



School repairs

GOP leaders move close to deal On disaster-relief bill vetoed by President Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) - Prodded Trent Lott, R-Miss., said. by anxious members of their own wide.

Republican leaders on both sides party, Republican congressional of the Capitol said they hoped to leaders moved close to a deal that bring the revised legislation to the would free billions of dollars in relief floor today for quick passage and money for disaster victims nation- delivery to Clinton for his signature. That was no certainty for a bill that

The deal, which negotiators hope has divided Republicans, heightened to finalize today, would remove or partisan acrimony and prompted resolve controversial provisions in the Democrats to bring Senate action to bill but cut "by as much as one -- a standstill. One Senate Democrat third" the \$8.6 billion provided in the who has led efforts to pass disaster original package vetoed by President aid, Sen. Byron Dorgan of North Clinton, Senate Majority Leader Dakota said that despite "false starts

Retail sales show third straight drop

WASHINGTON (AP) - Retail sales fell for a third straight month in was overheating have certainly eased May, something that has not occurred with this retail sales report, and the condition the administration presents since the 1981 recession, as chilly case for a Fed tightening has Congress with its proposed method weather kept shoppers out of auto weakened," said Robert Dederick, showrooms and garden supply chief economic consultant at centers

The Commerce Department said today that sales slipped another 0.1 set a fourth consecutive record on percent last month following declines Wednesday. The average is now up of 0.9 percent in April and 0.3 percent 17.5 percent for the year and has in March.

The April drop was the biggest past five sessions. setback for sales since February 1995 and the three straight declines were retail sales report was positive with the first since consecutive drops in the inflation-sensitive bond market September through November of rallying. Higher demand for 1981, at the end of the severe 1980-81 Treasury's benchmark 30-year bond recession.

the clearest signal so far that the economy has slowed from its sizzling number of persons filing new claims 5.8 percent growth rate in the first for unemployment benefits rose by 1,000 last week 339,000 and the

The prospect of moderating growth four-week moving average of claims

"The concerns that the economy

Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. The Dow Jones industrial average gained more than 300 points in the

Initial Wall Street reaction to the pushed the yield down to 6.76 percent The setbacks in retail spending are from 6.84 percent late Wednesday. In a second report today, the

before," he was optimistic this time for conducting sampling. the matter could be settled.

There was broad bipartisan support for the aid in the original bill, which included \$5.6 billion in disaster aid for 35 states and \$1.9 billion for peacekeeping costs in Bosnia and elsewhere.

But Clinton vetoed it on Monday after Republicans did not meet his demands to remove two extraneous provisions, one that would eliminate the possibility of a government shutdown and another that bars the Census Bureau from using a sampling method that could increase the count of urban Americans.

The deal as outlined by Lott and others would remove the shutdown language from the bill with the provision that it would be taken up as separate legislation. Officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said that under one idea being discussed, Republicans would remove the census language from the bill on

MIXED NEWSPARERS

Republicans say sampling may be unconstitutional and could significantly raise populations in traditionally Democratic areas. The bureau says sampling is far cheaper and more accurate than trying to count every head.

The GOP leadership had little choice but to meet most of the administration's demands after 20 Republican moderates, led by Rep. Michael Castle, R-Del., wrote a letter to House Speaker Newt Gingrich Wednesday urging him to remove the census and shutdown items from the

"These may be worthwhile priorities, but they should not come at the cost of delaying relief to those devastated in the Midwest," they wrote.

Senate Democrats have kept pressure on Republicans by blocking action on all other legislation this week and staging an all-night talk-in Tuesday to highlight the suffering of disaster victims.

DOE charges employee records altered at Pantex

stated a technician was certified to weapons systems. dismantle a nuclear depth charge, a federal probe found.

disassembly plant, the Amarillo action. Globe-News reported in Wednesday

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) - did not compromise nuclear safety Employee records have been during work on the W-55 program "purposely manipulated" at the and that the worker cited in the letter Pantex plant and in one case falsely was certified to disassemble other

Mason & Hanger has not The U.S. Department of Energy determined who falsified the records, issued a preliminary notice of said company attorney Karen violation of nuclear safety rules Richardson. She said the contractor against Mason & Hanger, the could not discuss whether any contractor at the nuclear weapons employees will face disciplinary

> Production technicians at Pantex are required to undergo numerous hours of training before they can be certified to work on a particular weapons program.

This crane was used recently in making repairs and modifications at Aikman Elementary school. Two crews of workers have been upgrading the school with one crew updating their air conditioning system while the other crew repairs the roof. The crane was used to lift heavy items to the roof of the school.

that will keep inflation under control has been a key factor behind the since mid-May. recent surge in the stock market. Investors are growing more confident that the Federal Reserve will not increase interest rates when policy-makers meet July 1-2.

climbed by 5,250, the highest level

The report on retail sales said the 0.1 percent decrease reflected a 0.2 percent decline in auto sales, the third straight decrease. Auto demand had slumped a sharp 2 percent in April and was down 1.2 percent in March.

Sales at garden supply shops and general hardware stores were down 0.6 percent in May following a 0.3 percent decrease in April.

While the nation's largest department stores reported weak sales for May compared with the same month a year ago, the government's figures showed a slight improvement in sales when compared with April this year.

Sales at general department stores were up 0.7 percent in May following a steep 1 percent drop in April.

Sales at furniture stores were up 0.6 percent in May but sales at restaurants and bars fell by 1 percent and gasoline service stations suffered a 0.7 percent drop.

The company has not been fined. The DOE launched an investigation in December after employees told the agency they were concerned about the accuracy of weapons work

proficiency records.

editions.

In a letter to Mason & Hanger, the DOE said uncertified workers performed weapons dismantlement work on the W-55 weapon, a type of nuclear depth charge.

The agency also said it had substantial evidence that worker records were altered in several cases. The letter said other records contained inaccurate and misleading information.

The investigation established that in at least one case the records maintained by you to document that a production technician was certified to perform nuclear weapon dismantlement work on the W55 program were false," the letter said

Pantex officials said the incident

"There is a requirement that every three months, they do a certain amount of work on a weapon," said Bob French, a Mason & Hanger official. "These workers that were involved had worked on this program before, but they just hadn't met that periodic work requirement."

After concerns were raised to DOE, Mason & Hanger conducted an internal audit of the program and submitted a report to the agency describing deficiencies in a program designed to ensure that only qualified and certified individuals perform nuclear weapons work.

The company has 30 days to decide if it will appeal the violation notice, said Doris Myers, manager of Mason & Hanger's internal audit and assurance division.

Dow Jones rolls to fourth straight record Wednesday

Jones Industrial Average rolled to its mild growth. fourth straight record Wednesday, as investors remained optimistic that

The Dow average rose 36.56 points to 7,575.83, closing in on the blue-chip barometer's first close above 7,500. Up 17.5 percent on the past four.

technology-heavy Nasdaq market investors were seeking those sectors turned higher in the afternoon after that haven't grown too pricey. struggling through much of the session.

NEW YORK (AP) - The Dow avote of confidence in the economy's reinforce recent signs that the The market believes the economy

keep inflation under control. is slowing, and in the meanwhile mild inflation and strong corporate profits will be good and any increase profits will further boost stock values. in interest rates will be modest," said Marshall Acuff Jr., market Α. strategist at Smith Barney, Harris 7,600-mark just one day after the Upham & Co. "Wall Street isn't too concerned about the economy."

Heavy industrial shares, which year, the average has now gained have lagged other popular sectors more than 300 points over the past such as technology and drugs, posted five sessions, setting new highs in the a strong performance for the second straight day. With popular market Broad-market indexes also edged averages closing at record highs for further into record territory. The three and four days in a row,

Analysts called the continued rise Thursday's report on retail sales will

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by an 8-to-7 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, with 1,519 up, 1,058 down and 814 unchanged.

economy may be slowing enough to

NYSE volume totaled 525.13 million shares, up slightly from the previous session.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock list rose 4.30 to 869.57, and the NYSE's composite index rose 1.74 to 453.50. It was the fourth consecutive session that both measures closed at record highs.

The Nasdaq composite index rose 6.16 to 1,407.85, and the American The day's advance also came Stock Exchange composite index rose despite uncertainty about whether 1.56 to 622.67, setting its third straight record high.

HSB celebrating 50th birthday year with several promotions

their friends to join them for lunch Saturday.

A big barbecue lunch will be 1:30 p.m. Saturday. The bank is also selecting three Millionaires For A Day this week as a feature of the birthday celebration.

Registration started Monday and continues through Friday for the "Millionaire" drawings on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The three lucky winners will earn interest at that day's rates on one million

And, while they're transacting business or registering, patrons will a vast array of fine canvasses representing some of the nation's leading artists.

Hereford State Bank was chartered and officially opened here on June 16, 1947. At the end of that first year, deposits amounted to \$1.4 million. That compares to a deposit total of \$73.8 million on Tuesday of this week, reports Craig Smith, president.

HSB was second in market share in Hereford until 1995, says Smith. According to a report by Strunk & Associates, deposits for HSB were

Hereford State Bank is celebrating \$73.7 million in June, 1995 Hendricks. its 50th birthday, and they're inviting compared to \$71.5 million for FirstBank Southwest. In June 1996, the totals were \$68.68 million for HSB and \$63.4 million for FBSW,

> Smith is the bank's eighth president. He was preceded by Jeff Carlile, Harlan Vander Zee, Russell Carver, Townsend Douglas, Jim Bob Allison, George Brumley and A.V.

Smith has been associated with the bank since Feb. 9, 1970, and he served as a vice president before assuming the president's role in September of 1981.

While many banks are outsourcing some of their bookkeeping operations, HSB is expanding its service to depositors. A huge new reader/sorter electronic marvel is now taking care of all checking and other bank transactions.

Smith also pointed out the bank has made plans for a new drive-in the time ATM machine across the street at Sampson and 2nd. It is expected to be in operation by mid-July.

The first HSB facility was located across the street from the post office, at Main and 4th Street. The bank built a new facility at Sampson and 3rd Streets and started business in that structure in December, 1956, and the structure in December, 1956, and the structure in December, 1956, and the structure is the structure in December, 1956, and the structure is the structure in December, 1956, and the structure is the s

While the late J.R. Allison was president, the bank opened the first drive-in window in Hereford. This was in 1950 and may well have been one of the first in the Panhandle. In 1977, the bank built another new facility at the same location, directly behind the old banks house on the 20,000 square

(See BANK, Page 2)

YMCA slates Tornado hits near Shamrock, '97 campaign injures at least seven people

Volunteers for the Hereford & Vicinity YMCA are making plans for the organization's annual Sustaining Contribution Campaign, June 16 through July 15. The goal for this year's drive is \$25,000.

The Hereford "Y" reaches many people each year through programs, leagues and classes, says Weldon Knabe, executive director.

Daily use of the YMCA facility ranges from 70 to 300 persons. In 1997, there will be more than 1,500 registered participants in "Y" youth programs.

Sustaining funds raised will be used to supplement the cost of youth programs and scholarships provided by the YMCA throughout the year.

"If you are not contacted by a YMCA volunteer but are interested in participating in this year's campaign," said Knabe, "please mail all contributions to the Hereford & Vicinity YMCA, 500 E. 15 St.

LELA, Texas (AP) - A tornado ripped acros Interstate 40 in the eastern Texas Panhandle on Wednesday night, overturning several vehicles and injuring at least seven people.

None of the injuries was believed serious, officials said.

Six people were admitted to a hospital in Shamrock and another to a hospital in Pampa. After the storm hit, ambulances were summoned from Shamrock, McLean and Wheeler.

Five or six tractor-trailer trucks and several cars were reported overturned.

The National Weather Service said a large tornado passed over Wheeler County, about 100 miles east of Amarillo, and touched down near the highway about 7:30 p.m.

Wheeler County sheriff's officials refused to take calls Wednesday night, saying they were too busy. A police dispatcher in nearby Shamrock

said there were "some injuries on the highway."

A woman at Shamrock General Hospital, about five miles from Lela, confirmed that tornado victims had arrived there.

"I'm not sure how many or the dollars. extent of the injuries," she said.

In adjacent Collinsworth County, sheriff's dispatcher Paula Chambers have the opportunity to enjoy a free said the damage in tiny Lela was indoor art show this week. It features serious.

"It flattened one house, it turned over several big trucks," Ms. Cha ibers said. "It's a pretty bad

storm Andy Lisle, a cashier at Midway Truck and Travel in Shamrock, said I-40 was closed in both directions. Authorities said there were more

than a dozen tornado sightings in the eastern Panhandle on Wednesday. There were no other reports of twisters touching down.

served at the bank from 11:30 a.m. to noted Smith.



CRAIG SMITH

... HSB president

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Chance of thunderstorms

Hereford recorded a high of 93 degrees Wednesday and a low of 58 this morning, reported KPAN Weather. Tonight, partly cloudy with a low around 60. West wind at 10-15 mph. Friday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms and a high in the upper 80s. West wind 10-20 mph. Chance of rain, 20 percent. Friday night, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the upper 50s. The long-range forecast calls for a chance of thunderstorms Saturday through Monday.

News Digest

REGIONAL

HUNTSVILLE - Less than six months into 1997, Texas already has set a record for executions in a single year. Convicted killer Earl Behringer Wednesday evening became the 21st condemned inmate this year put to death when he received lethal injection for killing a couple at a Tarrant County lovers' lane during a \$15 robbery.

DALLAS - State officials investigating the shooting of a teen-ager by a Marine along the Texas border say the military has denied them access to personnel and other records. "For lack of a better term, it sounds like they're circling the wagons," James Jepson, a Presidio County prosecutor, told The Dallas Morning News for today's editions.

KINGSVILLE - A few Texas towns are in fear of an economic downswing after a spokesman for the Texas National Guard announced several armories could be shut down.

DALLAS - Paul Dennis Reid told his Texas parole officers that he suffered mental problems and would kill, but was nonetheless allowed to leave the state and required to check in only once a year, according to a Dallas TV station. Station WFAA reported Wednesday night that Reid, now accused of killing five Tennessee restaurant employees in two robberies, sent threatening letters to then-Texas Gov. Ann Richards. His parole officers also warned the Secret Service that Reid threatened the president, WFAA reported.

HOUSTON - House Majority Whip Tom DeLay has banned his brother from lobbying his Washington offices after accusations that the congressman provided political favors for his brother's clients.

AUSTIN - State Comptroller John Sharp says he'd make the Legislature a place "where good ideas can become good government" if elected lieutenant governor next year. Sharp announced his candidacy for Texas' No. 2 spot on Wednesday.

NATION/WORLD

WASHINGTON - A key congressman says electronic intercepts confirm that former administration official and Democratic fund-raiser John Huang "committed economic espionage" by passing government secrets to his former Asian-based employer.

WASHINGTON - From a distance, especially a flood-ravaged distance, nobody is looking good in the struggle over disaster relief funds. It is an Washington insiders' feud, another dent in the image of government.

WASHINGTON - Anxious you'll be inundated with junk e-mail if ou give away personal information over the Internet? Don't relax yet. A new industry plan aimed at easing such privacy intrusions could have the opposite effect, privacy advocates worry.

DENVER - Timothy McVeigh's mother choked back tears as she pleaded



New Lions Club officers

The Hereford Lions Club installed new officers Wednesday. They were installed by Joe Walters, incoming District 2T-1 Governor from Friona. They will assume duties July 1. The slate of officers includes, left to right, back row: Mike Sabo, Lion Tamer; Alton Farr and Gary Billingsley, directors; Leonard

Nikkel, tail twister; Johnny Beltran, 2nd VP; and Pete Holcombe, president; front row--Beverly Harrison, secretary; Bettie Dickson, treasurer; Judy Baker, 1st VP; Bill Shore, Lion Tamer; Dicky Mason, tail twister, Stan Fry Jr., president-elect; Ernest Cadenhead, tail twister; Phil Martin, 3rd VP; and Joe Wallace, director.

White House objects to plan raising eligibility age for Medicare to 67

WASHINGTON (AP) - Joined by the nation's largest senior citizens' group, the White House is objecting to parts of a plan by Senate Republicans that would slowly raise the eligibility age for Medicare to 67 and charge \$5 for each home visit by health-care workers.

The proposal's author, Senate Finance Committee Chairman William Roth, R-Del., is briefing members of his panel this week on his ideas, which are still evolving. The committee plans to vote on the measures next week, part of Congress' work to carve the bipartisan budget-balancing agreement into law.

But a draft Roth circulated to committee members is already should await future attempts to

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the mailboxes.

to the hospital.

-- An early morning jogger was call at a store located on South Main

mistakenly reported as a suspicious street. It was a false alarm.

building was held in September, (now named First Financial Bank-1977.

Part of the desent drive-in company.

sparking criticism.

Roth would slowly raise the eligibility age for Medicare from 65 today to 67 by 2027, the same gradual increase already enacted for Social Security.

That change would produce billions of dollars in future savings for Medicare, the health-care program for the elderly whose costs are poised to skyrocket as the massive baby boom generation begins retiring in 2008

"It's a long-term issue," said Roth spokeswoman Virginia Koops. But Lawrence Haas, spokesman for the White House Office of Management and Budget, said the

administration believes that proposal

address the long-range financing problems faced by Medicare.

And the chief lobbyist of the American Association of Retired Persons, John Rother, said that without changes, people who retire at age 65 could face two years without health insurance or expensive payments to cover themselves.

"That's a real serious concern for us," he said.

The \$5 charge for visits by home to buy their own policies. health-care workers would come at a time when the government says its costs for the service, now free, are growing rapidly.

Even so, Haas said the administration believes the idea "goes beyond the spirit of the budget deal.'

And Rother said, "At \$5 a visit, it's typically a service needed for an extended period of time, so it's quite a hit on the low-income population.

In addition, Roth's draft of his plans for Medicaid omits any of the \$1.5 billion that Clinton administration and congressional budget bargainers agreed to provide to help the elderly poor pay monthly premiums for Medicare coverage.

The measures would also save about \$14 billion from Medicaid, largely by reducing reimbursements to many hospitals.

The proposals would also create a range of health-plan options for Medicare beneficiaries. These would include managed care, the current fee-for-service system and medical savings accounts, in which up to 500,000 people would get vouchers

They also would provide coverage for mammography and other new services.



LEONARD CLICK June 11, 1997 Leonard Click, 94, of Hereford died Wednesday at Westgate Nursing

for his life. His father harrated a videotape showing his son as a child, climbing into Santa's lap and playing with toy trains. After listening to McVeigh's parents, jurors were poised for today's closing arguments before they begin deliberating whether McVeigh should die by injection or spend the rest of his life in prison for the Oklahoma City bombing.

BRAZZAVILLE, Republic of Congo - A cease-fire appears to be holding in Brazzaville, where a week of fighting between rebel forces and government soldiers has left scores dead in the Republic of Congo capital.

facilities wee completed in the summer of 1970. They are positioned on the south side of the bank's lot, and there are now five windows.

Hereford State became a subsidiary of First Abilene Bankshares, Inc. in May of 1974 during Vander Zee's tenure. First Abilene Bankshares-

--Several residences in the 400

--Officers responded to an alarm

--one traffic accident in the 100

--A hit and run accident was

-Two traffic citations were issued.

--Firemen responded to a call from

FIRE DEPARTMENT

608 Union of a storage building on

block of South Lee street. An

In conjunction with the 50th year anniversary celebration, HSB directors will host a reception for local and area shareholders of First Financial Bankshares at 5 p.m. on Thursday, June 19.

shares), is a multi-bank holding

The company has approximately 2,000 shareholders with more than 60 residing in Hereford and the Panhandle area.

Current directors of HSB are Joe Artho, Tommy Barrow, Terry Bromlow, S.L. Garrison, Terry Langehennig, Rex Lee, Kenneth T. Murphy, Allen Parson, Craig Smith, Johnny Trotter, R.N. Yarbro, and Roger Williams.

Smith is chairman of the board and president, and also serves on the First Financial Bankshares board. Other HSB officers include Terry Bromlow, executive vice president; Waldo Baxter, senior vice president; Larry Alley, vice president; Jeff Brown, vice president; Steve Gilbert, senior vice president and cashier; and Madeline Rosson, vice president.

Assistant vice presidents are Nell Rhoton and Charlene Sanders, and assistant cashiers include Opal Walterscheid, Debbie Gonzalez, Debbie Holmes and Reni Mason.

Koops said Republicans would supply money for coverage, though perhaps not all \$1.5 billion, after they determine what would happen to those premiums. Those monthly payments, now \$43.80, are expected

Roth's goal "is to take care of this group of people," Koops said. "We're not sure \$1.5 billion will be necessary.'

health subcommittee approved its Medicare recipients pay their

legislation approved by two House panels this week making changes in Medicare and Medicaid and providing health-care coverage for up to half the country's 10 million uninsured children.

Both chambers plan to carve \$115 billion in savings through 2002 from Medicare, mostly by reducing payments to hospitals and doctors and

to rise by more than \$20 by 2002.

On Tuesday, the House Commerce version of the measure and included just \$600 million to help poor premiums.

Overall, Roth's proposal resembles

other health-care professionals.



Smokey fire

Hereford Volunteer Fireman Johnny Amaro sprays water into a burning storage building at a residence near the high school while Chief Jay Spain moves closer to get a better look at the blaze which caused minor damage Wednesday afternoon. It is believed childen may have accidentally started the fire.

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Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Rose Chapel of Gililland-Watson Funeral Home. Rev. J.L. Bozeman, a retired Baptist minister, will officiate. Burial will then be at Rest Lawn Memorial Park.

Mr. Click was born July 9, 1902 in Donie. He moved from White Deer to Deaf Smith County in 1920. He was a farmer and a Baptist. He married Evelyn "Donnie" Skaggs in 1926 at White Deer. She died in February of 1969. Mr. Click was remarried to Elizabeth "Lisa" Golling in 1972 at Las Vegas, Nev. She died in August of 1995.

Survivors include a step-son, Elov Valdez of Hereford; a step-daughter, Marina Houk of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and a grand-daughter, Toni Walshin of Stockton, Calif.



By The Associated Press One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$9 million.

The ticket was sold in: Fort Worth

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 9-16-30-31-43-50

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

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

> 5-1-3 (five, one, three)

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Activities reported by law --A woman thought to have overdosed on pills was reported at a block of Avenue C. were knocked enforcement agencies on Wednesday, residence in the 500 block of Avenue over. There was no damage done to **POLICE DEPARTMENT** G. Upon investigation, officers found

-A 15 year old male was taken into custody at Hereford High School for being disruptive And abusive towards a police officer.

June 11.

--A domestic disturbance was reported at a residence in the 200 block of Avenue H.

--A residence in the 600 block of Irving street filed Class "C" assault charges against a 19 year old male for making unwanted sexual advances towards two teenage girls.

--Four tires with chrome rims were stolen off a car while it was parked in the 1200 block of East New York street.

--An altercation, involving several men, was reported from a convenience store in the 500 block of South 25 Mile Avenue. No charges were filed.

--A suspicious person was reported in the 500 block of George street. The report was unfounded.

--A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 500 block of East 15th street. The report was unfounded.

--Children being to loud at a residence was reported in the 700 block of Stanton street.

-- A report of loud music in the 100 block of Avenue A.

street. --A mother reported several individual was taken by private auto children throwing gang signs at her children in the 300 block of 16th street. Officers were unable to locate reported at Main street and Hwy. 60.

the suspects. --A child custody dispute was reported at a residence in the 400 block of Paloma Lane.

Emergency Services

she was actually having a seizure.

person in the 200 block of Lawton

--A child custody dispute was fire. reported at a residence in the 400 block of Ross street.

--A gas meter that was struck by a car was reported in the 200 block of Avenue B.

--An illegally parked diesel truck was reported in the 300 block of Avenue G.

--A silent 911 call was answered from a local motel. The call was false.

--A woman reported children that threw a metal hanger at her vehicle while driving in the 200 block of Hereford Calle street.

--A Paving contractor was mistakenly reported as a suspicious person on West Park.

John Sharp says he'll run for Lt. Governor's position

AUSTIN (AP) - State Comptroller demands of the changing Texas John Sharp says he'd make the Legislature a place "where good ideas can become good government" if elected lieutenant governor next

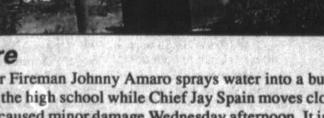
"This is the place where public policy meets the needs of ordinary Texans and makes a positive difference in our daily lives," ac said.

campaign on innovative ideas and Spindletops being born in maternity concrete proposals to meet the wards across the state."

economy

He formally announced his candidacy for Texas' No. 2 spot on Wednesday.

"The economic empires of the past were built on Texas' abundant natural resources - from cattle to cotton to crude," Sharp said. "The next Texas empire will be built on our Sharp said he will focus his human resources - all those little



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Lifestyles



Bridal shower held

Brenda Kay Dotson, bride-elect of Brian Barrett, was the honoree at a bridal shower in the home of Margaret Formby. Greeting guests were, from left, Ozia Brothers, great-grandmother of the bride-elect; Oneda Dotson, grandmother of the bride-elect; Dareathia Dotson, mother of the bride-elect; the honoree; Susan Barrett, mother of the prospective bridegroom; DeLoyce Brothers, grandmother of the bride-elect; and Miller Barrett, grandmother of the prospective bridegroom.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I thought the enclosed might give you a laugh. I don't know who wrote it, but please print it. -- Virginia in Youngstown, Ohio

Dear Virginia: It did -- and I will. Here it is.

When God passed out brains, I thought he said trains, And I missed mine. When God passed out looks, I thought he said books And didn't want any. When God passed out ears, I thought he said beers And asked for two long ones. When God passed out legs, I thought he said kegs

And asked for two fat ones. When God passed out noses, I thought he said roses And asked for a big red one. When God passed out heads, I thought He said beds And asked for a big soft one. When God passed out hips, I thought he said lips And asked for two large round ones.

God am I a mess.

Dear Ann Landers: In one of

to send an acknowledgment in order to get the check signed. Another reader pointed out that this wouldn't work because the grandkids would probably just forge the signature.

This debate was mentioned in the magazine "Modern Maturity." The author of the article, Arthur Kornhaber, said that sending checks to grandchildren was not a good idea. He said the child doesn't send a thank-you note because the money is irrelevant.

I think he's right. It would take a your columns a while back, a reader much bigger check than I can afford suggested sending unsigned checks to impress my grandchildren, so I to grandchildren in order to get their gave up sending them money years attention. She said they would be sure ago. Instead, I fly out to Texas to see them every four or five years. My last trip there did more to bring us closer han any amount of money would

Bridal shower in Formby home honors bride-elect of Barrett

Brenda Kay Dotson was held Saturday in the home of Margaret Formby

Miss Dotson is the bride-elect of Brian Barrett. The couple plans to be married July 12.

Guests were greeted by the honoree; Dareathia Dotson, her mother; Susan Barrett, her future mother-in-law; Oneda Dotson and DeLoyce Brothers, her grandmothers; Ozia Brothers, her great-grandmother; and Miller Barrett, grandmother of the prospective bridegroom.

A variety of cookies, fresh fruit and fruit punch were served from a table covered with a yellow cloth and a sheer overlay embroidered with spring flowers. A floral arrangement in shade of mauve was accented with

Students on **Dean's Lists**

Karen Manchee of Hereford has achieved Dean's List recognition for the spring 1997 semester at Wayland **Baptist University.**

Students on the Dean's List maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking a full load of course work at the university level.

Hereford students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo are listed on the Dean's List for the spring semester at the University.

Those listed include Tarabeth Holmes, an undecided major; Jacob Lopez, an accounting major; Jeremy Blain Myers, an animal science major; Heidi Lynn Ruland, an accounting major; David D. Sims, a business major; and Andrew Mark Tijerina, a kinesiology major.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

Certificate to be

A bridal shower in honor of individual baby pictures of the brideelect and future groom with meaning and scripture for each name.

A country blue card table with chairs, an assortment of hunter green towels arranged in the shape of a bridal cake filled with kitchen gadgets, and a framed 23rd Psalm were gifts from hostesses Carman Dotson, Marilyn Bell, Wilma Bryan, Johnnie Alford, Vicki Wilson, Jana

Huston, Tammy Hyer, Clara Shirley, Susie Merrick, Margaret Formby and Joyce Wells.





ocal student inducted into reading honor roll

Stephenie Jesko, an eighth grade management program. student at Hereford Junior High, has been inducted into the Accelerated **Reader International Reading Honor** Roll for the 1996-1997 school year.

The International Reading Honor Roll recognizes students who are their school's top reader in the Accelerated Reader computerized reading



STEPHENIE JESKO

Stephenie, daughter of Gerald and Wanda Jesko and granddaughter of JoAnn Jesko and Roberta Artho, won induction into the honor roll by earning 169 reading points. Students in the Accelerated Reader program earn reading points based on the reading level and difficulty of the books they have read, and the number of questions they answer correctly on the computerized book tests.

This year more than 2,000 students from schools around the world were inducted into the honor roll. Each student receives a personalized award certificate and bumper sticker, and has his or her name entered in Advantage Learning Systems' permanent record as an outstanding achiever in reading.

"More than 28,000 schools and thousands more educators are convinced of the motivational power of the Accelerated Reader. We're very proud of each student who earns a place on the honor roll," said Judith The Wall Street Journal): Business-A. Paul, chairman of Advantage Learning Systems, the firm that publishes the learning information system.

have done. I'm going to concentrate on visiting them again this year if an invitation comes my way, and it will. My daughter-in-law has already offered to pay my airfare. If she wants me that much, I had better manage to make the trip even though I am 90 years old and physically handicapped. Tell your readers that spending time together is the best way to develop a relationship with grandchildren. -- Maurine in Clearwater, Fla.

Dear Maurine: Spending time, rather than money, is a splendid idea, not only with grandchildren but with others you care about.

Your presence, rather than your resents, can mean a great deal more.

Dear Ann Landers: It has been over five months since a Brink's truck overturned in Miami and more than \$500,000 was scattered on the highway. Last I heard, \$20 has been turned in. Does that tell us something about what is happening to integrity in America? -- Mr. X Dear Mr. X: Sorry, I don't share

your cynicism. For every incident like that one, I can give you two about people who are honest.

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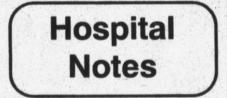
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given at tasting

Hereford CattleWomen will sponsor a Beef Tasting from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Homeland.

A Beef Certificate valued at \$25 will be given away during the afternoon.

Register for the certificate at FirstBank Southwest or Hereford State Bank.



Report from Hereford Regional Medical Center on June 12: Admitted: Nazario Cantu.

Discharged: Hilesta Graves, Billie Whitehorn.

Comprehensive coverage of local news, social events, sports and happenings in Deaf Smith County is yours ONLY in The Hereford Brand.

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DAMERON PARK NW CORNER

ROSA GARZA

Friday, June 13th

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

AQUATIC PAVILION

EMMA HOELSCHER

Friday, June 13th

6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

AQUATIC PAVILION

DORMAN FAMILY REUNION

Saturday, June 14th

10:00 am to 9:00 pm

2:00 pm to 9:00 pm

VETERAN'S PAVILION CARRASCO FAMILY Sunday, June 15th 12:00 pm to 10:00 pm

AQUATIC PAVILION EL CALVARIO CHURCH Sunday, June 15th 11:00 am to 10:00 pm

AQUATIC PAVILION REGION XVI Tuesday, June 17th 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

AQUATIC PAVILION - GLORIA HASTINGS Thursday, June 19th · 6:30 pm to 10:00 pm

Reservations are taken for a specific park location on a first come, first served basis. Reservations must be made in person at the Parks & Recreation Office at the Community Center.







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Griffey powers Seattle past Toronto, Clemens

By Associated Press

Roger Clemens escaped with a no-decision the last time Ken Griffey Jr. came to Toronto. He wasn't so

lucky this time. Griffey doubled home two runs in the seventh inning Wednesday and the Seattle Mariners beat the Blue Jays 5-1, handing Clemens his first loss after he started the season with 11 victories.

"You know Roger's going to give everything he has on the mound," said Griffey, who hit two homers earlier this season against Clemens. "You know you can't get behind because he's going to put you out of your misery if you do."

Clemens has made everyone but Griffey miserable this season. In his only no-decision, on April 26, Griffey hit two of his three homers off Clemens in a 13-8 win over the Blue Jays.

Cleveland 4, Milwaukee 3 in 11 the Tigers completed a two-game innings; the New York Yankees 7, the sweep of Oakland. Chicago White Sox 5; and Texas 9, Minnesota 6.

wins.

Rangers 9, Twins 6

Juan Gonzalez broke out of a slump with two homers, a double and three **RBIs as Texas ended a four-game losing** streak.

Ivan Rodriguez and Rusty Greer also homered for the Rangers, who matched a season high with 18 hits to tune up for tonight's first interleague game against the San Francisco Giants. Gonzalez was just 3-for-32 (.094)

in his last eight games.

John Burkett (5-5) went 6 1-3 innings for the win and John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 13th save. Scott Aldred (2-9) was the loser.

In other AL games, it was: Detroit 4, Oakland 2; Kansas City 6, Anaheim 1; Boston 10, Baltimore 1; Single capped a three-run eighth as

Doug Brocail (1-4) pitched two

scoreless innings for the win. Todd Clemens fell one victory shy of Jones pitched the ninth for his eighth setting a team record for consecutive save. Aaron Small (5-2) took the loss.

Royals 6, Angels 1

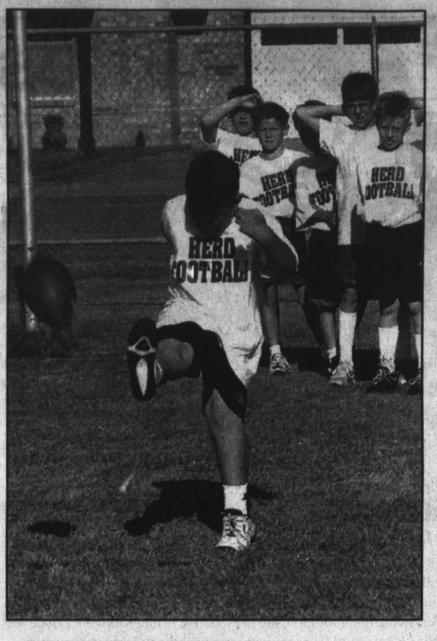
Chili Davis hit his fourth homer in five games and had three RBIs to lead Kansas City at home.

Davis doubled in two runs in the first and added his 10th homer of the season in the third for the 308th of his career - good for 70th on the all-time homer list.

Red Sox 10, Orioles 1

At Boston, Tom Gordon (4-6) came within one out of his second shutout and settled for a four-hitter as Boston won for only the third time in 12 games.

Reggie Jefferson matched his career high with four hits and drove in two runs as Boston led 8-0 after three innings.



Football competition

While other participants watch during the Whiteface summer football camp, Jarrod Gaddis punts the football during Thursday's competition. The camp is slated to end Friday.



By The Associated Press San Francisco's next game will be

unlike any in Giants' history. Or major league history, for that matter. Interleague play starts tonight with four games, beginning with San

Francisco-Texas at The Ballpark in. Arlington.

"It is pretty historic," Giants manager Dusty Baker said Wednes-day night after his team lost to Florida 6-3. "I told (starter) Mark Gardner he's going to go to the Hall of Fame tomorrow after that ballgame."

The Giants-Rangers game is scheduled to start at 8:35 p.m. EDT. Three West Coast interleague games will follow at 10:05 p.m. - Colorado at Seattle, San Diego at Anaheim and

Los Angeles at Oakland. While many players and fans are looking forward to interleague play, many others are against it.

"It's changing the tradition of the game," said Giants second baseman Jeff Kent. "It's taking a lot away from the game."

Elsewhere in the National League, it was Chicago 5, New York 4; Colorado 9, Atlanta o; Montreal 4, Philadelphia 3; Cincinnati 2, Pittsburgh 1; Los Angeles 10, Houston 5; and St. Louis 8, San Diego 3.

Rockies 9, Braves 6

At Denver, Andres Galarraga and Jeff Reed each hit two-run homers as the Colorado Rockies won consecutive home games for the first time since late May.

Galarraga had three hits and increased his RBI total to 68, tops in the majors. Reed had three hits and drove in three runs.

Fred McGriff, Chipper Jones and Eddie Perez homered for Atlanta. **Expos 4, Phillies 3**

At Montreal, Mark Grudzielanek's RBI double with two outs in the eighth gave the Expos their sixth straight victory.

F.P. Santangelo singled with one out in the eighth off Jerry Spradlin (1-3), and Mike Lansing grounded into a fielder's choice. Grudzielanek followed with a liner into the left-field corner.

Jim Bullinger (4-5) allowed three runs and six hits in eight innings. Ugueth Urbina pitched the ninth for his 10th save.

Cardinals 8, Padres 3 At San Diego, Royce Clayton's

the Dodgers defeated the Houston Astros.

Mondesi hit a three-run shot in the first off Mike Hampton (2-5) and added a two-run blast off Ramon Garcia in the seventh.

Baseball owners extend contracts of presidents

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Baseball owners gave the AL and NL presidents three-year contract extensions, and some want acting commissioner Bud Selig to stay in office, too.

"I definitely sense that," Colorado Rockies chairman Jerry McMorris, the head of the commissioner search committee, said Wednesday. "A lot of teams feel we made so much progress, he shouldn't come out."

Selig, who has been acting

commissioner since September 1992, says he doesn't want the job permanently but has refused to say definitively he won't take it. "Bud has made it clear he wants

to see the search continued," McMorris said.

Beeston would come to New York after Murray From's group purchases the Blue Jays from Interbrew NV. Baseball's ownership committee voted Wednesday to give the Blue Jays permission to let From's group examine their books.

Controversy may be settled during Thursday meeting

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - The U.S. Auto Club will meet Thursday with Indy Racing League teams in a bid to quell the controversy over the isputed finish of the True Value 500K.

Arie Luyendyk was declared the winner of Saturday's race at Texas Motor Speedway after an audit of the official scoring revealed he had not been credited with all of the laps he completed.

Billy Boat, driving for A.J. Foyt's racing team, initially was posted as the winner of the race. When Luyendyk went to the Victory Circle to protest, Foyt struck him across the head and knocked him down.

Foyt and Luyendyk have since apologized to each other.

The scoring problems were traced to malfunctioning transmitters aboard some cars.

SOMETHING HAS SURVIVED PG-13 7:00 & 9:45 VARSITY THEATER

(This week's Local Highlights and Golf activities)

WEDNESDAY SCRAMBLE WINNERS

A team composed of Steve Stevens, Terry Smith, Keith Clearman and Larry Carver scrambled to six-under-par 30 on the back nine at Pitman Municipal Golf Course Wednesday to win the weekly

scramble. Finishing second with a 31 was the team of Roy Riley, Denny Gibson, Doc Weaver and Jerry Ripley. Next at 32 was the team of L.V. Watts, Wade Easley, Jared White and Wendell Burdine. Six of the 11 teams entered finished with a 33.



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WEDNESDAYS Weekly Scramble JUNE 23.....North Texas Junior PGA Tour JULY 4-6......Hereford Open, sponsored by Coors,

Reds 2, Pirates 1

At Cincinnati, Terry Pendleton's pinch double broke a seventh-inning tie as the Reds rallied to win for the second straight game.

The Reds swept the two-game series and got their fifth victory in six games overall by getting to starter Esteban Loaiza (5-3) in the seventh after manager Gene Lamont let the pitcher hit with a runner at second and two out in the top of the inning. Loaiza struck out for the third time.

the game open, Alan Benes matched his career-high with 11 strikeouts and Tony Gwynn had his hitting streak ended at 20 games. The Cardinals had six doubles and

a triple in beating the Padres for the fourth time in six games this year. San Diego has lost nine of its last 11 home games.

Dmitri Young, hitting only .194 with runners in scoring position coming in, went 3-for-5 with three RBIs. He drove in St. Louis' first two runs on a two-out single in the first and doubled in the go-ahead run in the seventh. Dodgers 10, Astros 5

At Los Angeles, Raul Mondesi hit two homers and drove in five runs as





Illness doesn't slow Jordan as Bulls take 3-2 playoff edge

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) -Remember, he is Michael Jordan. The NBA's greatest player has done it again.

Sick in bed all day with a viral infection, so ill his teammate Scottie Pippen wondered if he could get his uniform on, Jordan took the Chicago Bulls to the brink of another NBA championship.

"Sometimes you've got to come out and do what you've got to do," Jordan said. "We wanted it real bad, and me as a leader had to do my best, and hopefully the team would have to rally around me."

Before the game, he couldn't stand up without being nauseated or dizzy. But on Wednesday night, Jordan scored 38 points, 15 in the final quarter, and led the Bulls to a 90-88 victory over Utah, sending the NBA Finals back to Chicago with the defending champions up 3-2 in the best-of-7 series.

The Bulls can win their fifth NBA title of the '90s with a victory at home Friday night.

"In the fourth quarter, I don't know how I got through that," Jordan said. "I was just trying to gut myself through it."

Even when Jordan failed, he turned it into success. After he missed the go-ahead foul shot with less than a minute to go, he scrambled for the loose ball and sank a 3-pointer that put the Bulls ahead for good 88-85 with 25 seconds to play.

Jordan called it his best perfor-

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) - Boston

Red Sox outfielder Wilfredo Cordero

threatened to kill his wife as police

arrested him after an early morning

according to court testimony.

altercation that left her nose bloodied,

An innocent plea was entered on

Cordero's behalf at his arraignment

Wednesday, when he was charged with

assault and battery, assault and battery

with a dangerous weapon and

Reds closer Jeff Brantley will be

sidelined 2-3 months following

arthroscopic surgery that found a tear

CINCINNATI (AP) - Cincinnati

mance, considering the degree of had just four points in the first quarter as Utah raced to a 13-point lead.

"I almost played myself into assing out," he said. "I came in and was almost dehydrated and it was all just to win a basketball game."

Pippen, long accustomed to Jordan's achievements, said he'd never seen his teammate so sick.

"And the effort he came out and gave us was just incredible," Pippen said.

Before the game, Chicago coach Phil Jackson worried about how much Jordan would be able to play.

"He said, 'Let me play, and I'll regulate my minutes and I'll let you know how I'm doing out there,"" Jackson said, "and he played 44 minutes. That's an amazing effort."

Jordan said his energy level was down all night, and he was on automatic in the final minutes. "Once I got in the act, I didn't

have time to think about it," he said. 'It was more or less instincts."

The Jazz, stunned by their first home loss in 24 games, had no idea Jordan wasn't feeling well. "I don't think he was sick," said

Bryon Russell, who tried to guard Jordan most of the night but left him for a double-team on the crucial 3-pointer. "Did he look sick to you guys?"

On the bench, Jordan did. In the first half, when he got a breather, sweat beaded on his head like a windshield in a rainstorm.

He seemed to pick his spots. He

The lead hit 16 before Jordan's 17 second-quarter points brought the **Bulls back**.

In the third quarter, Jordan managed just four points. Then came the fourth-quarter eruption.

At the start of the game, the Bulls' dynasty seemed on the verge of crumbling. Jordan was sick. Dennis Rodman was in trouble with the NBA front office again, this time for his anti-Mormon comments. And the Jazz fanatics were loudly anticipating crowning a remarkable home season with their biggest victory yet.

The Jazz raced to a 16-point lead early in the second quarter. But they were under no illusions that the Bulls were finished.

"When you get down like that from the start and have any competitive spirit in you, you dig in a little bit deeper and fight a little bit harder," John Stockton said.

Toni Kukoc emerged from hibernation to make 3-of-4 3-pointers. Luc Longley had 12 points on 6-for-7 shooting.

The precision offense of the Jazz, meanwhile, fell apart like a cheap watch when a victory in the Delta Center, where they had lost only three times in 51 games, would have brought them within one win of the title.

But the Jazz could not overcome Chicago's defense and their own mistakes.

Six-under-par wins scramble

Wednesday's Scramble at Pitman Municipal Golf Course was won with a six-under-par 30 on the back nine. The winning foursome was made up of Steve Stevens, Terry Smith, Keith Clearman and Larry Carver.

The runnerup spot went to a team composed of Roy Riley, Denny Gibson, Doc Weaver and Jerry Ripley with a 31. Third place, with a 32, went to the team of L.V. Watts, Wade Easley, Jared White and Wendell Burdine.

Six of the 11 teams participating Wednesday finished with a 33. The weekly scramble is open to all interested golfers, men and women. Signup for the event starts at the finish of each week's play.

Redstryout camp is set for June 19

The Cincinnati Reds will hold a tryout camp at Randall High School on June 19, according to Les Houser, scouting supervisor for the Reds.

Registration on that date will begin at 9 a.m. Houser noted that all American Legion players who wish to work out must bring written permission from the post commander or Legion coach.

Any player who is under 21 years of age must have a written release from a parent or legal guardian. In order to participate in the camp, the player must have a release of liability, not just a permission slip.

The tryout camps are also scheduled in other towns, including Lubbock, on June 20 at the Lubbock Christian University baseball field.

Goat roping set **July 4 in Dimmitt**

The Second Annual Fourth of July Championship Goat Roping contest will be sponsored again by the Dimmitt V.F.W. Post 8056.

Officials will begin accepting entries at 3:30 p.m with the entry closing time at 5 p.m. The calcutta will begain at that

time with competition set to begin at 6 p.m. sharp.



The Hereford Brand, Thursday, June 12, 1997--Page 5 Boxing hall of fame inducts **Sugar Ray Leonard June 17**

CANASTOTA, N.Y. (AP) - Young Ray Leonard was light on his feet. His passion was tumbling, flipping

and somersaults. His dream was to

come a gymnast. Luckily for Leonard - as it turned

out - few of the gyms near his home

outside Washington, D.C., had

So, like many younger brothers before him, Leonard instead followed

himself ready to be enshrined in the

International Boxing Hall of Fame on

Moon-roof, CD, leather,

8,140 miles.

Sugar Ray Leonard now finds

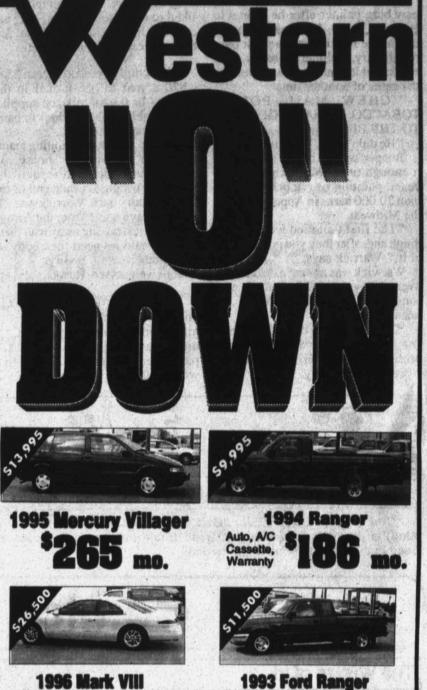
in the footsteps of a big brother.

gymnastics equipment.

June 15 along with promoter Don King, boxer Jose Torres and 10 other ring heroes.

A loophole in the five-year retirement eligibility rule allowed Leonard's election into the hall this year even though he has resumed his boxing career.

Leonard, now a 40-year-old grandfather, came out of a six-year retirement to fight Hector "Macho" Camacho in March. Camacho battered Leonard, stopping the older boxer in five rounds.



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TENNIS VIENNA, Austria (AP) - Steffi Graf's career could be in danger

following knee surgery. The surgeon who operated on her left knee - a procedure that will sideline her four to six months - said there is no guarantee she can resume playing on the tour.

Graf, winner of 21 Grand Slam events, will definitely miss the next two Grand Slam events, Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, in which she is the defending champion in both, and could be out for the year.

HALLE, Germany (AP) - Boris

Becker beat Hendrik Dreekmann 6-3, 6-4 to reach the quarterfinals of the Gerry Weber Open.

BOLOGNA, Italy (AP) Newly-crowned French Open champion Gustavo Kuerten of Brazil made a successful debut at the Carisbo clay court tennis tournament, breezing past Marcelo Charpentier of Argentina 6-1, 6-3 in a first-round match.

Moroccans Hicham Arazi and Karim Alami, seeded fifth and sixth respectively, both lost the first set

Sports Briefs

in the back of his

threatening to commit a crime.

Brantley tied the the major league leads with 44 saves last season, but has been on the disabled list twice this season with weakness in the back of his right shoulder.

HOCKEY

BASEBALL

Carolina Hurricanes extended contracts of coach Paul Maurice and three members of his staff.

The 30-year-old Maurice, who took the job in 1995, compiled a 61-72-19 record in two-plus seasons in Hartford. The Whalers missed the playoffs by two points this past season before moving to North Carolina last month. FOOTBALL

Greene was a no-show as the Carolina Panthers opened a three-day minicamp, and the team said it would fine the 1996 NFL sack leader for his absence.

Greene has been concentrating on his second job as a professional wrestler and skipped the Panthers' six-day voluntary minicamp that ended Tuesday.

ASHBURN, Va. (AP) - Just a day after being released by Tampa Bay, wide receiver Alvin Harper signed a three-year deal with the Washington Redskins that could pay him \$3.5 million

Redskins coach Norv Turner, while Turner was the Cowboys' offensive coordinator.



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Barn painting works slowly fading into history No one wants to carry on work of wandering cowboy with paintbrush

By NANCY NUSSBAUM

Associated Press Writer PLINY, W.Va. (AP) - Harley Warrick is the last of the wandering "cowboys" with paintbrushes who decorated the barns of America's eartland with giant ads for chewing tobacco.

Now his work is slowly fading into the browns and greens of the barnyards and pastures where he worked. No one, it seems, wants to carry on as a barn painter. Warrick, 72, tried to break in a

new barn painter after he retired to Belmont, Ohio, four years ago. He taught the rookie how to paint over rough, dry, splintered barns with blacks, whites and yellows to restore

the signs of another time: "CHEW MAIL POUCH TOBACCO. TREAT YOURSELF TO THE BEST."

"He didn't last," Warrick shrugs.

But perhaps the rookie didn't give it enough time. Warrick gave it 50 years, painting or retouching more than 20,000 barns in Appalachia and the Midwest.

"The first thousand were a little rough and, after that, you got the hang of it," Warrick says.

Warwick was among a dozen men over the years who fanned out, sometimes for months at a time, in teams of two.

"They were like cowboys," says Danny Fulks, a Marshall University professor who has written articles on Appalachian history.

"It's part of Americana, when things were booming," says Craig Nickerson, director of human resources for Swisher International Inc., which owns the Mail Pouch company.

It was about the turn of the century that Mail Pouch decided to paint the company's message on barns, as other businesses were doing.

"The Mail Pouch sign reminds us of a time when life was simpler," Fulks says. "Barns on the farms of long ago were social centers. Men liked to chew tobacco and cuss and drink a little whiskey. Barns lent themselves to that atmosphere."

The company paid farmers a token \$20 a year to one farmer in this hamlet - or traded tobacco supplies and magazine subscriptions to paint the side facing the road.

In 1946, one of the painting teams came to Warrick's home in Londonderry, Ohio, to repaint the Mail Pouch signs on each end of his family's dairy barn. Warrick was 21, just two days home from the Army. "I was just talking away with them

and they said we need somebody on one of our crews," he says.

Jobs were scarce. He took them up.

"I thought 'That's better than milking 27 head of Jerseys every night and morning," he says. "I didn't have any civilian clothes. I painted in my uniform in the first week until I got some clothes.'

"God Save The Queen" (or "God Save The King" when there's a King) is the national anthem of Great Britain but the same music is used in the United States for "America."



The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart HOW CAN I BE WHAT DO I LOOK LIKE, A MAGICIANT MAGIC MIRROR ON THE WALL ... THIN AND 0 1 / 30 TALLZ

states from Michigan to Missouri to New York. Another contractor painted barns in California, Oregon and Washington.

About 4,000 barns were painted in all, but they needed retouching from time to time.

Warrick painted by eye, starting at the center.

"You always started with the 'E' in CHEW," he said. The "W" followed and then the "CH."

Only one side, the side with the sign, was painted. "Once in a while, instead of

paying the farmer the lease money, we would paint the whole barn, Warrick says. At first, Warrick painted six days

a week and mixed colors in 5-gallon kegs on Sundays. He earned \$32 a week. His pickup truck would average about 90,000 miles every two years.

"You had to pay all your expenses out of that," Warrick says. "We stayed in rooming houses and cheap motels."

With a helper who filled in the black background, Warrick painted a sign in about six hours, sometimes doing two barns a day.

Barns were retouched every four or five years and Warrick could do up to five of those a day.

His first marriage ended because he was rarely home.

"The first one gave me an offer to change jobs or change wives, so we parted ways," he said. "I liked the job better than I liked her."

He remarried, had four children. and managed a five-day week.

About 10 years ago, Warrick retouched Smith McCausland's barn in this Mason County hamlet about 25 miles northwest of Charleston. It was built by McCausland's grandfather, Confederate calvary Gen. John

The yellow lettering on either end

Warrick says he has worked 13 is chipping away, while barely legible white paint has faded to gray atop warped planks. A steady train of tractor-trailer trucks kicks up dust along two-lane U.S. 35 just a few feet away.

"We'll probably never paint over it, and it will weather away," McCausland says In 1969, the Mail Pouch company

stopped repainting barns, but kept Warrick working, for the barns' historical value, until he retired.

But the end really began in 1965, when the federal Highway Beautification Act prohibited outdoor advertising

within 660 feet of a federally funded highway. Existing signs were not affected, Nickerson says, but further restrictions and costs doomed the program.

A lot of people are just letting them "Nickerson says. It's really sad. The day will come when the barns will rot and deteriorate."

McCausland, 73, says he would like the company to maintain the signs for their historical value. He says he can't do the job.

Doug Hudson, a worker on McCausland's 1,000-acre cattle and grain farm, says people stop and take pictures, especially in the summertime.

"There will always be somebody who will want one of those barns painted," Fulks says.

These days, Warrick makes small Mail Pouch barn replicas in a home workshop. Birdhouses, birdfeeders and mailboxes are big sellers.

He is working on a book. "I want to write the history on it," he said. "There's so many dang things written about them. Unless you're actually out there, you cannot get the hang of what's going on."

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20	FOX Sports	News	Cycle World		This Week in NASCAR				orado Rockies at Seattle Marin		iers
29	Kung Fu: Le	gend Cont.	Movie: Retur	n of a Man Cal	led Horse (1976) Richard Har		TIS. ***	(:45) Movie: 1	'he Missouri E	Breaks (1976) +	***
31	Doug	Rugrats	Alex Mack	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	Newhart	Odd Couple	Taxi	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke
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4	Today		Leeza		Geraldo Rivera		Sunset Beach		Days-Lives		
5	Government	Puzzle Place	Sesame Street		Station	Mr Rogers	Ir Rogers Storytime R	Reading	Arthur	Barney	Lamb Chop
6	Brady	Bewitched	Little House	on the Prairie	3's Co.	Mama	Griffith	Griffith	(:05) Matlock		Movie:
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9	BugsDaffy	Animaniacs	Bewitched	Bewitched	Empty Nest	Empty Nest	Griffith	Griffith	Geraldo Rivera		News
10	This Morning				Ricki Lake		Price Is Right		Young and the Restless		News
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Area Events

AMARILLO

The Amarillo Summer Arts and Crafts Festival will be held Saturday and Sunday in the Amarillo Civic Center.

Artists and crafters from throughout the southwest will be on hand with original art, limited edition prints and handcrafted items.

Hours for the show are Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

The American Cancer Society is offering FreshStart, a quit smoking program.

It consists of four one-hour sessions held during a two week period.

Sessions are from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. June 17, 19, 24 and 26 in the American Cancer Society office at 3915 Bell, Amarillo.

FreshStart contains all the

elements that can help smoker stop and actually stay off cigarettes. Facilitators are Marcia Baker and

annie Simmons. RSVP by June 16 to assure a spot

in the class. Call the American Cancer Society office at 806-353-4306.

DIMMITT

An evening of classic country and traditional western music is on tap for those attending "Sagebrush Sere-nade," featuring New Mexico cowboy balladeer Larry Buchanan, at the Carlile Theatre in Dimmitt at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Buchanan, nationally known for his singing and songwriting abilities, will perform original song, cowboy ballads and many of the classic country songs by artists like Eddy Arnold and Hank Williams.

numbers, including those made famous by Bob Wills. Comedy will also be featured in this familyoriented show.

Adult tickets are \$4 in advance and \$5 the day of the show. Children 5 through 11 and senior citizens pay \$3 in advance and \$4 the day of the show. Advance tickets may be purchased by calling 806-647-2091 or sending a check to the Carlile Theatre, 116 S. Broadway, Dimmitt,

CLAUDE

Armstrong County 4-H Clubs are sponsoring a craft fair in conjunction with the annual Caprock Roundup celebration in Claude on July 12.

Booth spaces are 10' x 10' and may be rented for \$20. Spaces will be located on the courthouse square.

For more information, contact In addition, he and his band will Leicia Redwine, Armstrong County also perform several western swing Extension Agent, at 806-226-3021.

Popularity of 'raspas' is no secret Summertime ice treat peddled from curbside stands

MISSION, Texas - Doused with steeped in fruit syrups, the "raspa" quenches a thirst as big as South Texas.

Peddled from curbside stands, the summertime ice treat comes in flavors you could only find in the Rio Grande Valley.

Strawberry too mundane? Try mango. Looking for something with bite? Try the sour sop. Want to take a gamble? Nobody's really saying what's in the "chamoyada" flavor.

If you believe local lore, the icy concoction, also called a snowball, can even cure a hangover. The "diablito," with its pure lemon and chili flavors, reportedly has the power to shake a headache if you've had a little too much to drink the night before.

But, most importantly, raspas can refresh at the end of a long, hot day.

"I need to have them," said Snow Hut customer Monica Valderaz, a student at the University of Texas--Pan American. "It just cools you off."

Apparently, Valderaz is not alone in her weakness for snowballs. Some raspa stands average up to 200 purchases a day. And the reason for

Inside the typical snowball stand, chili powder, laced with coconut or an air conditioner whirs and a TV plays. That's to keep the workers comfortable.

The shacks offer all the essentials a refrigerator for blocks of ice, a machine to break down the ice, and rows of bottles filled with different colored liquids.

Those bottles contain every possible color and flavor. And like a chemist in a laboratory, the raspa stand employees use them to whip up an array of unique creations.

Strawberry seems to be the most popular flavor, with other top sellers including mango, banana, blue coconut and watermelon.

Customers also can add something extra to their raspa - from ice cream, fruit or almonds, to coconut or Kool-Aid. Some businesses offer snow cones with NutraSweet for customers whose diet prohibits sugar. And businesses are always willing to combine flavors.

"You want something sour, we got it," said Jennifer Vallejo, manager of Snowball Express on Nolana in McAllen. "You want something sweet, we got it."

Here in the Valley, residents even like their cold stuff with a little spice.

certainly can't figure it out. "It just has no certain flavor," she said.

While the flavors range in color or taste, the ice is a little more basic. It usually comes two ways - shaved or crispy. The shaved version is softer, while the crispy type is a little harder on the teeth.

The type of ice makes a difference to customers.

"A lot of people come for that reason," said Vallejo of Snowball Express, which sells shaved ice.

While ice and the flavors are important, so is the cup. Snow cones traditionally were served in a paper cone. Raspas usually come in a thick, styrofoam cup. Customers use a spoon and napkin to tackle the treat.

Neither customers nor businesses miss the paper cones.

"They leak, they fall," Vallejo said. They fall by the time people cat it." Raspa sales are big business in the

Valley. Some snow cone stands gross at least \$300 a day, with sales skyrocketing on the weekend. Raspa prices range from \$1 to \$2, with extra costs for exotic flavors.

And the higher the mercury climbs on the thermometer, the more money goes into the cash register.

Lynn Gowens Oil paintings by Lynn Gowens are on display in the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce

Featured artist

offices and board room. Gowens was selected as a Featured Artist by the Chamber Women's Division. She started painting in 1970 and enjoys landscapes and florals. Gowens has taken from many different artists and workshops and has her paintings displayed and sold in seven states.

Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: Please tell me how to launder feather pillows at home. - Margaret Turner, Dallas

A soft, fresh feather down pillow is a joy to sink your head into, isn't it? I'd be happy to print the info, but first make sure the ticking on the pillow is in good shape and strong or you could have a washing machine

full of feathers! Once you've determined that the pillow is in good condition, you can proceed by washing it in the wash-

ing machine using warm water on the gentle cycle (this may take some the gentle cycle with the fullest amount of water.

Don't wash more than two pillows at a time. If needed, you can add a few towels to balance the load.

Be sure to occasionally check the pillows during the wash cycle because they may float to the top. Just give them a good dunk if this hap-

The pillows can be dried in your dryer on low heat or air setting on

time), or hang them on the clothesline in a shady area out of direct sunlight. As they are drying you will need to fluff them several times to make sure they dry evenly and completely. - Heloise

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





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that popularity is no secret.

only thing that cools (you) down more than ice cream," one customer explained to Doug McClendon, owner of Eskimo Ice on 10th Street in McAllen.

Thirsty residents should have no trouble finding a raspa in the Valley, where stands are tucked along nearly every major street.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, June 12, the 163rd day of 1997. There are 202 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On June 12, 1939, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum was dedicated in Cooperstown, N.Y., on the 100th anniversary of the day Abner Doubleday supposedly invented the sport.

Ten years ago: President Reagan, during a visit to the divided German city of Berlin, publicly challenged Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev to "tear down this wall."

Five years ago: President Bush, addressing the Earth Summit in Brazil, declared America's environmental record "second to none." In a letter to U.S. senators, Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin said the Soviet Union had shot down nine U.S. planes in the early 1950's and held 12 American survivors.

One year ago: A panel of federal judges in Philadelphia blocked a law against indecency on the Internet, saying the 1996 Communications Decency Act would infringe adults' free-speech rights. Senate Republicans overwhelmingly chose Trent Lott to succeed Bob Dole as majority leader.

Today's Birthdays: Banker David Rockefeller is 82. Actress Uta Hagen is 78. Former President George Bush is 73. Singer Vic Damone is 69. Actor-singer Jim Nabors is 67.

Thought for Today: "Whoever wants to know the heart and mind of America had better learn baseball, the rules and realities of the game." -Jacques Barzun, French-born American author.



So chamoyada is one of the most "When it's very hot, the ice is the popular flavors. It is also a source of contention among some raspa vendors. McClendon was quick to reveal the ingredients for his version of the chamoyada - lemon, salt and chili. But businesses use different ingredients for their chamoyadas, and some refuse to divulge the secret.

Other businesses wouldn't reveal more about their flavors because they don't know themselves.

Mary Garcia, who works at Snow Wiz on Business 83 in Pharr, pointed out a flavor called "sour sop." She described its taste as "between lime and I don't know what."

She then pointed to another dark-colored flavor, dubbed "Popeye." Popeye, the cartoon character, claimed, "I yam what I yam." But Popeye, the flavor, is a

"As it gets hotter, the larger sizes are in demand," McClendon said. Businesses can also count on return business, since raspas are such a Valley tradition.

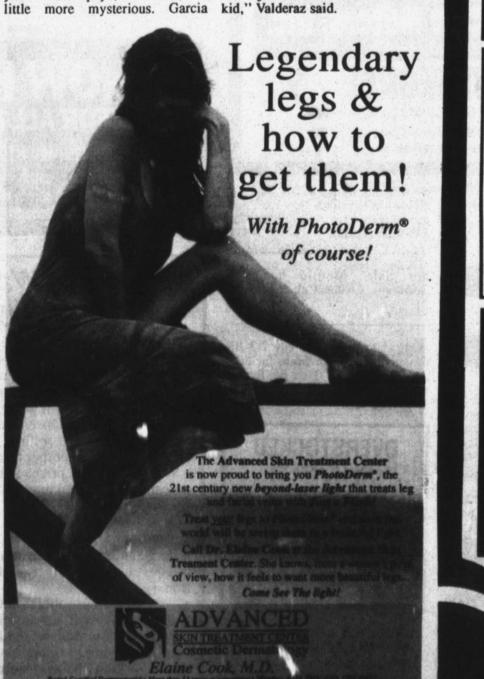
"I've had people come back three times a day," McClendon said.

Norma Guerrero and her 5-year-old daughter get snow cones twice a week, right after school.

"My mother-in-law's going to get mad because I didn't get her one,' she said recently, as she stopped by the Snow Hut on Conway Avenue in Mission.

The stands attract all sorts of customers, from senior citizens to children. Eating a snowball takes them back in time. They slurp the juice, their tongue changes color, they make a mess.

"It just makes me feel like a little



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Bids will be received until 12 noon, Thursday, June 19, 1997 in the Administration Office of Hereford Regional Medical Center, 801 East 3rd Street, Hereford Texas.

All bids will be opened at 1:30 PM of the same day at Hereford **Regional Medical Center Board** of Directors room. For a bid packet or more information,

To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 85 years of age, and I have suffered from many of the diseases you have de-scribed. Will you please discuss the problem some of us have digesting milk and milk products? My wife of 57 years has periods of painful constipation and gas, followed by sudden diarrhea. This problem

has been going on ever since I can remember. — G.S.

ANSWER: Your wife apparently has a common ailment, lactase defi-

ciency. Lactase is a digestive-tractenzyme that renders milk sugar — lactose digestible. When there is a lactase deficiency, milk sugar scoots through the digestive tract without being absorbed.

Bacteria in the tract find the sugar a delectable snack. When they ingest it, they produce gas, bloating and diarrhea. Constipation is not a com-mon complaint, however. The lactase enzyme is available in

tablet or drop form. People take some before indulging in dairy products. The drops can be added directly to milk and milk products.

In many supermarkets, you can find lactase-treated milk. The manufacturers have added the enzyme.

Many lactase-deficient people find that they can eat yogurt with impu-nity. If the label indicates it contains live bacteria, your wife can give it a try.

Let's not settle on the lactase deficiency diagnosis on our own. A doctor can test your wife for it by measuring the amount of hydrogen gas her intestinal bacteria produce after she drinks milk. If lots of hydrogen is found in her breath, then milk sugar is not being digested properly. DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I just saw

a medical report that they have a new procedure to shrink prostate glands by inserting a rod and using heat. I need to know how to find a doctor who does this procedure. -

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many men. Lasers have been em-

In the heat treatment you mention, a probe is inserted into the penis. When it reaches the prostate gland, microwave energy delivers heat to the gland and destroys the In a variation of the heat treatment, the probe is introduced into the rectum. When it reaches the prostate, microwaves are turned on to pare down the enlarged gland. Don't forget the tried and true Turp -transurethral resection of the prostate - treatment. It is still in vogue for reduction of an enlarged gland. For information on urologists employing the heat method, give your local hospital a call. Or write the National Kidney and Urological Disease Information Clearing House at 3 Information Way, Bethesda, MD

> DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Is there. any difference between the terms "brain damage" and "brain injury"?

For purists, "brain injury" implies trauma to the brain, such as getting hit on the head with a lead pipe.

"Brain damage" is a more-compre-hensive term. It includes not only trauma but all the causes of brain insults. Encephalitis, an infection of the brain, causes damage without

A magnetic resonance imaging exam produces some of the best brain pictures possible. It provides a rough estimate on the extent of damage.

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Donation

Keith Hacker, worshipful master of Hereford Masonic Lodge, presents a \$300 donation from the local lodge to Hereford Satellite Center. Accepting for the center is director, Gracie Chavez.

Record number of executions set for year as 21st inmate dies

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) - Less than six months into 1997, Texas already has set a record for execu-

tions in a single year. Convicted killer Earl Behringer Wednesday evening became the 21st condemned inmate this year put to death when he received lethal injection for for killing a couple at a Tarrant County lovers' lane during a \$15 robbery.

That topped the previous mark of 20 executions carried out in 1935 when the state used the electric chair as its method of capital punishment.

Behringer, 33, who in a lengthy final statement mentioned the Dallas Cowboys among those he wanted to thank, was punished for the Sept. 14, 1986 shooting deaths of Daniel Meyer Jr., 22, of Everman, and Meyer's fiance, Janet Hancock, 21, of Mansfield.

Texas, with 128 executions, leads so be it," Behringer said.

than one-third of all executions in the home to Jesus, then added, "I'm United States since the Supreme Court in 1976 allowed the death penalty to resume.

This year's unprecedented total stems from a combination of factors, including longtime inmates exhausting their appeals, new laws limiting appeals and court rejection of a challenge to the Texas death penalty law that contributed to a lull in executions last year.

"It's a good day to die," Behringer said, speaking firmly and quickly while strapped to the death chamber gurney. "I walked in here like a man and I am leaving a man. I had a good life.'

He thanked and expressed love to his family and friends, then turned his head to six members of his victims' families standing a few feet away and said he was sorry.

"If my death gives you any peace,

thankful to the Dallas Cowboys for giving me a lot of enjoyment these past years."

Seven minutes later, he was pronounced dead.

"It seemed like an easy death for him considering the violent way he killed Brennon and Janet," Catherine Meyer, whose son was fatally shot, said. "I'm glad it's over and we have peace of mind knowing he won't kill anyone again.

"I would characterize his attitude that somehow he would trick God into believing he was a good man. If he was a good person or a good son, God help us.

Mrs. Meyer's daughter, Anne Mason, described his comment about the Dallas Cowboys as "off the wall."

"That was bizarre," her husband, Paul, added.

The couple he was convicted of Birthdays, special days, a year-around

Winter wheat harvest projected to be 8 percent more than 1996

Agriculture Department today ated the winter wheat harvest for this year at 1.6 billion bushels, 8 percent more than last year despite fears that a late freeze would slash production.

The forecast came as producers in Texas and Oklahoma were beginning to harvest their crops. Forecasts for both states - 103.6 million and 135 million respectively - are records. The overall winter wheat harvest

in 1996 was 1.5 billion bushels. The department also projected a corn crop of 9.84 billion bushels, unchanged from last month's forecast and up from 9.29 billion bushels in 1996. If so, it would be second only to the 10.1 billion bushel crop in the

fall of 1994. The soybean harvest was forecast at 2.6 billion bushels, unchanged from the May forecast and up from 2.4 billion bushels last year.

Planting of both corn and soybeans is nearing completion, but farmers report that cool, wet weather was hampering growth.

Winter wheat, a major source of flour for breads and other baked goods, accounts for about three-quarters of all U.S. wheat production. Farmers were expected to harvest 40.8 million acres, up from 39.7 million a year ago.

Despite the increase in the winter wheat forecast, the overall wheat crop for the year is expected to be smaller because of less spring-planted wheat. Total production is projected to be 2.3 billion bushels, 1 percent less than the previous year.

Prices for all wheat are expected to be lower because of less demand and large inventories. The department projected a season price of \$3.75 a bushel, down from \$4.35 a bushel a year earlier.

If the corn crop is realized, the department forecast prices at \$2.45 a bushel, down from \$2.75 a bushel in 1996. The price for soybeans was projected to be \$6.30 a bushel, little changed from last year.

The department forecast a sorghum crop of 665 million bushels, down from 803 million in 1996, when growers switched to the grain after their wheat fields were spoiled by drought and insects. Sorghum prices were estimated to be \$2.20 a bushel,

WASHINGTON (AP) - The compared with \$2.35 a bushel a year earlier.

The latest forecast eased fears that the late freeze would curb the winter wheat harvest in western Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

The 135 million bushel forecast for Oklahoma was well above the 125 million bushel forecast in May and the 93.1 million bushel harvest in 1996. The 103.6 million bushel forecast for Texas was unchanged

from May but up from the 75.4 million bushel harvest a year earlier.

The Kansas crop is forecast to be 363.8 million bushels, up from the 342.4 million bushel forecast in May and 255.2 million bushels in 1996.

In another report, USDA estimated a record orange harvest of 12.9 million tons, up 10 percent from a year ago and 9 percent larger than the previous record of 11.8 million tons in the 1979-1980 crop year.



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the nation in carrying out capital punishment and accounts for more had been baptized and was going

He said he had confessed his sins,

Closing of National Guard armories concerns towns

Texas National Guard spokesman's announcement that the city's armory could be shut down has prompted fears of an economic downswing, city officials said.

Lt. Col. Ed Komandosky, spokesman for the Texas National Guard in Austin, also said that armories in Alice and Robstown could be closed.

Kingsville Mayor Phil Esquivel said closing the armory in his city would mean a hit to the local without crucial emergency aid in case of a hurricane or other disaster.

'The first thing I am going to do thing," Esquivel said.

members and an estimated local could become a candidate." economic impact of about \$1.7 million.

KINGSVILLE, Texas (AP) - A members and a \$700,000 economic impact on the city, while Robstown has 64 members and a \$736,000 estimated economic impact, he said. The armory in Corpus Christi, he said, will probably not be closed.

They might have to make some adjustments, but I don't think (it) will be closed," he added.

Komandosky said that closures of armories could take place as the U.S. Army budget is approved in October for the 1997-98 fiscal year.

The Army has cut about 38,000 economy and would leave residents positions from its 375,000 personnel nationally, approximately a 10 percent reduction.

"If we have to cut units and is inform my commissioners and then personnel, it may not be economically see what we can do to fight this feasible to keep some armories open," Komandosky said. "Others Komandosky said the armory in may face cuts. A small armory like Kingsville has 81 National Guard Kingsville is in danger. A small town

"I also think that it is important that the Guard remain important in as The armory in Alice has 63 many communities as possible."

killing were parked in a pickup truck in a remote area of Mansfield, just southeast of Fort Worth, when they were ambushed, gunned down and robbed of their money.

Meyer was an Army lieutenant who had been in the Corps of Cadets at Texas A&M University. His fiance was an education major at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Behringer, an Army veteran who also was attending the University of Texas at Arlington, and a companion, Scott Rouse, a high school senior, were arrested within hours.

Rouse turned himself in to police and implicated Behringer, who then was picked up while trying to sell a gun that was linked to the killings.

Rouse testified against Behringer in exchange for a 40-year prison sentence. In a taped statement to police, Rouse said Behringer "did kind of freak out," firing a 9 mm pistol at the couple after he realized he and Ms. Hancock had been classmates at Mansfield High School and that she recognized him.

Prosecutors said Behringer and Rouse, carrying the loaded 9 mm and an assault rifle, went to the deserted but popular road to harass the young couples who routinely parked there. Four condemned killers were

executed in Texas last week. Three more are set to die next week

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