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Sign of things to expect

Motorists in Hereford got a preview Thursday of what traffic will be like on 25 Mile Ave. when they were caught behind this maintenance truck which was painting temporary stripes on the road. Traffic stacked up in a single line behind the truck, something drivers will experience for the next few months as the roadway is upgraded.

Work on US-385 one of five major road projects in county

The road improvement project on 25 Mile Ave. in Hereford which began this week is only one of five major projects now underway or planned for Deaf Smith County.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is spending \$5.9 million on improvements which include the 25 Mile Ave. (U.S. 385) project, Hwy. 60 and three farm-to-market roads in the county.

Construction warning signs including lower speed limits will be posted in all of these areas and motorists are reminded that beginning Jan. 1, speeding fines will be doubled in construction zones.

The most visible project for Hereford residents is the 25 Mile Ave. reconstruction which will involve removal of the old asphalt surface, strengthening of the subgrade and installation of a new concrete surface.

In conjunction with that project the intersection of 25 Mile Ave. and Hwy. 60 will also be upgraded with installation of a new concrete surface.

Work on this intersection, the busiest in Hereford, will begin later

this summer or in the early fall. Two other projects extending east and west from this intersection are also among the planned improvements for Deaf Smith County.

Crews are already working on Hwy. 60 west of the intersection on a project which will provide a major rehabilitation, including installation of a stronger road surface and striping.

This project, which will extend to the Castro County line, is expected to be completed by October.

East of the Hwy. 60/25 Mile Ave. intersection, a project similar to that on Hwy. 60 west, will be started in late summer or early fall.

This will include a major upgrading of the road surface and new striping. It will extend to the Randall County line.

TxDOT is also completing seal coat projects for FM 1259, FM 2587 and Hwy. 214 in Deaf Smith County. These are part of the annual seal coating conducted by the state agency. It is a preventative maintenance procedure.

Construction workers from

Duininck Bros. Inc., general contractor for the project, installed traffic warning signs earlier this week on 25 Mile Ave. and on streets which intersect the busy roadway.

They also began changing lane striping on the road Thursday to allow the best flow of traffic.

Heavy equipment will move in Monday to begin removing the old asphalt surface on the outer edges of the road.

While the construction project is underway traffic, will be limited to one lane in each direction on the north-south road.

Outside lanes will get the first improvements with a concrete surface. When those lanes are complete, traffic will be switched to the new lanes and asphalt will be removed from the center portion of the road and its concrete surface installed.

Once completed the road will again be striped with five lanes, the center being a turn lane. The turn lane will not be available during the construction process.

New economic report shows inflation dead

WASHINGTON (AP) - Prices paid to producers fell for an unprecedented sixth consecutive month in June as costs declined for items from books to beef.

Today's report from the Labor Department was the latest reassurance on inflation. Not only didn't it worsen during the fastest economic growth in a decade early this year, it has literally disappeared for goods purchased by wholesalers.

"The only way to put it is inflation is dead, particularly at the wholesale level. There's no inflation to speak of. I don't think anyone's been able to say that for 30 or 35 years," said economist Mark Zandi of Regional Financial Associates of West Chester, Pa.

The report failed to provide a lift to the inflation-sensitive bond market because the good news was largely anticipated. Yields on the 30-year Treasury bond were at 6.56 percent this morning, the same as late Thursday.

Prices charged by producers edged a seasonally adjusted 0.1 percent lower last month following declines of 0.3 percent in May and 0.6 percent in April.

For the year so far, producer prices are declining at a 3.4 percent annual rate.

The longest prior string of price declines since the government began tracking producer prices in 1947 was five in a row, from August through December 1952.

Today's report was yet another piece of good news for financial markets. The Dow Jones industrial average has soared 25 percent over the past three months as inflation remains restrained.

Consumer prices have risen at just a 1.4 percent annual rate during the first five months of the year, less than half last year's rate. The June report is due next week.

Both the consumer and producer indexes have been helped this year by declining energy prices, although energy costs at the wholesale level rose 0.7 percent in June after five consecutive declines.

Food prices fell 0.9 percent last month after a 0.4 percent increase in

May. Beef and veal declined 1.5 percent as did poultry. Fish, pork, vegetable and fruit prices all decreased, with beet costs plunging 45.2 percent and blueberries, 50.6 percent.

Excluding the often volatile food

and energy sectors, prices inched 0.1 percent higher in June after two monthly declines. For the first half of the year, they've declined at a 0.3 percent annual rate after rising at a 0.6 percent rate during the last half of 1996.

Soliz resigns city commission post

Hereford City Commissioner Joe Soliz Jr. ended his brief and controversial service on the commission Thursday by submitting a one-sentence letter of resignation.

"I am resigning my position as City Commissioner, Place II, effective now," the note stated.

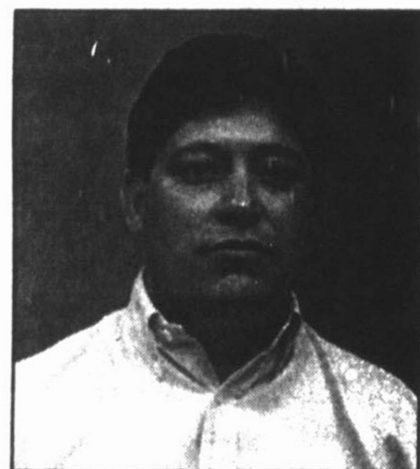
Two weeks ago, Soliz was indicted by the grand jury on a felony charge of forgery. However, in a statement to *The Brand* this morning, Soliz said "my resignation is completely irrelevant with the criminal charge, and time will show my innocence."

Soliz, a businessman and leader in the Hispanic community, was elected to the commission in May 1996 for a two-year term.

Mayor Bob Josseland and City Manager Chester Nolen were out of town this morning. Roger Eades, mayor pro-tem, said the commission will act on the resignation at its next meeting.

"The commission will discuss the situation, but I assume we will appoint someone to fill out the term, since it does not end until May 1998," said Eades. In filling other unexpired terms, the commission has invited interested persons in the district to submit their names for consideration of being appointed to the position.

Soliz said this morning that he plans to move to Amarillo "because there are more people,



JOE SOLIZ JR.

which means more opportunity for someone like me." He said his business interests here are already leased to other individuals.

"I would like to thank everyone for their support and prayers and for the hundreds of letters I've received," Soliz said. "I wish the best of luck to the people of Hereford."

The charge against Soliz stems from the allegation that he forged his father-in-law's name on a credit application used to finance a satellite system, according to Criminal DA Roland Saul. Soliz posted a \$2,500 bond.

In a previous statement, Soliz said he believes the charge against him was motivated by a "dirty divorce" and a "political witch hunt."

Bumper winter wheat crop could hit 1.78 billion bushels

WASHINGTON (AP) - Farmers will produce bumper crops of winter wheat and soybeans this year, including a winter wheat crop that is 20 percent larger than last year's, the Agriculture Department reported today.

The winter wheat forecast of 1.78 billion bushels, up 11 percent from last month's prediction, is driven by record per-acre yield of 42.8 bushels - 5.6 bushels per acre better than 1996.

The rise in production of winter wheat is led by Kansas, where the yields forecast are a full 13 bushels per acre higher than in 1996. The Kansas crop is expected to top 449 million bushels, compared to 255 million bushels last year.

Impressive winter wheat crops also are forecast in Oklahoma, where the 172.8 million bushels compares to about 93 million bushels last year, and in Texas, where the 119 million bushels projected are 43 million bushels more than in 1996.

The only problem with the winter wheat crop was damp weather in much of June, which prevented combines and crews from harvesting the crop as quickly as usual.

Spring-planted wheat production nationally is estimated at 569 million bushels, down 17 percent from 1996. Durum wheat, which is used to make pasta, is forecast at 80.9 million bushels, a 30 percent drop from last year.

Much of the nation's spring wheat crop is grown in the upper Midwest, which was hit hard this year by flooding and harsh winter weather. Both types of spring wheat expect much lower yields per acre than in 1996.

North Dakota's durum crop, for example, is forecast at 53 million bushels, down more than 26 million bushels from last year and the state's crop of other spring wheat is

projected down by 101 million bushels.

Overall wheat production is estimated at 2.43 billion bushels, a 7 percent increase from 1996, and total yield is forecast at 38 bushels an acre. Prices are projected at between \$3.10 and \$3.70 a bushel, down significantly from last year.

Production of oilseeds, the majority of which are soybeans, was estimated at a record 83.2 million tons, an 11 percent increase over last

year. Soybean plantings this spring totaled 70.9 million acres, the highest in 17 years.

The soybean crop is expected to reach 2.7 billion bushels, up from 2.4 billion bushels last year. USDA officials say new laws that eased government planting restrictions led many farmers to plant more soybeans instead of corn.

Despite the increase, prices are expected to hold steady at between \$5.40 and \$6.60 a bushel.

Long overdue education changes divide board

AUSTIN (AP) - When the process of developing new Texas education standards began, John Stevens' son was an eighth-grader. As the State Board of Education wraps up its work, the younger Stevens is about to begin his senior year of high school.

Debate over the standards has highlighted a divide on the 15-person board between six Republicans backed by religious conservatives - who among other objections say some standards aren't rigorous or specific enough - and other members.

The rift deepened with a 9-6 vote Thursday to approve, as a package, a new curriculum for English, math, science, health and social studies.

Final action is scheduled for Friday on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, which supporters say set high standards but give educators leeway in how to reach them.

For Stevens, who has worked on the standards as executive director of the Texas Business and Education Coalition, the important thing isn't the politics.

It's the superior education he believes his son, Jason, would have received under the new curriculum, which represents the first wholesale overhaul of education standards in more than a decade.

"He will not benefit at all from this," Stevens said of the rewrite, which he calls considerably stronger than existing standards.

"They establish learning standards that will serve our students well when they go out into the world."

Education board members already have approved a new curriculum for geometry, Algebra I and II and enrichment courses, including fine arts and career and technology. The curriculum, which forms the basis for statewide tests and the adoption of instructional materials, will begin being implemented in the 1998-99 school year.

Among other changes that will benefit people as they enter the working world, Stevens said, the rewrite puts an emphasis in mathematics on important skills of probability and statistics.

Sullivan wouldn't do it again

Huang hired with 'misgivings'

WASHINGTON (AP) - A former Democratic Party official testified today that had he known when John Huang was hired as a fund-raiser that he would solicit money from foreigners, "I would have personally walked him to the elevator and out of the building."

More than half of the \$2.8 million that the Democrats returned from the 1996 campaign because of suspicions about its origins was raised by Huang, whose employment had been urged by officials starting with President Clinton.

Richard Sullivan, former Democratic National Committee's finance director, said he hired Huang with misgivings because of his lack of fund-raising experience. Huang has become a central focus of the Senate hearings into illegal fund-raising in the 1996 election.

"Let me tell you if I had had any inclination that John Huang would have raised foreign money I would have personally walked him to the elevator and out of the building," Sullivan testified.

Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., the committee chairman, accepted his answer. "That's pretty definitive."

Today's session started with a

bitter complaint from Sen. John Glenn of Ohio, the panel's ranking Democrat, that Sullivan's sworn closed-door deposition to the committee was revealed to the news media in an obvious "leak attempt."

"The damage done to this proceeding as I see it is considerable," Glenn said.

Sullivan was expected to testify that he tried unsuccessfully to stop an Asian lobbyist from taking Thai businessmen to the White House for coffee with Clinton because he thought the visit was inappropriate.

Thompson questioned Sullivan repeatedly about whether he was worried that an Asian-American donor to the DNC, Johnny Chung, might be contributing money that actually came from China.

Chung brought six Chinese businessmen to the White House for a radio address and also delivered a \$50,000 check into the White House that day.

"Were you concerned when Mr. Chung wanted to go into the radio address? Were you concerned that he might have been taking money from the Chinese and giving it to the DNC?" Thompson asked.

"Yes, that was one of my

concerns," Sullivan replied.

According to a deposition he recently gave Senate investigators, Sullivan testified that letting Democratic donor Pauline Kanchanalak take the Thais to the White House was an "improper use of the coffee" events.

So Sullivan said he objected when he heard that Kanchanalak wanted to bring in a group of executives from a Thai conglomerate, Charoen Pokphand Group, known as CP.

Sullivan said he told Marvin Rosen, the party's finance chairman, that "the political appearance of three foreigners in one of these coffees, I had a concern about," according to deposition excerpts obtained by The Associated Press.

Sullivan said the DNC ended up letting Kanchanalak take five businessmen to the June 18, 1996, coffee as a personal favor to "a big supporter."

The Senate Governmental Affairs Committee is investigating whether foreign nations or individuals may have been trying to illegally influence U.S. elections or government policy and that the White House may have been trading access for political donations.

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Local Roundup

Sunny and warm

The high on Thursday was 90 and the low was 64. We accumulated .17 of an inch of rain. Tonight expect partly cloudy skies with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the mid 60s. South wind 10-20 mph. Saturday it will be partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the mid 60s. The extended forecast calls for partly sunny skies on Sunday, with a high in the lower 90s. Monday and Tuesday, a slight chance of mainly evening and nighttime thunderstorms. Otherwise partly cloudy with lows in the lower to mid 60s. Highs around 90.

Recycling day Saturday

Recycling day has been set from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday in the parking lot at St. Anthony's School. Recyclers are asked to use only the north driveway off 25 Mile Avenue into the parking lot as St. Anthony's Vacation Bible School will be taking place in the parking lot. Note: glass will not be accepted, only bundled newspapers, metal, aluminum and batteries.

Summer TAAS tests offered

The 1997 summer Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) exit-level test will be given in July at Hereford High School for high school and out-of-school students who have taken and have not passed some or all portions of the TAAS. Dates are July 15-writing, July 16-math and July 17-reading. Testing will begin each day at 8:30 a.m. Call 363-7620 and make your reservation today.

News Digest

State

AUSTIN - He's soft-spoken about it now, but he'll be back. Gov. George W. Bush is telling supporters he will seek re-election next year.

AUSTIN - Members of the Texas Racing Commission have placed executive secretary Dave Freeman on leave for 45 days with pay so he can cope with what they described as personal and health problems.

AUSTIN - The effort to rebuild the Central Texas town of Jarrell has received an ecumenical shot in the arm. Roman Catholic Bishop John McCarthy committed \$200,000 on Thursday to help Mennonite and Amish carpenters rebuild 50 tornado-damaged homes in the Central Texas town of Jarrell.

DALLAS - Texas had a record number of mandatory early inmate releases last year. The Dallas Morning News reported today, citing state records, the newspaper reported that 15,726 offenders were released under automatic early release, almost three times the number released in 1994 under Democratic Gov. Ann Richards.

AUSTIN - The latest phone scam in Texas is testing whether employees are willing to bail out their bosses. Originally aimed at banks and credit unions, the scam now is being used by people claiming to be law enforcement officials who try to dupe employees at various businesses into wiring money to bail their bosses out of legal trouble. Department of Public Safety officials warned.

LUBBOCK - Two officials from the Lubbock Hispanic Chamber of Commerce have been indicted on theft and record tampering charges because of a simmering political rift, supporters of the two say.

World/Nation

WASHINGTON - One day after NATO troops launched their first crackdown on suspected war criminals in Bosnia, the Senate debates cutting off funds for American soldiers policing a tenuous peace in the Balkan nation.

WASHINGTON - The first week of Senate hearings on campaign fund raising produced evidence that foreign banks wired two Democratic Party donors large sums of cash before they made questionable contributions.

PHOENIX - Death row inmates in Texas make dolls and pants. Missouri killers work in a metal shop and Tennessee's type away on computers. But none is allowed outside to work in the light of day.

In Arizona, however, it's a different world. The state's death row inmates are required to toil in an outdoor vegetable garden yards away from a chain-link fence that runs along a public road. Some are now questioning Arizona's make-them-work policy after a botched escape attempt Wednesday that left a condemned inmate and his wife dead not far from the 19-acre garden.

WASHINGTON - Defenders of the National Endowment for the Arts are counting on the Senate to keep it alive after the House, in dramatic fashion, took a step to kill the grant-making agency.

Obituaries

EDWARD EVANS

Edward Evans, 91, brother to Merle Boozer of Hereford, died Wednesday at his home in Shallowater.

Funeral services were scheduled today at 3 p.m. in Shallowater First Baptist Church with the Rev. Mitch Wilson officiating.

Burial was to be in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

Mr. Evans was born Aug. 11, 1905, in Waco. He married Jewell Phabris Buckner on Sept. 8, 1929, in Ozark, Ark. He moved to Shallowater from Ozark, Ark., in 1947.

He was a retired carpenter, a deacon and member of the First Baptist Church and a former member of the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Charles Evans of Garland; five daughters, Norma Burt of Anton, Jackie Kjos of Shallowater, Carle Graham, Phyllis Robertson and Donna Brazell, all of Lubbock; a brother, Samuel Luray Evans of Shallowater; a sister, Merle Boozer of Hereford; 20 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

MARIE A. BRADFORD

Marie A. Bradford, 59, died Thursday at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, at 10 a.m. at Parkside Chapel with the Rev. Glendell Smith officiating. Interment will follow at West Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Bradford was born Sept. 9, 1937, to Avis and Maudena Rhodes,

in Kellerville. She married Sammie Bradford on Dec. 31, 1956, in Clovis, N.M.

She was a homemaker and belonged to the Good Sams Club.

Survivors include her husband; one daughter, Tami Carrell of Dumas; one brother, Jackie Rhodes of Newark; one sister, Norma Blakley of Toto Basin, Ariz.; and one grandchild.

VIDA MAY RINGO

Vida May Ringo, 90, mother to Shirley Vermillion of Hereford, died Friday.

Funeral services will be at the First Baptist Church in Dalhart, at 2 p.m. Saturday. Rev. Ray Sanders, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Hereford, will officiate.

Burial service will be in Memorial Park Cemetery at Dalhart under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Ringo was born in Dalhart. She married George Finis Ringo in 1920, at Dalhart. She moved to Amarillo and had been a resident there for 35 years.

She had been an attendant at the Nelson Street Laundry and was a homemaker. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Dalhart.

Mr. Ringo preceded her in death in 1970.

Survivors include five daughters, Beulah Sims of Stratford, Mary Doyle of Dalhart, Fern Hutcheson of Tulsa, Okla., Shirley Vermillion of Hereford and Martha Cleaver of Amarillo; two sons, Robert and Richard Ringo, both of Amarillo; 28 grandchildren, 63 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

Inmates released at record rate

15,726 prisoners released in 1996 Dallas newspaper reports

DALLAS (AP) - Texas had a record number of mandatory early inmate releases last year. The Dallas Morning News reported today.

Citing state records, the newspaper reported that 15,726 offenders were released under automatic early release, almost three times the number released in 1994 under Democratic Gov. Ann Richards.

That year, 5,622 inmates were released early under a mandatory-release program, prompting Bush to depict Richards in television commercials and speeches as soft on criminals.

During his campaign for governor, Bush campaign commercials accused Richards of being soft on criminals because of her record regarding early releases.

Bush last year signed legislation that ended mandatory release for those convicted after last Sept. 1, but

inmates sentenced before that date can still get out of prison early.

Bush also pushed a bill in the recently concluded legislative session that would have banned mandatory release retroactively. He was forced to back away from that effort, however, when the U.S. Supreme Court unanimously struck down a similar Florida law.

Under the now-defunct formula, inmates were to be automatically paroled if their "good time" plus their actual time served added up to the full sentence.

In practice, the policy meant inmates who in most cases had been denied release by the parole board could be automatically freed after serving between one-third and half of their sentences.

After the Supreme Court decision, Bush shifted his support from a bill allowing the parole board to veto

mandatory releases to a measure that provides "super-intensive supervision" of paroled offenders who might pose a potential danger. The Legislature approved that, and Bush signed it into law.

However, some crime victims' rights groups said they're disappointed that Bush hasn't come through on his promise to stop all mandatory releases - retroactively or not.

"He made his bed," said Dianne Clements, president of Justice for All, one of the largest crime victims' rights groups in Texas.

She acknowledged that Bush technically kept his campaign promise.

"If you want to look at his promise very literally, he did what he said. They did end mandatory release for anyone after 1996," she said.

"He did raise our expectations and he made no qualms about it. It wasn't that, 'I think I can do this.' He said he was going to do this."

Since Bush took office the

percentage of eligible inmates granted parole has dropped from 27 percent in 1994 to the current rate of about 17 percent.

It could be one of the reasons that the number of mandatory releases has increased so dramatically, said Stennett Posey, a spokesman for the state parole agency.

Because inmates are being denied parole and are staying longer, more have attained the mandatory release formula of time served plus "good time," he said. Good time is time in days credited to inmates who obey prison rules.

Currently, of the 128,000 inmates, more than 70,000 are eligible for mandatory release, state figures show.

An estimated 19,000 of those are likely to be mandatorily released without being approved by the parole board over the next two years.

Bush has said he will run for re-election next year.

Two chamber officials indicted in Lubbock

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Two officials from the Lubbock Hispanic Chamber of Commerce have been indicted on theft and record tampering charges because of a simmering political rift, supporters of the two say.

Three chamber board members Thursday formally approved a "vote of confidence" for executive director Robert Dominguez, 36, and chairwoman Paula Montoya, 39. They are charged with misappropriating between \$1,500 and \$2,000 of city grant money, Lubbock County prosecutor Clay Abbott said.

"It is the position of the LHCC board that these developments are the

result of city politics, as will be revealed by the evidence," said board member Efrén Villanueva, reading a prepared statement. "Politics have manipulated our system of jurisprudence."

District Attorney Bill Sowder refuted Villanueva's claims, saying that a grand jury selected from the general jury pool spent an extraordinary amount of time in reviewing the evidence before handing up indictments.

Emergency Services

Activities reported by law enforcement agencies:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

--A 47 year old male was arrested for theft.

--A 20 year old male was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

--Two teenage boys were taken into custody for stealing merchandise at a local department store.

--Theft of vehicle inspection certificates were reported in the 100 block of North Miles Avenue.

--Two women reported to be fighting in the 900 block of Forrest Avenue.

--A domestic disturbance was reported in the 300 block of Avenue 1.

--A woman's purse was stolen out of an apartment in the 900 block of Forrest Avenue.

--At a local department store, a 24 year old female was charged with altering price tags.

--4 traffic citations were issued.

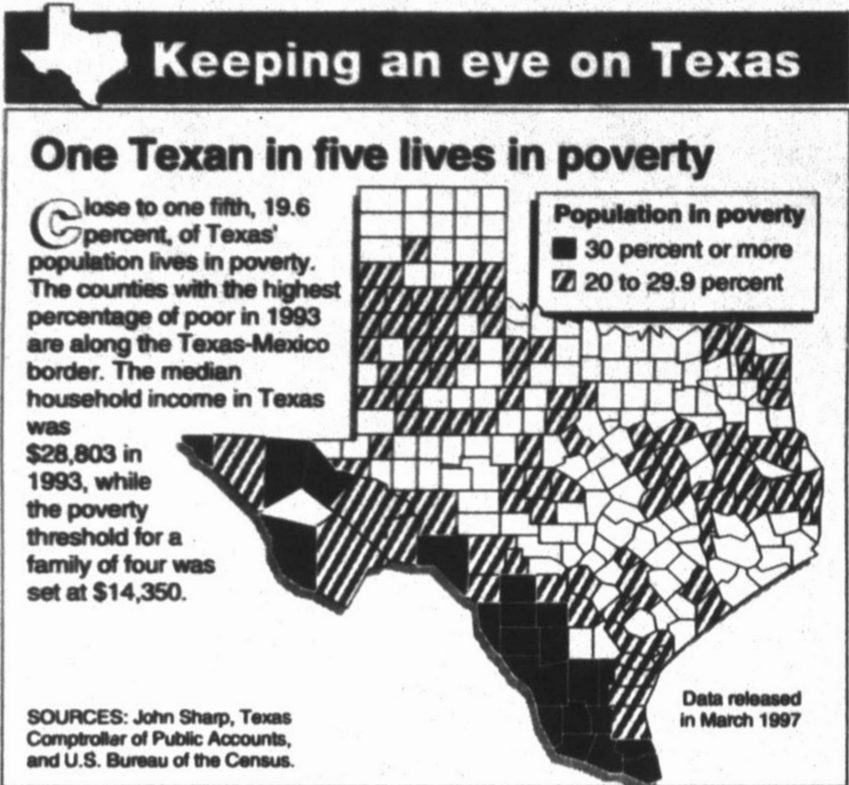
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

--A 24 year old male was arrested for harassment.

--A 28 year old male was arrested on two violation of probation warrants.

--A 33 year old male was arrested for theft by check, over \$20.00.

--Disorderly conduct was reported.



SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Data released in March 1997.

Scientists hope to put man, rather than machine, on Mars

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) - Scientists can hardly wait for the day when people instead of robots are bouncing around on the red planet, where rock stars Yogi and Barnacle Bill are proving to be great motivators.

If the Pathfinder mission makes going to Mars look easy, Doug Cooke is the man who wants to make it happen - for humans.

"It's within reach," said Cooke, manager of the Exploration Office at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston. "Technically it's something that can be done."

Images beamed back from the dusty planet - home to the hilly salmon-colored landscapes and the rocks that scientists have nicknamed Yogi and Barnacle Bill - have fired the imaginations of Cooke and his 12-member team.

From a cramped Exploration Office on the second floor of the Space Center's Building 17, Cooke and Kent Joosten have been working on ways to fly astronauts to Mars, a place with an eerie resemblance to the Southwest in newly released photographs snapped by the Pathfinder lander and Sojourner rover.

Such a mission could happen as soon as 2010, said Cooke, who finds the Pathfinder results "a real motivator."

Wearing a "Mars or Bust" pin, Cooke said Wednesday that pictures

of the hills from the bone-dry planet make him want "to have somebody out there going to look at them."

Robert Zubrin, a scientist with Pioneer Astronautics in Lakewood, Colo., is working on a way to generate fuel on Mars to support a manned mission, and agrees that the red planet is within reach.

"We are much better prepared to send people to Mars today than we were in 1961 when John Kennedy started the moon program," Zubrin said.

Back when Kennedy made that bold proposal, "We had 15 minutes of human space flight experience," Zubrin said.

Now that the \$266 million Pathfinder project is showing that "faster, cheaper, better" missions are doable, experts believe human Mars travel could be achieved within limits set by NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin.

On Wednesday, Cooke presented his plan for a 2 1/2-year manned Mars expedition to Goldin.

It would work like this: Two unmanned spaceships would be launched. One would land on Mars and use the planet's mostly carbon dioxide atmosphere to generate fuel for the return trip. The other would remain in Mars orbit.

Astronauts would head out two years later, spend 18 months on Mars, depart in the fueled spaceship, dock

with the orbiter and head back to Earth.

Goldin is insisting the engineers figure out a way to send people to Mars for no more than \$25 billion. The latest estimate was about twice that.

Cooke's team is trying to slash the price tag by reducing the spaceships' weight, thus saving fuel, and by using Mars' atmosphere to produce fuel for the trip home.

But the engineers still need to resolve safety issues and determine the scientific payoffs of a manned mission, Goldin said.

Among the questions, said Joosten: "How can we make air? How can we make propellant? What's the radiation level for people? Is the dust toxic?"

The engineers will attach instruments for measuring such things to a series of landers to be rocketed to Mars during the next decade. And experiments are under way on the space shuttle Columbia to see if Mars-bound crews could grow their own food.

Cooke's team, meanwhile, hopes to benefit from Pathfinder's success, and the fascination with the red planet.

"The public awareness and support is important to ever really launch into an effort like this," Cooke said. "So it (Pathfinder) really is a big boost."

Judge enters not guilty pleas for Republic of Texas members

FORT DAVIS, Texas (AP) - A judge has entered not guilty pleas on behalf of Republic of Texas leader Richard McLaren and three other separatists who were involved in an armed standoff with state authorities.

McLaren and followers Gregg Paulson, Karen Paulson and Robert Otto refused to make their own pleas at their arraignment Thursday on charges stemming from the weeklong siege in the Davis Mountains.

"I had to enter a plea of not guilty for all of them," said 394th District Judge Kenneth DeHart, who presided over the hearing.

He said none of the four had attorneys. All but Otto have refused representation, the judge said.

Asked if the hearing followed normal procedures, since Republic followers refuse to recognize Texas courts, DeHart said: "There were some unusual things. But being the judge I'd rather not comment on them."

McLaren and his followers have each been indicted on a single charge of engaging in organized criminal activity, a first degree felony carrying a penalty of five to 99 years or life in

prison and/or a \$10,000 fine.

The defendants are held in the Presidio County Jail in Marfa, 20 miles south of Fort Davis. McLaren has been denied bail, the others are held in lieu of \$500,000 bail.

The group is accused of conspiring to kidnap two neighbors in the Davis Mountains Resort, a rough rural subdivision where the Republic members had set up an "embassy" in a McLaren's trailer and wooden cabin.

McLaren and his followers contend Texas was never legally annexed by the United States and remains an independent republic.

The April 27 abduction, in retaliation for the arrest that day of a group member on weapons charges, led to the standoff between the separatists and 300 Department of Public Safety troopers and Texas Rangers.

The siege ended May 3 after McLaren and some followers laid down their weapons.

Two others, Richard F. Keyes III and McLaren bodyguard Mike Matson, fled into the mountains.

Matson was killed May 5 in a shootout with authorities. Keyes remains a fugitive.

McLaren has also been indicted in Dallas along with his wife, Evelyn, on federal charges of bank and mail fraud and conspiracy. Mrs. McLaren pleaded innocent and is free on \$20,000 bond. McLaren has not entered a plea.

Medical fund set for Hereford child

A Hereford youngster, 15-month-old Craig Torres, is scheduled to have kidney surgery to repair a birth defect blockage, relatives reported this week.

Torres, the son of Angela and Joel Torres of Hereford, will undergo surgery July 28 in a Lubbock hospital.

A fund to help pay medical costs and other expenses has been established at First American Bank. Anyone desiring to make donations to help the family may make a deposit in Craig's name at the bank.

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

2-3-5
(two, three, five)

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

10-19-30-33-39
(ten, nineteen, thirty, thirty-three, thirty-nine)

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Lifestyles

Christian group amasses millions of followers, millions of dollars

By JAY REEVES
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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) - Promise Keepers talks about turning America toward God by gathering millions of men for Christian rallies that become a foundation for changed lives.

Promise Keepers is gathering something else, too: millions of dollars.

Founded on a prayer six years ago, the evangelical group is taking in millions annually from the sale of tickets and souvenirs, investments and donations. Officially nonprofit and tax-exempt, Promise Keepers has made \$14.7 million since 1993, tax records show.

Revenues totaled in \$96.1 million last year alone, mostly from the sale of \$60 tickets to 22 stadium conferences, where offerings also were accepted.

The organization finished \$8.5 million in the black and reported \$15 million in net assets in 1995, the last year for which tax records are available. PK's excess revenues nearly equaled the amount it received in donations that year, \$8.7 million. Investments netted \$1 million.

This year's budget is \$117 million, although a spokesman said revenues will likely fall short because of the free admission to PK's most ambitious rally yet: an Oct. 4 gathering on the Mall in Washington, D.C.

The Denver-based organization, founded by former University of Colorado football coach Bill McCartney, did not have a long-range plan for growth, said spokesman Mark DeMoss.

"This wasn't a clever marketing scheme. This has really been a case where the organization has tried to keep up with the growth," DeMoss said.

This much is certain: Promise Keepers was blessed with quick riches.

The idea of filling a stadium with Christian men emerged in 1990 during a talk between McCartney and a friend, according to the group's literature. Backers prayed and fasted about the concept.

The first event was held in July 1991, when 4,200 men gathered at the University of Colorado basketball arena. Money was soon pouring in.

Promise Keepers reported its 13 regional conferences in 1995 generated \$40.1 million, and another \$6.6 million in profit came from the sale of souvenirs including shirts, hats, books and tapes during the meetings. The group spent \$33.4 million staging the gatherings, DeMoss said.

Tickets for the 18 conferences planned this year are \$60 in advance, \$70 at the door. Participants receive a book and cassette tape by mail, along with a box lunch that costs the group a maximum of \$6.50, according to a source familiar with PK's bid specifications.

Stadium rent varies. A park official said the group paid the city of Birmingham \$85,000 for the use of Legion Field, complete with a plastic cover over the turf and the rental of 8,500 chairs.

DeMoss said ticket sales also cover the cost of transportation, renting sound systems and stages, and mailing out conference materials to participants.

The group defends its ticket prices, saying 90 percent goes toward staging the conferences. The remaining 10 percent is for ministry, administration and scholarships for those unable to afford a ticket.

McCartney refuses a salary and gets only expenses and health insurance, DeMoss said. Tax records show the organization's top-paid executive is president Randy Phillips, who received a salary of \$154,768 and another \$17,638 in benefits and expense allowances in 1995.

The president of the Washington-based Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability, Paul Nelson, said Promise Keepers is

"exemplary" in meeting standards of the organization, which he describes as a watchdog group composed of about 850 Christian groups.

The fact millions of men are willing to pay \$60 for a PK ticket when evangelists like Billy Graham don't charge admission "speaks even better for the product," he said.

DeMoss said Promise Keepers has grown so quickly because it touched a nerve with Christian men who previously had nowhere to gather.

"Promise Keepers now is exploring pretty aggressively international expansion ... in response to requests," he said.



Just for kids

Lane, left, and Jonathan Formby pose with a stuffed Shar-Pei puppy that will be a "just for kids" item to be offered during the auction held in conjunction with King's Manor Founders Association barbecue which will begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday. Other "grown-up" items to be offered will include a baseball autographed by Governor Bush and a blanket made with wool from locally raised sheep.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: In the spirit of even-handedness, will you print my letter about cancer and doctors? Maybe this information will save someone the misery I went through.

At the age of 50, I had bladder pain and blood in my urine. I went to five different doctors in my HMO over an eight-month period. I was told the symptoms were from menopause and was given estrogen. The symptoms did not go away, and I was finally referred to a urologist, who found that I had bladder cancer.

The urologist suggested that I have my bladder removed, but I chose another option and went for chemotherapy and radiation. It is now a year later, and I am cancer-free. I just want your readers to know that blood in the urine is a symptom that should not be ignored. Please tell them that regardless of what their insurance provider recommends, they should insist on seeing a specialist immediately -- even if they have to pay for it themselves. -- Woodland Hills, Calif.

Dear Woodland Hills: Thanks for a letter that is sure to save lives. I lost one of my favorite cousins because his Beverly Hills doctor told him the blood in his stool was from hemorrhoids. He died of rectal cancer.

Dear Ann Landers: You asked to hear from nurses who had married their patients. Well, I did, and it was the best move of my life.

Twenty-four years ago, a tall, handsome man came in to see the cardiologist for whom I was working. Several weeks later, this very attractive man returned for a checkup. He had done some research and found out that my distinctive nurse's cap was from the Johns Hopkins School of Nursing. When he innocently asked, "Is that a Johns Hopkins cap?" I was snowed by Mr. Snow.

When he suggested that we have dinner, I told him I didn't make a practice of going out with patients. He then told me he hadn't made a practice of going out with nurses. I was intrigued by his quick response

and decided to make an exception.

We will soon be celebrating our 22nd anniversary. Am I glad I dated my patient? You'd better believe it. -- Mrs. Snow in Fairfax, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Snow: With a name like yours, you've probably heard every word play in the book and are sick of it, but I can't resist: how nice that the snow melted. Thanks for a delightful love story.

Dear Ann Landers: Can you print another how-we-met story? I hope so because the grandkids will get a kick out of seeing this in the paper.

In 1945, I was stationed at Geiger Field near Spokane, Wash. I had just returned from three years' active duty in England, Africa and Italy with the 815th Aviation Engineer Battalion.

The second evening I was there, I went to a dance at the NCO (non-commissioned officers) Club and saw a very pretty girl sitting with some non-coms, and I managed to squeeze in beside her. We talked for a while, and I asked her to dance. I knew before the first number was over that she was the one for me. Two weeks later, our Army friends collected \$60 for our wedding. That was a lot of money in those days, and it was really quite beautiful.

We have been happily married for 52 years and have two fine children and six lovely grandchildren. And they said it wouldn't last! -- George Springhart in Port Richey, Fla.

Dear George: What a heart-warmer! And a great way to end the week. Thank you.

Is life passing you by? Want to improve your social skills? Write for Ann Landers' new booklet, "How to Make Friends and Stop Being Lonely." Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$4.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Friends, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$5.15.) ANN LANDERS (R) COPYRIGHT 1997 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

Varner presides at meeting of Hereford Toastmasters

Pat Varner served as presiding officer at the Thursday morning meeting of Hereford Toastmasters at the Ranch House Restaurant.

Sharon Cramer led the pledge and Dan Hall gave the invocation. Margaret Del Toro served as toastmaster; Breck Hunsacker, timer; Varner, AH counter and grammarian; and Wayne Winget, wordmaster.

Mike Morrison served as topicmaster and topic speakers and their topics were Jigger Rowland-

"What You Found on Mars", Del Toro; "Tell Us About your Presidency", and Winget; "Newest Invention that Made you Famous".

Mike Foster was the only speaker for the meeting. His speech was titled "Is There Life After Birth" and was evaluated by Cramer.

Rowland was voted best topic speaker.

Also present were Dr. Milton Adams and guest, Adolfo Del Toro.



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Sports

Trojans make semifinal game

Only four teams remain in AAU tourney at Florida

The Texas Trojans made the experts look bad Thursday as they won a pair of games in the AAU boys 14 and under basketball tournament and guaranteed themselves of no worse than fourth place in the final national standings.

Seeded eighth by the experts before the Orlando, Fla., tournament began, the Trojans took out Williamsburg, Va., 49-45 and followed that by dropping Del-Val 72-65 while earning a spot in a semifinals match scheduled for tonight.

The team, comprised of Hereford and Amarillo players, can finish no worse than fourth in the 106 team tournament but has set its sights on the championship, just two victories away. The two victories Thursday assured the Trojans of a spot in the "Elite Eight" of the tournament.

The Trojans were scheduled to play Indiana in a 6 p.m. game today and a victory there would earn them a spot in the Saturday finals. The other semi-final game is between Southern California and Oklahoma City.

Cody Hodges and Dominique Perkins led the Trojans' scoring attack in the victory over Williamsburg with Hodges pushing the ball through the net for 26 points. Perkins had 11 points.

Hodges also picked up four assists, seven rebounds and two steals. Slade Hodges scored two points with an assist and four rebounds while Chayse Rives scored two points with four assists, seven rebounds and three steals.

The Trojans held a 12-8 advantage on the scoreboard at the end of the first quarter but the game was tied at 21 by the half. After three quarters Texas held a slim 34-33 lead before taking the four point final victory.

In the second game of the day Cody Hodges again led all scorers with a 29 point effort while Amarillo's Jimmy Woodring scored 19 points including four three point shots.

Hodges picked up nine assists, six rebounds and four steals while Slade Hodges scored 10 points with three assists, three rebounds and two steals.

Rives scored eight points with two assists and a steal.

The Trojans spotted Del-Val a one point, 18-17, lead at the end of the first quarter but bounced back to hold a 32-30 halftime edge.

The game was tied at the half, 50-50 and the Trojans used the final quarter to take the contest by seven points, 72-65.

Trap shoot set in Tulia

The Swisher County Activities Association is sponsoring a trap shoot to be conducted Sunday at the Tule Creek Shooting Range.

Cash prizes will be offered in the trap shoot which begins at 1:30 p.m. at the range which is two miles east of Tulia on FM 1318, then two miles north and a mile east.

Additional information may be obtained from David Gibson, 995-3726 or Donald Adams, 668-4618.

Metro Stars bounce back for shot at national title

The Metro Stars have advanced to the "Elite 8" of the National AAU Basketball Championship tournament in Oklahoma City by winning the second of two games played Thursday.

The Stars lost their first game of the tournament when the Arkansas Mavericks posted a 65-57 win in a third round game Thursday.

However the Stars bounced back to capture a 65-50 win over the Kansas Belles to keep their hopes alive.

At the end of the day Thursday there were only eight teams remaining with a chance to take the national title, and the Trojans were among those "Elite 8." The tournament began with 73 teams and all but eight have been eliminated.

In the first game Thursday, Kelly Cleavinger of Wildorado led the scoring with a 16 point effort while Kalec Carey of Canyon scored 12.

Hereford's Sara Griffin scored 10 more points in the game including a pair of three pointers.

The second contest which was a third round championship game saw the Stars face a team they played in last year's tournament, the Kansas Belles.

Thursday's 65-50 victory avenged a loss to the Belles in that contest of a year ago.

Griffin led the scoring with 16 points including four three-pointers.

Carey added a big 14 point effort and Chelsi Welch of Kress picked up another dozen points in the win.

The next game of the tournament for the Stars will be against the Oklahoma Wolfpac.

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Lewis wants Tyson out longer

STATELINE, Nev. (AP) - If Lennox Lewis had his way, Mike Tyson would be out of boxing longer than one year. With Tyson out, though, a bite is taken out of Lewis' pocketbook.

Lewis may not like Tyson, but he understands the money he brings to the heavyweight ranks.

"With Mike Tyson out of boxing, there's going to be a lot of money not being made," Lewis said.

Lewis, who knows a few things about bizarre endings to heavyweight title fights, defends his WBC heavyweight title Saturday against Henry Akinwande.

It's the first fight for Lewis since he won the vacant title when Oliver McCall started crying and then quit during their title fight. McCall has since agreed to a one-year suspension from boxing.

"All I know is Oliver McCall got banned for a year and he didn't bite anybody," Lewis said.

Lewis was gathered around a television with some friends, watching with great interest when Tyson suddenly bit Holyfield in the third round of the WBA heavyweight title fight.

"I jumped up and yelled, 'He bit him,'" Lewis said. "I was just as horrified and surprised as everyone else."

Unlike the 1.9 million others who bought the fight on pay-per-view, though, Lewis had a little more at stake than the \$49.95 price tag.

While Tyson lost his boxing license and \$3 million of his purse, Lewis may end up losing a chance to make millions in a fight against the

former heavyweight champion.

Lewis will make some money - about \$4 million - Saturday when he defends his WBC heavyweight title for the first time against Akinwande in the Caesars Tahoe showroom.

He might hold a portion of the fragmented heavyweight title, but Lewis acknowledges most people think of Holyfield as the true champion.

"I've been denied my glory to a certain extent but people still want to see the heavyweights, whoever they are," Lewis said. "Boxing's been in the press a lot for the last two months so that can only be good for me."

Lewis, who rejected an offer to fight Tyson last year while position-

ing himself for a title shot, said Tyson hasn't been the same fighter as he was during the late 1980s for a long time.

"Mike Tyson was basically washed up before he went into his incarceration," he said.

Lewis also said Tyson picked the wrong way to foul his opponent when he bit Holyfield.

"I've been in boxing so long I know there are other ways of distracting your opponent than biting him," he said. "Everybody thought they were going to see the fight of the season and instead they saw the bite of the season."

Lewis said he thought Holyfield had Tyson's number and would have beaten him if the fight had gone the distance. That doesn't mean, he said, that Holyfield is the best heavyweight around.

Holyfield was fighting a smaller man in Tyson, Lewis said, but showed in his fights with Riddick Bowe that he has trouble with bigger fighters. Lewis is 6-foot-5 and 240 pounds, about three inches and 25 pounds heavier than Holyfield.

"I think Evander Holyfield has the perfect style for Mike Tyson," he said. "But you match him up with a Riddick Bowe or Lennox Lewis and you'll find he'll have a lot of problems."

Sports Briefs

BASEBALL

BOSTON (AP) - Boston outfielder Wilfredo Cordero, who had missed 19 of Boston's previous 25 games after being arrested for allegedly assaulting his wife, returned to action by pinch hitting for the Red Sox.

Cordero was loudly booed as he went into the on-deck circle in the eighth inning. He ended up 0-for-2 in Boston's 8-7, 11 inning victory over Toronto.

Red Sox first baseman Mo Vaughn also returned to the lineup, going 3-for-5 with a homer and three RBIs. He had been sidelined since June 16 following arthroscopic knee surgery.

Texas Racing Commission places executive on leave

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - Members of the Texas Racing Commission have placed executive secretary Dave Freeman on leave for 45 days with pay so he can cope with what they described as personal and health problems.

The commission's vote came Thursday on a 6-2 vote. Commission attorney Paula Flowerday was named acting executive secretary, the top job in the agency that regulates pari-mutuel horse and greyhound racing in Texas.

Commission members interviewed a half-dozen members of the agency's administrative staff during a six-hour executive session prior to the vote. Commissioners Anne Dunigan Wilson and Dearsy McGruder, both of Dallas, cast the dissenting votes.

McGruder said he voted against the move because he wanted more

time to become familiar with the situation.

Commissioners and Freeman declined to reveal the specific nature of the problem, but Freeman said he has been having serious physical and mental problems since February.

"Dave's been having problems that are personal in nature, and he's acknowledged that to some people," said Larry Christopher of Crockett, the chairman of the Racing Commission. "We wanted to give him some time to work those out without taking any action long-term."

Freeman said he expects to be back on the job after the leave.

After 45 days, commissioners will re-evaluate Freeman and determine what action to take. They have several options, ranging from returning him to duty to dismissal.

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Kile puts down Pirates, 7-0

Victory puts Astros into tie for Central Division lead

By JOHN NICHOLSON
Associated Press Writer
Darryl Kile saved his All-Star performance for the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The Houston ace, a mere spectator Tuesday night in Cleveland, limited Pittsburgh to six hits in his third shutout of the season as the Astros routed the Pirates 7-0 on Thursday night.

"It's a big series for both teams," said Kile, who pushed Houston into a first-place tie with Pittsburgh in the NL Central. "The Pirates are trying to maintain the high level of play they had before the break and it would be big for us to come away with some wins."

In other National League games Thursday night, it was New York 10, Atlanta 7; San Diego 11, Colorado 5; Los Angeles 11, San Francisco 0; St. Louis 3, Chicago 2; and Florida 8, Philadelphia 7.

Houston ended Pittsburgh's seven-game winning streak.

"This was kind of a little exclamation point on top of making the All-Star game," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "He didn't get to pitch, but he showed why he was picked."

Kile (11-3) has won his last four decisions and 10 of his last 11, losing

only once since April 30. He took a no-hitter into the eighth in his previous start, a 2-1 victory over Cincinnati on July 5.

"He's probably the best in the league right now," Pirates manager Gene Lamont said. "He used to bounce quite a few curveballs up to the plate, but he can throw it for strikes now whenever he wants to."

The right-hander, who struck out seven and walked two, has given up only one run in two complete-game victories over Pittsburgh this year.

"When he's on, he's as nasty as any pitcher in the league," Pittsburgh's Al Martin said. "His curveball is so nasty, and he throws it so hard you can't even see the seams on the ball sometimes."

Kile also had a run-scoring single off Jason Schmidt (4-5) during a two-run second inning that made it 3-0.

"It broke my bat, my hand and pretty much shattered my thumb. It was one of those lucky breaks," said Kile, a .106 lifetime hitter.

All-Star first baseman Craig Biggio was 4-for-4 with three RBIs, including doubles in each of the first two innings.

Schmidt, coming off consecutive complete-game victories, gave up seven runs and nine hits over

four-plus innings. He had surrendered only three runs over 25 innings in his previous three starts.

Manny Alexander, returning to New York's lineup following knee surgery, tripled home the winning run in the ninth inning, and also homered and singled to lead the visiting Mets past Atlanta.

Greg McMichael (5-6) got the final out in the eighth for the victory, and John Franco struck out the side in the ninth for his 21st save.

Atlanta tied it in the eighth on Eddie Perez's homer and pinch-hitter Keith Lockhart's RBI double. Todd Hundley had a three-run homer in the top of the inning to give the Mets a 7-5 lead.

Chipper Jones gave Atlanta a 5-1 lead in the fifth with his third grand slam in 13 games, and second in 10 at-bats. He had five RBIs, driving in the Braves' first run with a third-inning groundout.

Padres 11, Rockies 5

Ken Caminiti hit a pair of three-run homers, including a 465-foot blast in the first inning that made the San Diego star the first player to twice reach Coors Field's right-field third deck.

Colorado's Larry Walker homered and had three RBIs, raising his

average to .401. Tony Gwynn was 2-for-6 for San Diego, leaving him at .393.

Andy Ashby (5-5) worked six innings, allowing nine hits and five runs. John Burke (2-5) took the loss after being pressed into an emergency start when Kevin Ritz experienced soreness in his right shoulder.

Dodgers 11, Giants 0
Chan Ho Park pitched seven innings of three-hit ball and Mike Piazza and Tripp Cromer homered as Los Angeles routed visiting San Francisco for its seventh straight victory.

The victory moved the Dodgers within five games of the NL West-leading Giants, who had their four-game winning streak snapped while losing for just the ninth time in 25 games.

Cardinals 3, Cubs 2
Gary Gaetti led off the ninth with his second homer of the game as St. Louis beat Chicago to end a four-game losing streak.

Gaetti's two-homer game was the 22nd of his career and first since last July 12, also at Wrigley Field. Gaetti, who was 4-for-4, hit a two-run homer off Kevin Foster in the third and the game-winner off Turk Wendell (2-4). Alan Benes (8-7) allowed five hits in eight innings.

Liberty Bounces back

NEW YORK (AP) - All the New York Liberty needed to straighten things out was to get home.

The team that opened the inaugural WNBA season with a seven-game winning streak had lost two in a row before beating the Charlotte Sting 62-48 Thursday night to earn a split of their home-and-home series.

The Liberty (8-2) lost 87-69 at Charlotte on Wednesday night, the last game of a four-game, five-day road trip.

"The biggest thing is we were playing at home," Liberty coach Nancy Darsch said. "I'm not trying to use it as an excuse, but the team





was road weary. The last three games we had no intensity and were too passive and we paid for it twice."

Rebecca Lobo had 16 points and 11 rebounds for New York, which closed the game with a 12-1 run, while Sophia Witherspoon had 15 points and Theresa Weatherspoon added nine points and seven assists.

"It was a better ball game than the last two minutes," Charlotte coach Marynell Meadors said. "We just made too many mistakes down the stretch."

Andrea Stinson, who set a WNBA record with 29 points on Wednesday, scored 20 for the Sting (3-5).

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Irabu finally makes his debut

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer
On the night Hideki Irabu's career started, Sandy Alomar's 30-game hitting streak ended.

And both players sounded relieved Thursday.

A sellout crowd of 51,901 at Yankee Stadium watched Irabu win in one of the most-anticipated major league debuts in recent years. The Japanese-born pitcher, who held out rather than play for anyone other than the Yankees, struck out nine in 6 2-3 innings as New York defeated Detroit 10-3.

"When I got up on the mound, all the things I went through the last six months, the ordeals, went through my mind like a flashback," he said through a translator.

Alomar, the All-Star game MVP, went 0-for-4 in Cleveland's 8-2 loss at Minnesota. He popped up to end

the game, and fell just short of matching Nap Lajoie's team-record hitting streak of 31 set in 1906.

"It's a load off my back," Alomar said. "I swung at a lot of bad pitches tonight."

"I felt anxious," he said. "I wanted to get it early."

In other games, Chicago defeated Kansas City 6-3, Boston beat Toronto 8-7 in 11 innings, Seattle downed Texas 12-9 and Anaheim topped Oakland 8-4.

Irabu had waited a long time for this night.

The 28-year-old right-hander spent nearly a year breaking the bonds that tied him to his team in Japan, then refused to pitch for the San Diego Padres when they acquired his rights. He eventually was traded to New York and wound up with a rookie record \$12.8 million, four-year contract.

The Yankees and their crowd were ready for Irabu.

Sushi was sold alongside the regular hot dogs and beers at the concession stands. Some fans hung "K" cards from the upper deck, although there also were "sanshin" cards - the Japanese word for strikeout - drawn in fancy shodo (calligraphy).

"It was my first experience to face a crowd like this," Irabu said.

Irabu, called the Nolan Ryan of Japan because of his power pitching, got off to a smooth start. He retired the Tigers in order in the first inning and struck out Bobby Higginson and Travis Fryman, showing a 96 mph fastball.

Irabu struck out eight in the first four innings. Manager Joe Torre took him out in the middle of the seventh, even though the Yankees led 10-2 and the Tigers were not threatening, and Irabu received a standing ovation.

"I did it, basically, so the fans could show their appreciation," Torre said.

Irabu allowed two runs, five hits and four walks.

"I don't think he's ready for the majors. I didn't see anything overpowering," said Tigers leadoff hitter Brian Hunter, who grounded out twice and struck out against Irabu.

"Everybody was hyping his fastball, but we didn't see it. Mediocre curve. The split was his best pitch. You can't really judge him on his first start, I guess."

Irabu is scheduled to start again at Yankee Stadium early next week against Cleveland.

Twins 8, Indians 2

Brad Radke won his seventh straight start, pitching seven effective innings.

Radke (11-5) has gotten help during his streak - the Twins have scored 56 runs for him.

Radke struck out Alomar twice and also got him on a grounder. Reliever Greg Swindell retired Alomar on a pop for the final out.

Alomar's hitting streak was the longest in the AL since Paul Molitor's 39-game string in 1987.

Alomar also had a rough night behind the plate. The Twins were safe on all five steal attempts against the Cleveland catcher.

David Justice had three hits for the Indians in his first game back from the disabled list. He had been out because of a hyper-extended left elbow.

White Sox 6, Royals 3

Tony Muser lost in his debut as a big league manager as Kansas City dropped its ninth in a row.

Muser, the former Chicago Cubs batting coach, was hired Wednesday when Bob Boone was fired. But the

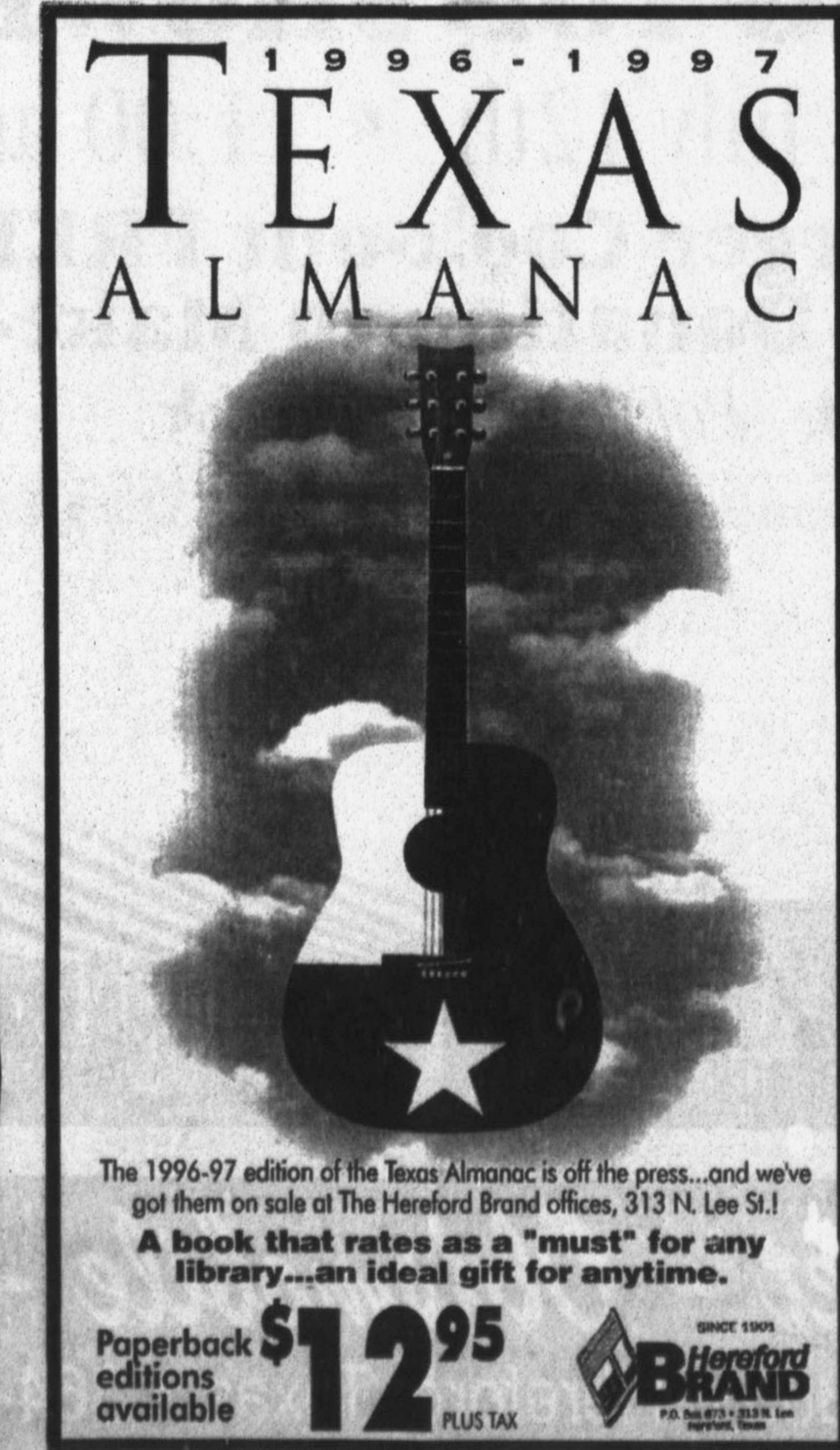
Royals have not beaten a Chicago team this year - they are 0-4 against the White Sox and went 0-3 against the Cubs in interleague play.

Mariners 12, Rangers 9

Joey Cora hit a three-run homer during a seven-run fifth inning and Seattle overcame another big game by Juan Gonzalez to beat Texas at the Kingdome.

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Boeing 757 makes emergency landing in Denver

DENVER (AP) - Al Mazarri is scared of flying but he wanted to get home to New York. The flight turned into one of his worst nightmares. Severe turbulence threw American Airlines Flight 242 from Seattle to New York into a terrifying drop Thursday, slamming passengers and their dinners into the ceiling.

At least 22 people were hurt and the Boeing 757 with 148 passengers was forced to make an emergency landing in Denver, hundreds of miles off course. Passenger Diane Gagon, 43, of Seattle said the plane seemed to drop hundreds of feet in seconds. "Anyone who didn't have a seat

belt on went flying," said Gagon, who was treated for a neck injury. "There was not an item of food left on any tray." Mazarri, of Hartsdale, N.Y., struck the baggage rack and needed eight stitches to close a cut in his head. His wife, Marie, complained of pelvic and back spasms. They had chosen the

flight after a trip to Alaska. "The irony of it is we opted to take an early flight," said Mazarri, his shirt bloodstained from his wound. "Our original flight wasn't scheduled for a few days. It was just poor luck."

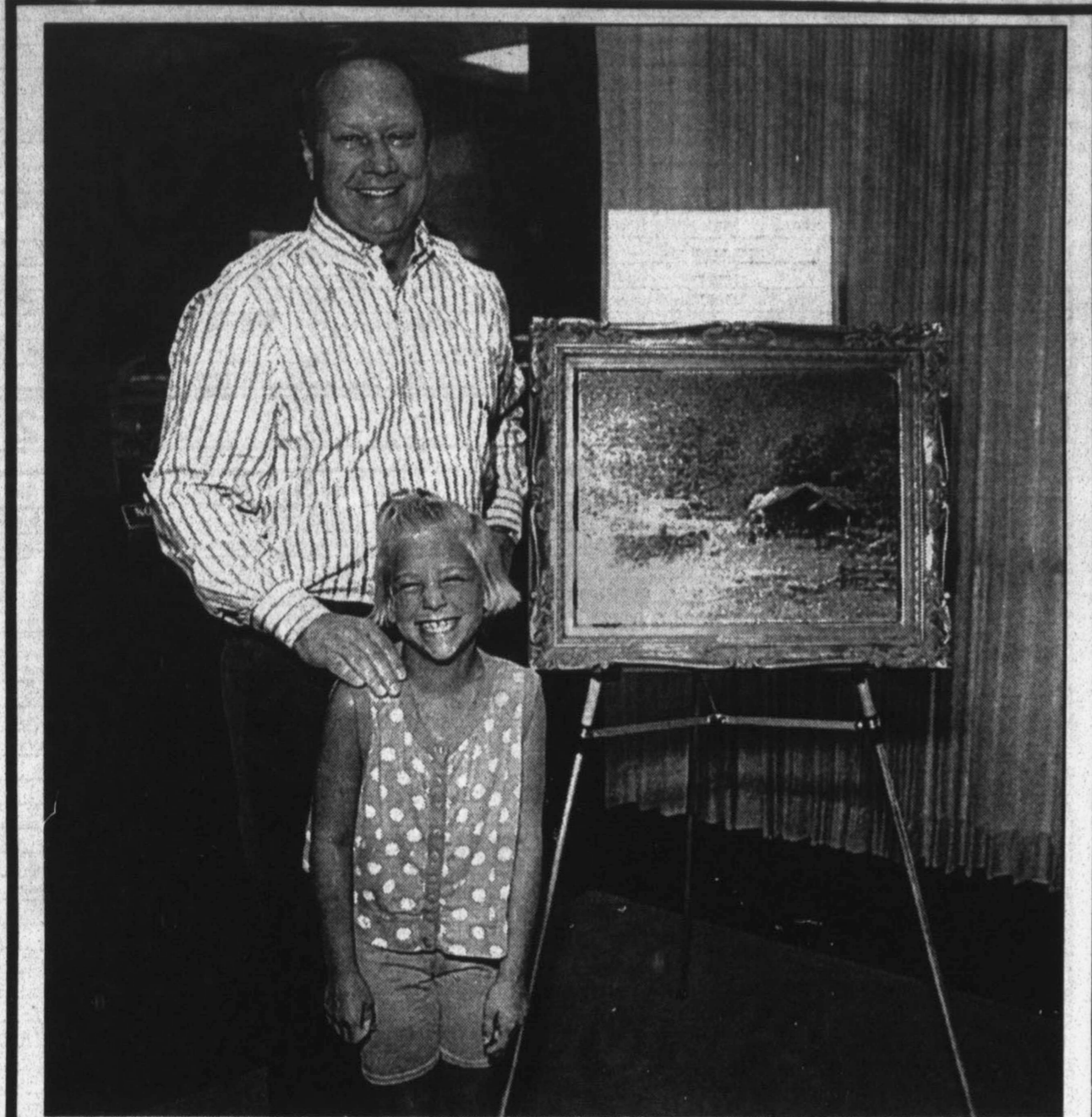
Some of the injured passengers arrived at hospitals with white cloths wrapped around their heads. One woman's white blouse was stained with blood. Another man was wheeled in on a gurney. Most of the injured suffered scrapes and bruises and were expected to be treated and released, said C.L. Harmer, a Denver Health Medical Center spokeswoman.

Gene Huddle of Denver, who was also hurt, said passengers who weren't wearing their seat belts "went straight to the ceiling." Mazarri added: "It was like running into a brick wall at 600 mph."

Federal Aviation Administration officials were investigating. Spokesman Mitch Barker said thunderstorms were reported in the area but he did not know how close they were to the jet. American Airlines mechanics examined the aircraft to determine whether it was damaged. Some passengers were flown to New York on another plane. Mazarri said flying "scared the

hell out of me," but added that the experience "doesn't sour me on flying." Meanwhile, an American Airlines Chicago-to-Newark, N.J., flight stopped in Detroit on Thursday to remove a passenger who asked for an aspirin and complained her head hurt so badly "she could just kill someone."

The woman, who was not identified, was questioned by FBI agents for more than two hours before they determined she was not making a threat. "They considered it a stupid remark," Detroit airport spokeswoman Barbara Hogan said.



Fund-raiser

Roger Eades, a member of the board of Big Brothers/Big Sisters, poses with Little Sister Chelsey Stone beside an original oil painting by Carl J. Smith. The painting was donated by Sagebrush Galleries to Big Brothers/Big Sisters and will be awarded to the lucky tickets holder in a drawing conducted Aug. 9 during the Town and Country Jubilee. The painting will be on display at the Pilot Club's Jubilee of Arts. Tickets are \$10 each and are available from any member of the board of directors or by calling 364-6171. Proceeds will benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

Latest phone scam testing if employee will bail out boss

AUSTIN (AP) - The latest phone scam in Texas is testing whether employees are willing to bail out their bosses. Originally aimed at banks and credit unions, the scam now is being used by people claiming to be law enforcement officials who try to dupe employees at various businesses into wiring money to bail their bosses out of legal trouble, Department of Public Safety officials warned Thursday.

Here's how investigators say the scheme works:
 - A collect caller claims to be a law enforcement officer calling on behalf of a high-ranking company official. Investigators believe the callers use various sources to get the names of company officials and make hundreds of calls to find businesses where the top bosses are out of town.
 - The caller says the company official has become involved in some potentially embarrassing legal trouble while traveling, usually a car accident involving damages and fines.
 - The company employees are told that the troubled bosses want money wired to a given location. The employees are told the bosses want the transfer, usually amounting to hundreds of dollars, to be done in complete confidence.
 - A predetermined question-and-answer sequence is established so the person picking up the wired money does not have to show any identification.
 "The callers gain the trust and

cooperation of the employees who answer these collect calls by identifying themselves as police officers and by using a valid name of a company official," said Special Crimes Assistant Commander Enrique Garcia. The scam first was reported in March. Joann Bredl, a crime DPS analyst, said no one reporting the calls has given up any money. "They all have more or less been snafued because the people who have

been called have realized they are a scam," she said. "Law enforcement people don't call to ask for money to help company executives." Garcia said any money wired could be picked up at any location in the United States and people expecting wired money can call a toll-free phone number to verify the transaction before trying to pick it up. "We want to urge all Texas businesses to be alert to this scam," Garcia said.

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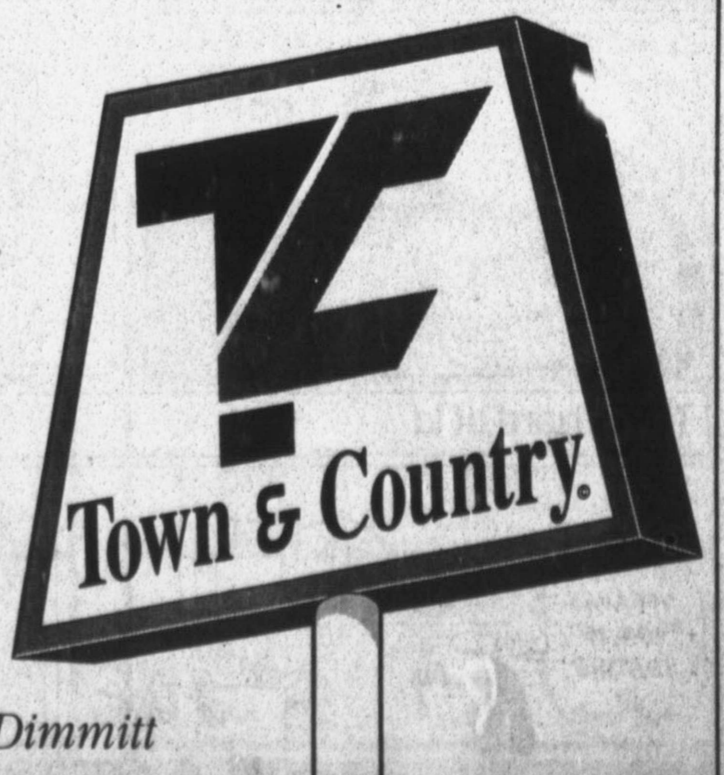
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Fructose exporters call tariff blatant effort to limit trade

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Mexican sugar producers and U.S. fructose exporters are vigorously lobbying Mexico's Department of Commerce to change last month's preliminary tariff ruling on incoming high fructose corn syrup.

U.S. fructose exporters call the tariff a blatant effort to limit free trade. Mexican sugar industry officials, meanwhile, say it doesn't go far enough in stopping alleged dumping.

On June 24, the department set provisional dumping tariffs on imports of U.S. corn fructose ranging

from a 61.1 percent tariff for grade 55 fructose to a 102.2 percent tariff for grade 42 fructose.

"It's a blatant effort to try to make the cost of our product higher for the purposes of stopping competition," Charles Connor, president of the U.S. Corn Refiners Association, told AP-Dow Jones on Thursday.

The association met last week with department officials in Mexico City to discuss the formula used to determine the tariff, according to Connor. "We believe our case is very, very strong," he said.

Mexico's Chamber of Sugar and

Alcohol Industries is arguing the tariff isn't high enough.

"It's not sufficient to eliminate the dumping," said a chamber spokesman. "Fructose is still cheaper than sugar."

The chamber and leading Mexican sugar mill owners have recently met with department officials to lobby for a higher tariff, the spokesman said. But the spokesman, who asked not to be named, declined to divulge how much of a tariff raise the chamber is seeking.

Mexican industry officials have argued that U.S. corn producers benefit from government subsidies, implying an indirect subsidy for that country's fructose industry.

Connor said his association will attend a department public hearing on the tariff in late August and argue "why those duties are erroneous."

Added one U.S. source with links to the association who has studied the department's formula for determining the tariff. "It's clear they went out of their way to make worst-case assumptions" about fructose prices in the U.S.

"They fiddled with the data to keep U.S. data higher and to substantially widen the (U.S.-Mexico) margin," said the source, who asked not to be named.

Department spokeswoman Georgina Vega declined to respond to the U.S. industry charges. "Our position was stated in the (June 24) press statement," she said.

The department said June 24 it had obtained "sufficient evidence to determine that during the period January-December 1996 a threat was posed to the national sugar industry as a result of the import of such products under dumping conditions."

Fructose imports in 1996 jumped to 300,000 metric tons from an average of 20,000 metric tons in previous years, according to Mexican government data.



Chairman

Jacquelyn Bezner has accepted the chairmanship of the 1997 Great American Smokeout campaign for the American Cancer Society Deaf Smith unit. Shown with Chris Hurt, she recently attended a leadership training session in Austin in preparation for her chairmanship.

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Girl falsely accused in death

DECATUR, Ga. (AP) - The mother of a girl who was blamed for killing her baby brother 26 years ago testified today that she no longer believes the toddler was responsible for the boy's death.

Kathy Almon stopped short, however, of saying she believes her ex-husband, Jan Barry Sandlin, killed the baby.

She said she has cooperated with the prosecution at Sandlin's murder trial because she wants to know what really happened to her son.

"I want to know how he died. I want to know what happened to him," she said, choking back tears.

Sandlin, 46, is on trial for murder, aggravated assault and child cruelty in the 1971 death of 4-month-old Matthew Golder. The death was ruled an accident at the time, but prosecutors now contend Sandlin beat the baby to death.

Ms. Almon said she and 2-year-old Tracy Golder had left the boy with Sandlin while they went to do laundry that day. When she came home, Sandlin "jumped up in front of the

doorway and said, 'Matt is asleep. Go get the clothes out of the car,'" she said.

Sandlin contended that Tracy, now Tracy Rhame, then climbed into the baby's crib and threw him to his death, she said.

In the years that followed, whenever she and Sandlin talked about the tragedy, all the pieces didn't fit, Ms. Almon said. "He told me it was an accident and that I needed to get over it."

She said she had never known Tracy to try to climb into the crib, and Matthew was too young to roll over or pull himself to the railing.

Mrs. Rhame testified Wednesday that she later questioned her mother about the death.

"My mother told me it was easier to place the blame on me than it was on him," Mrs. Rhame told the court Wednesday.

Sandlin's lawyer told jurors that Mrs. Rhame, 28, wanted the case reopened because her mother told her differing stories about how her brother died.

"This is also a story about a little girl who was lied to," said public defender Corinne Mull. "Twenty-six years of lying is what you'll hear about in the next few days."

Ms. Mull said that over the years, Ms. Almon told her daughter that the baby died as a result of crib death, injuries from a fall through slats in the crib and falling after trying to climb out of the crib.

Prosecutors contend Sandlin put Tracy into the baby's crib to cast blame on her.

Her voice shaking and her eyes filling with tears, Mrs. Rhame told the court how she started her quest for answers in 1985.

She said for years her mother refused to be involved in her efforts.

Mrs. Rhame said her mother eventually told her that Sandlin killed the child.

"She told me 'He did it. Just forget about it,'" Mrs. Rhame said, recounting a conversation with her mother from the late 1980s. She said her mother later recanted her statements and tried to dissuade her from digging into the past.

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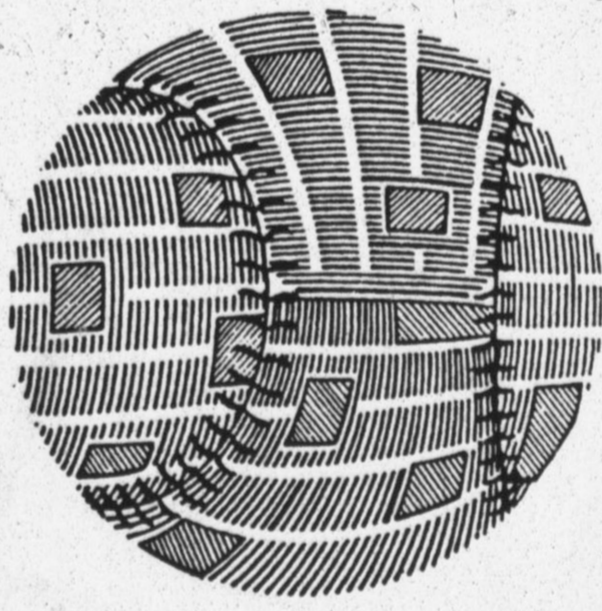
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