

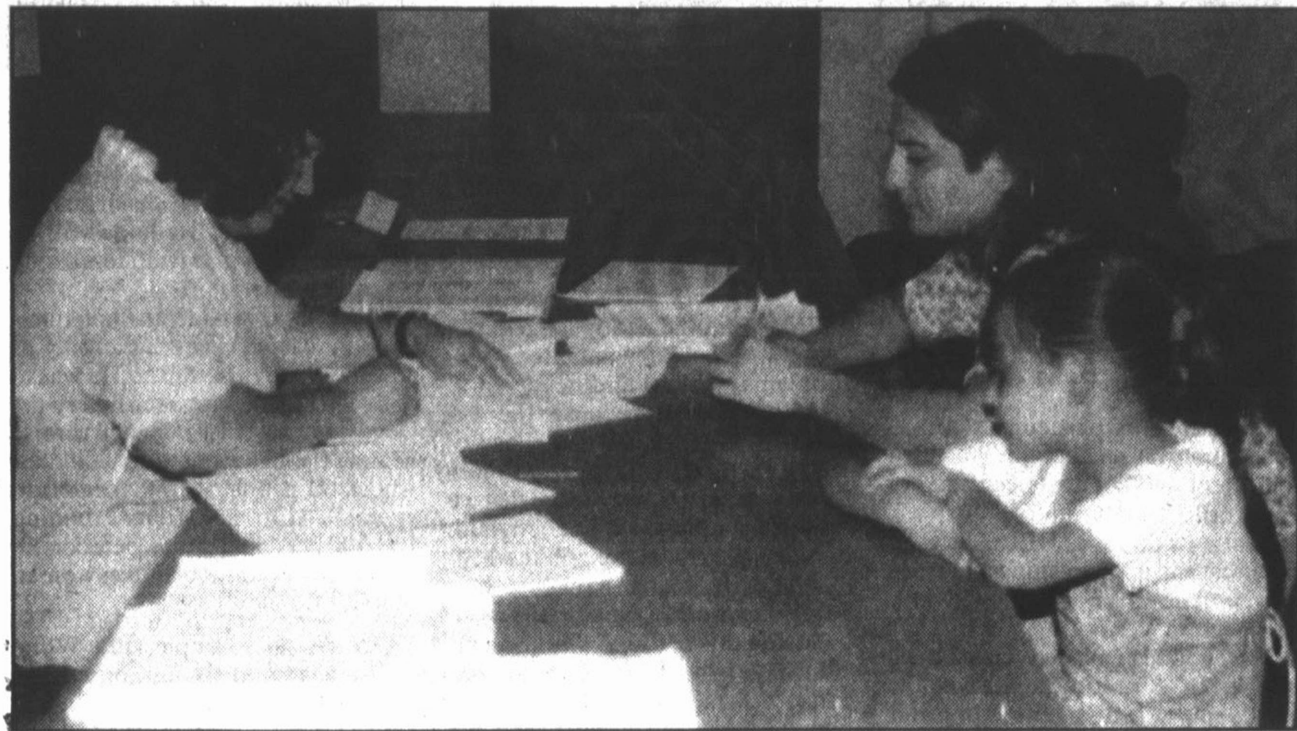
# Hereford Brand



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## Labor secretary wants return to bargaining table

### Federal official meets separately with both sides, briefs President



#### Early enrollment

Early enrollment is a must if parents are to avoid long lines on Monday. HISD staff Eva Villegas, left, helps Monica Marry, center, complete the forms so her daughter Venessa Glenn will be able to go directly to class.

### Enrollment procedures changed

It's getting closer to the day that school starts, and parents should be aware of some changes made in the enrollment process in the Hereford Independent School District.

Parents planning to enroll their children Monday at the individual elementary school campuses may find long lines and longer delays for the start of the new school year.

Primary and elementary campuses no longer handle enrollment. Parents, who fail to pre-enroll their children will be directed to the administration

building to complete enrollment forms.

This is the final week of pre-enrollment and the HISD staff are encouraging parents of elementary-age students to take advantage of short lines and uncrowded conditions at the administration building.

According to the staff, more than 400 students still are not enrolled and this may make for some very long lines on Monday.

Seventh- and eighth-grade students may pick up their class schedules at

7 p.m. Tuesday or Thursday respectively during orientation sessions at the junior high school. Students who are unable to attend orientation may pick up schedules on Friday.

New students to the district should make every effort to enroll prior to first day of class.

Parents of all students should be able to provide birth certificates, Social Security cards and immunization records.

WASHINGTON (AP) - With each side losing millions of dollars, Labor Secretary Alexis Herman stepped up her efforts to get striking Teamsters and United Parcel Service officials back to the bargaining table.

Herman, who met separately with the two sides Monday and briefed President Clinton on Tuesday, was "getting creative" in trying to persuade the parties to resume talks aimed at ending the 10-day-old strike, a senior White House official said Tuesday night.

The aide, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the union and the company were eager to resolve the dispute "but they both need to find a way to do it and save face."

While Herman was searching for a solution, the company and the workers spent the day talking to everyone but each other.

The company said it has been losing money at the rate of \$200 million to \$300 million a week, and asserted that the loss of business could force the layoff of 15,000 workers when the strike ends.

The major issues in the strike, which began Aug. 4, four days after the old contract expired, involve part-time work, pensions and subcontracting.

More than half the nearly 185,000 Teamsters striking workers are part-time employees, making an average of \$11 an hour. Full-time workers are paid an hourly average of about \$20. To replace those wages, the strikers on Thursday will become eligible for weekly strike benefits of \$55.

At Teamsters headquarters, AFL-CIO President John Sweeney announced the creation of a multiunion fund to support the strikers.

"Because their fight is our fight, we're making this strike our strike," said Sweeney, who had been on the telephone to union presidents, shoring up loan commitments. He added the coalition of unions was ready to commit for "many, many weeks at \$10 million a week."

Talks broke down Saturday. Since then, the company has unsuccessfully sought President Clinton's intervention. Herman rejected that option again after briefing the president during a trip Tuesday to St. Louis.

"I remain convinced that the solution to this issue is between the UPS and the Teamsters," she said. Herman talked with the parties via phone while in St. Louis, and again from Air Force en route back to Washington.

In that regard, the administration apparently has the support of most Americans. Although one of every four Americans polled in an ABC News telephone survey Monday said

they had been inconvenienced by the walkout, two-thirds said Clinton should not intervene.

The survey also found that 57 percent looked with disfavor on companies hiring more part-time workers instead of full-time employees.

Also Tuesday, UPS officials defended their proposal to withdraw from the Teamsters' multiemployer pension plans and establish one for UPS workers.

The new pension plan would increase benefits by 50 percent, the company says, and UPS would match benefits for any worker who may be earning more than under the company proposal.

"We want to be absolutely sure our employees lose nothing," said Lea Souparta, UPS senior vice president for human resources.

While the company touted the proposal as a boon to workers, Teamsters President Ron Carey suggested UPS had another motive.

"The company's interest is to get their hands on the investment income and funnel that back into their own pockets," he asserted.

### Less taxpayer money to be spent by county

By DONALD M. COOPER  
Brand Editor

When the new budget year begins Oct. 1, Deaf Smith County will be spending less of the taxpayers' money than in Fiscal 1996-97, if things go the way the county commissioners plan.

The commissioners adopted a 1997-98 budget that calls for total expenditures of \$3,662,720 - about 1.9 percent lower than the \$3,735,495 budgeted for the current year.

The largest categories of spending in the county budget are for the general fund, which at \$847,179 represents a projected decline of \$85,275 from this year; sheriff, \$647,689, which is \$35,749 higher than the current budget; and the jail operation, which at a proposed \$624,616 is \$8,449 lower than this year's package.

The largest line items in the general fund budget are \$130,000 for legal fees and \$128,000 for county fire prevention.

Salaries comprise the largest single line item in the sheriff's budget. The salaries are budgeted at \$379,578 (58.6 percent of the total budget).

The bulk of the jail expenditures go toward salaries, with \$341,706 (54.7 percent of the total budget) for its payroll. Other projected expenditures are:

- General maintenance, \$144,976, down from \$137,101 this year;
- Tax collector, \$106,284, down \$1,060 from this year;

- County clerk, \$159,893, down \$265;

- District clerk, \$87,821, down \$100;

- District attorney, \$234,430, up \$3,888;

- Justice of the peace, \$112,529, up \$1,730;

- County treasurer, \$71,408, down \$630;

- County judge, \$73,046, up \$738;

- County auditor, \$40,402, down \$8,735;

- County extension office, \$113,338, up \$1,511;

- County social service, \$69,368, down \$8,000;

- Adult probation, \$9,180, unchanged;

- County library, \$227,197, down \$15,753;

- County museum, \$57,999, up \$800; and

- District judge, \$35,365, up \$1,128.

#### Road & Bridge

Projected revenue for the county road and bridge fund for 1997-98 is \$859,229, a \$12,237 decline from the 1996-97 spending plan.

Tax collections (\$349,229) and auto license fees (\$325,000) make up the bulk of the fund's revenue sources.

The proposed expenditures are \$203,228, Precinct 1; \$205,062, Precinct 2; \$208,093, Precinct 3; and \$243,009, Precinct 4. The total expenditures for the four precincts is \$859,392.

### Water may be new problem on Mir

MOSCOW (AP) - Wrapping up the most troublesome stint in the Mir's 11-year history, two Russian cosmonauts packed for home today while flight controllers looked into a potential new problem - the possibility of a water shortage.

Vasily Tsibliyev and Alexander Lazutkin, who have been plagued by cosmic misfortune since shortly after their arrival on Mir six months ago, spent their last full day on the space station before heading back to Earth Thursday.

"Their whole mission has been like one big problem," said Olga Kozerenko, chief of the psychological support team at the Russian Mission Control center near Moscow.

She said the crew made heroic efforts to fix the numerous breakdowns, sometimes working 15 hours a day.

"Tsibliyev and Lazutkin have been over-tired, literally exhausted by all those accidents, and a weary person can make a mistake," she told the ITAR-Tass news agency.

The latest report of trouble came from NASA, which said the space station's water supply was running low, and could run out if the space shuttle Atlantis doesn't arrive there as planned in late September.

Viktor Blagov, Russia's deputy chief of Mission Control in Moscow, told The Associated Press that the Mir currently has enough drinking water to last until around Oct. 7.

A Russian cargo ship carrying water is scheduled to blast off for the space station on Oct. 1, in addition to the space shuttle launch, he said.

Normally, humidity aboard Mir is condensed and recycled into drinking water. The crew can no longer rely on that system because the water may be contaminated by antifreeze fumes from leaks months ago in the cooling system.

Russian space officials said the outgoing Mir crew is bringing back water samples Thursday that will be checked for contamination.

Frank Culbertson, manager of NASA's shuttle-Mir program, said

Tuesday that if the recycled water is found unsafe, the drinking water supplies in containers on board probably will last only until late September.

Blagov agreed, but added that Russian space officials were confident the recycled water is safe to drink. He said the water recycling system has filters that could block out far more antifreeze than what leaked.

Tsibliyev and Lazutkin can only hope their run of bad luck doesn't extend to the two new crew members, Anatoly Solovyov and Pavel Vinogradov, who will man the station along with U.S. astronaut Michael Foale.

Shortly after the Russian team arrived in February, an oxygen canister burst into flames, filling the station with thick smoke.

Soon afterwards, a climate control system failed, leaking poisonous antifreeze fumes and overheating the station to an uncomfortable 86 degrees.

In the most serious accident, a

cargo ship slammed into the station during a practice manual docking on June 25, depressurizing one of its modules and reducing the station to half power.

Plans to repair that damage were postponed when Tsibliyev complained of an irregular heartbeat.

Kozerenko, the psychologist, said today that Tsibliyev's condition resulted from stress and a lack of sleep.

"Tsibliyev refused to sleep until he got everything done," she said. "As a result, he tired quickly during the day and didn't feel well, but still refused to rest."

During the past few weeks, Tsibliyev has been under close medical observation and doctors said his condition has stabilized.

The outgoing crew is scheduled to depart in their Soyuz TM-25 capsule at 12:53 p.m. Moscow time (4:53 a.m. EDT) Thursday. They are to land in the former Soviet republic of Kazakhstan a little over three hours later.

## Business recovery reflected in whopping sales tax rebate

It was good news for Hereford this month when Texas Comptroller John Sharp sent out sales tax rebate checks.

Hereford received a check for \$105,901, a whopping 43.6 percent increase over the \$73,725 payment for August 1996.

Hereford City Manager Chester Nolen attributed the increase to improved economic conditions resulting from improved weather this year.

Nolen said the area was still under drought conditions when the rebate payments were distributed in August 1996, and economic activity was sluggish because consumers had cut back on spending.

This year, the weather has been more cooperative and consumers have been spending.

The city's August check also was significantly higher than the July rebate, which was \$75,512, and June's, which was \$76,433.

For the year, Hereford has received total payments of \$682,094.95, up 6.7 percent from \$639,537 for the same period in 1996.

The city shares the sales tax

rebate money with the Hereford Economic Development Corp. The city receives two-thirds of the rebate, with the HEDC receiving the remainder.

For August, the city's share of the rebate amounts to about \$70,601; the HEDC received about \$35,300.

Deaf Smith County's half-cent sales tax rebate amounted to \$35,670, a 27.7 percent gain over the \$27,935 payment in August 1996. For the year, the county has received a total of \$230,964, up 4.2 percent from the \$221,730 collected for the same period a year ago.

In the distribution, the comptroller's office delivered a total of \$227.6 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,086 Texas cities and 117 counties.

"A healthy Texas economy is continuing its upward trend and consumers are showing their confidence in the expanding job market," Sharp stated in a press release. "Sales tax rebates for the first eight months of this year reflect a 6.3 percent increase over those for the same period of 1996."

The comptroller's office

delivered sales tax rebates totaling \$209 million to Texas cities, 9.5 percent higher than last August's payments of \$190.7 million. Rebates of \$18.6 million to Texas counties were 14.7 percent higher than allocations of \$16.2 million to counties in August 1996. Another \$6.1 million went to 26 special purpose districts around the state.

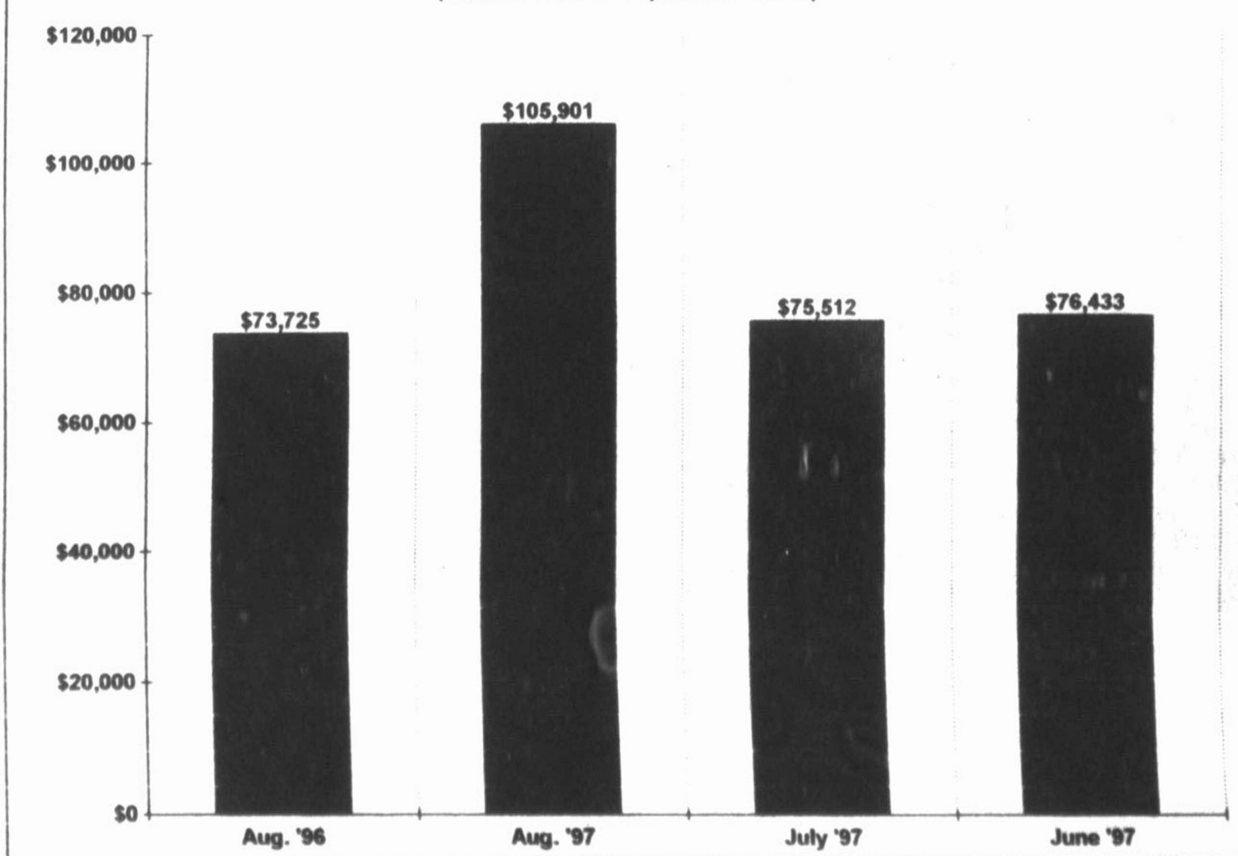
This month's payments include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers on June sales and by quarterly filers for April, May and June and reported to the comptroller in July.

Other sales tax rebates around the area, with rate, year-to-date total and change from this time last year:

CITY (Rate) '97 YTD	CHANGE
Amarillo (2%) \$25,161,610	3%
Lubbock (1.125%) \$16,237,345	3.3%
Plainview (1.5%) \$1,696,138	7.4%
Borger (2%) \$1,605,189	4.6%
Friona (2%) \$149,397	-2.6%
Vega (1%) \$21,504	15.2%
Perryton (2%) \$877,650	10.3%
Dimmitt (1.5%) \$185,741	4.1%

Hereford Sales Tax Rebate

(Source: Texas Comptroller's Office)



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# Local Roundup

## Thunderstorms hang around

After an 80-degree high Tuesday and an overnight low of 66 degrees, skies stayed cloudy and threatened with thunderstorms Wednesday night. A 50 percent chance tonight decreases to 20 percent chance Thursday in the late afternoon. Low Thursday morning is expected to dip to the middle 60s and the mercury should climb to about 90 degrees. Thursday night may see thunderstorms -- a 30 percent chance -- while a chance continues Friday, Saturday and Sunday for thunderstorms. Lows will be in the 60s and highs in the upper 80s.

## Walcott school party

The Walcott Independent School District will have a back-to-school party at 7 p.m. Thursday. The Walcott Store will carry all necessary supplies. Families will be able to sign up for the free and reduced lunch program at the party. Students and parents are invited to meet the teachers and pick up supplies.

## Juvenile board meeting

A regular meeting of the Deaf Smith County Juvenile Board will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the county courthouse. Items on the agenda include the adoption of the 1998 fiscal year budget; an update on the youth home expansion; and discuss the applications for the new position. The board members will hear the office reports and the minutes from the last meeting.

# News Digest

## State

**DALLAS** - A regulatory board, criticized for a lack of action and in the waning weeks of its existence, has taken its first disciplinary measure against a nursing home administrator. The Texas Board of Nursing Facility Administrators, whose duties will be turned over to another state agency at the end of the month, on Tuesday placed an administrator who had worked at a care center in Rosebud on six months' probation.

**MARFA** - Three of four U.S. Marines involved in the May shooting death of a West Texas teen-ager have been offered immunity in return for their testimony, defense attorneys and a prosecutor say.

**HOUSTON** - A confessed killer has moved one step closer to being the first woman executed in Texas in more than 100 years after a federal judge turned down her request for a new trial.

**VIDOR** - A former volunteer firefighter who told police he set fire to a mobile home because he believed the residents were homosexuals has been indicted on arson and burglary charges.

**ALICE, Texas** - Federal investigators have been dispatched to South Texas to determine what caused a private plane to crash in flames just after takeoff, killing all four people on board.

**AUSTIN** - The Texas Lottery Commission is looking for a few good contractors. The agency has issued three requests for proposals to run the state's numbers game.

**AUSTIN** - Less than a week after Texas voters gave homeowners a break on their property taxes, a group of school administrators says residents shouldn't be surprised by property tax rate increases.

**HOUSTON** - The Houston Police Patrolmen's Union has filed a lawsuit to block the department from questioning the union president who urged officers to find reasons to ticket "seab" UPS truck drivers.

## World/Nation

**NEW YORK** - Small companies say the United Parcel Service strike is killing business and pushing some to lay off employees.

**WASHINGTON** - The nation's tobacco companies, counting heavily on congressional approval of their big lawsuit settlement, gave \$2 million to political parties in the first half of the year. That's an increase of nearly 500 percent over the same period in 1993.

**RAMALLAH, West Bank** - U.S. envoy Dennis Ross opens his final round of negotiations to restore security cooperation between Israel and the Palestinians and set the stage for a broader American peace initiative. Yasser Arafat shows no sign of cracking down on the Islamic Hamas movement, as Israel demands, and his people are growing increasingly angry over Israel's tough measures against them.

**WASHINGTON** - Victor and Debra Goldberg of Ithaca, N.Y., were astonished to receive a \$7,500 check in the mail. Such unsolicited, "live" loan checks are a new marketing tool for some banks. Critics say they're a ripoff because of high interest rates, and potentially vulnerable to mail fraud. They want them banned.

## Emergency Services

Hereford police issued 32 traffic citations and investigated three motor vehicle accidents, including one with possible injuries Tuesday, and responded to reports:

- Domestic dispute in 900 block of Julian, no injuries or charges filed, after man shoved wife down into living room couch.
- Criminal trespass, 1100 block of West Park.

- Gang writings by unknown persons on door of men's restroom at Hereford Aquatic Center.
- Burglary attempt in 100 block of Campbell.
- Man exposed himself to clerk in convenience store; identified and charges pending.
- Burglary, 200 block of Avenue F.
- Runaway, 13-year-old boy, from residence in 200 block of Avenue A.
- Husband, 32, arrested for assaulting wife at residence, n 200 block of E. Gracey.
- 31-year-old man arrested for assaulting wife at residence, 200 block of Avenue I.
- Children reported swimming at Hereford Aquatic Center after hours.
- Theft of diesel fuel at convenience store, 1500 block of West First.
- Officers determined no fight had occurred after responding to a report in the 300 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.
- Criminal mischief at rent house, 100 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.
- Mother and son arguing at residence, 300 block of Miller, no charges filed.

## HISD board sets special meeting

A special meeting of the Hereford Independent School District board of trustees will be 6 p.m. Thursday in the Administration board room at 601 N. 25 Mile Ave.

The board will hear final discussion on the 1997-98 fiscal year budget. The budget has been delayed because of changes resulting from the constitutional amendment which passed Saturday.

The board also will consider the group health insurance proposal and the possibility of hiring an architectural firm to meet the HISD facility needs.

## E. Coli suspected in ground meat

**ROGERS, Ark. (AP)** - About 20,000 pounds of frozen hamburger patties sent to stores in 33 states may be infected with E. Coli bacteria, according to Hudson Foods Co., which is recalling the meat.

The voluntary recall was announced by the Agriculture Department Tuesday. Rogers-based Hudson Foods says the frozen beef patties were distributed to stores in June and July.

Several people in Colorado who ate the patties in early July grew ill and showed strains of e. coli, a potentially deadly bacteria that can cause bloody diarrhea and dehydration.

"We realized what they had in common was consumption of these frozen hamburger patties from the same manufacturer," said Colorado health department epidemiologist Dr. Richard Hoffman.

E. coli is especially dangerous to children, the elderly and people with

## Hereford Economic Indicators

(By Hereford Economic Development Corp.)

	Current Mo.	Last Mo.	1 yr. ago
<b>Sales Tax</b>			
County	\$26,310.56	\$26,475.68	\$24,321.15
City	\$50,341.01	\$50,955.33	\$44,021.59
Econ. Development	\$25,170.51	\$25,477.67	\$22,010.79
<b>Employment</b>			
Labor Force	9,013	8,643	8,952
Employed	8,178	7,982	8,144
Unemployed	835	661	808
Unemployment Rate	9.3%	7.6%	9.0%
<b>Utility Connects</b>			
Electric	6,331	6,328	6,260
Gas	5,219	5,219	5,179
Water	5,297	5,285	5,305
<b>Construction</b>			
Building Permits	\$460,375	\$589,843	\$327,113
Permits YTD	\$2,168,993	\$1,706,618	\$1,151,540
<b>Agriculture</b>			
Wheat per bushel	\$3.19	\$3.00	\$4.60
Corn per Cwt.	\$5.05	\$4.67	\$8.26
Grain sorgh. per Cwt.	\$4.25	\$3.92	\$6.88
Cattle per Cwt.	\$65.97	\$63.10	\$62.98

## HEDC director takes course

Mike Hatley, executive director of the Hereford Economic Development Corp., recently graduated from the Economic Development Institute (EDI).

EDI is a three-year program of the University of Oklahoma which provides an advanced spectrum of education for the economic development professional.

During the training, Hatley researched a thesis on "Recruiting Value-Added Agricultural Industry."

"I chose this particular topic to concentrate on because this is an area that I feel will be most beneficial to Hereford," Hatley said.

Hatley's duties at HEDC include planning and implementing strategies to recruit new business and industry to Hereford.

EDI training included concentrated studies of "Creating a Marketable Product", "Influencing Investor Decisions", and "Current and Future Challenges."

## Small farm tour scheduled by Promised Land Network

The Promised Land Network (PLN), along with El Hormiguero Project, will sponsor its 3rd Annual Small Farm Tour this weekend.

The event will be 3-6 p.m. Sunday. The location of the tour is 6 miles west on Harrison Highway, turn right on Road K, then 1.5 miles north.

The tour will continue at Coronado Acres, 6 miles south on U.S. Highway 385 to FM 2943 intersection, then turn right on lot 29.

The tour will focus on a review of the basics of land management practiced by landholders.

Participants also will tour El Hormiguero Community Gardens and several other ranchitos.

Dr. Clay Robinson, professor of soil and ag sciences at West Texas A&M University at Canyon, will be the tour host.

Participants will have the opportunity to discuss the effects of planned grazing, paddock divisions and timed exposure on livestock

profitability. The sites which will be reviewed are located on colonias, which are a collection of modest houses, fields and livestock pens where most families own ranchitos (small tracts of land).

These unincorporated agrarian villages began in the early 1960s when migrant workers settled and built family homes on lots sold by larger property owners.

Rural colonias in the Texas Panhandle function as productive landscapes where family agriculture is practiced.

The PLN and El Hormiguero Project sponsors the tour as a format for public education and discussion on promoting sustainable agriculture on the Southern Plains through sound land stewardship and Christian ethical principles.

The tour is free and a meal will be provided. For more information, call (806) 364-4445.

## Gas line rupture forces prisoner cell evacuation

**DAYTON, Texas (AP)** - Work crews hoped to finish their repairs today on a ruptured gas line that forced the state to evacuate hundreds of inmates from their prison cells.

Chevron spokesman Jerry Barlow said early today that workmen were trying to install a stoppval that would allow them to complete the repair work sometime today.

Barlow said the leak is now nominal and "the danger is virtually gone" because the area of the leak is covered with water, keeping the gas from escaping into the air.

Installation of the stoppval would allow workmen to be able to better control the flow of gas from the leak so that they can make the needed repairs, Barlow said.

Barlow said conditions should be favorable later today for the prisoners to be returned to their cells, but said, "it's (prison officials') call."

About 3,800 inmates were evacuated Monday after the gas

formed a pungent white cloud that drifted toward three prison units north of Dayton, 35 miles northeast of Houston.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Todd said Tuesday of about 2,500 female inmates who spent Monday night on the floor of a Humble civic center, about 800 were being bused to a downtown Houston jail and 500 to prison units at Gatesville. Three hundred more were to be taken to one or the other, he said.

The remaining 900 prisoners were staying at the civic center a second night and were to be transferred Wednesday morning to gyms at the empty Dayton Junior High School and Dayton High School, Todd said. School has not yet begun.

"This is not unlike a big military operation," Todd said of the arrangements being made for transportation, food, medical attention and security for the prisoners.

printed on the bottom of the bag.

-All 3-pound packages of "Hudson 100 percent Pure Beef Patties, Individually Quick Frozen" with 156B7 printed on the bottom of the bag.

-All 15-pound boxes of "Hudson 60 - \ lb. Beef Patties, Uncooked Individually Quick Frozen" with 155B7 printed near bar code on side panel of box.

States to which the patties were distributed are: Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

Consumers with questions can call the USDA toll free at 1-800-535-4555.

# Welfare-to-work needs more jobs

**ST. LOUIS (AP)** - Nearly a year after he made welfare-to-work the law of the land, President Clinton today pressed private businesses to "make sure there is a job there" for the millions leaving public assistance rolls for the workplace.

Clinton traveled to St. Louis to recognize companies that have answered his call and praise the Welfare to Work Partnership, a not-for-profit entity he created to prod businesses to hire people off welfare.

"The most important thing we can do is get the private sector to hire people," Clinton said after touring MID-TEC, a manufacturing training facility here that is teaching skills to former welfare recipients.

Noting that 1.4 million people have left public assistance since he signed the new welfare law in August 1996, Clinton acknowledged that some who found work are having problems, such as tardiness.

Clinton said, because the law requires the healthiest of those on welfare to find work after two years, "then you must acknowledge that we, the rest of us, have a moral obligation to make sure there is a job there."

"They're really having a hard time, because they've actually never had to do this before," Clinton said. "We have a lot of work to do to make some of these folks believe in their own capacities and ... understand that, hey, we all mess up at work."

Slipping briefly into the role of pitchman, Clinton read and repeated the toll-free number for businesses to contact his welfare partnership: 1-888-USA-JOB1. "Call it and help a welfare recipient find a job," he said. "I feel like I'm hawking something on one of those channels on television."

Clinton said the latest figures contributed to a decline in welfare caseloads of 24 percent, or 3.4 million recipients, since he took office in January 1993. The White House said 11 states - Indiana, Kansas, Massachusetts, Mississippi,

North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Wyoming - have seen caseloads fall by 40 percent or more during that period.

Clinton also touted two ways that the new balanced budget is helping people leave welfare: A \$3 billion "welfare to work jobs challenge" and expanded tax credits to businesses that hire welfare recipients. Looking on was Rep. Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., who had opposed both the budget and welfare bills.

Gephardt, considered a potential candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, did not mention his opposition to either law today. He said Clinton's visit marked "the first of what we hope will be many" by Clinton to welfare training efforts nationwide.

Outside his presidential functions, Clinton was pulling double-duty as a Democratic fund-raiser. He was to deliver a luncheon speech before the Democratic Business Council to raise \$250,000 for Democratic candidates. About 60 people were expected to attend, with donations running \$10,000 per couple, said Democratic National Committee spokeswoman Melissa Bonney.

To set an example, the White House has hired six former welfare recipients to work in Clinton's executive offices at salaries estimated at \$18,000 to \$20,000 a year.

In its first guide on hiring people off welfare, the partnership is urging that companies "realistically assess" their ability to provide these workers with the support and motivation they need to remain employed.

More than 750 companies have joined the partnership, each promising to hire at least one welfare recipient.

A year after Clinton signed the welfare law, they have no totals. An Associated Press survey in May of the nation's largest firms showed just a handful had welfare-to-work programs in place.

## Execution of woman looms step closer

**HOUSTON (AP)** - Pam Perillo has moved a step closer to becoming the first woman to be executed in Texas in more than 100 years.

A federal judge last week turned down her request for a new trial, the Houston Chronicle reported today.

U.S. District Judge Ewing Werlein ruled that Perillo had adequate representation in her trial for the 1980 killing of a Houston man.

Perillo had alleged that her capital murder conviction should be thrown out because one of her two attorneys in her second trial represented a cooperating witness.

She was first convicted in 1981 of capital murder in the deaths of Bob Skeens and Robert Banks, but the conviction was overturned because of an error during jury selection.

She was convicted in 1984 of Skeens' murder and was again sentenced to death. Her appeal noted that one of her attorneys represented a co-defendant, Linda Fletcher, who agreed to testify for the prosecution.

A native of Los Angeles, Perillo turned to burglary and robbery to support a heroin habit. While on a drug-induced high, she, Mike Briddle and Fletcher stole \$800 from Skeens and Banks.

Perillo and Briddle then wrapped a rope around the men's necks, with each yanking on one end.

Perillo confessed and all three

were charged with capital murder. Houston attorney Jim Skelton convinced prosecutors that Fletcher was not involved in the killings. She was reindicted on an aggravated robbery charge with an agreement she would testify against Briddle.

Fletcher was given five years probation and Perillo and Briddle were convicted of capital murder and sentenced to death. Briddle has already been executed.

Skelton was hired to assist Perillo's primary counsel for her second trial after the 1981 conviction was overturned. He persuaded Fletcher, who had since moved to California, to return to Texas to testify about Briddle's influence over her and Perillo.

Perillo later contended that Fletcher had a conflict of interest, but the judge ruled last week that the attorney's close relationship with Fletcher could only have helped Perillo.

A Texas prison system spokeswoman said a new execution date has not been set.



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

15-19-29-33-37  
(fifteen, nineteen, twenty-nine, thirty-three, thirty-seven)

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

8-6-9  
(eight, six, nine)

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# Lifestyles

## Reports of coming activities are highlight of Pilot Club meeting

Reports of committee chairmen and upcoming activities were highlights of the Thursday morning meeting of the Hereford Pilot Club.

Breakfast was catered by Darlene Richardson.

President Martha Jones announced that through the combined efforts of Anchor Club members and Pilot Club members a first place plaque was received for the float entered in the Town and Country Jubilee parade.

Shannon Redwine reported that the Jubilee of Arts was a success with half the vendors leaving deposits for next year's show.

Peggie Fox reported that the club

had sponsored the July birthday party at Westgate Nursing Home. There were 10 birthdays and more than 50 nursing home residents and children from the child care center in attendance.

The annual hamburger cookout for Pilots, their "co-pilots" and families was held in July at the Westway home of Bud and Brenda Thomas with more than 50 attending. This was the program meeting for the year.

Pilot Club will sponsor the first "42" Game Night for this club year on Sept. 4 at the Community Center. The game night will include

something for the whole family with plenty of prizes.

A youth division report was given by Dianna Kimmel. A bicycle safety program will be sponsored the third week of September.

Plans are being finalized for the Pilot Club, Texas District, Region I workshop which will be held at the Community Center Sept. 7. Representatives from Amarillo, Dumas and Dalhart club will attend. Redwine is in charge of plans.

Pilot Club members are selling pecans as a fund-raiser. Call any Pilot Club member for more information or to place an order.

## Retired school personnel receive annuity increase

Texas Retired School Personnel Association reports that retired school personnel in Texas can look forward to receiving retirement annuity increases, ranging from two percent to 14 percent with the signing of the Teacher Retirement System Omnibus Bill (HB2644) by Governor George Bush.

The increase will be reflected in retirees' Sept. 30 annuity check as well as additional health care benefit improvements.

Betty Mercer, president of Hereford Retired School Employees Association, called the action welcome news for the entire membership. As of the fall of 1997, there are approximately 150 people in the Hereford area receiving retirement annuity payments.

HB2644 is the result of the Texas Retired School Association working in cooperation with the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and the Texas Legislature. The bill represents the third of a four-phase Consumer Price Index Catch-up Plan to restore what retired school personnel had lost to inflation, correct inequities in years of retirement and bring annuitants up to a level playing field.

HB2644 was authored by representative Barry Telford, D-Dekalb, and Senator Ken Armbuster, D-Victoria. It becomes effective Sept. 1, 1997, and will be reflected in the check that annuitants receive in September. This increase is made possible by favorable earnings of the investments of the Retirement Fund. No tax money is involved.

TRSPA is already working to formulate legislation to be introduced in the 76th Legislative Session which will complete the four-step plan begun in 1993.

Passage of HB2644 represents the second largest annuity increase -- \$1.4 billion -- for retired school personnel ever passed by the Texas Legislature. The largest increase -- \$1.6 billion -- was passed by the 74th Legislature and represented the second phase of the plan and recalculation of benefits based on current law.

## Women bowlers will organize

An organizational meeting of the Hereford Woman's Bowling Association will be held at 7 p.m. Aug. 19 in the Hereford Community Center game room.

The meeting is to prepare for the 1997-1998 bowling season at the new Hereford Recreation Center. All interested women bowlers are encouraged to attend.

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## Annual hamburger cookout

Members of Hereford Pilot Club, their "co-pilots" and families visited during the annual hamburger cookout and program meeting in July at the home of Bud and Brenda Thomas in Westway. Pictured are, from left, Linda Minchew, Marci Ginn, Patsy Bryant and Paul Jones.

## Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I'd like to respond to the letter from "Beside Myself in Oregon." He wanted to bring his elderly mother to live with him, but his wife was against it. He resented his wife's attitude.

After my father died, my brothers and I knew that my mother would be unable to cope by herself in her big house. Although they discussed modifying their own homes to accommodate Mother, I was very strong in my opposition to this. I told them there was no way Mother could live in my home without destroying my marriage and I suspected the same was true for them. They eventually agreed, and Mother went into a facility where she could get more and more attention as her physical and mental abilities deteriorated.

Guilt? You bet. Every time I visited her, I felt guilty. Did she rub it in? Of course. "How can you make me live in a place like this?" she would ask. But after I left, I knew that this was the best solution for a bad situation. Mother had better care in that facility than my family or I would have been able to provide. I realize this may not be the best

answer for everyone, but it was the best one for us. It was a tough decision, but I have never regretted it. -- Tank Town in Calif.

Dear Tank Town: The problem of what to do with elderly parents is one of the most difficult (and often guilt-producing) of our time. People are now living longer, and when Mom or Dad cannot remain in their own home, the decision of how best to care for them must be made.

With so many two-income families, no one is at home to care for an elderly parent. The best solution is often a facility where the elderly can get nutritious meals, medical attention and the companionship of other seniors. And, of course, the children should visit as often as possible and let them know they are not forgotten.

Dear Ann Landers: You printed some very nice letters not long ago, praising the Internal Revenue Service for a job well done. Most Americans are not opposed to paying taxes, Ann. What they don't appreciate are the tactics used by the IRS to collect taxes that are not actually owed.

Haven't you heard about IRS agents who harass innocent people?

And what about the IRS mistakenly taking people's property and not offering so much as an apology after they have ruined their lives?

The IRS intimidated me for six years before finally admitting that I owed them nothing. They put a lien on my paycheck and kept my tax returns. Even after admitting they had made a mistake, they still have not returned my money, nor have they apologized for making my life miserable.

If it happened to me, Ann, it could happen to you. Then let's see what you have to say about our lovely tax system. -- Been There in Fresno

Dear Been There: Apparently, a number of readers also have "been there." Frankly, I was surprised to receive so many letters citing chapter and verse on how people had been mistreated by the IRS. Almost all who wrote said, as you did, that it took forever to get things straightened around, and many are still waiting.

In my opinion, the Internal Revenue Service does pretty well considering the enormity of the job, but when an apology is owed, it should be given as soon as possible, and this goes for the refunds as well. Are you listening, Washington?

Gem of the Day: A father is a person who spends thousands of dollars on his daughter's wedding and then reads in the paper that he gave her away.

Forget to save some of your favorite Ann Landers columns? "Nuggets and Doozies" is the answer. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Nuggets, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$6.25.)

## Celebration to honor resident on occasion of 80th birthday

The family and friends of Herbert Higgins are hosting a reception in his honor from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 16 to celebrate his 80th birthday.

The celebration will be held in the family home on South Avenue K where Higgins resides with his wife, Edith.

Mr. Higgins was born Aug. 19, 1917.

The couple has four daughters Lilly Bolinger of Siloam Springs, Ark., Wanda Coody of Hereford, Wilma Sharp of Tomball and Loretta Stovall of Amarillo.

Mr. Higgins has one brother, Robert Higgins, who resides in Hereford.

The family requests that those attending do not bring gifts.

## Hospital Notes

Report from Hereford Regional Medical Center on Aug. 13:  
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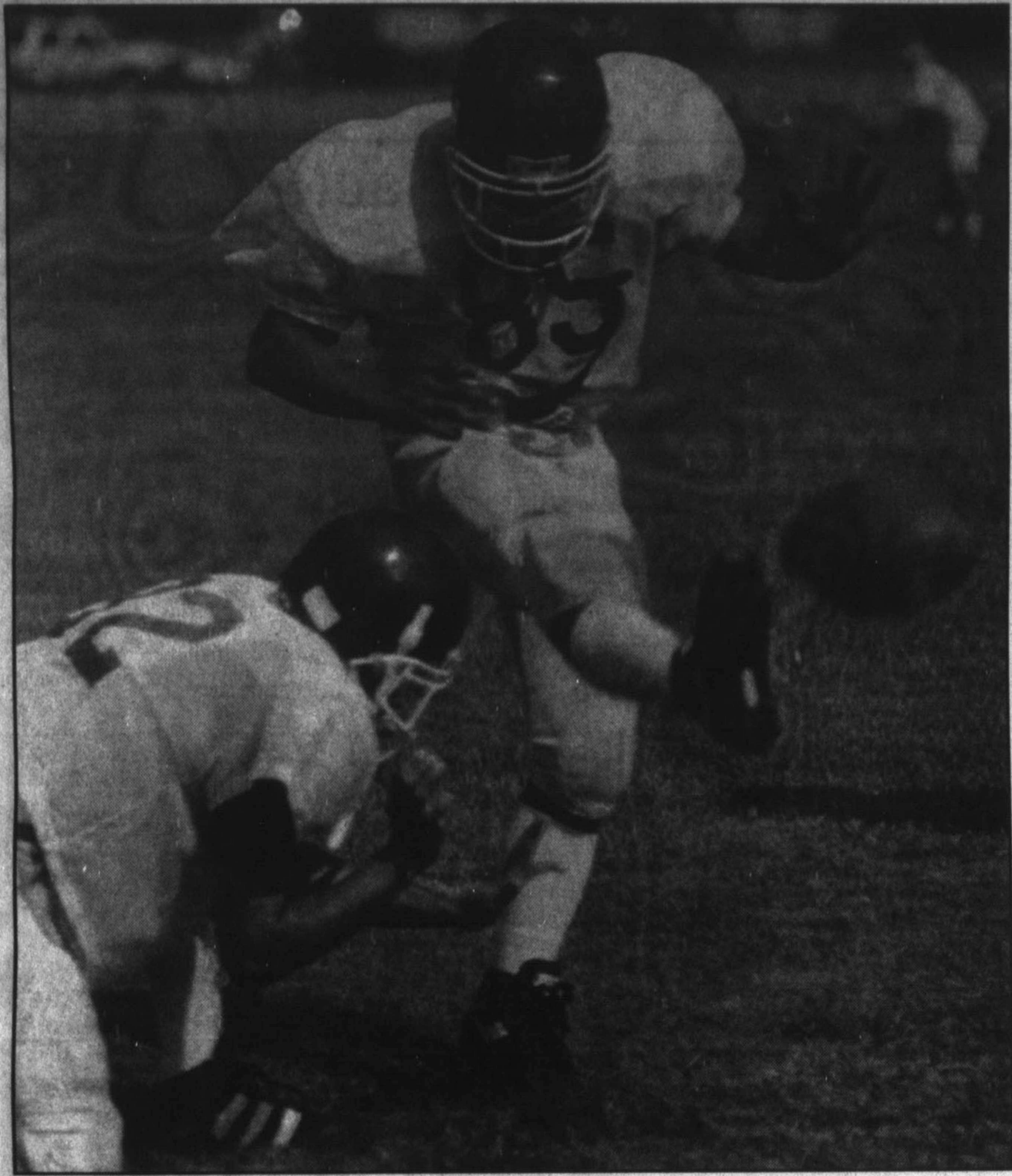
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# Elway recovers from injury; Miami releases FG kicker

**By The Associated Press**  
John Elway is back, which is good for the Denver Broncos and could be bad for the New England Patriots.

"Right now it looks like he will be able to play," Denver coach Mike Shanahan said of Elway and Sunday's exhibition game against the Patriots. "We'll wait and see. The arm could be sore tomorrow and it could hold him back until the San Francisco game (Aug. 23)."

The 37-year-old Elway ruptured his right biceps tendon in an exhibition game against Miami on Aug. 4. On Tuesday, his second day back at practice, he threw several passes of more than 50 yards while showing no sign of pain in his delivery.

"It is amazing what he's been able to do the last couple of days. The way he's been able to throw, he appears to be without pain. John never tells you how much pain he has, but I don't think it is a lot."

### Dolphins

The worst field-goal kicker in the NFL last season, Joe Nedney, has been waived by Miami, along with six other players.

Nedney is being replaced by Olindo Mare, who lives in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., went to college at Syracuse and becomes the Dolphins' third kicker in as many seasons.

Besides Nedney, also cut were two-year starting guard Chris Gray, quarterback Spence Fischer, receiver Terence Davis and cornerbacks Melvin Cunningham and Cedric Davis.

### Bears

Defensive tackle Mark Spindler, who was recently released by the Seattle Seahawks, has signed with the Chicago Bears. The 6-foot-5, 283-pound Spindler played five seasons for Detroit and has also played for Tampa Bay and the New York Jets.

The Bears also waived wide receiver Haywood Jeffires, who signed as a free agent last month after 10 years in the NFL with Houston and New Orleans.

### Jets

Defensive end Marvin Washington, the only Jets player left from the 1980s, has been cut by New York.

Washington, who joined the team as a sixth-round draft choice in 1989, signed a four-year, \$9.1 million deal after the 1995 season, then agreed to restructure the contract after last season to provide New York with more cap room.

"I don't think he was going to be in our plans," said Jets coach Bill Parcells, who is rebuilding the Jets after they went 4-28 under Rich Kotite the last two years. "So to be fair to him, it was just better we do it now."

Washington was the most senior member of the Jets.

### Bills

Bruce Smith still doesn't have a new contract.

The defensive end's agent, Leigh Steinberg, left Buffalo after failing to agree on a new deal. Smith, on the final year of a contract that will pay him \$2.2 million this year, has been seeking more than the \$22 million, five-year deal he already has rejected.

Smith, who also made \$2.2 million last year, was the NFL's defensive player of the year last season.

### Eagles

Ray Rhodes will decide soon whether Rodney Peete or Ty Detmer is his starting quarterback.

"We don't want to wait a long time because we've got to get our team together," Rhodes said before looking at the tape of the Eagles' 42-26 loss to the Steelers on Monday night.

Against the Steelers, Rhodes reversed the order of the starters he used in the exhibition-opening loss to the Jets, with Peete opening and Detmer playing the second quarter. The results were the same: Neither looked great behind a shaky offensive line, but the second guy looked better than the first guy.

### Redskins

Joe Patton, who has played nearly everywhere along the Washington

offensive line, has been shifted again, this time from left guard to left tackle.

Slower-than-expected recovery from surgery by guards Tre Johnson (shoulder) and Bob Dahl (knee) has forced coach Norv Turner to move players around to get a cohesive unit in time for the Aug. 31 opener at Carolina.

Patton, by far the most versatile of the group, was moved this week from left tackle to Johnson's spot at left guard. Fifth-round draft pick Brad Badger slid over from left guard to Dahl's right guard position. Shar Pourdanesh became the first-unit left tackle.

## Working on kicking game

The Hereford Whiteface football team continued to hold two-a-day workouts this week, and L.J. Vallejo(85) is shown practicing his place-kicking Tuesday afternoon. Coach Craig Yenzler will hold an intrasquad scrimmage Friday - a session that could determine some of the varsity gridgers for the 1997 season.

## Sports Briefs

**By The Associated Press**

### BASEBALL

**SAN DIEGO (AP)** - Two days after having a kidney stone surgically removed while on a road trip, San Diego Padres was back in uniform, although he's not yet ready to return to the San Diego Padres' lineup. Gwynn will probably sit until Thursday's game against Cincinnati.

**BALTIMORE (AP)** - Rex Barney, who pitched a no-hitter for the 1948 Brooklyn Dodgers and enjoyed widespread popularity as the Baltimore Orioles' longtime public address announcer, was found dead at his home. He was 72.

The cause of death was not known last night.

### BASKETBALL

**MINNEAPOLIS (AP)** - Minnesota Timberwolves forward Kevin Garnett, who went from erratic rookie to All-Star in his second season, rejected a six-year, \$103 million offer, Timberwolves owner Glen Taylor said.

Garnett will earn \$2.1 million this season in the final year of his three-year, \$5.5 million contract. Taylor said Garnett's agent, Eric Fleisher, is seeking a six-year contract worth at least \$132 million.

Taylor said the offer would have paid Garnett slightly better, around \$17.2 million on an annual basis, than Shaquille O'Neal's seven-year, \$120 million deal with the Los Angeles Lakers.

### TENNIS

**TORONTO (AP)** - Top-seeded Monica Seles, competing just two days after winning a tournament in Los Angeles, advanced to the third round of the du Maurier Open with a 6-2, 6-4 victory over Asa Carlsson of Sweden.

Seles will play No. 16 Sabine Appelmans of Belgium in the third round. Appelmans defeated France's Alexandra Fusai 6-3, 6-3.

In other matches, No. 6 Mary Pierce of France, No. 7 Conchita Martinez of Spain, No. 8 Anke Huber of Germany and No. 11 Kimberley Po advanced.

**NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP)** - Brett Steven upset Jim Courier in the second round of the Pilot Pen International 6-2, 6-2.

In other matches at the Connecticut Tennis Center, top-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia, No. 3 Petr Korda of the Czech Republic, No. 7 Tim Henman of Britain and Sargis Sargsian of Armenia advanced.

**INDIANAPOLIS (AP)** - Wild-card entry Glenn Weiner, playing in just the second ATP match of his career, upset 15th-seeded Thomas Johansson of Sweden 6-7 (6-7), 7-5, 6-4 in the first round of the RCA Championships.

Richard Fromberg of Australia ousted No. 11 Alberto Berasategui of Spain 7-6 (7-5), 5-7, 6-1, and Jiri Novak of the Czech Republic defeated countryman and 13th-seed



Chuck Yeager was the first man to fly faster than the speed of sound. He accomplished the feat on October 14, 1947 in a Bell X-1 rocket airplane.

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**NEW YORK (AP)** - Wade McGuire defeated qualifier Jaymon Crabb of Australia 7-5, 4-6, 6-2 in the first round of the GHI Bronx Tennis Classic.

In other matches, Oren Monte-vassel of Israel upset top-seeded Julian Alonso of Spain 6-1, 6-2, while No. 2 Gianluca Pozzi of Italy routed Portugal's Emanuel Couto 6-1, 6-0, and David Witt ousted No. 4 Kevin Ulyett of South Africa 6-4, 6-2.

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# Pirates rally past Braves; Astros rap Marlins

By BEN WALKER  
AP Baseball Writer

Denny Neagle was certain the Atlanta Braves would hold a ninth-inning lead, and for good reason. He'd never seen them blow one.

The Pittsburgh Pirates wrecked his bid to become the first 17-game winner in the NL, however, rallying for four runs in the ninth against Mark Wohlers for a 5-2 victory Tuesday night at Turner Field.

Atlanta had won 61 straight games this season when leading after the eighth, and was 133-0 in those spots since May 3, 1996.

A close call on a steal play and a couple of walks set up Turner Ward's

two-run single. Later in the inning, Al Martin hit a two-run single off Kerry Ligtenberg, making his major league debut.

"It got ugly," said Wohlers, who was trying for his 100th career save. "I got the first guy out, but after that it was all downhill. Obviously, my control wasn't there."

In other NL games, San Diego beat Montreal 6-4, Philadelphia defeated Colorado 5-0, Houston trounced Florida 13-2, St. Louis downed New York 5-2, Chicago beat Los Angeles 4-2 and San Francisco defeated Cincinnati 7-3.

Wohlers (4-5) took over to start the ninth with a 2-1 lead and struck out the first batter. Jason Kendall

followed with a single and stole second, barely beating the throw.

"From my point of view, it looked like Jason Kendall was out," Neagle said. "The throw was right on the money. If he's called out, then you've got a totally different situation: two out and nobody on."

Wohlers walked the next two hitters, Dale Sveum and pinch-hitter Mark Smith. Ward followed with a single that almost knocked over Wohlers.

Padres 6, Expos 4  
Rickey Henderson, whose days in San Diego might be numbered, hit the 250th home run of his career in a win over visiting Montreal.

Henderson is drawing interest from several AL contenders, and a trade could come this week. He went 3-for-5 as he started in right field for the fourth straight game in place of Tony Gwynn, out since having a kidney stone surgically removed Sunday.

Greg Vaughn, who would get the job in left field if Henderson is traded, drove in three runs.

Phillies 5, Rockies 0  
Matt Beech stopped his streak of 22 straight starts without a win, pitching Philadelphia past Colorado at Coors Field.

Beech (1-7) was winless since beating Atlanta in his first big league start on Aug. 8, 1996, against Atlanta. He had made 15 starts this season without a victory.

Beech retired the first 13 Rockies and allowed just four hits in seven innings. The Phillies have won three in a row and 11 of 14, while Colorado had its three-game winning string stopped.

Astros 13, Marlins 2  
Back in mid-June, Houston manager Larry Dierker said he would pick his lineups based on defense and

pitching, and not focus so much on hitting. Even so, Astros batters haven't been doing too badly.

The NL Central leaders opened an 11-game homestand - their longest of the season - with another high-scoring effort, increasing their run total to 40 in four games. Tim Bogar and Chuckie Carr homered and James Mouton drove in three runs.

Mike Hampton (10-7) won his seventh straight decision despite walking seven Florida batters.

Cardinals 5, Mets 2  
Mark McGwire broke out of a 3-for-35 slump with a solo homer and a two-run double, leading St. Louis over New York at Busch Stadium.

Cardinals catcher Tom Paganzzi, sidelined since April 29 because of a hip flexor and pulled groin, homered in his first at-bat since coming off the disabled list.

St. Louis won for just the fourth time in 13 games. Todd Hundley hit his 26th homer, and second in two days, as the Mets lost for the seventh time in 11 games.

Cubs 4, Dodgers 2  
Jose Hernandez, playing because shortstop Shawn Dunston was injured,

hit a two-run homer in the seventh inning off Hideo Nomo that lifted Chicago over Los Angeles.

The Cubs stopped their nine-game road losing streak. The Dodgers had won six in a row at home.

Before the game, the Dodgers acquired center fielder Otis Nixon from Toronto for minor league catcher Bobby Cripps. Nixon, second in the AL with 47 stolen bases, will start for Los Angeles and bat at the top of the lineup.

Giants 7, Reds 3  
Pitching at home in San Francisco for the first time, Wilson Alvarez struck out nine and drove in a run with his first major league hit to beat Cincinnati.

Alvarez (2-1) won in his third start since being traded from the Chicago White Sox with Roberto Hernandez and Danny Darwin for six minor leaguers July 31.

Barry Bonds broke an 0-for-17 skid with an RBI double for the Giants.

## Brewers top Mariners 5-3; Rangers rip Boston 12-2

By the Associated Press

Rookie Steve Woodward avenged a recent pounding by Seattle, overcoming Ken Griffey Jr.'s 37th home run and pitching Milwaukee past the Mariners 5-3 on Tuesday.

Woodward allowed four hits in seven innings. He struck out six, walked one and gave up solo homers to Griffey and Russ Davis.

In other American League games, Texas pounded Boston 12-2, Kansas City beat New York 6-4, Baltimore blanked Oakland 8-0, Toronto defeated Minnesota 9-1, and Chicago edged Anaheim 8-5.

Rangers 12, Boston 2

A day after collecting 15 hits and beating Boston 8-3, the Rangers

added 17 more hits to win their third consecutive game. Bobby Witt (11-8) pitched his third complete game and the Rangers' second straight as Texas improved to 5-0 at Fenway Park this season.

Fernando Tatis had four hits, three runs and four RBIs. Tom Goodwin had three hits and three RBIs, and Lee Stevens had three hits, three runs and two RBIs.

Orioles 8, Athletics 0  
Scott Erickson pitched a three-hitter and Rafael Palmeiro had three hits, including a three-run homer, as Baltimore shutout Oakland 8-0.

Palmeiro's 24th homer highlighted a four-run first inning that boosted Baltimore to its 12th win in 15 games. Oakland has lost 11 of 16.

Blue Jays 9, Twins 1

Roger Clemens became the first 18-game winner in the major league, striking out 13 as Toronto defeated Minnesota 9-1. Clemens allowed eight hits and lowered his earned-run average to 1.66, best in the major.

Royals 6, Yankees 4

Dean Palmer homered and drove in four runs as Kansas City ended New York's three-game winning streak. Palmer, who is 10 of 21 with runners in scoring position and has 16 RBIs in 18 games since joining the Royals in a trade with Texas, singled home a run in the fourth, opened the sixth with his 17th homer and had a go-ahead two-run double in the seventh.

## Texas, Florida trade hurlers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) - The Florida Marlins added veteran left-hander Ed Vosberg to their bullpen Tuesday by sending

right-hander Rick Helling to Texas - the team he was acquired from last August.

Vosberg, 35, is 1-2 with a 4.61

ERA in 42 games this season. Over three years in Texas he was 7-8 with 12 saves in 138 appearances. He had his best season last year when the Rangers won the AL West.

Helling, 26, is 2-6 with a 4.36 ERA in 31 games this season. He's started eight times and mostly been used in middle and long relief.

This is the third straight year the Rangers and Marlins have made an August trade. Florida acquired Bobby Witt for Wilson Heredia and Scott Podsednik in 1995 and got Helling and Ryan Dempster for John Burkett last year.

Helling, who actually was the player to be named in the Burkett trade, may get a shot at rejoining the Rangers' rotation. Texas has used eight starters in its last nine games and has made no secret that it is auditioning players the rest of this year for spots on next year's squad.

Helling was a first-round pick by Texas in the 1992 draft. He began the 1994 and 1995 seasons in Texas' rotation but spent time both seasons in Triple-A Oklahoma City. He began 1996 there then pitched six games with Texas before being sent to Florida.

## Swoopes scores 18 in win over Starzz

HOUSTON (AP) - Sheryl Swoopes has her game back.

In her first significant game action since giving birth seven weeks ago, the former Texas Tech star and Olympic gold-medalist scored 18 points in 21 minutes Tuesday night to lead the Houston Comets to a 76-56 victory over the Utah Starzz.

The victory kept the Comets (16-7) tied with the New York Liberty for the Eastern Division lead in the Women's National Basketball Association.

Cynthia Cooper, the league's leading scorer, was just off her average with 21 points, 18 in the second half, to lead the Comets.

Swoopes had her best performance of the four games she's played since

returning from maternity leave.

In her debut Thursday, Swoopes played tentatively for five minutes in the first half against Phoenix but did not score. She played eight minutes against Los Angeles on Saturday and three minutes Monday against Charlotte, scoring in neither game.


All that changed Tuesday after a talk with coach Van Chancellor.

"I told her she was playing too tentative in the first three games, and I told her if you turn the ball over, you turn the ball over," Chancellor said.

Swoopes finished 7-for-13 from the field, including 2-for-4 from 3-point range, and had six rebounds and two assists.

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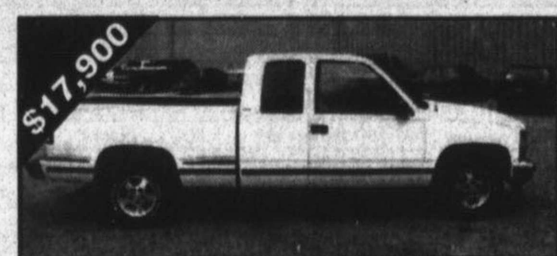
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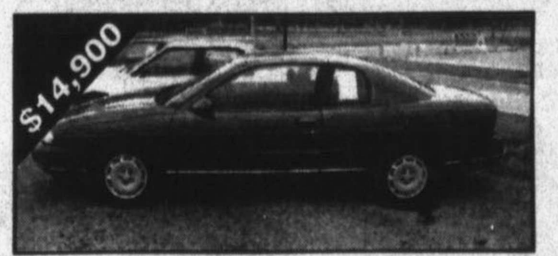
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# Miami man collects rewards of \$55,000 in Cunanan case

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) - Fernando Carreira's persistence paid off. Three weeks after he stumbled onto suspected serial killer Andrew Cunanan on a houseboat, Carreira collected a \$45,000 reward. Holding up his five reward checks as he would a winning poker hand, Carreira mugged Tuesday with reporters, whom he had called piranhas last month when he first made headlines. "I put a stop to a lot of problems - for the families, for the police, for the government I saved them millions and millions of dollars," said Carreira, 71. "It was by mistake, but I did it."

The windfall was the biggest in his campaign for reward money. So far, Carreira has collected \$55,000 from various officials and citizen groups that offered rewards for Cunanan's capture, including a \$10,000 reward in July from a gay anti-violence group in New York.

The groups that rewarded him Tuesday said they had been waiting for word from Miami Beach police that Carreira had no role in helping Cunanan elude capture before he shot himself as the housekeeper approached.

Carreira was making his regular rounds to the houseboat July 23 when he heard a gunshot on the second floor. He ran to take cover, then had someone call police as he waited for officers to arrive while he watched the houseboat door.

Hours later, police discovered the body of Cunanan, who was suspected in the killings of five men, including the shooting of fashion designer Gianni Versace.

## CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR  
**KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON**

### OSHA SHOULD RESEARCH BEFORE IT REGULATES

As hand surgeon Dr. Morton Kasdan, has pointed out, treatment before diagnosis is bad medicine — whether dispensed by a doctor in the form of drugs or the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) in the form of regulations.

OSHA has been studying the matter of ergonomics since the early 1990s. Ergonomics is the science of adapting work or working conditions to the physical requirements of the workers. Ergonomic injuries include repetitive strains and conditions such as carpal tunnel syndrome.

According to OSHA, ergonomic injuries account for 60 percent of workplace illnesses and \$20 billion in workers' compensation claims. But the Bureau of Labor Statistics tells a different story: It reports that ergonomic injuries account for only 7 percent of total workplace injuries. The National Safety Council puts that figure at 4 percent.

Few would argue that repetitive motion injuries are real. There are questions, however, about whether these injuries are caused exclusively by factors in the workplace. Scientists and physicians do not agree on how much exposure to risk factors actually causes problems (or even which workplace risk factors cause problems).

The question is this: Why is it that two people can perform the exact same work activity, and one ends up with carpal tunnel syndrome and the other doesn't? Could not

some of these kinds of injuries be the result of factors other than workplace conditions, such as diet, age, heredity or non-work activities? In addition, neither medicine nor science has been able to determine how to prevent such ailments. Indeed, a number of "ergonomically correct" devices and equipment have been found to make the problem worse for some people.

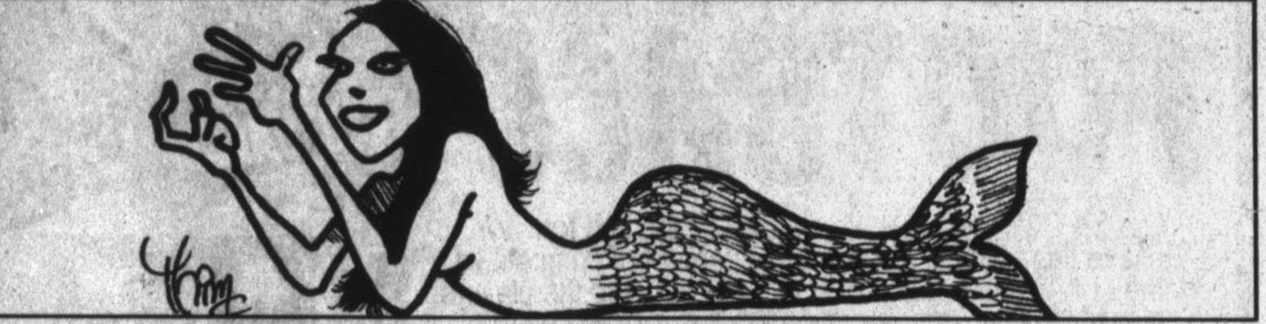
Despite this lack of scientific consensus, OSHA has been moving forward with a plan to create and impose ergonomics standards on virtually every workplace in the United States, be it factory, farm or office. Two years ago OSHA issued its first draft of these standards; the document is 600 pages long and four inches thick. It continues to grow. Complying with this proposed new set of regulations would be paperwork intensive and cost billions of dollars — with no guarantee workplace safety and health would be improved one iota.

Nor is it simply a matter of some questions remaining unanswered. There is as yet no firm science to justify any specific regulations.

Before we impose another huge, expensive regulatory burden on the American workplace in order to address ergonomic concerns, it would be a good idea to insist that we know much more about the nature and cause of these injuries. Without understanding the circumstances that cause one worker to experience pain and another worker to flourish, government mandates may well turn out to do more harm than good.

In July, Congress stepped in to slow OSHA's forward rush toward premature regulation. Appropriations bills enacted by both the House and Senate prohibit OSHA from imposing any final, mandatory ergonomic standard before September 30, 1998, as well as prevent OSHA from spending any of its FY 1998 budget to enforce voluntary ergonomic guidelines.

Meanwhile, I'd like to see the pace of medical research in this area accelerated. And where we can identify a specific remedy for a specific injury, by all means we should move ahead. But right now, we just don't know enough to impose a "one-size-fits-all" set of rules and standards for every industry in the entire country.



Sirenia is the name of an order of water mammals, which includes the dugongs and manatees. The name came from the old belief that these creatures were sirens or mermaids.

## Comics

### The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

I WISH MY MOTHER HAD A JOB COOKING FOR THIS PLACE

GOT A YEN FOR SOME GOOD OLD HOME COOKING, ... EH?

NOBODY MAKES SWILL LIKE MOM USED TO MAKE

### Marvin

By Tom Armstrong

I'VE HEARD THAT RAINY DAYS CAN ACTUALLY CHANGE PEOPLE'S PERSONALITIES.

I FEEL LAZY AND SLEEPY.

WELL, IT DOESN'T AFFECT EVERYBODY.

### Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake

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### Barney Google and Snuffy Smith

By Fred Lasswell

I THINK I'LL TAKE UP GOLF

WHAT INSPIRED YOU, TIGER WOODS' SUCCESS?

NO...THE GENERAL'S LACK OF IT

### Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker

ANY OF YOU VARMINTS SEEN MY MAN LUKEY??

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# Yeast breads capture top honors at county 4-H Better Bake Show

Overall winner in the Deaf Smith County 4-H Bake Show held recently in the Community Center was Lark Duncan with the recipe "New England Wheat Bread."

Other winners included Kylee Auckerman in senior division and Lark Duncan in junior division.

Alternate winners were Erin Auckerman in senior division and Jaclyn Paschel in junior division.

Top senior record winner was Kylee Auckerman and Seth Hoelscher was top junior record winner. Receiving special recognition in junior records were Dawn Auckerman, Shayla Wilcox and Lark Duncan.

Other participants included Rhiana Noland, Kristen O'Rear, Amanda Smith, Jessica Matsler, Kesli Urbanczyk and Kaeli Urbanczyk.

The youth participated in a workshop in late July that taught the principles of yeast bread baking and the importance of wheat in the diet. They made "Bread-In-A-Bag."

Duncan will represent Deaf Smith County in the 1997 4-H Better Bake Show at the Tri State Fair. Sponsors for district contest include Texas Wheat Producers Association, Tri State Fair Association and Arrowhead Mills, Inc.

The County Extension Office has a yeast bread trouble shooting hand-out that will help identify potential problems in yeast bread baking. To obtain a hand-out, call 364-3573.

Following are the top three recipes of the bake show.

- New England Wheat Bread**  
Lark Duncan
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
  - 2 packages active dry yeast
  - 2 cups water
  - 1/4 cup butter
  - 3 tablespoons packed brown sugar
  - 3 tablespoons honey

- 2 tablespoons salt
- 2-3/4 to 3-1/2 cups whole wheat flour

In large mixing bowl combine the all-purpose flour and the active dry yeast. In saucepan heat water, butter, brown sugar, honey and salt just till warm (115-120 degrees), stirring constantly. Add to dry mixture in mixing bowl. Beat at low speed of electric mixer for 30 seconds, scraping sides of bowl constantly. Beat 3 minutes at high speed. By hand, stir in enough of the whole wheat flour to make a moderately stiff dough.

Turn the dough onto a lightly floured surface and knead till smooth and elastic (about 8 minutes). Shape into a ball. Place dough in a lightly greased bowl, turning once to grease surface. Cover and let rise in a warm place until double (about 1 hour).

Punch the dough down; turn out onto lightly floured surface. Divide in half; cover and let rest 10 minutes. Shape dough into two loaves and place in two greased 8-1/2 X 4-1/2 X 2-1/2 inch loaf pans. Cover dough and let rise in a warm place till almost double (35 to 45 minutes).

Bake at 375 degrees for 20 minutes. Cover with foil and bake till bread tests done, 15 to 20 minutes more. Remove from pans and cool on wire racks. Makes 2 loaves.

**Whole Wheat Bread**  
Jaclyn Paschel

- 2 cups scalded milk
  - 1-1/2 teaspoon salt
  - 1/4 cup lukewarm water
  - 3 cups whole wheat flour
  - 1/4 cup brown sugar
  - 2 tablespoons oil
  - 1 package active dry yeast
  - 3 cups white flour
- Add salt, shortening and sugar to scalded milk and cool to lukewarm. Add yeast to lukewarm water and 1 teaspoon white sugar. Let stand 5 minutes.

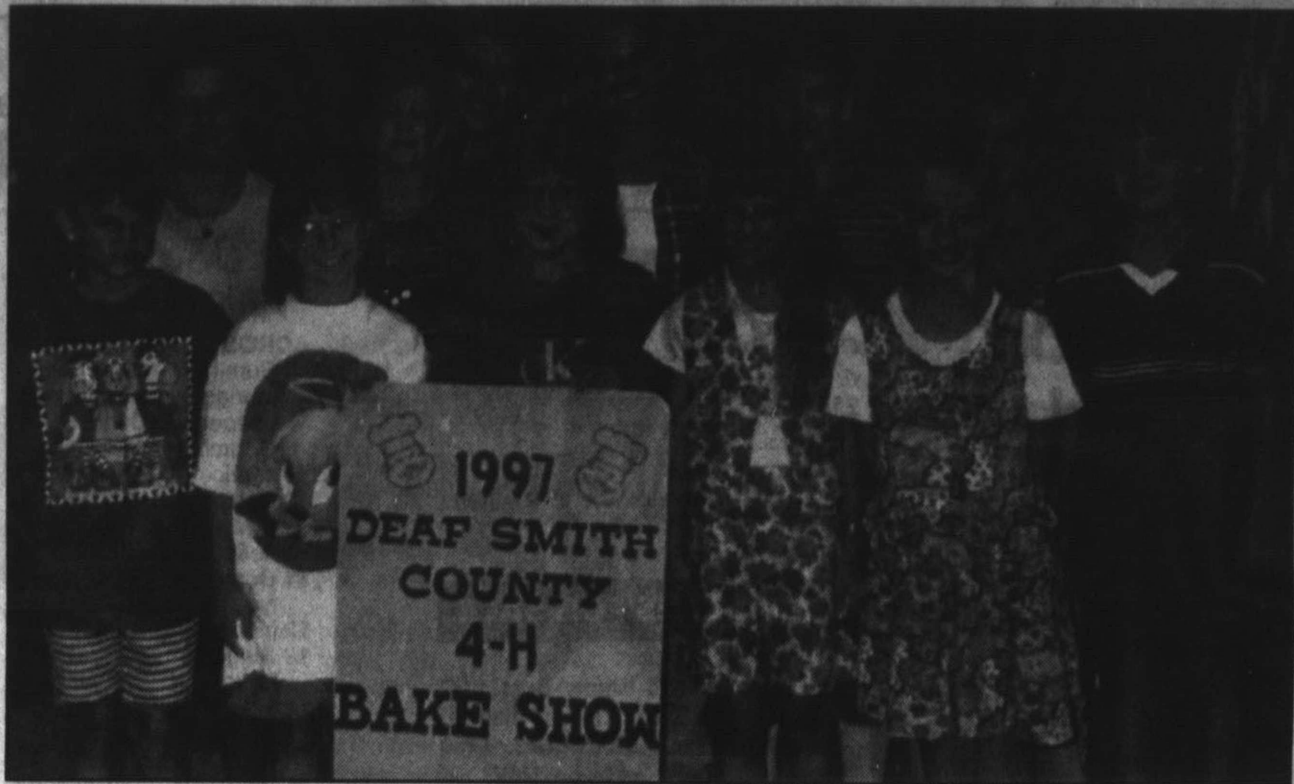
Combine yeast and milk in a large bowl. Add all the whole wheat flour and enough white flour to make a soft dough. Place remaining flour on board and knead the dough till smooth and elastic. Place in a greased bowl, turn over so that greased side is on top and cover with cloth. Let rise until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour.

Punch down and let rise a second time if desired. Divide dough in half and place in loaf pans. Let rise about 30 minutes. Bake for 10 minutes at 400 degrees, reduce temperature to 375 degree and bake 35-40 minutes longer. Remove from oven and brush top of hot bread with butter.

**Wheat Bread**  
Kylee Auckerman

- 1-1/2 cups unbleached white flour
- 3/4 cup whole wheat flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons sugar or honey
- 1 teaspoon gluten
- 1 tablespoon butter or oil
- 7/8 cup water and egg
- 1 teaspoon yeast

Measure all ingredients except yeast into bread machine pan. Put the yeast in the yeast dispenser. Set bread machine to dough mode. Bake for 2 hours and 25 minutes. Take dough out and shape into loaf. Let dough rise in a greased pan for 30 minutes. Bake for 1 hour or until done. Remove from pan and cool on a wire rack. Makes 1 loaf.



## Bake show participants

Deaf Smith County 4-H'ers held the annual Bake Show recently at the Community Center. Pictured are, front row from left, Rhiana Noland, Jaclyn Paschel, Kaeli Urbanczyk, Shayla Wilcox, Lark Duncan, Kesli Urbanczyk; back row from left, Amanda Smith, Jessica Matsler, Erin Auckerman, Kylee Auckerman, Seth Hoelscher and Dawn Auckerman. Not pictured is Kristen O'Rear.



Golf probably developed in Scotland around 100 C.E. from a Roman game called *pagana*. The Romans played it with a bent stick and a leather ball stuffed with feathers.

## Senior Citizens

### MENUS

**THURSDAY**-Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, blackeyed peas, carrot/raisin salad, plum cobbler, rolls; or chicken and dumplings, purple plums.

**FRIDAY**-Fried pollock with tartar sauce, buttered parsley potatoes, Harvard beets, cabbage slaw, applesauce cake, wheat bread; or beef McRib, angel food cake.

**MONDAY**-Beef stew, cheese sticks, fried okra, tossed green salad, tapioca pudding with fruit topping, cornbread; or chicken stew, Jello.

**TUESDAY**-Roast sliced turkey, giblet gravy, cornbread dressing, seasoned green beans, cranberry gelatin salad, pound cake, rolls; or D'zerta salad.

**WEDNESDAY**-Mexican stack, Spanish rice, pinto beans, salad fixings, tostados, mixed fruit cup, oatmeal cookies; or smothered

chicken, vanilla wafers.

### ACTIVITIES

**THURSDAY**-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil painting 9-11 a.m., DSHHC BP/BS 9 a.m.-12 noon, Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-4 p.m., "TEXAS" trip.

**FRIDAY**-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Senior Crime Alert 12:30-1 p.m.

**SATURDAY**-Games 12 noon-4 p.m.

**MONDAY**-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class 1-4 p.m.

**TUESDAY**-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., decorative tile painting 1-3 p.m., diabetic support group 1 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., ceramics 1-3 p.m., birthday party 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

## Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: My hint is not one of gigantic proportions, but it has been of great benefit to me, so I am sharing it with you.

When you buy a pound of bacon, fry all the pieces, drain them and place them in an airtight bag in your freezer.

That way you will have the bacon ready for BLT sandwiches or for children or grandchildren on a rushed morning. Also, the messy job of cleaning the stove only has to be done once at your convenience. — Jean Pruett, Camden, S.C.

Dear Heloise: When we run out of pancake syrup we microwave jelly or jam. Any flavor, any brand, even the cheapest makes a great-tasting syrup. Strawberry, peach, grape, whatever your favorite flavor! — A.R., Graham, Texas

Dear Heloise: I keep a file on the many useful hints I've employed from your column. Here is one of mine:

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by THOMAS JOSEPH

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# For people who fancy gargoyles, Dallas businessman has answer

**By CARLA BASS**  
**The Dallas Morning News**  
DALLAS - The workshop of a Dallas businessman looks as if he has salvaged the shipwrecks of a hundred past civilizations. Corinthian columns support busts of Egyptian gods, and medieval gargoyles leer from molded cornices. Mario Garnica casts each one in concrete in his business at the end of tiny Parvia Avenue, in West Dallas, just across the Trinity River from downtown.

He started his business in 1967 after working in his father's factory for several years producing small plaster toys that used to be given as prizes at fairs.

"What everybody else can't do or won't do, I'll do," he said. "I do a little of everything."

And right now, he said, the hot item is gargoyles. Gargoyles were originally designed as waterspouts to drain rain from the roofs of buildings. Some of the earliest forms were made of terra cotta and wood, but by the 13th century, sculptors were mainly using stone.

Fantastic sculptures that were purely decorative were known as grotesques, but the term gargoyle is now commonly used for both the decorative and the functional figures.

Garnica, who owns Architectural Decorating Service Co. Ltd., was in Houston last week to oversee the

installation of 10 concrete creatures he made for the top of a new loft apartment building there.

The building, called the Metropolis, was constructed by builder Randall Davis in the River Oaks area.

"My concept is to make it look like old New York," said Davis, who added with a touch of humor. "The idea is for the gargoyles to be very eerie and cool and scare small children."

The 9-foot-tall winged, serpentine statues have presided over the cluttered yard in front of Garnica's workshop for several weeks as they received finishing touches. The frozen legion constitutes an imposing presence, with batlike wings outstretched, teeth bared and serpentine bodies hunched forward.

Yet each sculpture began innocently as a large, nondescript block of plastic foam. Using a drawing of the object to be depicted as a guide, a business hired by Garnica quickly carves the basic outline in the foam. Large works such as the gargoyles are done in several pieces.

Back at Garnica's shop, one of his workers - he usually employs three or four - uses a razor blade to carve in details such as eyes on a gargoyle or a row of flowers around the top of an urn.

Garnica then coats the plastic foam in a cocoon of liquid latex that seeps

into the cracks and crevices as it dries. After two days, workers peel off the latex, which now forms a mold of the object. They fill the mold with a thin layer of fiberglass-reinforced concrete and let it dry about a day.

"The concrete we use is real light and strong," Garnica said. "It's good to use in places on a building where other materials like marble might be too heavy."

They can then peel away the latex coating, which comes off in a single piece and can be reused. Any rough spots on the statue are filed down, and the pieces of the creation are glued together. Teeth, tongues and wingtips are attached.

"We've been working day and night for three months," Garnica said.

Garnica's large molded concrete sculptures can cost thousands of dollars, but that is far less than the tens of thousands often commanded for similar figures sculpted from marble. Marble sculptors also are noticing an increased demand for gargoyles.

"I half suspect it has to do with the millennium coming," said Walter Arnold, a Chicago-area sculptor who carved several gargoyles for the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. "Or maybe it's just the way tastes come and go."

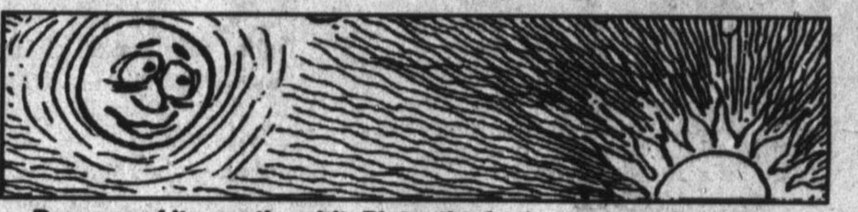
He added that the popular cartoon "Gargoyles," produced by Buena Vista Television, also may have sparked interest in the creatures. But he said the sometimes freakish figures will never appeal to everyone.

"It's something that people like or don't like," Arnold said. "It's not the elevator-music class of art. It's not background stuff. It's stronger than some art."

Garnica realizes this, and that is why the majority of his business still involves flowered urns, columns and other less-menacing architectural accents.

"But I'll always be interested in gargoyles," he said. "They're kind of creepy and crazy."

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**HIGHLIGHTS**  
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**AUSTIN** — Texas took another step closer last week toward private control over public assistance programs.

State welfare administrators announced that Electronic Data Systems tentatively has been hired as the primary consultant for the future of Texas' welfare system.

Officials said they hope to sign a \$3.7 million contract with EDS by the middle of August.

EDS will advise welfare officials on the development and purchase of an updated, automated system for the delivery of food stamps, cash and medical benefits to more than 2 million Texans.

"The consultant will assist us with redesigning the way we currently do the work associated with enrolling clients," said Texas Health and Human Services Commissioner Mike McKinney.

According to state officials, if the contract is signed as anticipated, EDS will be precluded from bidding on the actual redesign of the present welfare system.

"We made a decision, and it wasn't made without debating the pros and cons. At this state, this is a very important project for us," said Bob Stauffer, vice president for human services at EDS, told the *Dallas Morning News*.

The design of the state welfare

network is expected to include an overhaul of the computer systems, the possible elimination of some state jobs and maybe the creation of so-called "one-stop" welfare offices.

**Clinton Picks Robert Gee**

President Clinton plans to nominate Texas Robert Gee as assistant secretary for policy and international affairs of the Department of Energy.

Gee serves on the Texas Public Utility Commission and was its chairman from 1991 until 1995.

With more than 20 years experience in the regulation of energy, Gee would be one of eight assistant secretaries at the Energy Department. The appointment is subject to Senate confirmation.

Appointed to the Texas PUC by former Gov. Ann Richards in October 1991, Gee is a lawyer who once worked at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

At the PUC, Gee was the state's highest-ranking Asian-American. His grandparents immigrated to the United States from China.

**Two-Thirds Fall Algebra I**

Final results on the Algebra I test released by the Texas Education Agency showed that 35 percent of the 236,852 students who took the exam in the spring passed.

The figure represented an improvement over last year — the first year of the test — when 28 percent passed the Algebra I test.

Students performed much better on Biology I, the other major end-of-course exam as 78 percent passed. That was up 2 percentage points from last year.

"Student performance is improving. That is a positive sign," said state Education Commissioner Mike Moses.

But he acknowledged that Algebra I is a concern for teachers across the state. "That is unsatisfactory," Dr. Moses said. "We must do a better job working with our teachers and in staff development."

**Sen. Gramm Opposes Nominee**

Texas Democrats are urging Sen. Phil Gramm to drop his opposition to the judicial appointment of a Fort Worth lawyer, saying the Republican senator is ruining the delegation's bipartisan spirit.

In a strongly worded letter, all 17 of the state's Democratic members of Congress said Gramm's opposition on political grounds to former Tarrant County Judge Michael Schattman was "unacceptable." Republican Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison also opposes the nomination of Schattman, a Democrat.

Gramm's spokesman, Larry Neal said the senator is opposed to the nomination in part because Schattman has long been active in party politics.

Schattman, who attended Georgetown University with President Clinton, was first nominated for a seat on the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas in 1995.

After the nomination failed to receive a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing last year, President Clinton renominated Schattman earlier this year.

**Other Capital Highlights**

State Sen. John Whitmire said last week he will not be a candidate for Houston mayor this year. "I don't have to be mayor to continue making a difference," the Democratic lawmaker said. In a written statement, Whitmire said he prefers to use his seniority in the state Senate and his work with a new lieutenant governor to help Houston and Harris county.

A federal judge has ordered that Texas Attorney General Dan Morales must testify in a court challenge to a law barring state employees from testifying against the state as expert witnesses. The Texas Faculty Association and Robert Hoover, a Texas A&M professor in Corpus Christi, are fighting the new law. Hoover wanted to serve as an expert witness on behalf of tobacco companies the state is suing.

**Mapmaker identifies, charts hazardous places in country**

WASHINGTON (AP) - As if we didn't have enough to worry about, now comes a mapmaker with charts of the nation's most dangerous places.

Mark Monmonier, who teaches mapmaking at Syracuse University, has collected hazard maps for years, so it was only logical to compile them into a book.

The result, "Cartographies of Danger: Mapping Hazards in America," is enough to make you wonder if any place is safe.

Indeed, Monmonier has gone so far as to compile a list of 10 risky places - a catalogue of catastrophe calculated to concern citizens of some of the country's most populated, most popular places.

Leading the risky 10 is "almost any place in California," and not just because of earthquakes. There are wildfires, landslides and a few active volcanoes. There are also tsunamis - once called tidal waves - as well as smog, freeway snipers, riots, oil spills and water shortages.

"I don't suppose I'll be terribly popular" in California, said Monmonier.

His list includes at least one city that regularly scores well in surveys of the best places to live. That city, Seattle, is second on Monmonier's list because it is located just 70 miles from active volcanoes on Mount Rainier and Glacier Peak.

It also includes a few popular vacation destinations - North Carolina's Outer Banks, located in prime hurricane territory, and Alaska and Hawaii, where coastlines are vulnerable to earthquake-generated giant waves - and some major cities in the South where warm weather attracts both affluent retirees and unemployed young men, resulting in a high housebreaking rate. These cities also tend to have higher rates of violent crime.

"Maps are pretty good indications of how much we really know about hazards," he explained. "You can look at some maps and really see how peoples' understanding, how

science's understanding, has improved."

Maps can also be helpful in fighting crime, he says, because they can help police identify hot spots and target their resources to the areas most in need.

But in other cases, he warns, "maps are sort of propaganda ... to create the impression that science knows what it's talking about, to convince people to do something or not to do something."

One example is flood insurance. "It would be impossible to have a flood insurance program without maps but ... these maps look considerably more accurate than they really are," he said.

So is there a safe place to live? "I'm living in one now," he said from his office in Syracuse, N.Y. "I'm not on a flood plain. I'm not in an earthquake zone. I'm not where tornadoes are a problem." Syracuse? With all that snow and low winter temperatures?

**New school year kicks off with a bang for Dallas staff**

DALLAS (AP) - Fireworks, pulsating music and a spectacular entrance into by superintendent Yvonne Gonzalez let the 19,000 employees of the Dallas school district know this won't be just any ordinary old school year.

As flares filled her path with fire and smoke, Ms. Gonzalez kicked off a back-to-school rally on Tuesday by driving a rented bulldozer onto the floor of Reunion Arena.

The crowd erupted in applause as they recognized their 44-year-old leader unsteadily guiding the yellow machine toward the stage.

After climbing off the bulldozer, Dr. Gonzalez jumped onstage and asked a little mischievously, "Is this a little different than the convocations that you remember?"

In recent years, back-to-school convocations in Dallas have been staid events in which the superintendent addressed the staff over closed-circuit TV.

Not this year. Fireworks exploded, and as the speakers pounded, "Get Ready for This," the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders led a train of high school cheerleaders, mascots and jugglers to the center of the arena.

Senior-level administrators impersonated rock stars belting out their hits.

With an earring dangling from his left ear, Dr. William Webster, the district's research chief, dressed in a black muscle shirt and impersonated Freddie Mercury doing "We Will Rock You."

Other administrators impersonated big-name entertainers and danced to "La Bamba," "Respect" and "Soul Man."

The crowd whooped it up throughout. Some doubled over in laughter while others held hands and swayed to the beat.

Ms. Gonzalez said she said she wanted to show that "we work hard and care about children but also know how to laugh and how to have fun.

Because the one thing I have found is that laughter is the best medicine."

Ample use was made of Reunion's giant screen Jumbotron before and during the administrators' show. In one scene, a man defended the honor of Texas in a fight in an Old West bar.

"At the Dallas public schools, there are 19,000 of us," the closing captions read. "Don't pick a fight. We are focused on kids."

The superintendent picked up that theme in her speech, as she stood inside a makeshift boxing ring onstage.

"When the kids walk through those doors next Monday, I want them to know they have an army of 19,000 to fight for them," she said.

It's likely to be the most expensive

such event in school district history. The price tag was estimated at more than \$50,000. Officials said the district hopes to recover most of the costs through donations and booth rentals.

District spokesman Robert Hinkle said that more than \$20,000 has already been raised through contributions and rental of booths to vendors. Booths with school and other supplies lined the inside walkway around

Reunion.

"This is by far the most exciting thing like this that has ever been done," said Bob Johnston, the school board secretary and 30-year veteran of the district.

"Our spirits need to be uplifted," said Valerie Hawkins, a second-grade teacher at Birdie Alexander Elementary. "Education and teaching and administrating is hard work."

However, not everyone was impressed.

"I looked around and I saw half a million dollars in man-hours just sitting here," said Reed Ellis, a science teacher at North Dallas High School.

"Did we get any special insight or information from this? No. I didn't see too much value in it. It was just a lot of hype," Ellis said.

Ray Russell, an assistant principal at Woodrow Wilson High School, disagreed.

"When you are doing something to rejuvenate the staff and build morale, there shouldn't be a price tag on it," Russell said.

Reunion Arena, located in downtown Dallas, is the home of the Dallas Mavericks of the National Basketball Association and the Dallas Stars of the National Hockey League.

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- THE LEAGUE:** There will be three divisions 6-8 years and 9-13 years and Jr. High. All girls are eligible to play regardless of athletic ability. Every game is supervised and referees are provided. The teams will be drawn at the YMCA office. PLEASE DO NOT REQUEST PLAYERS TO BE ON CERTAIN TEAMS!
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- LEAGUE FEE:** Fee will be \$18.00. All participants must be YMCA members. YMCA memberships for youths is \$29.00 per year and includes use of the YMCA facility throughout the year. Expired memberships must be renewed. **\*ENTRY MEMBERSHIP FEES MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM!**
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For more information please come by the YMCA office and pick up a registration form. Scholarships are available for those who need assistance.

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