the AL Manager of the Year award.

It was the first tie in the 14-year history of the award, which is voted on by two members of the Baseball Writers Association of America per AL city. Both had 89 total points. This time last month, Torre's Yankees had just finished beating Oates' Rangers in a first-round playoff series. New York went on to win its first World Series title since 1978. Voting was done before the playoffs.

Oates was once a backup catcher for the Yankees, and he still remembers the intense scrutiny that goes along with wearing pinstripes. Because of that, he had extra respect for the job Torre did.

"All the personal matters that he's had to go through, and The Boss (Steinbrenner) is still The Boss," Oates said. "You have to be a tough person to make it there, and I think he proved he's a tough man this year."

David Cone's aneurysm, the return of former crosstown stars Darryl Strawberry and Dwight Gooden and a flawed late-season trade with Milwaukee were just part of Torre's soap-opera season.

The loss of one brother and another brother's long wait for a heart transplant made the Brooklyn native an even more endearing figure.

"It's really magical. It's unbelievable," Torre said. "It's probably the happiest time of my life. There's a bizarre plan out there somewhere and I'm glad to be a part of it."

Oates, meanwhile, accomplished what 13 previous Texas managers couldn't: win a division title.

"I know that going into spring training next year there's one question I won't have any more," Oates said.

The Rangers no longer played like their predecessors as Oates lived up to his promise of improved pitching and defense.

This season - Oates' second in Texas - the Rangers led the majors in victories by a starting rotation (75) and in fielding. They did it without abandoning their slugging ways, setting several team records for offense. Not surprisingly, the club also drew more fans than ever before.

Many of those fans waited as long as possible to become believers. After all, it isn't easy to forget nearly a quarter-century of ineptitude.

"We had to change the attitude of our community," Oates said. "Even up until probably Sept. 1, the attitude was 'Just wait and see. The Rangers have never done it.' ... It was harder to defend ourselves against history

than it was to defend ourselves against the Seattle Mariners."

The Mariners almost caught the Rangers in September. Texas' nine-game lead on Sept. 11 was down to one within nine days, but the team eventually held on.

Torre - whom Steinbrenner hired this season on the 21st managerial change since he bought the team in 1973 - also endured a prolonged slump. The Yankees burned a 12-game lead over Baltimore to 2 1/2

games in early September.

"There were a lot of similarities," Torre said. "The big thing about our slide was the fact that it happened a little earlier. His happened so late. For him to be able to right the ship before they disappeared I thought was a great job of managing and not panicking, and I told him that."

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Texas AG: child molesters not eligible for early release; 900 imprisoned in Texas

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - Convicted child molesters can't use time credits earned for good behavior to be released early from prison, the Texas attorney general's office said in a legal opinion Thursday.

The question was raised because indecency with a child was not included on the list of crimes approved by the 1993 Legislature for which offenders were ineligible for mandatory supervision - also known as mandatory release.

Mandatory release requires the parole of convicts whose time served in prison, plus their accumulated time credits for good behavior, equals their sentence.

"The Legislature's intent is obvious," said Texas Attorney General Dan Morales. "We should keep child molesters locked up as long as possible. Our priority should be on the rights of victims, not the early release of their attackers."

Of the roughly 900 convicted child

molesters imprisoned in Texas, as many as 60 could have been eligible for parole under mandatory release guidelines because of the glitch in the law, officials said.

Wayne Scott, executive director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, had vowed to prohibit any releases while seeking an interpretation of the law from Morales' office.

"Of course, we welcome this opinion," Scott said Thursday. "It validates TDCJ's established position that these offenders are not eligible for mandatory release."

Scott said a staff attorney in the department's office of Counsel for Offenders, which represents convicts, questioned whether prison officials had erred in denying mandatory release to a Fort Worth man serving an eight-year sentence for indecency with a child.

After a review of the case, prison system attorneys ruled that the man was eligible for mandatory supervision, although he was not released.

That decision triggered a review

of other convicts serving time for the same charge, Scott said.

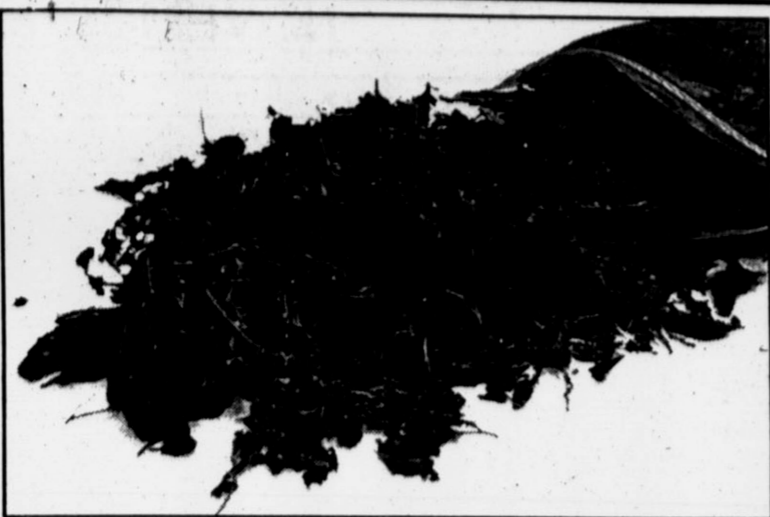
Texas Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, chairman of the Senate Criminal Justice Committee who sponsored the 1993 revisions of the penal code, said even if the crime of indecency with a child is not specifically included among those for which mandatory release is banned, "the legislative intent (to include it) was there. So it applies."

A 1971 court ruling found by agency attorneys, however, said that, "Every word excluded from a statute must be presumed to have been

excluded for a purpose."

The legal opinion signed by Morales, whose office is charged with interpreting state laws, said, "Where the Legislature's intent is clear, it will be given effect by the courts even to the extent of adding words to the language used by the Legislature."

Dianne Clements, president of the victims' rights group Justice For All, said, "Dan Morales and Wayne Scott have taken a huge step toward public safety, in particular, children's safety, by stopping the release of these pedophiles. This is a fantastic victory for citizens."



This one-pound bag of marijuana a year ago was confiscated by the Hereford Police Department, and is kept in an evidence lock up. Police Chief David Wagner said he doubted the owner of this "stash" intended it for medicinal purposes. "There were five of these in a duffle bag," he said.

Petition drive started to get medical marijuana on ballot

SAN MARCOS, Texas (AP) - A petition drive has been launched to get a medicinal marijuana initiative on the ballot for next May's city election at San Marcos.

The drive was started on election day by Harvey Ginsburg, a Southwest Texas State University psychology professor who was arrested on marijuana charges two years ago.

Ginsburg said he did not know how many signatures were collected on Tuesday when the drive began, but says they need 1,600 signatures to force a vote on the issue.

"We made very significant progress in getting the number of signatures we need in one day," he said. "Most of the people were incredibly positive."

The drive began with volunteers stationed at each of the 12 voting locations.

The Rev. Jim Love, pastor of Westover Baptist Church, was not happy about the volunteers attempting to get signatures at his church, one of the polling places.

Ginsburg said a confrontation developed when Love realized people were gathering up signatures on a measure to ease up on marijuana users outside the church.

"I thought we had a say in what happens on our church property, but I guess we don't," Love said. "We are a church that stands on biblical principles, and here we have a poll being taken to basically legalize marijuana right outside our front door."

A check with City Hall revealed that the petitioners had a right to be there, Love said. He said the incident will make the church rethink whether to allow voting in future elections.

The professor, who suffers from glaucoma, said the proposed ordinance would not legalize marijuana.

He said it would, however, direct police to use their discretion "to minimize the impact of marijuana laws" on people using the drug for relief from six specific medical conditions: cancer, glaucoma, AIDS, chronic pain, seizure disorders and multiple sclerosis.

Research shows marijuana is the only drug found to be effective for some patients, he said.

Ginsburg was arrested on possession of marijuana after officers found six marijuana plants growing in his home in 1994. The charge were dropped without him having to stand trial.

Voters in California and Arizona approved a measure Tuesday that will allow the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes.

"We are doing it just like they did in California," he said. "They started at the local level and worked their way up."

Ginsburg would not say whether he still smokes marijuana to relieve his glaucoma, but he told The San Antonio Express-News that his case history will be included in a book by a Harvard Medical School professor to be published by Yale University Press next year.

The proposed San Marcos ordinance would have little effect, City Attorney Mark Taylor says.

"It doesn't say they can't be arrested," he said. "It is a look-the-other way kind of ordinance."

The ordinance would apply only to city police officer, Taylor said.

"It would not bind other law enforcement agencies, like the university police, the Department of Public Safety or federal agents from enforcing the law; and it would not apply to prosecutors, because they are county officials, not city officials," Taylor said.

A local effort is the wrong way to go, San Marcos Mayor Bill Moore said.

Moore said if backers of medicinal use of marijuana want to change the law, they need to do so at the state level, as they did in California and Arizona this week.

Texas Crop Report

Heavy rains boon, bane for Texas crops

COLLEGE STATION (AP) - Heavy rains that fell early last week in the Hill Country were a welcome sight to some, but not all, according to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Most rain was concentrated in Bandera, Kimble and Gillespie Counties. However, the amount of rain received varied among and within counties.

Warren Thigpen, extension agent for Bandera County, said that most of the producers in his area welcomed the rain.

"There might have been a few small grain fields that were washed out, but most of these guys were just happy to have the rain," he said.

Thigpen said that the west end of Bandera County received seven plus inches of rain Monday morning while the east end of the county did not get any rain.

Near Utopia where the heaviest rains fell, he said that water gaps and fences were washed out, and a few roads were closed.

"We had a few problems, but no major catastrophes," Thigpen said.

Dale Brandenberger, Extension agent for Kimble County, said that the southern and eastern areas of that county received up to 12 inches of rain.

"We had severe flooding in three watershed areas on last Sunday night: the South Llano River, the Johnson Fork Creek and the James River," said Brandenberger.

He said that fences were lost, at least five homes were flooded along with numerous hunting cabins and several main highways were closed.

Brandenberger said, "One highway to Rocksprings was washed out and four bridges on county roads also were washed out."

He said that the damage to the roads and bridges in Kimble County is estimated at \$1.5 million.

Some areas of Gillespie County also received large amounts of rain and sustained damage to many small grain fields.

Bill Botard, Extension agent for Gillespie County, said that rainfall varied from four to 12 inches. Like Bandera County, most of the rain fell in the western part of the county.

"We got rain beginning late Sunday through early Monday," said Botard. "Most of it fell in the western part of the county, and it washed out fences, water gaps, there was water over the roads, and it even broke terraces."

Botard explained that many producers had already either prepared the fields for or planted small grains. The flooding washed much of that preparation away.

He said that the small grain producers will have to allow the fields to dry, replot the fields, repair the terraces and replant the grain.

"Where the rain hit, it hurt bad," Botard said.

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

PANHANDLE: adequate to short. Pastures, ranges in fair to good condition. Livestock in good condition. Wheat planting is almost over; stands are excellent. Soybean, peanut harvests nearing completion with good yields.

SOUTH PLAINS: short to adequate. Harvest of crops continued as weather allowed. Cotton, sorghum, soybeans, peanuts being harvested. Wheat planting continues. Oat planting nearing completion.

ROLLING PLAINS: short to surplus. Pastures, ranges in fair to good shape. Livestock in good condition; calves being weaned, worked, and moved to winter

quality. Fall vegetables doing well. Cotton, peanuts being harvested.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: short. Pastures, ranges, small grain fields are green, but need more rain. Peanut harvest nearing completion with bumper yields being reported. Harvesting winter vegetables.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: short to adequate. Pastures, ranges continue excellent growth following rains this week. Cotton, wheat in very poor to excellent condition. Armyworms still a problem in wheat. Sorghum harvest almost complete.

CENTRAL TEXAS: short. Cool season forages in need of moisture. Cattle continue to be supplemented. Coastal hay harvest continues with good yields. Wheat planting continues in the Blacklands.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: short to adequate. Pastures in good condition; slowed growth due to cool temperatures. Late watermelons harvested were high

quality. Fall vegetables doing well.

NORTH TEXAS: short to surplus. Pastures improved with recent rainfall. Oats, wheat planting continues. Cotton, peanuts, pecans being harvested. Pumpkin harvest down in acreage. Pine trees being harvested at a high rate.

EAST TEXAS: short to adequate. Pasture grazing decreased; conditions favorable for good winter pasture emergence and growth. Hay harvest nearing completion. Cattle conditions good. Harvesting cool season vegetables; good sweet potato yields.

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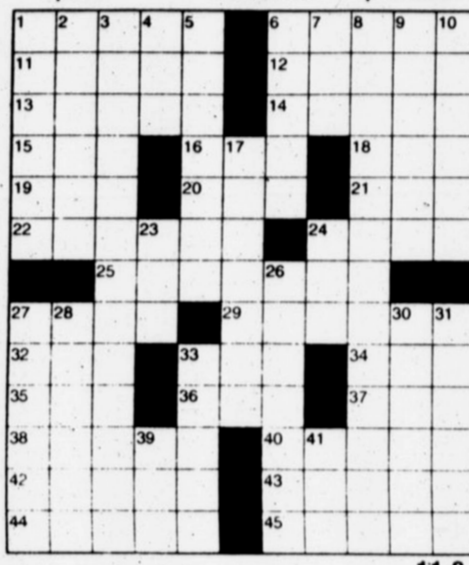
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