Hustlin' Hereford, home of Frankie ereroro



Deaf Smith County,

Thursday, August 21, 1997

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Up goes the steel

With school children watching form the playground, Richard Arnett, maneuvers the heavy-duty overhead forklift to put the

Paperwork to support

Paperwork to complete Hereford's The package will be used by the

Hereford is on the short list of the consultants' list of places to visit.

wanted to help.

communities vying for the \$100 They were in Amarillo on Monday

bid for a recycled paper plant is being consultants in making their final

put together for submission to the decision about the location of the Fluor Daniel, the Greenville, S.C.- plant, which will be operated by an

bid being completed

based consulting firm that will make unidentified firm.

Don Cumpton, executive vice

president of the Hereford Chamber

of Commerce, said Wednesday that

the consultants, John Sisson and

Craig Pace, who visited Hereford on

Tuesday and met with city and

community leaders, wanted soil

sample reports and the survey of the

proposed plant site submitted by

Cumpton said Mike Hatley,

executive director of the Hereford

Economic Development Corp., is

putting the paperwork together for the

Mike's doing the paperwork,"

"I'm doing the legwork while

submission to Fluor Daniel.

steel girders in place during the construction of the 20,000 square feet wing being built at the Church of the Nazarene.

FBI moves ahead with full-scale investigation into beating of Missouri prisoners in Texas jail

HOUSTON (AP) - The FBI is inmates at the Brazoria County moving ahead with a full-scale investigation of the beating of Missouri prisoners whose torture at a Texas county jail was captured on videotape.

FBI Special Agent-in-Charge Don Clark said the agency made the decision to fast-track the probe after arm. talking to the Brazoria County district attorney and viewing parts of the 30-minute videotape broadcast nationally on television this week. The tape shows jailers kicking inmates, prodding them with stun guns and allowing dogs to bite the prisoners.

"The tape, does it bother me?," Clark asked rhetorically. "Yes."

Missouri state officials terminated

the site selection.

Monday.

Cumpton said.

Detention Center after a Sept. 18 videotape showed the mistreatment.

The tape, apparently made for training purposes by a deputy and obtained last week by The Brazosport Facts, also shows guards dragging an inmate with a broken ankle by his

Clark said his agency, which is investigating whether prisoners' civil rights were violated, would submit findings to the U.S. attorney's office in Houston and the Department of

If prosecuted, defendants could face up to 10 years in prison.

Meanwhile, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice verified Wednesday that Wilton David Wallace, a a \$6 million contract to house 415 guard shown on the videotape

Other Texas communities were on

The Soil Conservation Service

office in Hereford provided the soil

sample report, while the Deaf Smith

County Tax Appraisal District

provided the acreage report sought by

pitching in to help," he said. "I've had

wanting to do what they can to help."

progressive attitude demonstrated by

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"That's what it takes - everyone

the consultants, Cumpton said.

pushing down an inmate with his today that a second guard hired by a foot, was convicted for the 1983 beating of a Texas prisoner. On Sept. 14, 1983, Frank Navarro

Cervantes was beaten so badly he was transferred from the Darrington Unit, south of Houston in Rosharon, to Galveston for medical attention.

Wallace, who is being sued by one of the Missouri inmates beaten, did not return The Associated Press' phone call for comment Wednesday.

litigation and therefore neither I nor my staff are at liberty to discuss it federal prosecutors in 1987. with you," Wallace's attorney, Otto Hewitt, said in a prepared release. "We expect defendants to be fully vindicated in the court's final judgment, no civil rights violations having occurred or being estab-

lished, Wallace was fired on Feb. 23, federal misdemeanor count of was a CCRI employee. violating a prisoner's rights and

private corrections firm to guard Missouri prison inmates was approved for employment even though he had been convicted of brutalizing a Texas prison inmate in

Daryl French was a lieutenant with the Texas prison system when he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of violating the civil rights of an inmate who was beaten by guards. "This matter is currently in He received a three-month jail sentence as part of a plea bargain with

> Jackson, Miss.-based Capital Correctional Resources Inc., the private prison company paid to supervise the Missouri prisoners, did not return repeated phone calls to The Associated Press.

Attorney Lynn Klement, who 1984 from the Texas prison system represents a handful of prisoners because of the Darrington incident. wanting to sue Brazoria County over He pleaded guilty the next year to a the videotaped torture, said Wallace

The Missouri inmate beatings served six months in a federal jail. provoked outrage across the state The Houston Chronicle reported after it the videotape was broadcast.

Lost business forces layoffs of UPS workers

ATLANTA (AP) - For thousands worked for UPS for three years, said of United Parcel Service workers, the he was worried that his job might be end of their strike didn't mean a among those eliminated.
return to work. "UPS will call us, (but) they'll

company told some workers they layoffs. were laid off, at least temporarily, because of lost business.

that have gone away as a result of the remained off the job. strike may mean fewer jobs."

UPS' daily volume fell during the anxious to repair relations. strike to 10 percent of its normal 12

Some 185,000 Teamsters struck to be back to work.' the company, and UPS has said more company did not release figures back on the job.

Ashcraft, a manager in Little Rock, hour.

"To the degree that our customers company's profit-sharing offer, which

Rhode Island. In Oregon and wage-and-benefit increases in final southwest Washington, 684 workers - bargaining. 257 of them full-timers - were laid drivers were also turned away.

idle trucks were parked in the the money' type of thing.' expansive parking lot.

them," supervisor Norman Bellow Ore., said he's certain the contract

employee in Arkansas who has strike," he said.

As the delivery giant slowly began start with the higher-seniority recovering Wednesday from the people," he said. "Some might have 15-day Teamsters walkout, the to wait. There might be some

In Illinois, UPS workers were still on the picket lines despite the "All of our jobs depend on our settlement because two local unions volume level," UPS spokesman Rick are negotiating a separate contract. Warlick said. "Certainly as we go Chicago-based Locals 705 and 710, back to work, as our volume picks up, covering about 15,000 UPS workers we will add workers. Any businesses in Illinois and part of Indiana,

Company salespeople telephoned UPS has estimated the strike cost or personally called on thousands of at least 5 percent of its business, but customers to discuss the new, has said it won't be able to properly five-year contract and UPS' return to measure lost business until next business. The drivers, the company's most visible employees, also were

"People have been saying million parcels and packages. The 'Welcome back' and 'Congratulacompany expected a quick, large tions," said driver Michael Reppucci surge as customers shipped packages as he made deliveries in Boston's that had piled up during the strike. financial district. "Everyone's glad

The contract still must be ratified than 15,000 jobs could be cut because by the 185,000 UPS Teamsters, and of permanently lost business. The some were reluctant to embrace it.

"I've been here a year and I only Wednesday on the number of workers get a \$1 raise," said Chereta ck on the job.

Thirty-five percent of 4,671 Cayce, S.C. "We don't get workers in UPS' mid-South offices profit-sharing again. I have to be here were laid off Wednesday, said Doug four years before I reach \$11 an

She was disappointed that the

come back will dictate whether those would have given part-timers \$1,530 jobs come back," Ashcraft said. and full-timers \$3,060 this year with About 1,200 part-time workers another future payment tied to profit were laid off in Massachusetts and margins, was folded into overall "I guess we're glad that it looks

off Wednesday. A handful of Atlanta like an agreement has been reached," said Jim Kabell, secretary treasurer In Charlotte, N.C., only a small of Teamsters Local 245 in Springnumber of the 800 UPS employees field, Mo. "We want to see the were called back to work. Rows of details. It's kind of like a 'show me

Driver Paul LaLiberte, speaking 'There's not enough work for as he drove on his route in Portland, will be ratified.

Duane Tebbetts, a part-time "Nobody wants to go back out on

First-time jobless claims climb by 20,000 in month

million plant, which will employ 100 and are scheduled to visit Cleburne and Millsap today and Friday. On Thursday, Sisson and Pace were in number of first-time claims for Austin, where they met with state jobless benefits shot up by 20,000 last by others in the community who week to the highest level in a month.

New applications for unemployment insurance totaled a seasonally adjusted 337,000, highest since 341,000 during the week ended July 12, the Labor Department said today. Many analysts had expected a smaller 9,000 increase.

The jump was the third straight advance since claims hit a 23-year phone calls from other people low of 275,000 during the week Cumpton said the cooperation and ended July 26.

Claims have been distorted in the community have been a plus in recent weeks by the ripple effects of auto strikes and the industry's

temporary shutdowns for new model

Some companies were forced to lay off workers because of a lack of supplies due to the strike against the United Parcel Service.

The closely watched four-week average of new claims also rose last week, up 9,500 to 308,000, highest since 325,000 during the period ended July 26.

States with the largest gains were Texas, 3,659; California, 3,014; Pennsylvania, 1,548; New York, 1.228, and North Carolina, 1,225.

The biggest decreases were in Missouri, 2,279; Tennessee, 1,480; Alabama, 1,325; Ohio, 654, and Louisiana, 355.

against 16 offenders Four men who allegedly stripped

Indictments returned

more than \$20,000 worth of accessories and other items from a truck were among 16 persons indicted Wednesday by the Deaf Smith County Grand Jury. The charges against the men are

for theft over \$20,000 but under \$100,000. The offense occurred on June 1 while the truck was parked in Deaf Smith County, near Wildorado.

Named on the indictment are Jeff Don Alford, 31, of Amarillo, Mikel Jay Jarrett Jr., 21, of Rt. 3, Box 148, Stephen Duwayne Wagner, 30, of Amarillo, and Jeb Harris, 21, of HCR 2, Happy.

Bonds of \$10,000 has been posted by all four defendants but Jarrett remains in Deaf Smith County jail on an unrelated charge

Felony driving while intoxicated indictments were returned against Juan Pacheco, 42, of Hereford, Lovern Washington, 52, of Amarillo, Alfred Casarez, 65, of 410 Jowell, and Gregory Aldrete Zepeda, 52, of 618 Blevins. Pacheco and Casarez are free on

bonds of \$3,000 each. Washington is free after posting \$1,000 bond, and Zepeda is free on \$1,500 bond. The Grand Jury indicted Manuel

Garza, 24, of 203 Norton, for evading arrest. He is free on \$2,500 bond. Brian Baldwin, 23, of HCR 6, Box

34, is named on an indictment for theft over \$1,500 but under \$20,000. He is in jail, in lieu of bond. Jeffrey Lee Davis, 25, indicted for

debit card abuse, is being held in a Missouri jail awaiting extradition. Indicted for injury to a child,

Santos Liscano Jr., 24, of 436 Avenue H, has posted bond of \$5,000.

Ruby Cruz, 29, of Hereford, indicted for hindering arrest, is free on bond of \$5,000.

Keeping guns safe from children is goal of special week

By DIANNA F. DANDRIDGE Staff Writer Children and guns just don't

In an effort to publicize this, the 75th Texas Legislature designated the week of Aug. 24-30 as "Gun Safe Week.

Students in grades K-12 will be bringing home Gun Safe program materials advocating proper storage of guns and ageappropriate handling information. Having a gun-safe home means

there are no unlocked guns. All guns-sporting guns, antiques, BB guns and all others - are stored in a locked container, and children do not have access to the keys or combination.

Guns that are not stored should have a properly fitted trigger lock. Ammunition should always be locked separately from the guns.

Since the Gun Safe program began in 1996, information has been distributed to more than 185,000 families.

Lou Serrano, Deaf Smith County chief juvenile probation officer, said, "Parents who have guns in their homes, but fail to

properly instruct their children about their use, or fail to keep a gun locked up out of children's reach do as much, if not more, damage than parents who don't talk to their kids about drugs."

During the last four years, the local incidence of minors in possession of guns has steadily

The juvenile probation department reported five cases of guns at school and four gangrelated shootings in 1994.

The following year, there were two reports of guns at school, two shootings and one incident of a homemade gun.

Last year, the juvenile probation department reported no incidents of juveniles and guns. Serrano said that for 1997, there has only been one case, and it was determined to be accidental

on the part of the teenager. This is wonderful news for area residents, especially since four Houston children between the age of 2-12 were killed or injured by guns in the hands of juveniles during a three-week period this

spring.

Serrano believes the reduction in the number of juveniles with guns is due to the zero tolerance policy at school, plus parents keeping a better watch on guns in

"Junior high-age children seem to become fascinated with gangs, guns and all that it entails," said Serrano. "Usually when we see a case of a minor with a gun, it winds up being a kid just wanting to show someone how tough, they are. Usually (the guns) aren't even

As part of the right to carry

laws, adults applying for permits are required to take classes, part of which includes a portion on responsibility of adults to maintain a gun-safe environment.

Parents who allow children access to guns may be charged with a Class C misdemeanor and fined up to \$500.

If a child discharges a weapon, causing bodily injury to himself or another person, the adult may be charged with a Class A misdemeanor and fined up to \$4,000, one year in jail or both.

Senior supper meeting

Football season is beginning and it is time to plan the class supper. Seniors and their parents need to meet at the Administration Building, on Monday, August 25, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the Senior Supper. Be sure to attend or you may get voluntered to wash dishes.

Family film night

"The Indian in the Cupboard" will be shown at 7 p.m. as a special Family Film night presentation at the Deaf Smith County Library, 211 E. 4th. the event is free, but popcorn will cost 25 cents. The movie is about a 9-year-old boy who magically brings his 3-inch tall toy indian, Little Bear, to life. Family Film Night is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Possible showers continue

Partly cloudy skies and a chance of thunderstorms stay in the forecast for the next few days. A high temperature of 91 degrees was recorded Wednesday and the overnight low was 67 degrees. A 30 percent chance of showers Thursday night diminishes to 20 percent Friday. The high Friday will be in the upper 80s with wind becoming east, 5-15 mph. Friday night's forecast calls for a 30 percent chance of moisture. Saturday through Monday, partly cloudy skies and a chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms will prevail, with highs in the lower 80s and lows in the lower 60s.

Ropina event

Panhandle ropers, mark your calendars and help make a wish come

The 13th Annual Make-a-Wish roping event will be Saturday and Sunday at the Bill Cody Arena in Amarillo.

Books open at 9 a.m. each day, with the roping to begin at 10 a.m. Participants need to register for each day's events.

Door prizes will be given each day, with a bonus prize for the first 100 teams entered each day.

In addition to the roping, the Justin Boot Co. will sponsor a PRCA "Mutton Bustin" contest for children, ages 5-7 years and under 55 pounds. Young ropers, ages 6-11 years, can participate in the dummy roping

event. And, really young rodeoers, under 4 years old, can ride in the stick There is no entry fee for children's events and prizes will be furnished

for the young winners. Children participants need to register by 10 a.m. Proceeds from the event will go to the Make-a-Wish Foundation and

ropers from the 55 Panhandle counties are expected to participate. One of the "Wish" kids will sing the national anthem, with Ed Montana

The Make-a-Wish Foundation grants special wishes for children with life-threatening conditions, who may not survive their 18th birthday. The Amarillo Chapter has granted 441 wishes in 13 years and is working on granting 36 more in the near future.

News Digest

HOUSTON (AP) _ Arrests in the slaying of an off-duty Houston police officer have helped authorities break up bank robbery ring believed responsible for as many as a half-dozen holdups in the Houston area.

A man jailed on charges accusing him of killing the officer earlier this year was named Wednesday in federal bank robbery warrants along

Eight of the people named in the warrants were arrested Wednesday and three others were being sought. Among those arrested without incident was a bank teller who worked at one of the banks robbed.

Don Clark, special agent in charge of the Houston FBI office, said the 12th person named in the warrants already had been in custody, charged last week with capital murder in the slaying of Houston Officer Cuong Huy "Tony" Trinh, 25, during a robbery. Trinh was shot fatally in the head April 6 while he was off duty and working at his family's southwest Houston convenience store.

The bank robbery charges are related specifically to the May 16 holdup of a Wells Fargo Motor Bank in southwest Houston by four men. The robbers left behind a bank employee, Christopher Merhan, 21, bound

NEW DELHI, India (AP) - A 350-year-old ghost is haunting the Dalai Lama, the exiled leader of Tibe a land where many believe that spirits and reincarnations are as real as the controversy over Chinese rule.

The ghost is the spirit of powerful 17th-century monk Dorje Shugden, who was murdered in his palace in Tibet. But in rejecting the monk as a deity and calling him an evil spirit, the

Dalai Lama has provoked a rare challenge to his religious and political authority among Tibetan Buddhists. The dispute has divided families and triggered clashes among the tightly

knit community of Tibetan exiles. Police also believe it was the motive behind the slayings of three Dalai

Lama disciples in February near the Tibetan leader's seat in exile in Dharmsala, where the Dalai Lama fled in 1959 with 120,000 followers.

The two men suspected of stabbing their victims more than a dozen times each are believed to have fled India. Five others, all linked to the Dorje Shugden Society in New Delhi, were questioned for months about a possible conspiracy. No one has been charged.

Obituaries

LINDA ENGLE POTEET August 17, 1997 Linda Engle Poteet, 43, of

Plainview, a former resident of Adrian, died Sunday in New Mexico. Services were held at 11 a.m.

Thursday in Lemons Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Plainview. Burial was in Oldham County Memorial Park at Vega at 3 p.m.

Mrs. Poteet was born in Big Spring, grew up at Adrian and was a 1972 graduate of Adrian High School. She married Tony Poteet in 1973 and lived in Muleshoe. She moved to Amarillo in 1976 and to Canyon in 1986. She was graduated from Amarillo College in 1996 and moved to Plainview. She recently completed certification as a registered respiratory therapist and worked for Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. She had worked at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarllo and Palo Duro Hospital in Canyon. She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Canyon.

Survivors are her husband; two sons, Lynn Poteet and Jason Poteet, both of Plainview; a sister, Nine Howard Engle of Adrian.

JOSE H. MIRELES August 18, 1997 Jose H. Mireles, 47, of Houston, died Monday in Houston.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in San Jose Catholic Church with burial in St. Anthony's Cemetery, the Rev. Domingo Castillo officiating. Rosary service was set for 7 p.m. Thursday in Rix Chapel. Arrangements are being made by Rix Funeral Directors.

Mr. Mireles was born in Brownfield and had been a carpenter for 20

Survivors are his wife, Gloria Mireles of Houston; two daughters, Anna Mireles of San Antonio and Angela Mireles of Cape Girardeau, Mo.; three sons, Ruben Olivo Mireles of Hereford, Joe Mireles of San Antonio and Dillon Mireles of Port LaVaca; five sisters, Audenia Valdez of Irving, Nina Gonzalez of Amarillo, Margaret Cerda of Clovis, N.M., Amalia Mireles of Hereford and Ida Montgomery of Vega, and her father, Medrano of Brady, and five grandchildren.

Local Roundup Direct shipment of alcohol now a felony

WASHINGTON (AP) - Glen Parker waited three years on a winery mailing list before he got a rare bottle of Napa Valley chardonnay shipped to his Florida home. His wait for the next bottle could be longer.

Florida is the latest state to make the direct shipment of alcohol - a \$1 billion business nationwide - a felony.

Parker calls it "rather silly for a state that is the principal conduit through which cocaine and other drugs are imported into our country. You'd think they'd have better things to do with their law enforcement," says the Boca Raton magazine publisher.

Kiwanis visitors

33 lieutenant governor.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) -

It will be like venturing into a dark

closet at night, wearing ski gloves and

ski suits, towing a 33-foot cable, and

carrying rags to wipe away cobwebs.

ing the closet is an airless, ruptured

space station module nearly 250 miles

comfortable with the upcoming,

oft-delayed repairs by two cosmo-

nauts aboard Russia's accident-prone

all the what-ifs with their Russian

counterparts - just in case some

spacewalk Friday morning, com-

mander Anatoly Solovyov and flight

engineer Pavel Vinogradov will

attempt to restore electricity to the

station, reduced to half-power since

an unmanned cargo ship rammed and

pierced one of the newer lab modules

During the four-hour internal

Nonetheless, they've gone through

Mir station.

monsters turn up.

NASA officials insist they're

Sounds scary, especially consider-

Vintage wineries and beer-of-the-month clubs, in fact, argue the felony laws do nothing but protect powerful wholesalers worried about losing profits and their monopoly on alcohol distribution.

But supporters of the laws say mail-order alcohol encourages underage drinking and cheats states out of millions in sales and excise

It also allows companies to skirt dry laws that govern many parts of the country. Half of the counties in Texas, for example, are dry. In Kentucky, liquor sales are outlawed in 70 of 120 counties.

Until recently, state laws winery in Santa Rosa, Calif.

Recent visitors to Hereford were the Texas Kiwanis president, Andy Chavez, fourth from

right, and his wife, on his left, who met Hereford Kiwanians during Town and Country Jubilee.

Also pictured are, from left, Bartley Dowell, former district lieutenant; Sherry Dennis of

Amarillo, Division 6 lieutenant governor; Rex Easterwood, also former lieutenant governor;

Mike Morrison, back, president of Hereford Kiwanis Club, and Robert Chavez, Division

Mir repairs may be scary

They also will try to snatch a

vacuum cleaner, computer disks

holding science information, and

anything else of value near the hatch,

search-and-destroy kind of mission,"

said Gregory Harbaugh, an astronaut

projects office. "They are not going

in there and pulling all these panels

off on all the walls. They are going

Here's a rundown on what should

As NASA astronaut Michael Foale

moves into the pressurized Soyuz

escape capsule, Solovyov and

Vinogradov will put on spacewalking

suits inside a small vestibule sealed

off from the rest of the station. Each

suit will be connected to a 33-foot

cable that, in turn, is hooked to a

station control panel for providing

electrical power, cooling and

communication.

to go and see what they can see."

"This is not a detailed

and look briefly or the holes.

governing alcohol's direct shipment were widely ignored and loosely enforced. Then came last year's admonition from Kentucky, one echoed in recent months by Georgia and Florida: Ship wine, do time.

Following their lead, more than a dozen other states have considered making it a felony.

The new laws have their greatest impact on small companies that depend on mail and Internet orders to pad business. But the biggest losers are consumers, who end up paying more for pricey rare wines and obscure brews - if they can find them, said Bill MacIver of Matanzas Creek

But Dave Dickerson of the Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of America said many who back felony laws do so out of principle.

He pointed out that residents of the

"dry" Moore County, Tenn., home of the Jack Daniel's distillery, aren't allowed to sell whiskey they make.

"And if they don't want the product made by their brothers and sisters and mothers for sale in their county," he said, "they sure don't want some out-of-state guy dropping off a case of beer or a case of wine on their neighbor's front porch."

"This whole thing is retarding the business for everybody, it's cheating the consumer," MacIver said.

Industry estimates put mail-order cohol sales at more than \$1 billion nually. The market burst open with the popularity of microbreweries, wine tasting classes and Internet sites devoted to hard-to-obtain alcohol.

Today, specialty wines, beers, ales and lagers are shipped by mail and overnight delivery. Many, however, are sent in violation of a 1935 law that resulted from the 21st Amendment to repeal Prohibition.

The law was intended to protect dry counties and gives each state exclusive authority to regulate the flow of alcohol within its borders. Its result: 50 states with 50 varying laws.

Direct shipments are illegal in some states and regulated to varying degrees in others. Most states, though, operate under a three-tier system in which alcohol goes through a wholesale distributor and then a retailer before reaching the consumer.

Violations were considered misdemeanors - and states rarely pursued offenders because they had little reach beyond state borders.

That changed last year when Kentucky made direct shipment a third-degree felony punishable with jail time and fines up to \$20,000.

The laws have prompted protests by dozens of California wineries, including a threatened boycott last month of Florida orange juice.

PAPERWORK

selling Hereford as the best place for

Now, it's up to the consultants and that decision is not expected for another six to eight weeks. of the damaged lab module, called officials to learn about the permitting Spektr, and look for anything

process for plant construction and operation.

Although Cumpton and Hatley have expressed optimism about the city's chances of landing the plant, they both have said it is certainly no guarantee that Hereford's presentation will be enough to sway the site

"This is the kind of deal you have got to get into no matter how many (other) sites are involved," Cumpton said. "When you're on the 'short list,' you have to feel you've got a good

When putting the proposal together and arranging for the consultants' visit, Hatley turned to Cumpton for help. Cumpton, in turn, asked for some assistance - and was contacted

MEMBER



Courts uphold Megan's Law, Police may give door-to-door warnings

officers could soon be going door-to-door with fliers warning of high-risk sex offenders living in some New Jersey neighborhoods now that an appeals court has upheld Megan's

The law, which requires communities be notified when convicted sex offenders move in, does not interfere with offenders' constitutional rights, a federal appeals court in Philadelphia said Wednesday.

Court orders that blocked enforcement of the law were to expire Sept. 10. Attorney General Steve Verniero planned to meet with county

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) - Police prosecutors today to see how quickly warnings can go out on convicted sex offenders who pose a public risk.

> Gov. Christie Whitman said she hoped some notices could be out as soon as October. Besides notice of high-risk offenders, limited notice of moderate-risk offenders could be provided to officials at schools, day care centers, Little League teams and similar institutions, she said.

But before a community can be notified, Verniero and local prosecutors must notify 615 offenders classified as moderate- to high-risk that they can appeal their status in

If an offender waives a hearing, community notification can begin 30 days after he has been told of his rights, the decision said. Attorneys representing sex

depressurized, they'll open the hatch

hazardous that might be floating

extreme temperatures and exposure

to space may have shattered bottles

and pipes, and spilled toxic materials

and even blood and urine samples.

float in feet-first as Vinogradov waits

at the entrance and feeds the cable

Working like a spelunker by the

light of his helmet and lanterns,

Solovyov will attempt to connect 11

cables - grueling, hand-intensive

work. Four of the connectors will be

especially difficult to reach and hook

up with stiff spacewalking gloves,

Harbaugh explained Wednesday.

from Solovyov's spacesuit.

If the coast is clear, Solovyov will

accident, and no one knows i

managing NASA's spacewalk what dangers lurk within. The

Spektr has been sealed since the

offenders, including the state Public Defender's office, have two weeks to seek new restraining orders to delay implementation of the law.

Verniero said he doesn't believe they will be imposed, though Ed Barocas of the Public Defender's office said they plan an appeal.

Megan's Law is named for Megan Kanka, a 7-year-old Hamilton Township girl who was raped and murdered in 1994 by a convicted sex offender who lived across the street. Jesse Timmendequas was sentenced to death for the crime on June 20.

A version of the law has been passed by nearly every state, though some have been stalled by court challenges. The federal government passed a law last year requiring states to impose community notification systems by November or risk losing federal funds.

The 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia said the law's procedures must be changed to allow sex offenders a better opportunity to question the risk classifications assigned to them. Attorneys for sex offenders said

it requires more detailed court hearings, with the burden placed on the state to support its rationale for the convict's classification.

"Currently the procedures are constitutionally inadequate," Barocas said. "It shifts the burden (of proof) in these cases, which is a very strong

ASSOCIATION

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

The tickets were sold in Lubbock, Adrian and Sherman. Wednesday's jackpot was worth an estimated \$38 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday from a field of 50 were: 4-18-22-24-43-44. Saturday's drawing will be

worth an estimated \$4 million. Pick 3 AUSTIN (AP) _ The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

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Emergency Services

Activities reported by law a rent house in the 100 block of enforcement agencies include POLICE DEPARTMENT

--A 6-year-old child was bitten by a dog in the 500 block of west 3rd

-- An unknown person shot out a window at a residence in the 300 block of Avenue H using a BB gun. -- A 26-year-old man assaulted his

live-in girl friend in the 100 block of Brevard. No charges have been filed. -- A woman scared off a possible

burglar from a residence in the 200 block of Higgins. -- Two men assaulted a 29-year-old man in the 400 block of Avenue B. -- A suspicious vehicle was

reported in the 1600 block of Blevins. -- A landlord contacted the police to have some renters removed from

Avenue A. He was advised to contact the Justice of the Peace. -- A domestic disturbance was

reported in the 600 block of Union. -- A domestic disturbance was reported in the 200 block of Elm.

-- A child custody dispute was reported in the 200 block of Avenue

-- Theft of two bicycles was reported in the 1200 block of Grand. The bicycles were found and returned to the owners. Suspects were under 10-years of age.

in the area of Park and Mckinley. -- Three traffic citations wer issued. -- One motor vehicle accident, no

-- A reckless driver was reported

injuries was reported. -- No fire calls.

Lifestyles



Speed throw winners

Winners in the American Business Club (AMBUCS) baseball speed throw during the Town and Country Jubilee are, from left, Chris Castro, adult male division, who threw 77 mph; J.P. Holman, 14 and under, 65 mph; and Blake Schilling and Armondo Torres (not pictured) 12 and under, tied at 53 mph. They are accompanied by AMBUCS member Pat Michael. Each of the winners received two tickets to an Amarillo Dillas baseball game.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I am not a famous politician or a member of the British royal family. I'm just one of the millions of women you have written about over the years who cheated on their husbands.

I was luckier than most. I have a wonderful man who was able to forgive me. We have two beautiful children and are a truly happy family.

To the outside world, I have it all, but the path I chose affected those I love most. I live with the knowledge that I broke one of the Ten Commandments as well as my wedding vows. I also live with the pain of having hurt some very decent people. I fear that my children may one day learn of my infidelity and think less of me. I hope that from this point on, my behavior will make up for my past indiscretions, even though nothing can wash away the shame.

bal wante to share what I have learned. Please urge your readers to talk with their spouses at the first sign

them to appreciate what they have eating from between her teeth. and not risk losing it. Whatever the gain, it isn't worth it.

nobody special, just an anonymous woman who cheated on her husband, someone ordinary people can identify with. If you publish my letter, maybe I can make a difference. -- Atlanta,

Dear Ga.: I can assure you that your letter WILL make a difference.

in every way, but she sloshes food in her mouth, smacking, slurping and chomping like a washing machine. of trouble and seek counseling from her half-chewed food and intermit- Has she ever tried wearing clothes a competent source. Encourage them tently licks her fingers. Every so that are too tight? Well, I have, and to keep their children in the forefront often, she uses a fingernail to it's miserable. of their thoughts at all times. Caution dislodge a chunk of whatever she is

Charter draped by Rebekahs size, and he will then leave her undies alone. - Voice of Experience in La to honor deceased member Clear. Let's hope all the cross-dress-

Lindeman.

Hereford Rebekah Lodge #228 met Members of the lodge presented Tuesday evening in regular session her a 50 year jewel and lifetime and Doozies," has everything from with noble grand Anna Conklin membership at age 96. presiding.

Members paid tribute to Ada members and 18 visits to the sick, 23 Hollabaugh in a memorial service in cheer cards and 17 dishes of food which the charter was draped. delivered. Hollabaugh was born Sept. 14, 1900, and died June 4, 1997. She was initiated into the lodge Feb. 11, 1947, and served as noble grand and later as treasurer for many years. She had also served as reporter.

Church meeting will not be held

The regular third Thursday meeting of Barn Church set for tonight has been cancelled.

Services will be resume Sept. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the B Bar S Arena. After that date regular meetings

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This woman is quite attractive, intelligent and friendly, and I feel sorry for her because so many people Mission accomplished. Thank you for are revolted by her eating habits. Any advice? -- Nauseated in Illinois

Dear Nauseated: Shop with her. Dear Ann Landers: What can one Visit on the phone. Maintain your say to a friend whose table manners friendship, but avoid eating with her are repulsive? This woman is lovely whenever possible. Her eating habits are well-established, and she's not going to change.

Dear Ann Landers: This is about She puts her elbows on the table, the woman who has been married to hunches over her plate and shoves the a cross-dresser for 25 years. He was food in with her fingers. She talks always getting into her lingerie incessantly, offering a wide view of drawer, and she was terribly upset.

She should buy her husband some lovely silk and lace underwear in HIS

Dear Voice: I hear you loud and ers and their spouses did, too.

Ann Landers' booklet, "Nuggets the outrageously funny to the Reports were made on sick poignantly insightful. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.25 (this includes postage and Anna Conklin was hostess to Ben handling) to: Nuggets, c/o. Ann Conklin, Tony Irlbeck, Susie Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Curtsinger, Sadie Shaw, Leona III. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send Sowell, Rosalie Northcutt, Nelma \$6.25.)

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WTAMU student will spend fall semester as intern for Combest

While most of her classmates are credit while in Washington, attending classes, researching papers and studying for tests, West Texas A&M University sophomore Salem Wieck will attend Congressional committee meetings, conduct research in the Library of Congress and correspond with constituents in the 19th Congressional District of

Wieck, a mass communications major from Umbarger, will spend her fall semester interning with U.S. Rep. Larry Combest, R-Texas, in Washington, D.C. She will leave the Texas Panhandle on Aug. 26 and begin her internship on Aug. 28.

"I don't know whether to be excited or be scared," Wieck said. "It's hard to decide what to feel. I'm looking forward to a new opportuni-

The 19th Congressional District of Texas Public Policy Internship Program is sponsored by Combest's office, WTAMU and Texas Tech University. Each semester, two students are selected to participate. Nine WTAMU students have served internships in Combest's office since the program was established in 1993.

"I welcome Salem to a new learning experience full of opportunity," Combest said. "Each semester, students bring their academic talents and interests to the nation's capital for a front-row seat of what is taught at the University.'

Wieck said she chose to apply for the internship to gain hands-on experience in public relations.

"I've always been interested in politics, although I'm not sure I want to be a politician," she said. "I'm a public relations major, and what better place to learn about public relations than Washington. I'm looking forward to gaining real-life experience. I'm getting an education you can't get in the classroom.'

She said her duties will include "a little bit of everything." She will research issues for the congressman, attend some committee meetings and assist with correspondence. Combest serves as vice chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, and Wieck, who grew up on a farm, said she hopes her background in agriculture will help her better understand the

Wieck will also earn University



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incorporating the projects she works on for Combest's office into

independent studies and a practicum. Combest, a 1969 WTAMU graduate, noted that the internship provides students the opportunity to

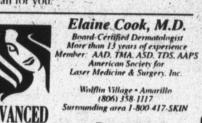
further their understanding of public

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Sports

Parents, grandparents, girlfriends and, of course, reporters will have

an opportunity to take photos of the 1997 Hereford football teams.

The annual Herd Media Day will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday at Whiteface

Coach Craig Yenzer said the annual event will kick off with a short program. Also, the players on the varsity, junior varsity and freshman squads will be introduced.

After the program and player introductions, Yenzer said the players and coaches will be available for photographs, adding that he urged parents, grandparents and friends to bring their cameras and take photos of the

SCRIMMAGES The varsity will be on the road Friday, traveling to Plainview for a pre-season scrimmage against the Bulldogs.

The scrimmage will begin at 6:30 p.m. at Plainview High School's

The junior varsity and freshmen squads were scheduled to meet their Plainview counterparts at 6 p.m. today at the Hereford practice fields. The Herd will open the 1997 season at 7 p.m. MDT in Lovington, N.M.

Coaches' help needed

Coaches, your help is needed.

The Brand is temporarily without a sports editor, so it's a bit difficult in keeping up with all that's going on in sports. There's not only the upcoming football season, but the volleyball and tennis teams also are active.

So, The Brand is asking all coaches to help us report what their teams have been accomplishing. Please call in your game or meet results by 9 a.m. the next morning so we can get them in the paper. The number

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sports Briefs

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) - Eddie Murray, released by the Anaheim Angels last week, is rejoining the Los Angeles Dodgers after signing a minor-league contract with the club.

Murray will report to the Dodgers' Albuquerque Triple-A affiliate for the team's Friday night game at Salt Lake City. He is expected to join the major league club on Sept. 1.

CINCINNATI (AP) - Shortstop Barry Larkin is scheduled to have surgery on his left heel on Sept. 3, ending an injury-marred season for the Cincinnati Reds team captain.

TENNIS COMMACK, N.Y. (AP) - Cedric Pioline of France beat Alert Portas of Spain 6-2, 6-4 to complete the first round of the Hamlet Cup. The rest of play was postponed by rain.

BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP) -Top-seeded Alex Corretja of Spain beat Guillermo Canas of Argentina 6-3, 6-4 to advance to the quarterfinals of the MFS Pro Championship.

Corretja will play Sjeng Schalken of Belgium, who beat Slava Dosedel of the Czech Republic 2-6, 6-1, 7-5. Fifth-seeded Albert Costa of Spain beat Ken Carlsen of Denmark 6-3, 6-4, and Johan Van Herck of Belgium eliminated Denis Van Scheppingen of Belgium 7-5, 6-3.

STONE MOUNTAIN, Ga. (AP) -Top seeds Jana Novotna and Monica Seles advanced to the quarterfinals of the \$450,000 U.S. Women's Hardcourt Championships. Novotna, the top seed, won 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 against Yayuk Basuki of Indonesia. Seles, the second seed ousted Naoko Sawamatsu of Japan 6-4, 6-3.

BASKETBALL

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) - The Vancouver Grizzlies signed first-round pick Antonio Daniels to a three-year contract, about two weeks after the point guard for

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Bowling Green let the signing slip out in a television interview. Daniels was the fourth player taken in June's college draft.

MIAMI (AP) - Free agent Terry Mills signed a two-year contract with the Miami Heat. Mills will make \$1 million this season and \$1.15 million the following year. The Heat used their entire league-allotted \$1 million salary-cap exemption to sign the forward, who spent the past five seasons with the Detroit Pistons.

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - Gary Trent of the Portland Trail Blazers has been charged with fourth-degree assault for a scuffle with an acquaintance who accidentally set off a burglar alarm at the NBA player's

Trent is to be arraigned on the misdemeanor charge today, his attorney Robert Weaver said. Trent does not have to attend the arraignment but intends to enter an innocent plea, Weaver said. Trent allegedly punched and choked Theron L. Hall on July 24.

HOCKEY

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - The Tampa Bay Lightning and Philadelphia Flyers found a way to agree on the future of Chris Gratton.

The cash-starved, for-sale Lightning conceded Gratton to the Flyers by declining to match a \$16.5 million offer sheet the restricted free agent center signed last week. Tampa Bay worked out a deal to obtain right wing Mikael Renberg and defenseman Karl Dykhuis from Philadelphia for the four first-round picks the Flyers sent the Lightning as compensation for signing Gratton.



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Local Sports Brief Injuries hold back linebacker By The Associated Press Injuries to Green Bay linebacker Seth Joyner, who joined the Packers Media Day scheduled Injuries to Green Bay linebacker Seth Joyner, who joined the Packers Now the decision was presents grandeness and that he can execute it all. And that's how the decision was presents grandeness and the control of the packers of of t

Seth Joyner, who joined the Packers a week into training camp, are playing a big role in his inability to unseat Bernardo Harris as the starting middle linebacker.

Joyner missed three practices with a sore back two weeks ago and one last week with a sore knee. He's also been sidelined this week with a sore knee, which has been bandaged.

"I don't have anything to say," said Joyner, when asked about his situation.

As for Harris, he said he hasn't spent much time worrying about his

"I feel pretty good about the way I'm playing right now. I don't really want to think of it as a really competitive battle. If I do that, I might lose focus on what I'm doing out there. I just want to go out and play hard every week and not worry about the battle. I can't look at it that

Harris is filling in for George Koonce, the Packers' leading tackler a year ago, who will miss the first six games of the season as he recuperates from knee surgery.

Coach Dave Wannstedt named Erik Kramer the starting quarterback on Wednesday, giving him the nod over recently acquired Rick Mirer.

"The bottom line is he (Kramer) is probably the most comfortable right now with what we're doing because he's been in the system for three years," Wannstedt said. "He brings leadership to the offense, which we need right now because

Kramer missed all but four games last season because of a career-threatening neck injury, and the Bears went out in the offseason and traded for Mirer, giving up a No. draft choice to Seattle.

The Bears also gave Mirer a three-year, \$10 million contract extension that included a \$2.6 million signing bonus. Kramer signed a three-year, \$8.1 million contract before the 1994 season.

"I knew coming in all along it was Rick's job. As things progressed, they let me in the quarterback derby a little bit and things worked out," Kramer

Denver signed free agent cornerback Tim McKyer and waived veteran linebacker Godfrey Myles.

McKyer, 34, has played for six teams in 12 NFL seasons, including stints with the Atlanta Falcons in 1991 and 1996. McKyer also has been to the playoffs eight times and on teams that have won six division championships and two Super Bowls.

The Broncos signed McKyer after learning that cornerback Selwyn Jones would be out for the season with a torn anterior cruciate ligament.

Before joining the Broncos in the offseason, Myles spent six years with the Dallas Cowboys. He played in 76 games, starting 11.

Cowboys

Cornerback Deion Sanders was due at Dallas headquarters today to meet with players, coaches and

Sanders sat out the Reds' 5-3 loss Wednesday to Colorado, the second game he has missed since getting a cortisone injection for a bulging disk in his lower back.

Redskins

Receiver Michael Westbrook will miss tonight's exhibition game against Miami as punishment for punching teammate Stephen Davis at practice.

Westbrook didn't attend the team's annual Welcome Home luncheon Wednesday and wasn't scheduled to make the trip to Florida later in the

"Obviously we are treating this as a very serious matter. Mike is going to be disciplined," coach Norv

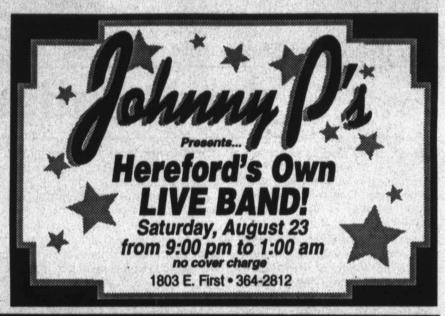
St. Louis offensive lineman Gerald Perry, who was late showing up for training camp and faced suspension for steroid use, was released after he walked out of a team meeting. It wasn't clear why Perry, 32, left

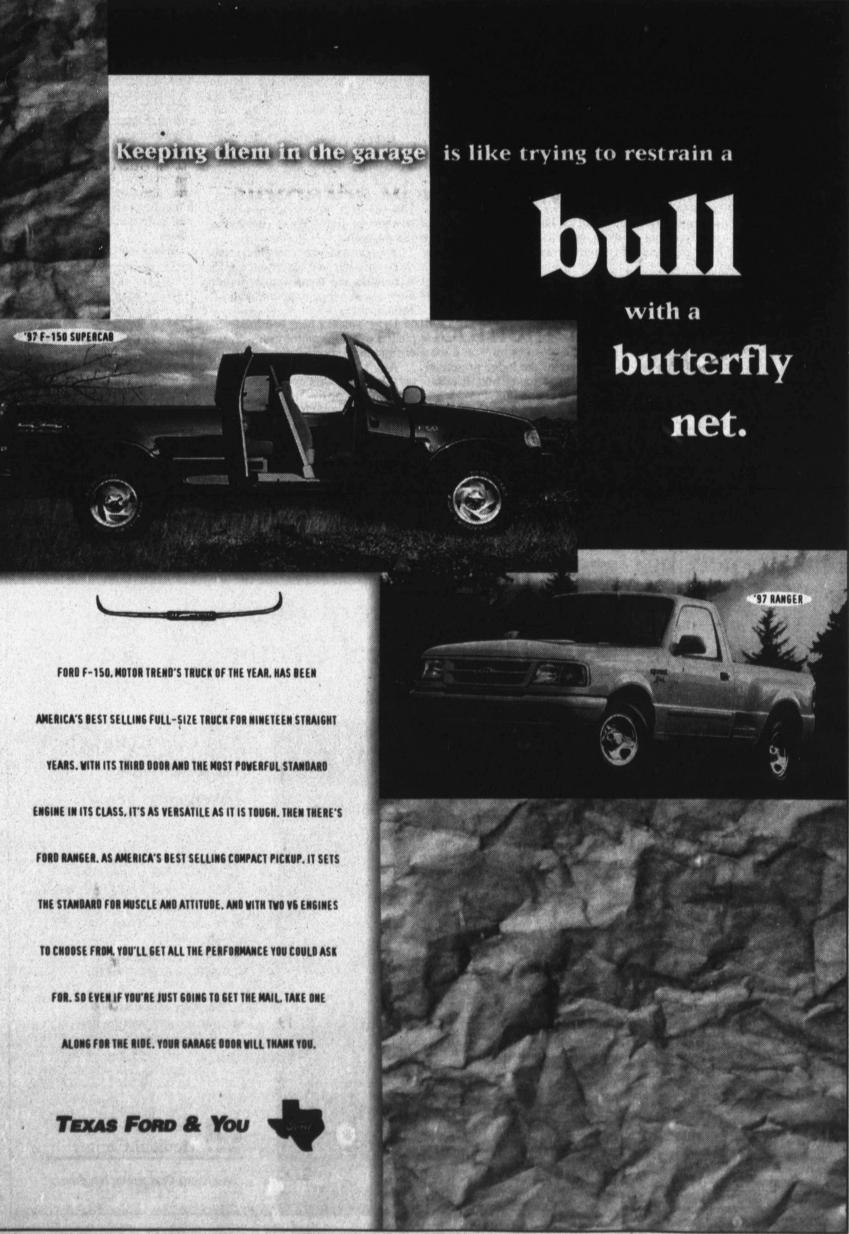
the meeting.

"I don't know the reason behind it, but he was having some personal problems," team spokesman Rick Smith said.

On Tuesday, coach Dick Vermeil said Perry would see action at left tackle and left guard in Friday's exhibition finale against Kansas City. He was listed No. 1 on the depth chart at left

Before training camp, Perry was expected to start at left guard alongside No. 1 draft pick Orlando Pace. John Gerak will start at left guard Friday.





Seattle Mariners receive good news about Johnson

By The Associated Press

The really good news for the Seattle Mariners came after their 1-0 win over the Cleveland Indians. Randy Johnson, it seems, is all right.

Johnson was forced to leave Wednesday night's game in the seventh inning because of a bruised middle finger on his left hand. He re-aggravated an injury that he sustained Aug. 3 when he caught a ball with his bare hand.

"It's a little sore and a little swollen. But hopefully it'll get taken care of in the next five days," Johnson said.

Johnson (17-4) allowed two hits and struck out eight. His win, coupled with Anaheim's 7-3 and 8-5 doubleheader loss to New York, gave the Mariners a 1 (-game lead over the Angels in the AL West. "We think he's going to be OK,"

Mariners manager Lou Piniella said. "We don't anticipate him missing a

In other AL games, Boston swept a doubleheader from Oakland by 7-5 and 5-4 in 13 innings, Minnesota defeated Detroit 11-1, Chicago topped Toronto 12-6, Baltimore beat Kansas City 4-2 and Milwaukee downed Texas 6-2.

Edgar Martinez hit his 22nd homer, connecting in the fourth

the only run at the Kingdome. Johnson, who leads the majors

with 264 strikeouts, gave up a double by Matt Williams in the fifth and an infield single by Tony Fernandez to start the seventh

Mike Timlin, Norm Charlton and Heathcliff Slocumb combined for three innings of hitless relief. Indians manager Mike Hargrove

said Johnson was tough, as always. "Early in the game, I thought he struggled," Hargrove said. "It didn't look like he had his velocity. But even Randy Johnson struggling is

better than most." "I'm glad we got a hit off him,"

During the game, the Mariners made a trade to get outfielder Roberto Kelly from Minnesota for a player to be named. Kelly is expected to play left field, the spot Jose Cruz Jr. held before he was traded to Toronto on July 31 for relievers Paul Spoljaric and Timlin.

Twins 11, Tigers 1 Minnesota stopped its 10-game losing streak as Brad Radke beat Detroit at Tiger Stadium. Radke (17-7) allowed three hits in

eight innings. He is the top winner for the Twins since 1991, when Scott Erickson won 20 and Jack Morris 18.

Denny Hocking, Terry Steinbach inning off Charles Nagy (12-9) for and Matt Lawton homered for the

Scott Sanders (4-11) fell to 1-5 with a 6.95 ERA in seven starts since the Tigers acquired him from Seattle

on July 18.
Yankees 7, Angels 3, 1st game
Yankees 8, Angels 5, 2nd game
Hideki Irabu threw his best game

in a while _ plus his glove and a tantrum _ as New York finished a doubleheader sweep at Anaheim.

Irabu, told earlier this season by manager Joe Torre to tone down his temper, kicked hard at the rubber in the seventh inning after being called for his second balk. Second base umpire John Hirschbeck yelled at Irabu, prompting Torre to come out onto the field.

In the fourth, Irabu (4-2) fumbled a bunt single by Dave Hollins and tossed his glove at the ball as it rolled into the dugout.

Derek Jeter homered twice and drove in four runs in the second game. New York won the opener as rookie Jorge Posada hit a three-run

The Yankees have won nine of 12. The Angels have lost five of six.

White Sox 12, Blue Jays 6 Albert Belle homered, doubled twice and drove in five runs as Chicago beat Toronto at Comiskey

Belle matched his season high for

RBIs, going 3-for-3 with his 24th home run. His two-run double highlighted a seven-run fourth inning. Jorge Fabregas and Ozzie Guillen each drove in two runs for the White Red Sox 7, A's 5, 1st game

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highlighted a seven-run fifth inning.

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Mo Vaughn hit a pair of two-run

In the opener, Vaughn's double

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Glavine ends winless string

By The Associated Press

For most pitchers, a loss and four no-decisions wouldn't be remarkable. Tom Glavine, however, isn't most pitchers.

Glavine stopped his longest winless streak in seven years, winning for the first time since July 16 as he led the Atlanta Braves over the Houston Astros 3-1 Wednesday night.
"Finally, a month later," said

16. "I've actually pitched pretty well lately and not gotten anything out of it. Pitching well, you can only take that so far and it gets frustrating. It's hard when you're pitching well and not winning, especially when the team is not winning."

After losing his first eight career starts in the Astrodome, Glavine (11-6) has won six straight at Houston since a 1-0 loss on June 25,

1991. "Obviously this is a pitchers park," he said. "The first year or two, I didn't pitch that well here. Since then, I've pitched well. These guys have good pitching, so you have to come in and pitch well.'

In other NL games, Florida beat Chicago 6-5, St. Louis defeated Montreal 6-3, Pittsburgh beat San

Diego 7-3 and Colorado edged Cincinnati 5-3. Los Angeles' game at New York was rained out, and the teams were scheduled to play a doubleheader today. San Francisco's game at Philadelphia also was postponed by rain, to Sept. 11.

Glavine allowed two hits and five walks in seven innings and struck out a season-high nine. He also drove in run with a squeeze bunt as the Braves completed a two-game sweep following a slump that saw them lose four of five.

for his 31st save in 35 chances. Javy Lopez went 3-for-4 and hit his 19th homer. Shane Reynolds (6-8) dropped to 4-1 against the Braves, giving up all three runs and five hits in seven

Mark Wohlers pitched the ninth

Marlins 6, Cubs 5

Livan Hernandez (7-0) won at Miami despite allowing four runs and six hits in 5 2-3 innings. Gary Sheffield hit his 14th homer as Florida improved to 7-0 this season against Chicago and climbed 21 games above .500 for the first time.

Chicago dropped 27 games below .500 for the first time since 1981. They finished 3-6 on a four-city road

Robb Nen retired three batters for his 31st save in 37 chances. Kevin Tapani (2-3) gave up six runs and six hits in 3 2-3 innings.

Cardinals 6, Expos 3 Brian Jordan doubled off Steve Kline (0-1) to break a 2-all tie during a three-run eighth, and visiting St. Louis won its third straight.

28 wins weekly scramble

The team of Cal Garrett, Rosie Gonzales, Steve Sanders and Marin Rivas fired a 28 on the front nine to win the weekly scramble at Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

Two teams tied for second by posting scores of 30.
Coy Newton, Jerry Ripley, Cliff Arnold and Joel Sturgeon teamed up for one of the 30s. The other team was made up of Craig Nieman, Johnny

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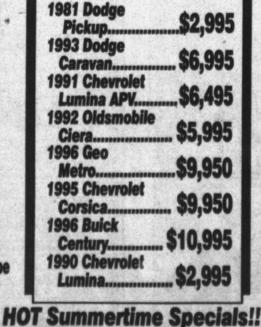
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Interest in paranormal growing in classes at colleges

Television show may be responsible for some of popularity of telekinesis

FORT WORTH (AP) - A middle-aged man with silver hair, a rumpled orange tie and brown slacks enters the classroom and slowly pulls

a compass from his pocket.

Twirling the flat, round instrument in his hand he stares at the college class for a moment before asking, "Who believes in telekinesis?"

He explains to the few students who don't watch "The X-Files" that telekinesis is the ability to move objects with the mind. Ignoring the giggles from the audience, he closes his eyes. His forehead turns bright red and his veins bulge.

The laughter stops when the dial begins to whirl.

The students instantly turn skeptics, assaulting the professor with challenges: Stand behind the table. Stand in front of the table. Empty your pockets. Take off your belt. Let

After half an hour, unbelievers are believers and Texas Christian University professor Norman Remley's "Paranormal Psychology" class is under way.

It is one of several new classes being offered at universities around the nation catering to surging interest in the world of the unexplained, psychologists say.

Remley, 61, became intrigued by the subject when he found that an something they can't explain, some overwhelming number of students in students are too easily convinced that his "Introduction to Psychology" class believed in psychic powers.

The whirling compass dial was just a trick, he concedes, to illustrate how

casily people can be fooled.

"Right now, we are being bombarded by information that ESP and other times of paranormal phenomena are real," said Remley,

61. "Whether people think it's scholarly or not, plenty of students come in here believing these things are true and that is something that should be addressed."

Ten years ago, classes in the paranormal were seen as unscholarly by the psychological community, who argued the courses validated pseudoscience. Now, with a generation of believers raised on movies and television shows that make the paranormal seem ordinary.

university psychologists say students

need to learn how to be skeptical.

"Just because they witness something they can't explain, some whatever claims are being made are true," Remley said. "That quality makes for poor scientists ... that's why this is serious."

The University of Utah, Doane College in Nebraska and Saginaw Valley State University in Michigan have all added the courses to their curriculum.

Professor Bob Keefer at St. Mary's University in Maryland is teaching a course dealing with the paranormal for the fourth time this fall and says it's becoming one of the most popular electives on campus.

"There is no doubt that when people are done with my class that they have the tools they need to be a skeptic,' Keefer said, "The trick is to get them to think scientifically without offending those who steadfastly believe."

At issue in many of the courses is whether proof exists to support paranormal claims dealing with everything from mind-reading and future-telling to astrological predictions and out-of-body experiences.

Debunking these phenomena may upset believers, but professors say that's part of taking a science course. Teach the students to think like scientists, Keefer says, and they learn to scoff at paranormal science themselves.

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"The paranormal makes claims about things that should be able to be measured and tallied by science," he said. "These classes usually serve as a way to get students back into scientific thinking."

Joseph Summers, a 21-year-old psychology student at TCU who took Remley's course this summer, said the class changed his outlook on the a large dose of probability and statistics. paranormal.

"The class really shows that there are scientific ways to examine the evidence regarding the paranormal,"

it's about evidence. I still believe these things could be possible, there just isn't any proof yet. It was a fun class."

But students, beware. Professors warn that these aren't fluff courses guaranteed to put an "A" on the student's transcript. Most of these classes keep students on their toes with

"The very basis of this kind of science in many cases comes down to statistics," Remley said. "If some

Summers said. "It's not about belief - Joe says I can predict which card you're going to pull out of a deck, we as a class learn ways to make him scientifically prove it. To do that you have to understand probability.'

Remley finally tells the students at the end of the semester that the whirling compass dial was a trick. But he always refuses to tell the class how he did it.

"I'm not trying to make anyone look foolish, I just want them to remember one final time how easy it is to be fooled," he said. "That's what the class is about."

Television

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR **is LONGFELLOW**

One letter stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

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Area Events

WTAMU

The last chance for new students to register for classes at West Texas A&M University is Aug. 28-29 and Sept. 2-5.

New students can register from 8 a.m.-7 p.m. on Aug. 28 and from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. on Aug. 29 on the first level of Old Main on the WTAMU campus. Night students can also register from 6-7 p.m. Sept. 2 on the first level of Old Main.

Late registration will be from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 2 through Sept. 5. Telephone registration for currently enrolled students reopens

at 8 a.m. Aug. 28 for add, drop and

Fall classes begin Sept. 2. For more information about registration, call 806-656-2022, or for more information about admission to the university, call 806-656-2020 or 1-800-99-WTAMU.

AMARILLO

Memory Walk 1997 sponsored by the Panhandle Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will take place Sept. 27 at Westgate Mall in Amarillo. Registration/check-in begins at 8 a.m.

The 1997 Memory Walk, the single largest event for Alzheimer's Disease, is a 1-1/2 mile inside and 5K outside walk-a-thon to benefit the Panhandle Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. The goal for this year's Memory Walk is \$20,000 for programs and services for families throughout the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle.

Walkers can register as an individual or with a team. They can walk in honor of or in memory of family members or friends with Alzheimer's Disease.

Registration brochures are

available by calling 806-372-8693 or 1-800-687-8693.

NAZARETH

On Aug. 31, Holy Family Parish in Nazareth will have its annual Labor Day Weekend Picnic.

The event will kick off with a parade at 10 a.m., then a roast beef dinner with all the trimmings will be served at 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Community Hall at 104 First Street. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for those twelve and younger.

Arts and crafts sales and bingo will take place there, too. Games begin at

The official grand opening and dedication of the new Nazareth Museum will be held at 1:15 p.m. with a presentation by the mayor.

Livestock and goods donated by area businesses will be auctioned

beginning at 2 p.m.

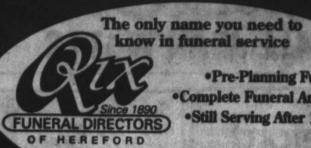
A hamburger supper will be served from 5-7 p.m. and festivities will conclude with a dance in the Community Hall from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. with the band Southern Sky. Admission is \$5 per person.

ROSWELL

Applications are now being accepted for the Christmas Fantasy arts and crafts fair to be held Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 28-29, in the Roswell Civic Center, 900 N. Main, Roswell.

The show is now in its 15th year and will again feature fine arts and crafts items for sales by artists and craftsmen from across the Southwest.

Persons wishing to participate or desiring more information can call 505-622-0985 or write: Christmas Fantasy, 1310 W. Bonita, Roswell, N.M. 88201.



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To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: When my daughter was a small child, she started getting blisters on her feet. She was diagnosed as having epidermolysis bullosa simplex. We were advised to break the blisters and soak the feet in Bluboro solution.

We hoped she would outgrow the problem; however, she is now 32 and it is worse.

Are there any new developments regarding this disease? — E.J.

ANSWER: Epidermolysis bullosa is an inherited family of diseases, each with its own distinctive pat-

terns and nuances. All share a common element—the formation of painful blisters. Your daughter's "simplex" variety creates less havoc than do many of the other bullosa varieties. That in

no way diminishes the pain and suffering she has experienced.

No treatment breakthroughs have occurred. Your daughter is following the standard advice for treating the

She might find it more convenient to apply dressings saturated in salt water solution to the blisters. The solution is prepared by adding two teaspoons of salt to a quart of cool tap water. She can use a clean handker-

chief as the dressing material.

Protecting her feet from trauma can diminish the number of blister

The Silipos Co. in Niagara Falls, N.Y., makes a product called "Soft Sock," which cushions and protects the feet. For more information, your daughter can call the company, tollfree, at (800) 229-4404.

Have your daughter write to the Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa Association at 40 Rector St., New York, NY 10006. The association can provide timely information and keep your daughter abreast of any new

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am a 77year old woman. My doctor says I have a slow heartbeat. I have been taking Procardia for high blood pressure. Is there anything else I should know or be doing? — H.N.

ANSWER: Are you experiencing any symptoms from your slow heartbeat? Lightheadedness, dizziness and fainting are evidence that a slow heart is not pumping enough blood to your brain and body.

If you feel hale and hardy, then don't dwell on your slow heartbeat. Your doctor is not concerned, so you

Three Hereford youth are Lions camp participants

attended the Texas Lions Camp in horseback riding, swimming, field

pers were Elvin Pruitt, 12, son of Elvin and Carol Pruitt; Justin Davis, 17, son of Elton and Patricia Davis; and Maria Olivarez, 11. daughter of Gloria Zuniga.

Sponsored by the Hereford Lions Club, these campers participated in

Three Hereford youths recently summer camp activities including sports and a challenge course

> Lions Camp has given more than but he will incorporate them in his 40,000 children with physical column whenever possible. Readers disabilities the opportunity to may write him at P.O. Box 5539, experience the joys of summer camp. Riverton, NJ 08077-5539.

> > Hereford YMCA

Our YMCA Volleyball League will offer girls the chance to get ahead by learning the fundamentals of volleyball, sportsmanship and team play. Volleyball will be fun and exciting, it can also provide enjoyment throughout a lifetime. REMEMBER: IT'S MORE FUN TO PLAY THAN WATCH!

A slow beat can be a sign of good health. The heart pumps more blood with each beat, so fewer beats are equired to maintain a robust circu-

Procardia is used to treat either high blood pressure or angina pectoris. It doesn't cause a slowing of the heartbeat.

The "Understanding Your Heart" pamphlet I'm sending you should clear up your doubts. Others can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — HL 31-4, Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077. Enclose \$3 and a self-addressed, stamped (55 cents) No. 10 envelope.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Is it true that sunglasses will prevent cataracts? How else can a person prevent them? - M.W.

ANSWER: Sunglasses that block ultraviolet rays can help prevent cataracts. But UV light is only one factor involved in clouding the crystal-clear eye lens.

When the lens becomes murky, you have a cataract. Light cannot reach the retina in the back of the eye. Vision suffers.

Smoking can contribute to cataract formation, and a high systolic blood pressure - the first number of a blood-pressure reading — has been implicated as a cataract cause. Both of those can be controlled.

Age, however, is the major player in cataract development. Half of all people between ages 65 and 74 — and 70 percent of those 75 or older have a cataract.

Not all cataracts need removal. Only when they so interfere with vision that you find it hard to read or watch television will the clouded lens have to come out.

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El Nino developing into whopper, say meteorologists Weather phenomenon expected to be biggest experienced in at least 15 years

By MATT CRENSON

AP Science Editor
Ask any meteorologist what the weather's going to be like next month, and all you're likely to get is

hand-wringing. Next year? Why, that's easy! The forecast for early 1998: Wetter than usual in the southern and southwestern United States, with higher than normal temperatures along the West Coast and drier weather in the Pacific Northwest. Southern Australia and Africa's Sahel region are expected to be warmer than usual. Wetter than normal conditions are forecast for southern Africa and the Amazon basin, but northern

Brazil should be relatively dry. So how do they know all that? Simple: Just by looking at the ocean. In recent years, meteorologists

have discovered that much of the year-to-year variation in the Earth's climate is controlled by a single oceanographic phenomenon _ the famed "El Nino" of the tropical

El Nino is a warming of the waters off equatorial South America that develops every few years, reaching a peak in November or December. Its effects propagate around the world, influencing the weather in Australia, Africa, South Asia and the tropical parts of the Americas.

This year meteorologists can already see a whopper of an El Nino developing. They expect it to be the biggest in 15 years.

The physics behind El Nino are fairly well understood," says Lisa Goddard, a project scientist at the International Research Institute for Climate Prediction in La Jolla, Calif.

Unfortunately, the physics of the rest of the world's oceans are more mysterious. If they can understand the Atlantic, Indian and Southern oceans as well as they do the tropical Pacific, perhaps scientists can forecast things like droughts, heat waves and cold snaps a year ahead of time.

"You can't say it's going to be rainy on August 10, but you can say over next season _ August, September, October _ there's an increased likelihood for rain in a particular area," Goddard explains.

Scientists discovered in the mid-1980s what makes El Nino tick, intriguing patterns in the North Atlantic. doesn't significantly affect the Nino. weather in many parts of the globe.

their attention to those other parts, measurements by ships at sea since especially the Atlantic. By determin- World War II. Those measurements ing how the Atlantic evolves over months and years, they can estimate how many hurricanes will develop in warm water develops off the coast of

Nino years, because rice likes the rain the weather pattern brings. In northeastern Brazil, they plant drought-resistant varieties of corn and beans when El Nino rears its ugly head. And in Africa and Colombia, an impending El Nino year prompts stronger malaria prevention efforts.

In more temperate parts of the world, cities could choose to invest in new snowplows if the coming winter looks cold and snowy. Coastal residents might buy more insurance if a stormy hurricane season is forecast. And maybe their insurers would raise their rates.

El Nino predictions have succeeded because researchers went beyond describing how winds and waves move around in the tropical Pacific. They noticed a pattern to the interactions of the ocean and atmosphere in that part of the world, and were able to simulate that behavior with a computer model.

In 1986, the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory in Palisades, N.Y., devised a computer program that mathematically described how the currents and winds of the tropical ocean interact to create either an El Nino, an opposite state known as La Nina or a condition partway between

That program and others have been refined in the last decade to the point where meteorologists can say fairly confidently a year ahead of time whether an El Nino is on the way. They simply plug in current temperatures, pressures and other physical factors, then roll the computer's clock ahead a year and see what happens.

In the Atlantic, researchers haven't gotten that far.

The problem is that things get much more difficult to understand as you move away from the equator, and the Atlantic is much less dominated by its tropical waters than the Pacific. So it changes more slowly and less dramatically than the Pacific, making patterns harder to distinguish.

Several recent studies have found

and have spent the last decade In a recent issue of the British journal learning to predict months ahead of Nature, Rowan Sutton and M.R. Allen of Oxford University describe a sort big problem, however, is that El Nino of slow-motion Atlantic version of El

The oceanographers analyzed So meteorologists have turned thousands of water temperature an upcoming season or tell Europeans the Carolinas, then slowly moves

if they're facing an unusually cold winter.

Who cares?
Well, farmers for one. Peruvian cotton growers switch to rice in El before. The cool water takes another six or seven years to move north, bringing things back to the cycle's beginning.

Because the temperature of the water off the Carolinas strongly influences

the development of hurricanes in the phenomenon that has a lot to do with Atlantic, meteorologists are extremely

possible. "It is very intriguing. Though we don't have all the answers yet," Sutton been noticed in the North Atlantic are "It is very intriguing. Though we

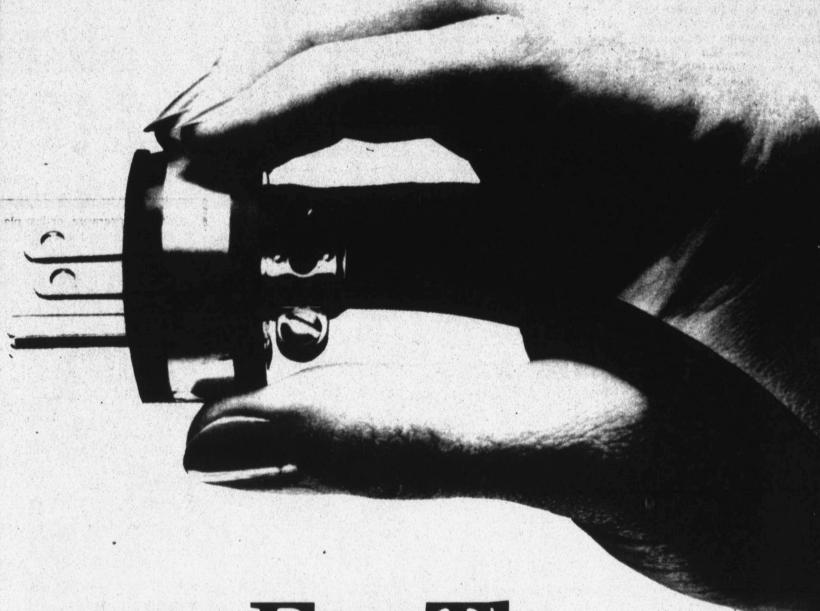
weather in the North Atlantic. Or it interested in the pattern Sutton and could be an insignificant fluke that Allen describe, since it's the kind of disappears in the next decade, never natural phenomenon that makes to be seen again. With only 50 years year-to-year weather prediction of temperature measurements, Sutton notes, it's hard to tell.

consistent, says Mike McCartney of The pattern could be a stable the Woods Hole Oceanographic

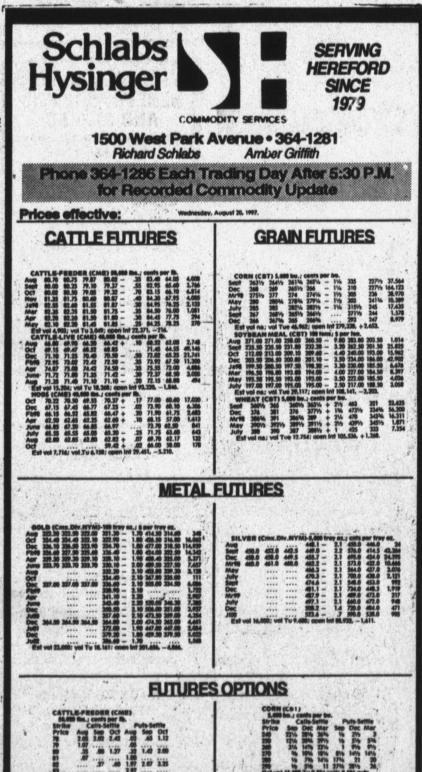
Institution, meteorologists will be reluctant to use them for year-to-year weather prediction until they understand them as well as they do El Nino.

"At this point, we're still dealing with fundamental physics questions," McCartney says. "But some clever modeler may make a breakthrough... like the El Nino people did in the





For The It Needs



Heat drying out pastures

COLLEGE STATION (AP) Another hot summer is drying up pastures and ranges, but advancements in hay and forage production may help some producers beat the heat, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reported Wednes-

Extremely dry conditions have scorched pastures in South Texas, according to Terry Lockamy, Cameron County extension agent. "Dryland pastures are not

experiencing any growth at this point, but irrigated pastures are still being cut," Lockamy said. Southwest Texas also reported hot,

dry weather with temperatures up to 100 degrees.

Pastures in Southwest Texas are suffering from hot southerly winds, according to extension range specialist Robert Lyons of Uvalde. "We haven't had an economically

significant rain since June," he said.

Lyons said forage availability is still slightly above average for this time of year, but the quality is beginning to drop without rainfall.

"Unless we receive above average rainfall in September, standing forage availability this fall and winter will

drop significantly and it may be difficult to winter livestock after this dry, hot summer," Lyons said.

According to extension director Galen Chandler of Vernon, rains have helped soil moisture and range conditions in the Rolling Plains

He said warm season tall grass species such as little bluestem and switchgrass have begun to develop rapidly, improving forage in many

In East Texas, all counties received abundant rain, according to extension director Tony Douglas of

He said the region has an excellent supply of hay and producers are making the third cut.

Extension forage specialist David Bade of College Station said Southeast Texas received ample rain recently which has produced high

quality forage.

He also said two new varieties, Tifton 85 and Jiggs Bermuda grass, have become popular for both grazing and hay cutting.

Bade said these new varieties are being cut with hay because they yield more and have a higher quality. They grow on sand, clay or black soil and are more drought resistant.

According to Bade, Tifton 85 and Jiggs are more expensive than other varieties of Bermuda grass, but higher vields and better quality make up for the price difference.

Bade said he expects these new varieties of Bermuda grass to become more popular as producers realize they can be grown virtually any-

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district extension

PANHANDLE: soil moisture adequate. Pasture, range good conditions benefiting from the rain. Cattle in good condition. Cotton, sorghum, sugar beets, soybeans, peanuts all rated good. Potato harvest

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O'Leary linked to donation

WASHINGTON (AP) - A House panel investigating campaign fund-raising abuses will review allegations that an aide to then-Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary sought a donation to O'Leary's favorite charity from a Democratic

Johnny Chung's allegation that he was asked to make the donation while seeking to set up a meeting between a Chinese businessman and O'Leary also sparked renewed calls by Republicans for appointment of an independent counsel to investigate fund-raising abuses.

Chung's allegation "adds breadth and impetus to what we are looking at," Will Dwyer, spokesman for the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee, said Wednes-

Dwyer said it also lends support to arguments by the panel's chairman, Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., and others in Congress that Attorney General Janet Reno should seek appointment investigate allegations that Clinton administration officials improperly solicited political donations.

Reno has refused so far to seek member of the Senate committee which O'Leary spoke.

such an appointment, saying career prosecutors are able to investigate the allegations.

Meanwhile, political consultant Dick Morris was questioned under oath for more than 11 hours Wednesday by Senate investigators.

Morris, who ran Clinton's campaign until he was fired last summer following reports he had an affair with a call girl, said investigators asked about Clinton's role in shaping Democratic National Committee spending and ad

"I made it clear that while the president was heavily involved in preparation of ads, he never saw a final ad before it went on (the air) and the copy of the visuals he approved was always different than the ones that went on," Morris said in a telephone interview. He said Clinton did not give final approval of the ads.

Republicans want to know whether White House and DNC efforts to coordinate expenditures were illegal. Morris was scheduled to be questioned Thursday by House investiga-

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa.,

investigating fund-raising abuses, said Chung's allegation should trigger a Justice Department preliminary inquiry to determine whether such an appointment is warranted.

"It is pretty hard for the attorney general to say there is not specific, credible evidence" of criminal wrongdoing to trigger an independent counsel inquiry, Specter said.

If Chung's allegation is true, such solicitation "is inappropriate,"
Specter said. "You can't do a quid
pro quo for a contribution even if it goes to a third party.

"This could trigger an independent counsel on campaign contribu-tions; generally, this is a first cousin," Specter said. "They are pretty closely related."

Chung, who has refused to cooperate with congressional investigators without a grant of immunity from prosecution, made a \$25,000 donation to Africare on Oct. 19, 1995, the same day O'Leary posed for pictures with a delegation of businessmen.

Chung's donation entitled him to table for 10 at Africare's gala fund-raising dinner that night, at

Names in the News

KATHARINE HEPBURN HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) _ The new edition of the official state

information manual honors a local girl: Katharine Hepburn. The 90-year-old screen legend lives in the Fenwick section of Old

Saybrook and grew up in Hartford, the second child of a suffragist leader and a prominent physician. "She is, unquestionably, one of the most enduring actors in history,"

states the dedication in the Connecticut State Register and Manual, commonly known as the "Blue Book." Dr. Robert Hepburn of West Hartford on Wednesday accepted a

health has been failing. But he said she still eats a hearty meal, goes for car rides and receives visitors. Her "character is very strong as

copy of the book for his sister, whose

usual," he said. A four-time Academy Award-winner, her movies include "The Philadelphia Story" (1940), "Adam's Rib" (1949) and "On Golden Pond" (1981).

DON KING NEW YORK (AP) _ Don King Day?

No schools were closed, but Wednesday was singled out for the

wild-haired boxing promoter by the City Council's Black and Hispanic

The caucus gave King a proclamation, thanking him for helping the city's economy through and called him a "cherished American celebrity."

"He is a self-made person and I think he's done a wonderful job," said Councilman Jose Rivera, chair of the 22-member caucus.

King, who promotes Mike Tyson and other fighters, could face up to 45 years in prison if convicted of federal insurance fraud charges stemming from a canceled fight.

CHRISTOPHER DARDEN

LOS ANGELES (AP) _ Christopher Darden says he has taken a newborn girl "into my home, my family, and my heart" _ whether she's his daughter or not. A television station said she is.

The baby's mother has said the O.J. Simpson prosecutor fathered her daughter, born May 25. Darden has acknowledged a brief relationship with the woman.

Darden said Wednesday he is awaiting the results of a paternity test since he's unsure the baby is his. He wants primary custody if she is.

