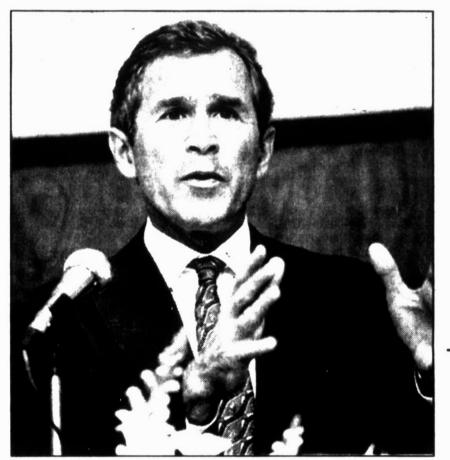
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GOV. BUSH ... Banquet speaker

Governor to be keynote speaker

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Some 16,000 senior high school students still need to pass all or part of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test necessary to graduate from any Texas high school, according to the Texas Education Agency. That means more than half of state seniors currently are ineligible to graduate.

Closer to home, however, things don't look quite so bad. Out of 282 seniors registered at Hereford High, only 25 still need to complete any part of the TAAS.

Seniors will have one more chance this semester to pass the TAAS. Before taking the exam, they will be provided a TAAS study guide.

According to information provided by the TEA, study guides have been created for all levels, third through exit level.

Public schools received the exit level guide, "Working Through TAAS," in December in order to benefit seniors.

Study guides for lower grade levels should be available some time this summer.

State Education Commissioner Mike Moses said, "The activities in the study guides cover the same skills that are taught in school and tested on TAAS. The guides help students and their parents understand each skill, realize why it is important, and see how it relates to everyday life."

For the 1996-97 school year, 77.2 percent of the sophomores taking the TAAS test passed the reading portion; 72.7 percent passed the math; 75.2 percent passed writing.

88.5 percent passed the writing.

Junior high levels were all below the state averages. Statewide, 83.9 percent of eighth-grade students passed the reading; 80.7, writing; and 76.3, math. Locally, only 68.5 percent passed reading; 79.9, writing; and 71.9 percent, math.

Seventh-grade students were anywhere from 2.5 percent to 8.2 percent behind state averages.

Third-grade students, the first grade to take the test, scored closer to state averages than did some other grades.

Districtwide, 81.06 percent of third graders passed the reading, compared to 81.5 statewide. The same students beat the state percentile by 2.2 percent, with 83.9 percent passing math.

The percentage of fourth- and sixth-grade students passing reading, 71.4 percent and 83.8 percent, respectively, was slightly behind state averages of 82.5 percent and 84.6 percent.

Fifth-grade students beat state reading average by 0.2 percent with 85 percent.

The same age group fell behind in math with only 79.4 percent, fourth-grade students, and 83.5 percent, sixth-graders, passing math. Fifth-grade students did the best with 90.5 percent passing, compared with 86.2 percent statewide. Seniors who have not passed all parts of the TAAS should have received

a free copy of the study guide.

Other high school students may obtain a copy of the guide by calling 1888-35-STUDY. The cost of the guide is \$5.



HHS seniors outpacing state Statewide, 86.1 percent passed reading; 72.6 percent passed math; and

Get there early

Gov. George Bush, who will be the keynote speaker, will be speaking early, so buffet lines for the annual chamber banquet will open at 6:30 p.m., 30 minutes earlier than originally scheduled, according to Don Cumpton, chamber executive director.

Everyone attending the banquet is asked to enter the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn at the end east, where the buffet lines will be located.

Also, because of the anticipated large crowd, the Hereford Police Department will direct parking for the banquet. The HPD requests all motorists to enter the Bull Barn parking lot at the east end.

Although the appearance by the governor has drawn top billing for this year's chamber banquet, the event is also when the organization recognizes the Citizen of the Year.

Last year's recipient, Lester Wagner, was cited for his volunteer work with various community organizations. He was employed with Hereford Parts & Supply for 38 years, serving as manager for 14 years before retiring in 1984.

The Citizen of the Year Award will be presented by Pete Holcombe of Arrowhead Mills.

Almost scheduled to speak during the banquet are Wade Easley, outgoing president, and Sid Shaw, incoming president. Easley is a vice president with FirstBank Southwest: Shaw is owner-operator of Double S Sales.

Cumpton worked for several months to get the governor to be the banquet speaker.

Bush, the eldest son of former President Bush, was elected governor in 1994, defeating incumbent Ann Richards.

Before taking office in January 1995, Bush was founder and chief executive officer of Bush Exploration, a Midland-based oil and gas company. He also served as managing general partner of the Texas Rangers baseball organization. In April 1989, Bush led a group of partners in purchasing the Rangers and was instrumental in bringing the Rangers and the City of Arlington to build the Rangers' new stadium, The Ballpark in Arlington.

Raised in Midland and Houston, Bush is a former F-102 pilot in the Texas Air National Guard. He received a bachelor's degree from Yale and a master's degree from Harvard. In 1978, he was defeated in his bid for Congress.

Bush and his wife, Laura, reside in the historic Governor's Mansion in Austin with their twin daughters, Barbara and Jenna.

Hereford on short list for processing plant

Hereford and two other Panhandie cities are under consideration by Seaboard Farms for construction of a \$110 million hog processing plant, it was revealed today.

Mike Hatley, executive director of Hereford Economic Development Corporation, said he was "surprised" that the story broke.

'We were contacted and talked to several Seaboard people, but we have kept the information quiet. Most companies don't want a premature news leak," said Hatley. He said he had visited with the firm's finance, engineering and operations people.

Dumas and Pampa have also been contacted, as well as two Kansas cities - Garden City and Great Bend, it was reported by Steve Latham, a Seaboard spokesman.

Hatley said he thought the proposed plant would employ about 1,500 people, but an Amarillo newspaper report listed a work force of about 2,500

Hatley said he expected someone from Seaboard to visit Hereford in the next few weeks. He said the plant site probably won't be selected for several months. Construction could start late this year, with operations scheduled about two years after that.

The Amarillo newspaper report quoted the Seaboard spokesman as saying the proposed facility would slaughter four million animals annually and most production jobs would pay an average of \$8.50 an hour plus medical insurance benefits.

TOBACCO TIFF: Morales responds to Bush

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas Attorney General Dan Morales says Gov. George W. Bush has no standing to challenge the \$2.3 billion in attorneys' fees stemming from the state's \$15.3 billion settlement with the nation's tobacco industry.

'Despite his title, the governor has no standing to intervene," Morales said Wednesday in a legal response to a motion Bush filed in federal court to block the fees for the five attorneys who represented the state in the federal case.

U.S. District Judge David Folsom in Texarkana approved the settlement and fees and will consider challenges to them.

The governor said he was worried about both the size of the fees, equal to 15 percent of the settlement, and the constitutionality of obligating the state to pay private lawyers.

Morales has repeatedly maintained that the tobacco industry, and if necessary, the federal government will pay the fees.

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\$180,000

\$160,000

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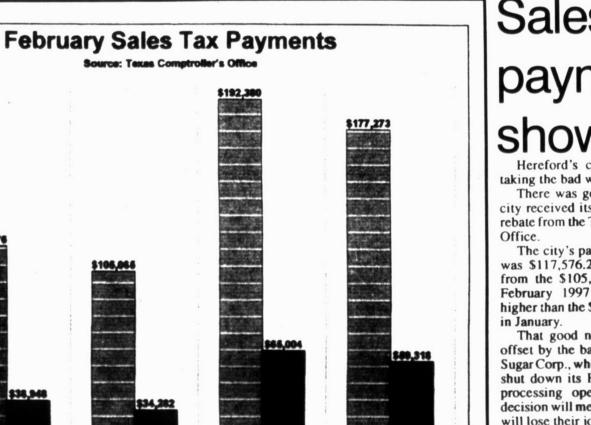
is unreasonable," Bush said Wednesday while campaigning in Marlin, southeast of Waco.

Morales criticized Bush in his court filing for not objecting to the fee arrangement when it was entered into two years ago.

When private counsel agreed to represent the state in March 1996, the risk of recovering nothing in this case was enormous and the risk was borne entirely by outside counsel," Morales said in his legal response.

Morales said if Bush does not withdraw his objection, the entire tobacco settlement could be in jeopardy. Bush has said his challenge seeks only to separate the attorneys' fee issue from the case and doesn't affect the overall settlement.

After speaking to a children's health conference Wednesday, Morales claimed that if Bush withdrew his motion, \$151 million already paid to the state by the tobacco industry would be available to be spent on health insurance coverage for 72,000 uninsured Texas children as early as next week.



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Sales tax payments show rise

Hereford's certainly a case of taking the bad with the good.

There was good news when the city received its February sales tax rebate from the Texas Comptroller's

The city's payment for February was \$117,576.22, up 11.9 percent from the \$105,064.52 received in February 1997 and 36.4 percent higher than the \$74,804.09 received

That good news, however, was offset by the bad news from Holly Sugar Corp., which announced it will shut down its Hereford sugar beet processing operation. The Holly decision will mean about 85 workers will lose their jobs, which will have a serious impact on retail sales within the economy.

Deaf Smith County, which sees its No. 1 taxpayer (Holly Sugar) drastically cutting back its operations, also realized improvement in February. The county's rebate was See SALES TAX, Page 9

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THE HEREFORD BRAND Local Roundup

Rodriguez medical fund

A medical fund has been established at the Hereford State Bank, for Linda Rodriguez, wife of Ray Rodriguez, to help defray medical expenses for cancer treatment.

Mostly clear

Tonight, mostly clear, low in mid-20s, southwest wind 5-15 mph.

Friday, becoming partly cloudy, high 55 to 60, south wind 5-15 mph. Friday night, turning mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain or snow late, low 30 to 35.

3-DAY FORECAST

Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain, high in the upper 50s.

Sunday and Monday, partly cloudy, low in mid-30s, high in the lower 60s.

WEDNESDAY RECAP

High, 46; low, 37; precipitation, 0.13 inches.

Fed's block UP's decongestion plans Emergency measures fell way short of needed updates

regulators shot down a bid by the Texas Railroad Commission to force Union Pacific to divest itself of key rail yards and other property in the congestion-plagued Houston area, saying the "draconian" measure could cause more harm than good.

Unbowed, the Railroad Commission promised Tuesday to press its case for significant changes to the Houston rail landscape.

Faced with a months-old rail crisis in the western half of the United States touched off by the Texas congestion, the Surface Transportation Board last October ordered short-term measures to end the gridlock that hurt shippers from California ports to the grain silos of the Midwest.

Those stopgap measures fell far short of the proposal advocated by **Texas Railroad Commission members** impatient with Union Pacific's failures in Texas. The Texas panel

WASHINGTON (AP) - Federal wants key Houston-area rail yards swallowed Southern Pacific in a 1996 and lines turned over to a neutral merger - are the cause of the switching carrier that would dispatch traffic to Union Pacific or one of two competitors: The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Co. or the

Texas Mexican Railway. Tuesday, the federal board rejected a Railroad Commission request it had eyed with skepticism for months, saying the proposal "does violence to every one of the guiding principles that we have appropriately followed throughout these emergency service proceedings."

The Texas proposal, the board wrote, "would likely result in downgraded rather than improved infrastructure in Houston; it would not facilitate resolution of the emergency; and in fact, it could cause far more operational trouble than it would fix."

Inadequate rail facilities in the Houston area - rather than inadequate competition for Union Pacific, which

congestion, the Surface Transportation Board said.

The Railroad Commission scoffed at the findings.

"Clearly with this decision, the STB is defending the status quo that has already cost Texas \$1.1 hillion " said commission spokesman Bob Kaufman. "The board's protection of Union Pacific undermines what Texas shippers have been seeking for months - good service and rail competition."

Union Pacific pronounced itself satisfied with the decision. "The Texas Railroad Commission plan had no foundation, no substance and wouldn't pass analysis by anyone who gave it a serious look," said John Bromley, a spokesman for the Nebraska-based railroad.

The president of the National

- many disgruntled by the rail troubles - expressed concern Tuesday at the board's rejection of the neutral switching facility concept, which has worked well in other cities.

"What does the STB plan to do to et out of this mess?" asked NITL head Ed Emmett, noting that the current service orders granting some

trackage access to BNSF and Tex Mex in the Houston area expire March 15.

Emmett suggested that the board, which is up for reauthorization from Congress this year, must consider more dramatic action. "Whether or not that agency even exists is up for question this year and I think, at some

point, you have to get your nose out of the book of regulations and, you know, look out and see what's going on in the real world," he said. "And Industrial Transportation League, what's going on in the real world in which represents some 1,200 shippers rail traffic is congested in Houston." what's going on in the real world is

Texas gets Boeing maintenance center

plans to locate an aviation maintenance center at Kelly Air Force Base, the San Antonio Express-News reported today.

Boeing's move to the base could mean hundreds of jobs for the area and partly offset job cuts that will come as the base shuts down by 2001.

The city-appointed Kelly Redevelopment Corp. has been talking seriously with the Seattle --based aerospace giant since Septem-ber about leasing C-5 aircraft maintenance facilities at Kelly.

The Air Force is vacating the hangars and moving the C-5 work elsewhere.

The Express-News, in a copyright story, reported an unidentified source close to the negotiations confirmed the Bocing deal late Wednesday. A final agreement had not been signed, the Express-News reported.

City officials were keeping quiet about the deal.

'There's not been an official announcement of anything," Mayor THE BRAND



SAN ANTONIO (AP) - After Howard Peak said. "We're hoping months of negotiations, Boeing Co. there will be news for San Antonio soon and are awaiting the official announcement."

A Boeing spokesman would not confirm the report.

"I have no announcement to make at this time," said spokesman Paul Tobin, reached Wednesday night at his home in St. Louis.

City officials previously have said Boeing would employ 500 to 850 workers initially and would increase that number over time.

Issues that had to be resolved in the negotiations included plans for updating the 41-year-old C-5 hangar and terms of the lease with the city's development corporation, the newspaper reported.

Boeing's official announcement of the move was expected at a Friday news conference at Kelly featuring Gov. George W. Bush and both U.S. senators from Texas, the Express--News reported.

Boeing was one of the private bidders that lost out on the C-5 aircraft maintenance contract when the Air Force awarded that job to **Robins Air Force Base in Georgia last** September.

comes to San Antonio. it would be a step toward converting the base into a modern industrial park by the time the Air Force leaves in 2001.



School attendees

Amber Meyer, sixth grade, and Cody Matsler, fourth grade will represent the Walcott School, Friday evening at the Chamber of Commerce banquet, featuring Gov. George W.Bush

Commissioner's interest causes lawyers concern

HOUSTON (AP) - Lawyers that the small awards to policyholders pursuing class actions on behalf of was caused by Bomer's handling of rs may have good reason to the case. worry when the Texas insurance "It certainly damaged the commissioner becomes interested in plaintiffs' case to say that the their cases.

plaintiffs.

their filings.

said.

NAWS in brief

Cedar Creek citizens stunned by victory against Big Oil

TOOL (AP) - Texans' first success in fighting oilfield operations has caught some by surprise in what was viewed as a David-and-Goliath struggle that lasted more than a year.

What began as one resident's afternoon of phone calls culminated in a Canadian company's decision this week to cap and abandon a sour gas well and the related demise of a pipeline proposal around Cedar Creek Lake.

"We're talking about a company with a bunch of money and some irate citizens raising rakes and pitchforks," said Tool resident Greg Ryan, who helped start a grassroots organization to fight the development of the gas well one-half mile from his home.

Dr. Neil Carman, director of the Sierra Club's Clean Air Division in Austin, told the Tyler Morning Telegraph Wednesday that Ultra Petroleum Corp.'s decision to plug the well was extraordinary.

'And it's due 100 percent to citizen pressure and concerns about sour gas," he said.

Cadet testifies his roommate planned attack at MMA

BROWNSVILLE (AP) - A suspended military school student has testified that his roommate enlisted his help in attacking another student to "get even.

But Christopher Lee Boze said Wednesday that what began as a typical hazing ritual at the Marine Military Academy almost turned deadly when Jeremiah George Jensen cut the student's throat.

"Did you know you were going up there for a killing that night?" Assistant. District Attorney John Blaylock asked Boze.

'No. sir. I did not," he responded.

Jensen, 17, and Boze, 18, are charged with attempted murder and aggravated

assault in the Oct. 5, 1997, attack of Gabriel Cortez, 18, in the barracks of the Harlingen bearding school.

Couple sentenced forcing aliens to work to pay fees

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A Kerrville man and his wife will go to prison for holding undocumented workers against their will while friends and family worked or gathered cash to pay smuggling fees.

Jose Remedios Mendez-Martinez, 52, and hiw wife, Carmen Maria Mendez, 56, were sentenced Wednesday by U.S. District Judge H.F. "Hippo" Garcia.

Bush fund-raising nears completion

AUSTIN (AP) - More than eight Gov. Bush from Labor Day until the bulk of fund-raising for his race said. against Democratic challenger Garry Mauro.

Bush, who faces little known highway contractor R.C. Crawford of Round Rock in the March 10 primary, raised \$15.4 million for his successful defeat of Ann Richards four years ago. Fifty-three percent of that money was raised in the final two quarters of 1994.

This time around, Bush already has \$13.07 million in the bank with both of his big-money fund-raisers - one in Dallas that brought in \$2 million in October and one in Houston that brought in \$1.6 million in November - out of the way.

In 1994, there were four such fund-raising dinners - two each in Dallas and Houston at roughly \$1,000 per plate. The final two were scheduled in the fall, just before the election.

Bush strategist Karl Rove said the governor held his big-money fund-raising events nearly a year before the 1998 election so he wouldn't interfere with efforts of other GOP candidates to raise funds.

'Raising our money early sends governor is not taking his re-election campaign for granted," Rove said. 'And it makes it easier for downballot candidates to raise money.

Mauro, whose campaign says it hopes to collect more than \$500,000 from fund-raising appearances by Hillary Rodham Clinton in Texas Thursday, currently has about \$350,000 on hand.

Whether Bush has \$15 million or \$50 million, it's irrelevant to our plan," said Mauro spokesman Joe Cutbirth. "Garry's father wasn't president of the United States, and he fund-raising network.

that will let us stand toe-to-toe with raise money.

months before the general election, election day with media, and that's Gov. George W. Bush has completed what we need to do to win," Cutbirth

> Two sources close to Bush's re-election committee told The Associated Press that once the governor has \$15 million in the bank, he will curtail fund-raising efforts indirectly encouraging contributors to give money to the state GOP for a get-out-the-vote effort or to other Republicans on the statewide ballot.

> Bush has set a goal of getting 400,000 new GOP voters in Texas to the polls this November, according to state Republican Party spokesman Robert Black.

Rove denied that a hard figure had been set for Bush to stop fund-raising or that the governor would indirectly steer contributors to other GOP candidates.

'If someone is saying that we are going to stop raising money, that's not true," Rove said. "We are not going to tell someone who wants to give to our campaign not to give."

Rove and Bush campaign finance director Beth Sturgeon acknowledged that \$15 million was a goal set by the Bush campaign to cover the same costs incurred in 1994

Fifteen million dollars equals a very clear message that the roughly what we spent last time around, adjusted for inflation," Rove said

That would cover the expenses of this election cycle." Ms. Sturgeon said

Rove wouldn't say what Bush intends to raise or spend for his campaign against Mauro, who has said he hopes to raise somewhere between \$5 million and \$7 million for the race

Bush isn't taking the fact that he has 43 times more campaign money than Mauro for granted, Rove said.

"The president and first lady of doesn't have access to a ready-made the United States don't invest their time in lost causes," Rove said. "As But what we have is a timeline long as Garry Mauro has the Clintons and a game plan for this campaign working for him, he has the ability to

Several times when the state Insurance Department intervened in such disputes, consumer activists said it undermined the legal actions, resulting in smaller recoveries for citizens and weaker penalties against insurers, the Texas Journal of The Wall Street Journal reported Wednesday.

"The commissioner just has an private (legal) action and government obsession with hurting class-action lawsuits," said D.J. Powers, staff professor at the University of Texas attorney for the Austin-based Center for Economic Justice, which in class-action and insurance cases. represents low-income Texans in insurance and utility matters.

"It's not a pro-consumer agenda. it's an antilawyer agenda, and consumers are the ones who are suffering from it," Powers said.

Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer dislikes lawsuits that result in small payments to individual consumers and big windfalls for plaintiffs' attorneys, but denies having a special animosity against class actions. He said he intervenes only in order "to protect consumers and treat the companies fairly."

Insurance customers are not always worse off when the department intervenes. The department collected \$78.3 billion in fines, assessments and consumer restitutions from insurance companies in 1997, compared with \$2 billion in 1996 and \$20 billion in 1995, Bomer said.

Among the cases consumer advocates use to show that Bomer's interference has hurt consumers is a 1996 suit filed against Allstate Insurance Co. and Farmers Insurance Co. on behalf of policyholders.

The suit challenged the practice of "double-rounding" when figuring auto-insurance premiums. With double rounding, a \$100.50 premium for one year would be rounded to \$101, and the \$50.50 six-month rate would be rounded again to \$51, for a total annual cost of \$102.

Bomer signed a consent order with Farmers and Allstate before the suit reached court, saying that while the department had approved double rounding in the past, the practice would be prohibited in the future. Farmers and Allstate agreed to settle the court case by paying as much as \$35 million, or about \$5.50 for each policyholder.

Bomer's objection to the outcome was that the Dallas firm of Cracken & Harkey received more than \$10 million for their work on the case, while consumers received a meager payout.

Consumer groups said, however,

Outuaries

MABEL RENFRO MCMINN Feb. 17, 1998

Funeral services for Mabel Renfro McMinn, 93, formerly of Hereford, will be at 3:30 p.m. Friday in the Elliott-Hamil Chapel of Faith with Dr. Phil Christopher officiating. Burial will be in Elmwood Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Elliott Hamil Funeral Home.

Mrs. McMinn was born in Hereford and graduated from Texas Women's College. She lived in Abilene for 70 years. She married Ollie McMinn in 1927. She was a member of the Athenaen Club, Abilene Woman's Club, and First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, William G. McMinn, of Miami Fla.; one daughter, Barbara'M. Dale of Houston; a niece, a nephew, five grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.



AUSTIN (AP) - One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$4 million.

The ticket was sold in Seadrift. The winning numbers drawn Wednesday were:

1-2-10-20-31-44 Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-0-6

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Boeing would begin hiring shortly after it signs a lease and would start bringing in planes for repair by May or June, city officials have said.



GERDA ROUSE Feb. 18, 1998

Funeral services for Gerda Rouse, 74, of Hereford will be 10 a.m. Friday in the Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Ted Taylor officiating. Burial will be in the Rest Lawn Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Parkside Chapel

Mrs. Rouse was born Nov. 17, 1923 in Hamburg, Germany, to Hanno and Anne Galle. She attended business college and served for two years as a secretary for the German military. She came to the United States on Christmas 1951.

She married Oran Rouse in 1981 in Hereford. She was a homemaker and had won the Hereford Christmas window and door display award for three consecutive years. She was fond of crafts and Hummel figurines. Mrs. Rouse loved the mountains of Germany and Colorado.

Survivors include her husband, Oran Rouse; one daughter, Rita Thompson of Corona, Calif.; one brother, Kurt Galle, of Hueckelhoven, Germany; one sister, Christa Neumann of Hamburg; and three grandchildren, David Thompson, of Hereford, Thomas Thompson of Los Angeles, and Diana Thompson of Placentia, Calif.

The family requests memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, 79109; or the American Cancer Society, 3915 Bell, Amarillo, 79109.

Arrest --A 29-year-old woman was arrested on a criminal mischief

--A 17-year-old woman was arrestes for failure to comply with compulsory attendance laws.

-- A 24-year-old man was arrested on a bench warrant.

--A burglary of a habitaiton was reported.

Fire Department

--1:09 p.m., Dec. 18, Fire fighters responded to 332 Ave. D on a smoke scare.

Emergency services Activities reported by emergency

companies were told to double

round," said John Harkey, an

attorney for the class-action

Legislature last year for authority to

review all proposed class actions

against insurance companies before

regulation," said Charles Silver, a

Law School in Austin who specializes

institutionalized conflict that's going

to occur over and over again," he

THE HEREFORD BRAND

"What we have here is an

There's always "tension between

Bomer also asked the Texas

services personnel for Feb. 18, 1998, include the following:

Police Department --A sign in the 700 block of West First was damaged. Witnesses have talked with the police and there is a supect.

-- Two teenage boys were taken

into custody at the Hereford High

School for fighting. Charges of

disorderly conduct have been filed

from the 600 block of Irving. The

from truck to truck, trying to solicit

sex, in the 2900 block of East First.

Accidents

at the intersection of 25 Mile Avenue

Sheriff's Department

--A two car accident was reported

The suspect could not be located.

--A bicycle was reported as stolen

--A woman was reported as going

against both the youths.

bike was later recovered.

and Grand. No injuries.

warrant.

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Girl Scout News

Brownie Troop 214 colored and handed out valentine pictures to residents of Hereford's nursing home.

They also had a science workshop entitled "Science Wonders," researched and put together by the Franklin Institute and National Science Partnership.

The course, given by Melinda Henson, is geared for the Brownie level and encourages the girls to take an interest in and possibly pursue a career in the sciences.

Twenty-six girls attended the workshop and learned about magnets, natural and manmade fibers, crystals and how to make recycled paper.

Cadette Troop 283 will be selling Easter lilies in March. Watch for flyers and details.

Sarah Freethy, Senior Girl Scout, held a bake sale Saturday at Homeland.

Girl Scout cookie deliveries will begin Feb. 24. Girl Scouts are still taking orders so if you would like to order cookies, see any Girl Scout or call 364-1926.



Special valentines

Members of Brownie Troop 214 colored and handed out valentine pictures to residents of Hereford's nursing homes.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: You blew it with your advice to "Wit's End in Sylmar, Calif.," whose stepdaughter was forging Daddy's signature and stealing thousands of dollars. Last time I checked, this behavior was illegal. Why wasn't the girl arrested? "Wit's End" said the girl's graduation gift -- a new car -disappeared without a trace. Did anyone consider filing a police report? How does someone get 'saddled" with a \$1,200 phone bill? Twice, no less. Does this 26-year-old problem child still live at home?

The stepmother makes no mention of whether or not the daughter works or has any source of income. Have the parents ever demanded that she reimburse them for the cost to repair the car she smashed up when she when the father gave his daughter a went joy riding? What about car that disappeared with no reimbursement for the other money explanation. Obviously, the girl they allowed her to cheat them out didn't need the car in the first place, of? To top it off, "Wit's End" and or she would have taken better care her husband spent \$2,200 to get the of it. And why would they bail her out girl out of jail after she was convicted of jail for forging signatures and of credit card fraud and forgery. abusing credit cards? Maybe she Why? They should have let her sit would have learned a lesson if they there for a while so she could think had let her suffer the consequences about her irresponsible and foolish for her behavior. Now, not only is this behavior.

You said the girl's behavior was bizarre and gave those parents your condolences. You should have told them to stop bailing the girl out and let her learn life's lessons the hard way. -- Lori in Fresno, Calif.

Dear Lori: I guess my best defense is to plead temporary insanity. I can't believe I was so far off the mark. There's more. Keep reading:

Dear Ann Landers: You weren't hard enough on that stepdaughter in California. The woman who wrote said, "My husband has worked hard to give his daughter everything." That sentence explains the root of the problem. Why do some parents feel they have to give their children everything?

The handwriting was on the wall young woman a problem to her

parents, but thanks to them, she is also a problem to society.

I actually feel sorry for this 26-year-old. She is no child. She's a grown woman. I can't imagine what will happen when her parents are no longer around to rescue her. Please, Ann, remind parents that they aren't doing their children any favors by giving them everything under the sun. They must set limits and be firm. And they shouldn't be afraid to say "no." Lafayette, Ind.

Dear Lafayette: Thanks for your wise input. Here's the last word:

Dear Ann: Reading the letter from Wit's End" was like hearing my own life story. I am a compulsive for \$5.25 (this includes postage and gambler and did all those things she handling) to: Gems, c/o Ann Landers, described and more.

the daughter's financial situation. ANN LANDERS (R) COPYRIGHT 1998 Does that stepdaughter have any CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC. assets to show for any length of time she's been employed? I'm sure she sold her graduation car to raise money. I don't think this stepdaughter is on drugs. I would be willing to bet she has a gambling problem. She needs Gamblers Anonymous. -- Mr.

Gamblers Anonymous has helped thousands of people. Here's the address: Gamblers Anonymous, P.O. Box 17173, Los Angeles, Calif. 90017.

Gem of the Day (Credit Diana Vreeland, former editor of Vogue): Money has nothing to do with style, but it certainly helps when you go out to buy something.

What can you give the person who has everything? Ann Landers' booklet, "Gems," is ideal for a nightstand or coffee table. "Gems" is a collection of Ann Landers' most requested poems and essays. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, III. 'Wit's End" should investigate 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$6.25.)

Hamilton gives program for Xi Epsilon Alpha

The topic of "Dogs" highlighted the recent meeting of Xi Epsilon Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority in the home of Deann Harris. Dee Hamilton presented the program.

Hamilton spoke on the history of canines and focused on behavioral patterns of various breeds of dogs. She spoke on the care and expense of owning a dog while noting what loyal companions they can be. She also discussed the good points of owning a registered, pure breed versus a mixed breed.

Preceding the program was a brief

business meeting led by President Diane Kreig. Pattie Urbanczyk and Kim Hollingsworth thanked Secret Sisters for gifts. Shelley lewis thanked the chapter for the baby gifts given to her and son, Jayce.

After adjournment, Closing Ritual and Mizpah were repeated. Refreshments of cake and tea were served by Hamilton and Harris to Linda Arellano, Peggy Hyer, Sharon Bodner, Gaye Reily, Connie Matthews, Melinda Henson, Susan Shaw, Holly Bixler, Kreig, Urbanczyk, Hollingsworth, and Lewis.





Dear Mr. X: You could be right.

La Madre Mia **College Report**

among the 254 West Texas A&M University students who were named to the President's List, and the 840 students who earned mention on the Brenda K. Barrett, sophomore Dean's List for the fall 1997 semester.

Students earning President's List recognition achieved a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.85 (of a possible 4.0) or better with a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

Students on the Dean's List achieved GPAs of at least 3.25 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Included on the President's List were Cindy L. Bailey, senior junior kinesiology; Amy Liscano, mathematics major; Misty D. Bornemeier, senior generic special education; Erin C. Bullard, post bachelor non-grad nursing; Sheila L. Dawes, post bachelor non-grad Irma R. Sauceda, junior Spanish. agriculture; Barbara J. Kerr, senior Also Laura I. Secrest, senior generic special education.

senior general business; and Christina

Students from Hereford were L. Wyatt, post bachelor non-grad agri-business and economics.

The Dean's List included Lyndsi N. Ames, sophomore pre-medicine; mathematics; Karis N. Blain, freshman theatre arts; Dana M. Brisendine, freshman marketing; Kristene M. Daniel, freshman premedicine.

Also Kendall L. Drew, senior criminal justice administration; Timothy R. Gee, senior agri-business and economics; Eric F. Gilley, senior music; Lauren M. Hansen, freshman biology; Margarita Hernandez, junior Spanish.

Others were Gregg A. Kalka, senior generic special education; Elda R. Lucio, junior reading; Dawn M. Mason, senior general studies; Susana H. Mondragon, junior social work'

Also Laura I. Secrest, senior reading: Natalya Stolyarenko, Also Olga E. Leal, senior reading; sophomore general business; Delmer Juanita L. Nino, post bachelor non- R. Thompson, senior history; grad Spanish; Codye J. Poarch, junior Christopher R. Valdez, freshman psychology; Tatyana V. Vakhraneva, political science; and Shannon L. Wallace, senior general business.



Husbands' Valentine Party recently at Hereford Country Club.

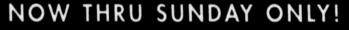
Following dinner a musical titled "Envelope Please" was presented by Bravo Productions.

Attending were Messrs, and Mmes. Waldo Baxter, Herschel Black, Terry Bromlow, Dwayne Cassels, Wendel Clark, Don Cumpton, Elmo Hall, Joe Henry, Dean Herring, Wayne Lady, J.L. Marcum, Bobby Owen, Pat Robbins, Wayne Sims, Craig Smith, Bub Sparks, Nathan Stone, Don Taylor, Roger Williams, Mrs. Marline Watson, and Mrs. Nicky Walser and guest Dave Anderson.

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Vidor sculptor operates outside of so-called normal existence

VIDOR, Texas - To venture into of the simple structure. Charles Stagg's world is to explore a world of surrealism, spirituality and art. The sculptor lives on his own terms, operating outside the boundaries of what most would call a normal existence.

His art has been showcased in diverse mediums ranging from the American Visionary Art Museum in Baltimore, Md., to National Public Radio's All Things Considered and the New York Times.

Stagg, like the art he creates, is hard to define. He's been described as an outsider, a visionary and a process artist. Until recently he rejected those labels.

'Coming to that realization has been a slow process. Social pressure makes people create art in certain ways. I've escaped that pressure. I work art outside the system," he said.

And he lives outside the system, in a house that is more sculpture than dwelling - void of modern conveniences such as electricity and running water. The house began as an art research project in 1981.

"I wanted to develop new ways of constructing things, develop new ways to use materials," Stagg said.

His house is built in an unconventional manner from materials the land surrounding him has provided.

The original building consists of one hexagon-shaped building, three stories high. The sunlight peeks through the skylight and reflects off the pine walls, bathing the room in a glowing, yellow light. The only piece of conventional furniture is a hanging porch swing.

The rest of the space is taken up with Stagg's sculptures. He arrived at the hexagonal shape of the room out of necessity - he needed to be able to haul in the logs that form the walls and still have enough room to maneuver them during construction became a preacher. He caught all kind

The shape of his house began an investigation for Stagg that led to his current sculptures - ranging from bundles of sticks to Towers reaching 20 feet into the air.

'I started discovering things about the shape of a hexagon in relation to structure and bracing and strength. I started finding out there's something weird going on here," he said. "So I started experimenting and stacking the pieces on top of each other. I realized that the bigger the structure became the more strength it had and began taking on a shape unto itself."

Stagg calls the larger sculptures swirls; he refers to the smaller pieces as curls. When he talks about his art he talks about his deep commitment to the feelings contained in them.

"The pieces have to do with spiritual concerns, real basic stuff life and death. Most of them, though, are very directly addressing the human condition in terms of being born and the spirituality of the existence and then death - the finality of death.

'In a very physical sense, the sculptures are the result of recognizing death. I'm trying to make something immortal out of death. It becomes a religion. Places of worship, worship has to do with the quality of life. Spiritually, it's the thing between life and death, between birth and death," he says. Like everything else in the artist's

life, Stagg's view of spirituality is unconventional. "I think I have some genetic thing going for me that makes me want to go against the grain - that includes religion," he said.

Adolf Stagg, Charles Stagg's great-grandfather, was raised in Church Point, La., where the dominant religion was Catholicism. "He converted to a Baptist and

of hell from people in the parish," Stagg said.

Stagg was born and raised in Vidor. He had an ordinary Southeast Texas upbringing, attending church and going to school. After an unsuccessful attempt at college, he joined the Army and spent a couple of years traveling in Europe. It was a pivotal point.

Stagg's home, with its strong Gothic influence, reflects the art and

architecture of Europe. When he returned from the Army, Stagg did what most young men did in Southeast Texas. He began working at a refinery, got married and started a family. He later divorced and then remarried. His second wife encouraged him to give higher education a second try.

In 1971, Stagg graduated from Baylor with a bachelor of Fine Arts degree. After teaching art for a time, he attended graduate school at Tyler School of Art in Pennsylvania.

After finishing his schooling, Stagg began a series of wanderings that brought him back to the area, then to Washington state and to Philadelphia. In 1981 he returned to Vidor.

His father's health had began to decline, so to be near his family, Stagg built a house and studio on his parents property. He lived in the house for 15 years. When his father died, Stagg moved out of his house/art experiment and began staying with his aging mother.

Stagg says he plans to move back into his house at some point. For now, he spends days in his house creating sculptures and adding on to his art experiment, and nights with his mother.

"I'm not sure what the future holds for me in terms of my sculptures. I do know that I have a tendency to evolve and you can't hold me down to footnotes."

Area Events

at 806-376-8782.

AMARILLO

Saturday's concert of the Amarillo Symphony Orchestra at 8 p.m. in the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium features pianist Robert Levin and Gail Williams.

Levin will perform two of Mozart's works including the "Minuet for Clavier, K.1, the piece Mozart composed when he was 5 years old, and the Concerto for Piano, No. 25, K. 503.

During the second half of the program Williams, of the Chicago Symphony, will play Mozart's Third Concerto, the most adventurous of his four horn concertos.

The full orchestra will play Symphony #40, considered by many as Mozart's greatest work.

"This is a tragic work," James Setapen, music director and conductor, said. "There's something about it that seems uneasy. It is so famous that most of the audience will recognize it from the first notes played."

There will be a pre-concert lecture beginning at 7 p.m., hosted by Daniel Leeson. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Amarillo Symphony office

The seventh annual Amarillo Arts and Crafts Festival will be held Saturday and Sunday in the Amarillo Civic Center. Hours for the show are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and noon

to 5 p.m. Sunday. More than 130 exhibitors from throughout the Southwest will fill the main exhibit hall with original art, limited edition prints and handcrafted items.

PORTALES

The 23rd annual Williamson Lectureship will take place on the Eastern New Mexico University campus in Portales on Wednesday, Feb. 25.

The Williamson Lectureship begin in 1977 and honors Jack Williamson. professor emeritus of English, who has written over 50 science fiction novels and hundreds of short stories since he published his first story in 1928. The Lectureship seeks to bring prominent science fiction authors to the ENMU campus to speak about their work and changes in the field of science fiction writing.

This year's Lectureship theme is "Designer Genes and Brave New

Worlds," which is a tribute to Williamson's first use of the term "genetic engineering" in 1951 and also "an examination of the promise and perils of technology and biotechnology in our future," according to Patrice Caldwell, chair of the Jack Williamson Lectureship Committee

Committee. Terry Bisson and Nancy Kress will be the featured authors on the Lectureship panel. Bisson published his first novel in 1981, and in 1990 won the Nebula, Hugo and Theodore Sturgeon Memorial awards.

Kress began publishing in 1976 and also won the Hugo and Nebula awards.

The Lectureship luncheon will be held in the Campus Union Ballroom at ENMU at 12 noon on Feb. 25. Tickets must be reserved by Feb. 20 by calling .505-562-2677. The Lectureship panel will take place at p.m. that evening in the Becky Sharp Auditorium, located in the College of Business.





Blain is assistant stage manager

Karis Blain of Hereford, a freshman theatre arts and English major at West Texas A&M University, will serve as assistant stage manager for WTAMU Branding Iron Theatre's production of Guys and Dolls.

The show opens March 4 and continues through March 8 in the Branding Iron Theatre in the Fine Arts Building on the WTAMU

According to Royal R. Brantley, celebrities in the opening sequence. director and head of the department of Art Communication and Theatre at WTAMU, this will be the third time Guys and Dolls will be presented on a WTAMU stage. The play was first performed in 1957, then staged again in 1978.

It is an unlikely romance between a purc-at-heart mission girl and a slick gambler, Brantley said.

administration, BIT Hall of Fame members and several other surprises. Tickets for Guys and Dolls can be purchased at the door or in advance. For more information call the

campus. Performance times are at 8 p.m. March 4-7 and at 3 p.m. on March 8.

use of local officials, friends and 651-2798.

One of the great traditions of the WTAMU Department of Art, musical, according to Brantley, is the Communication and Theatre at 806-

Today in History

By The Associated Press Today is Thursday, Feb. 19, the 50th day of 1998. There are 315 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 19, 1945, during World War II, some 30,000 U.S. Marines landed on Iwo Jima, where they began a month-long battle to seize control of the island from Japanese forces.

On this date:

In 1473, the astronomer Copernicus was born in Torun, Poland.

In 1803, Congress voted to accept Ohio's borders and constitution. However, Congress did not get around to formally ratifying Ohio statehood until 1953.

In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr was arrested in Alabama. He was subsequently tried for treason and acquitted.

In 1846, the Texas state government was formally installed in Austin.

In 1878, Thomas Edison received a patent for his phonograph.

In 1881, Kansas became the first later slain by his captors. state to prohibit all alcoholic beverages.

signed an executive order giving the Greenspan. The president, visiting military the authority to relocate and intern Japanese-Americans.

warplanes attacked the Australian city of Darwin.

In 1959, an agreement was signed by Britain, Turkey and Greece last of China's major Communist granting Cyprus its independence.

In 1963, the Soviet Union informed President Kennedy it would withdraw "several thousand" of an strike for 19 months, but the strikers estimated 17,000 Soviet troops in charged the conditions for return Cuba

In 1986, the U.S. Senate approved a treaty outlawing genocide, 37 years John Frankenheimer ("The Manchuafter the pact had first been submitted for ratification.

Ten years ago: A group calling itself the "Organization of the William R. Higgins. Higgins was Sabbath) is 50.

Five years ago: President Clinton's economic plan won praise from In 1942, President Roosevelt Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Hyde Park, N.Y., suggested the United States might have to consider In 1942, about 150 Japanese a national sales tax "not too long in the future," then said he'd meant in 10 years or so.

One year ago: Deng Xiaoping, the revolutionaries, died. Detroit's daily newspapers accepted a back-to-work offer from employees who'd been on amounted to a lockout.

Today's Birthdays: Movie director rian Candidate") is 68. Singer Smokey Robinson is 58. Singer Bobby Rogers (Smokey Robinson & the Miracles) is 58. Actress Carlin Oppressed on Earth" claimed Glynn is 58. Singer Lou Christie is responsibility for the kidnapping in 55. Actor Michael Nader is 53. Rock Lebanon of U.S. Marine Lt. Col. musician Tony Iommi (Black

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On the Sidelines

Olympic Glance

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of Italy was second and Zali Steggel of Australia third.

BIATHLON Germany won the women's

30-kilometer relay. FIGURE SKATING Michelle Kwan and Tara Lipinski finished 1-2 in the short program of women's figure skating. Nicole Bobek fellon herfirst jump and wound up 17th. NORDIC COMBINED Finiandled after the jumping portion of the team event. Japan, the two-time defending champion, was fifth. NAGANO NUGGET You can't find a Snowlet in this town for any price. The company that made the fuzzy, owl-like mascots of the games says it has sold out its entire lot of 500,000 dolls. OUOTEBOOK

QUOTEBOOK

"I heard people cheering and I thought, "I'm in heaven." People clapping, billions of people watching on TV and I'm skating. It's just me and the ice. When I'm on the ice, I don't think anybody can stop me." Michelle Kwan.

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Cowboys drop Tech in overtime, 83-81

LUBBOCK (AP) -- Oklahoma State's Brett Robisch likes to be the go-to man when the game's on the line. He got his chance Wednesday against Texas Tech.

Robisch scored 33 points, including two free throws with 3.5 seconds left in overtime Wednesday night that lifted Oklahoma State to an 83-81 victory. Adrian Peterson added 23 points

and Desmond Mason chipped in 14 for the Cowboys (19-4, 9-4 Big 12), who remained three games behind

Cory Carr, who led the Raiders (12-11, 6-7) with 33 points, hit his fourth 3-pointer of the game as time ran out in regulation to send the game into overtime at 74-74.

He then scored Tech's first 7 points in overtime to put the Raiders up 81-78 with 1:41 left.

But Robisch converted a three-point play with 1:22 remaining and iced the game with his clutch free throws. Carr sent Robisch to the free-throw line with his fifth foul as Impact: Oklahoma St. 19-9-4 Big 12, Tech 12-11, 6-

Key Stat: Oklahoma State's Brett Robisch led the Cowboys with 33 points, including two free throws with 3.5 seconds left in overtime.

always get those on the road." Robisch said. "When you go to the line in that situation you have to knock them down.

"I am happy I had the chance to go to the line and win it."

Peterson said he knew things would go the Cowboys' way in overtime.

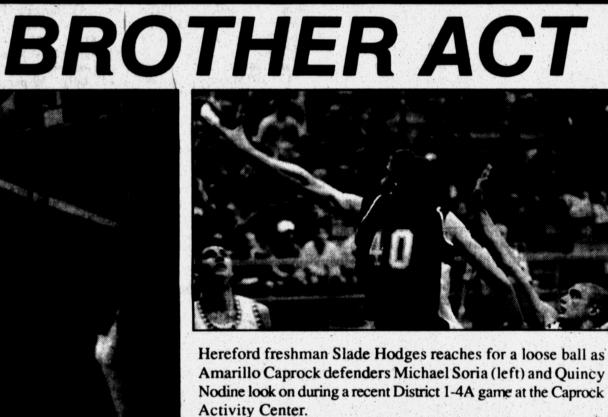
"I knew their luck would run out sooner or later because Carr made some shots in the end to go to

The Raiders scored the first 14 points of the second half to take a 46-39 lead five minutes in. But the Cowboys regained the lead at 70-66 with 1:42 left before Carr took over.

Robisch dominated the early going and led OSU to a 39-32 half-time lead. Tech stayed close thanks to Bonewitz, who finished with 18 points, including four 3-pointers.

That was a difficult loss to swallow," said Tech coach James Dickey. "Cory played super, he had big-money shots."

they battled for a rebound. "I'm glad the official stepped up overtime, so they shouldn't have been and made the call because you don't in overtime." HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL





Whitefaces to match up with Snyder

By BOB VARMETTE Sports Writer

Hereford head boys basketball coach Randy Dean sees two big obstacles standing in the way of the Whitefaces advancing to the area round of the Class 4A playoffs. Snyder's Jimmy Taylor and Chris

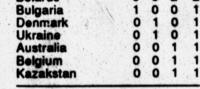
Riggins.

Both will be standing tall, literally, in the way of the Whitefaces when Hereford (15-13) and Snyder (17-14) meet at 7:30 p.m. tonight in a Class 4A bi-district game at Wolfforth

Hereford vs. Snyder in a Class 4A boys bi-district playoff game, 7:30 p.m. tonight at The Tiger Pit at Wolfforth Frenship High School.

Frenship. Hereford is the runner-up in District 1-4A, Snyder the thirdplace team out of District 2-4A.

"They've got two big kids that play inside," Dean said. "They're real aggressive and they do a real



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AUSTIN (AP) -- Chris Mihm had 25 points, 15 rebounds and five blocked shots while providing dominating inside play as hot-shooting Texas rolled to an 87-74 victory over Texas A&M Wednesday night.

The Longhorns (12-13, 6-7 Big 12), who shot 57 percent from the field, won their 10th straight against A&M (6-17, 0-13) and 11th in a row over the Aggies in Austin.

The Aggies, who shot 41 percent, trailed only 41-37 at intermission. But they had no answer in the second half for the 7-foot Mihm, who scored six straight points in a decisive 9-0 run that put Texas up 59-43 with 16:10 left to play.

Mihm, the leading freshman rebounder (7.7 per game) and shot blocker (2.5 per game) in the Big 12, swatted and altered shots and helped Texas get easy transition baskets with heads-up outlet passes while connecting on 12-of-14 shots from the field.

Texas A&M, which never got closer than 12 the rest of the way, was led by Shanne Jones with 23 points and 11 rebounds and Michael Schmidt with 21 points.

Tech summary

Oklahoma St. (19-4, 9-4): Peterson 8-13 23, Mason 5-12 2-2 14, Rosisch 12-26 33, Adkins 1-8 3-4 5, Gottlieb 1-4 0-03, render 0-9 3-3 3, Montonati 0-0 2-2 2, owens 2-33-7 ps 3-5

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Girls Basketball

The Hereford Lady Whitefaces 28-4) and the Canyon Lady (26-1) will meet in a Region uarterfinal game 2 p.m. ay at Amarillo High Schoo



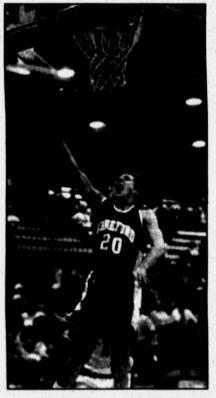
Hereford senior Bryant McNutt puts up a shot during a recent District 1-4A game at Whiteface Gymnasium.

Photos by Julius Bodner

Hereford freshman Cody Hodges fights through Canyon Randall traffic to get off a shot during a recent District 1-4A game at the Randall High School gymnasium.

good job on the boards. One of our major concerns going in is the rebounding factor, and how hard we're going to have to compete to keep that part of the game as close to even as we can.'

See WHITEFACES, page 6A



Hereford sophomore guard Eric McNutt sails to the basket during a recent District 1-4A

Herd features two sets of brothers **By BOB VARMETTE**

Sports Writer

say familiarity breeds They contempt.

But that's not the case for the Hereford Whitefaces' two sets of brothers on the varsity basketball team. Familiarity just makes it easier.

"I guess it's a lot easier to play with him," Slade Hodges, the younger of the Hodges freshmen (by 3 1/2 minutes) said about his fraternal twin brother Cody Hodges. "We've been playing together in the summer and we played together in the seventh and eighth grade, so it's pretty easy. We know where each other is on the court."

In addition to the extra familiarity they get by playing against each other in the driveway, Cody Hodges pointed out the "twin thing," that

"I know where he's going to be. I can throw the ball somewhere and know he's going to be there. You just have that feeling, that sense.'

extra sense, if you will.

"I know where he's going to be," Cody Hodges said. "I can throw the ball somewhere and know he's going to be there. You just have that feeling,

that sense." Cody Hodges began the season as a varsity reserve and then earned a starting spot at point guard. He averages 11.4 points and 2.26 assists per game. Slade Hodges was moved up from the junior varsity and has seen considerable time as a Whiteface bench player. He's averaging 2.5

The McNutt brothers -- senior Bryant and sophomore Eric -- don't have the twin thing going, but they do put the extra practice time they get

against each other to good use. 'We've been playing together a long time," Bryant McNutt said. "If he's going to back door, I know, and I know where he's going to be on the

he said. "I know when he's going to post up, where he's going to go.

Both added the familiarity with each other makes them feel more comfortable on the court than if they were just two other teammates.

That's usually a lot -- both start. Bryant McNutt starts at post, averaging 14.4 points and 5.6 rebounds per game. Eric McNutt gets the nod at guard. He's averaging 6.7 points per outing.

They also know the strengths of each other.

"He's taller, and he's not so much faster, but he has the better moves," Eric McNutt said. "He has the

experience, too." They also know how to take advantage of weaknesses.

See BROTHERS, page 6A game.

Early Olympic departure 'Herminator' wins 2nd gold frustrates USA, Sweden

NAGANO, Japan (AP) -- Done and gone.

The Olympic men's hockey tournament claimed its biggest victims -- the greatest U.S. team ever assembled and defending champion Sweden -- before either got to play for a medal.

The Czech Republic knocked out the Americans 4-1 and Finland beat Sweden 2-1 in Wednesday's quarterfinals.

Canada, seeking its first hockey gold medal since 1952; and Russia rolled on with 4-0 records. The Canadians swept past Kazakstan and Russia defeated Belarus by identical 4-1 scores.

Friday's semifinals feature Canada and the Czech Republic (3-1) in a

goaltending showdown between Patrick Roy and Dominik Hasek, while Finland (2-2) faces Russia.

The Americans wound up sixth -an improvement over their worst-ever finish of eighth in 1994, yet well below expectations. They haven't won any kind of medal since the "Miracle on Ice" team took gold in

"Everyone expected to be around here for another week and all of a sudden, you're yanked out and done," Jamie Langenbrunner said. 'Everyone's frustrated because the last two games we played pretty well, but we didn't win,

The Americans had just one

See DEPARTURE, page 6A

NAGANO, Japan (AP) -- Now

playing in Nagano: "Herminator II." After the curtain quickly dropped

on Olympic veteran Alberto Tomba, Austria's Hermann Maier took center stage with his second gold medal in four days -- both coming after a frightening wipcout in his Winter

Olympics debut. The silver in the giant slalom went to Stefan Eberharter of Austria, while Michael Von Gruenigen of Switzerland won the bronze.

Tomba's Nagano debut, 13 days into the games, wasn't worth the wait: The powerful Italian skier, whose resume includes three Olympic golds

and two silvers, skidded through a gate near the top of the giant slalom course and plowed into a snow fence. Tomba, who lost a ski in the spill, gingerly rubbed his left hip while Gerg's second medal of the games;

Saturday's slalom.

"My race was so short that I cannot remember it," said Tomba, who only made it through eight gates. "I found myself flipping just at the moment I felt I was getting into the race."

Tomba wasn't the only big-name skier whose medal hopes ended before the finish line.

Pernilla Wiberg of Sweden, the defending World Cup overall and slalom champion, slipped and fell for the second time in as many slalom races this week.

With Wiberg out, Germany's Hilde Gerg took the gold medal in the slalom by a slim margin -- just six-hundredths of a second over Deborah Compagnoni of Italy. It was

getting up, but said he hoped to race she had an earlier bronze in the women's combined.

> Compagnoni outperformed her renowned countryman by collecting a silver medal, narrowly missing his. bid to become the first Alpine skier ever to win golds in three Olympics. The bronze went to Zali Steggall, who won Australia's first skiing medal ever.

> With the closing ceremony three days away, Germany led the chart with 23 medals (8 gold, 8 silver, 7 bronze). Norway was second with 19 (7-8-4), while Austria was third with 14 (3-4-7).

The Americans, after picking up two golds in the freestyle skiing aerials, now have 10 (5-1-4).

BIATHLON: The German team of

See HERMINATOR, page 6A

court.' Eric McNutt seconded that thought. "I know what he's going to do,"

-- Cody Hodges points per game.

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Herminator

Ursula Disl, Martina Zellner, Katrin Apel and Petra Behle won the gold medal in the women's 30-kilometer biathlon relay. Russia took the silver

biathlon relay. Russia took the silver and Norway the bronze. NORDIC COMBINED: The first half of the Nordic team combined brought disappointment for the home team, two-time defending champion Japan. When the ski jump portion was finished Thursday (Wednesday night CST), the top three were Finland, Austria and Norway. The Japanese were fifth heading into Friday's 20-kilometer cross-country relayrace. FIGURE SKATING: U.S. teens Michelle Kwan and Tara Lipinski were

Michelle Kwan and Tara Lipinski were 1-2 after the short program in women's figure skating Wednesday night, turning in near-flawless efforts to soar to the top of the standings at the Nagano Games.

Before I started, I heard people cheering and I thought, 'I'm in heaven," Kwan said after the short program, worth one-third of the total score. "... When I'm on the ice, I don't think anybody can stop me.

The 15-year-old Lipinski came closest, finishing second with what she called "the best program I thought I've done, ever." Third place heading into Friday's free skate went to Maria Butyrskaya of Russia.

America's other skating medal hope, Nicole Bobek, finished 17th and out of medal contention after falling once and stumbling twice. She was in tears on the ice afterward.

HOCKEY: The U.S. hockey team

said they were sorry -- and they were right. The Americans, with a roster of 23 NHL players, were eliminated 4-1 by the Czechs and red-hot goalie

Dominik Hasek "This was the biggest waste of time. Ever," groused U.S. assistant captain Keith Tkachuk. "This is

disgusting." The Americans, their offense sputtering in all but one game, lost three out of four games in Nagano and scored just nine goals. Though they came to the Olympics as co-favorites for the gold, the Americans performed horribly -- and their loss came less than 24 hours after the U.S. women's team won its gold.

"A lot of guys are frustrated, thinking it was a waste of time ... to come over here at all," said Mike Modano, the only U.S. goal scorer in Wednesday's game. "I'm sure I'm going to be apologizing for a long time." While America floundered, Canada

While America foundered, Canada flourished. The gold medal favorites, on a mission after their 1996 world championship loss to the United States, whipped Kazakstan 4-1 behind goalie Patrick Roy. The undefeated Canadians take on the Czechs in one of Friday's semilinate semifinals.

The path to the gold appeared a little easier after Wednesday, with the United States eliminated and defending gold medalist Sweden -- forced to play without defenseman Ulf Samuelsson was upset 2-1 by Finland. Samuelsson was barred from playing because he holds a U.S. passport.

thought. "My mom, she always says

something. My dad justs laughs. She

just worries that if we talk trash to

each other at home that we're always

talking trash in public. She said that

Departure

victory over Belarus and losses to Sweden, Canada and the Czech Republic, despite outshooting every

Facing Roy and Hasek -- the world's best goalies -- in consecutive games didn't help. The Americans scored just once against each man. "We played real hard every night

and every game," Bill Guerin said. "Unfortunately, we didn't get the breaks. He (Hasek) was making saves when he had to and getting lucky when he had to."

Canada didn't need luck or a marvelous performance by Roy against lowly Kazakstan, outscored 25-6 in losing its three round-robin games.

Joe Nieuwendyk, Shayne Corson, Brendan Shanahan and Steve Yzerman scored for Canada. Wayne Gretzky added two assists.

Mays trade Scott to Phoenix

DALLAS (AP) -- Dennis Scott's disappointing stint in Dallas ended Wednesday night, when the Mavericks traded him to the Phoenix Suns for Cedric Ceballos.

The Mavericks announced the trade after the Suns' 110-103 victory over the Los Angeles Lakers on Wednesday night. Ceballos didn't

"We knew that we were the superior team," Gretzky said. "We just had to be patient, be smart and play our game." The Czechs did the same against

the United States. Hasek gave up a first-period goal

to Mike Modano, then his ter scored four straight goals to send the Americans home early. "They didn't play badly," Hasek said. "When you only score one goal,

you can't win.' Belarus found that out in its loss

Russia. Before the former Soviet republic

could score its only goal, the Russians led 4-0 on goals by Valery Kamen-sky, Andrei Kovalenko, Pavel Bure and Alexei Morozov.

Russia is a victory away from a berth in its first gold-medal game since 1992.

play in the game. Dallas sent Derek Harper and Ed O'Bannon to the Orlando Magic last Sept. 24 for Scott, a 6-foot-8 small forward in his eighth NBA season. But that never materialized. Scott

has averaged only 39-percent shooting and 13.6 points in 52 games this season.

Brothers

"When we're playing one-on-one, I start up at the top. I work him back, get into the post," Bryant McNutt said. "He can't stop me." "He outmuscles me," interjected

Eric McNutt with a laugh, "I just try to keep him outside."

And what does the elder McNutt brother do?

"Try to take him inside," Bryant McNutt said. "He's not big enough yet."

The driveway games aren't always friendly games, though. It gets pretty competitive, admitted Cody Hodges.

"There's a lot of trash talking," Slade Hodges volunteered. 'Too much, I guess," Cody

Hodges said, finishing his brother's

Taylor is listed as a 6-5 post and

Riggins stands 6-3 at another post

position. Taylor averages just more

than 20 points and 13 rebounds per

game to lead the Tigers in both

Also of concern is the Tigers'

"He does a good job of handling

point guard -- 5-9 senior Alvin Fabre.

Whitefaces

categories.

won't look good. "We have our moments when we get mad at each other," Slade Hodges said. "We've gotten in several fights in the driveway," Cody Hodges continued. "We just drop the ball and

started punching. I'm serious. Everything we do, we compete at. If mom tells us to do something, we'll race to see who can do it the fastest.'

The McNutt brothers have also exchanged their share of words and body parts in the driveway.

"You have to push him around," Eric McNutt said as his brother laughed, "so he doesn't get a big head -- think he's all big.

Bryant McNutt doesn't have quite the confrontational attitude of his younger sibling -- maybe because by the admission of both brothers he wins most of the driveway battles.

"If we're playing one-on-one in the driveway, I just enjoy it," he said. The McNutt brothers, though, give each other their space when their off the court, whether it be a school court or the driveway.

"After practice, except for dinner, I usually don't talk to him until 10 at night," Bryant McNutt said.

And that also means different non-

around and watch basketball games all day while he's outside working on

for the Hodges brothers. Both being freshmen, they uend to hang out with the same friends, and they also have the added time together playing AAU

time, because they don't have any cars to drive around," Bryant McNutt chipped in. "They're stuck with each other right now.

"From what we've seen on film, it looks like he's really capable of

shooting the ball well," Dean said. He's their best outside shooter . . . If you give him some room, he will go ahead and put it up."

Hereford heads into the playoffs after a 9-3 District 1-4A campaign. the ball and getting them in their Snyder finished its district schedule offense," Dean said. "He doesn't at 6-4.

where you are and the things you have accomplished."

Dean added practices have him optimistic. "The concentration level and

intensity level in practice has been good," he said. "I don't see any sense of satisfaction."

The Tigers present obstacles, but there are also opportunitics, cording to Dean. 'We think we can get some things out of our motion offense," he said. "Some curl moves going to the basket is looks like what might be available. We're going to have to do a good job of staying spread out and

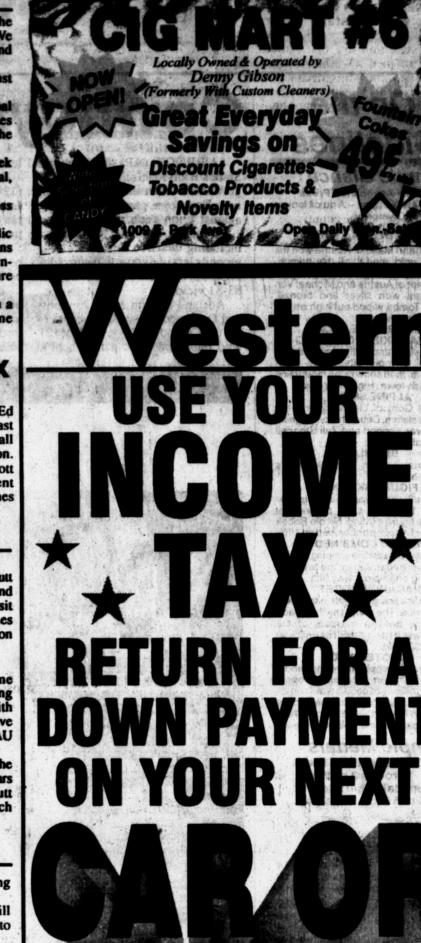
making good decisions about when

to cut and when not to cut, and taking care of the ball."

Defensively, the Whitefaces will look to pressure Snyder to try to create turnovers, Dean said.

In the end, it may be patience that determines Hereford's success.

"They're very patient," Dcan said. "They do a good job of executing their offense. As you relax or let up for just a second, it usually results in an easy basket for them.



"He's the car guy," Bryant McNutt said. "He likes to work on cars and motors. I'm a sports nut. I'll just sit his truck." The situation isn't quite the same

basketball pursuits.

basketball. "They have to be together all the

turn it over a whole lot, he just seems to set people up. He shoots the ball real well. He just doesn't shoot it very often."

Dean said the Whitefaces will also have to guard against the outside shooting of guard Justin McNair.

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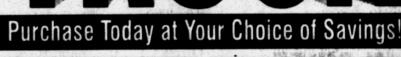
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We're excited about the opportunity to play in the playoffs," Dean said. "I think that we're hungry enough that we want to stay in it and play for awhile. And that's very important when you get to this time of year that you not get satisfied with

"We're going to have to maintain concentration and discipline on the defensive end," Dean said.



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Promise Keepers ministry lays off salaried staff

DENVER (AP) - Promise Keepers, the Christian ministry that rallied thousands of men in Washington last ear and millions this decade, is laying off all 345 paid employees worldwide and will rely on voluncers.

The staff members, whose salaries will end March 31, will return if onations allow, the group said Vednesday.

The Denver-based ministry has ttracted more than 2.7 million men to its events across the country since its founding in 1990. At the "Stand in the Gap" rally

n Washington on Oct. 4, founder Bill McCariney said the group no longer would charge admission - which had ranged as high as \$60 - to its events.

The admission fees had provided 72 percent of the group's income and the change has hurt the organization's finances.

Museum director guits over Arafat invitation

WASHINGTON (AP) - The director of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum is leaving his post following a clash over an invitation for Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to tour the center.

'I have determined not to seek renewal of my appointment," Walter Reich said Wednesday in a statement to the chairman of the museum's governing board.

Reich fought with board members last month after he rejected a State Department suggestion to invite Arafat on a tour of the museum. Holocaust officials later reversed course under pressure from the Clinton administration. Arafat ultimately declined the invitation, citing time constraints.

Nathan Lewin, Reich's attorney, said the incident "certainly was a major factor" in his client's departure but declined to comment further.

FCC restricting use of phone customer records

WASHINGTON (AP) - In an attempt to protect customer privacy, federal regulators are set to adopt rules aimed at preventing telephone, cellular and paging companies from using customer records or calling patterns to sell other services.

The Federal Communications Commission's action, expected today, would require companies to obtain affirmative permission - either written, oral or electronic - to use such personal information before they market new services to them, said FCC officials speaking on condition of anonymity.

When people make calls or pages, s providing them s end up with personal information including who, when and how long they called and how much they spend each month for service.



Group claims harassment

of gays in military up WASHINGTON (AP) - The number of gays facing harassment in the military has risen for the fourth consecutive year, despite the Clinton administration's pledge to prevent further discrimination of homosexuals in the armed services, according to a gay rights advocacy group. The Servicemembers Legal

Defense Network attributed the increase to "a climate in many commands where 'anything goes' in the pursuit of suspected g ... personnel."

In its annual report, the group cited 563 "command violations" that servicemembers had reported to it, including instances where commands asked, pursued and harassed service members in direct violation of President Clinton's "don't ask, don't tell" policy, which sets limits on gay investigations.

In contrast, the number of violations reported in 1996 by members of all the services was 443, the group said.

EEOC hails agreement as landmark for ADA

NEW YORK (AP) - In what the federal government heralded as a breakthrough for disabilities law, a man who suffers from severe depression settled a discrimination case against a former employer.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission had joined lawyers representing a man identified in court papers only as Leonard F. in a case against the Israel Discount Bank of New York. The man worked at the bank before making the long-term disability claim.

"This settlement will go a long way toward ensuring that individuals with mental disabilities are treated the same as individuals with physical disabilities in employer-provided ... insurance plans," said EEOC Chairman Paul M. Igasaki.

Lawyers for Leonard F. and for the bank, which employs about 380 people at two offices in Manhattan. settled the case just as they were about to begin a trial federal court Tuesday.

Florida uses federal statute in tourist robberies case

MIAMI (AP) - Prosecutors want 12 young men accused of singling out tourists for robberies locked away on federal charges of racketeering and interfering with interstate commerce.

Police: Landlord-tenate feud led to fatal blaze

DETROIT (AP) - A house fire that killed four children was set by an arsonist hired by the downstairs landlord to burn out a tenant who refused to pay or move, police said.

The landlord allegedly paid for the job with a Rottweiler dog.

'It's just the most ridiculous thing I've ever seen," deputy chief Benny Napolcon said Wednesday. "You can't make any sense of this ... It's been more and more like something, that couldn't be real.'

Police have arrested the landlord and the 35-year-old alleged arsonist, who they say took the Rottweiler as payment to set Tuesday night's fire.

The names of the suspects were not released, and police said inore arrests were likely. The dog was in police custcdy.

The landlord lived downstairs in the two-family residence with her children. Nikki Ford, 25, and friend Shannon Echols, 26, lived upstairs with their four children, aged 2 to 9.

King assassin's condition critical after surgery

NASHVILLE, Tony. (AP) - The convicted assassin of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was in critical condition a week after undergoing surgery to repair a hernia.

James Earl Ray's condition has fluctuated since the operation at Columbia Nashville Memorial Hospital. It was downgraded to critical Tuesday, and he remained in critical condition today, said Freda Herndon, a hospital spokeswoman.

Ray, 69, who suffers from life-threatening liver disease, had the hernia operation a week ago after getting a routine checkup. Doctors wouldn't say whether his condition is due to the liver disease or some complication of the hernia surgery.

He is serving a 99-year prison sentence for King's 1968 slaying in Memphis. Ray confessed and pleaded guilty but quickly recanted, and he has been fighting for a trial ever since.

Barnes & Noble charged with child pornography

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) Alabama has become the second state to charge Barnes & Noble with breaking child pornography laws, accusing the nation's largest bookseller of exploiting "innocence

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Trade deficit worst in 9 years

performance in December pushed the deficit for all of 1997 to \$113.7 billion, the worst showing in nine years.

The politically sensitive trade gaps with Japan and China both soared with the Chinese imbalance climbing to an all-time high of \$49.7 billion, the worst ever with any country other than Japan, the Commerce Department reported today.

For all of 1997, U.S. exports of goods and services climbed 9.9 percent to a record \$932.3 billion. But imports were a record as well, rising 9 percent to \$1.05 trillion, the first time imports have topped the \$1 trillion mark. The overall deficit was up 2.4

percent from the 1996 imbalance of \$111 billion and was the worst showing since a \$115.9 billion in 1988.

The Labor Department said that

Boston police lobbying against Pulitzer honor

BOSTON (AP) - A feud between city police and The Boston Globe involves the use of an anonymous source to receive confidential documents. Only this time, it's the newspaper that's crying foul.

Police have obtained a copy of the Globe's confidential application for a Pulitzer Prize and are using it to attack the newspaper's bid for journalism's highest honor. The Globe is vying for ? Pulitzer for a series on police cerr. ...ion.

Police say only that they got a copy of the application from "an anonymous source." Globe editors respond that the department has abused its power by snooping into the paper's private correspondence.

"I don't have any problem with them criticizing the series," editor Matthew Storin said Wednesday. "But they wouldn't be able to respond directly to our Pulitzer entry if they didn't have a copy, and that's a private document.'

NYC's homely subway wins back riders and respect

NEW YORK (AP) - Rats still make an occasional appearance on the tracks and riders still kvetch about litter on the cars, but New York City's subway has made an undeniable comeback.

The labyrinthine system drew 1.13 billion fares last year - the most since 1972. After years of physical deterioratic.1, rising crime and declining ridership, cars are now ner, waits are shorter and fares unbelievably, are coming down. "I'm pretty impressed," said Ivan Mrakovcic of Queens as he rode the F train into Manhattan. In the 1970s and early 1980s, he recalled, the system "was just a graffiti-strewn mess. They used to refer to it as the electric sewer system." It's still no Garden of Eden. Stations are impossibly hot on sweltering summer days, cars are a far cry from the tidy, carpeted ones in other major cities and the clanking roar of trains can make waiting commuters feel they've entered a post-industrial nightmare.

WASHINGTON (AP) - A sharp new claims for unemployment deterioration in America's trade benefits fell by 2,000 last week to 301,000 while the four-week average of claims dipped to 302,000, the lowest level since last August.

America's deficit in goods climbed to an all-time high of \$198.9 billion, up 4.1 percent from last year's \$191.2 billion deficit. This shortfall was offset slightly by an increase in America's surplus in services trade, such as airline fares and royalty payments, which climbed 6.3 percent to an all-time high of \$85.2 billion.

The U.S. deficit in December jumped 24.3 percent to \$10.8 billion, the worst showing since September. The widening gap was led by a 6.7 percent increase in the deficit with Pacific Rim countries, which in goods climbed to \$10.6 billion.

Many economists believe that the U.S. trade performance will show a sharp deterioration this year as the full impact of the Asian currency risis is felt. Steep devaluations of

SBA loan filing

Businesses in several Panhandle counties, include Deaf Smith and Castro, until March 2 to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Aadministration (SBA). The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses form snow storms, ice, freezing temperatures, high winds and driving rain which occured April 24-25, 1997. Farmers and ranchers aren't eligible for the SBA loans.

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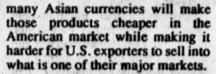
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The widening trade gap is likely to add to President Clinton's trade headaches. Last fall, he was blocked in an effort to gain renewed fast-track negotiating authority from Congress. Growing protectionist sentiments have forced the administration to put the issue on a back burner.

For 1997, the trade deficit with Japan rose 17 percent to \$55.7 billion as U.S. exports to that country declined for the first time since 1992. It was the largest trade gap since a \$59.1 billion deficit in 1995.

The administration has been stepping up demands that Japan do more to stimulate domestic demand and thus provide bigger markets for not only U.S. goods but products from its economically troubled neighbors in Asia.

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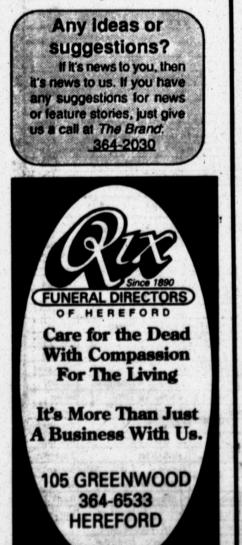
Tribune Co. asking FCC to waive ownership rule WASHINGTON (AP) - Having

lost a court appeal, the Tribune Co. is embarking on a new effort to retain ownership of both a newspaper and a TV station serving South Florida. Tribune plans to ask the Federal

Communications Commission for a temporary waiver from a federal ownership rule so that it can keep both properties, said Shaun Sheehan, Tribune's vice president in Washington.

As part of a larger media ownership review, the FCC is soon supposed to consider whether the long-standing cross-ownership rule forbidding a company from owning a TV station and a newspaper in the same market is still needed

Tribune wants FCC permission to keep both properties until the commission decides the fate of the cross-ownership rule.



The unusual use of the federal statutes could keep the men off the streets for 20 years and help ensure that South Florida's foreign visitors don't again become easy prey during tourist season.

Lawyers for the men said in closing arguments of the four-month trial Wednesday that the government is trying to take "a second pound of flesh.'

Most of the men have already been convicted in state courts of various robberies and carjackings, crimes that frightened visitors in the early 1990s and panicked some in the tourist industry.

for financial gain."

Prosecutors say that by selling books with photographs of nude children - "Radian, Identities" by Jock Sturges and "The Age of Innocence" by French photographer David Hamilton - Barnes & Noble is breaking state law.

Attorney General Bill Pryor said he investigated after complaints about the large, coffee-table style books of black-and-white photographs.

'We must protect children from those who would exploit their innocence for financial gain under the guise of so-called 'art,'" he said. The indictment was returned Feb. 6 but not made public until Wednesday. If Barnes & Noble is convicted, the New York-based company could be fined up to \$320,000.

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BURT REYNOLDS, PAM SEALS LOS ANGELES (AP) - Burt Reynolds is planning a wedding - his

third one. Reynolds, 62, told "Entertainment Tonight" he will marry Pam Scals, a former cocktail lounge manager and

he doesn't take marriage lightly. "I'm terrified of marriage. I'm terrified of not doing something so important, well ... and at the same time I think you shouldn't rush into these things. We've only known each other nine years," Reynolds said in the interview, which aired Wednesday.

Asked if he was engaged, Reynolds said, "Yeah, I guess so." Pressed again, he said: "We are then. And I'm happy about it." The wedding date hasn't been set.

A message left with Reynolds' publicist wasn't returned.

Reynolds' previous wives were Judy Carne and Loni Anderson.

ALBERTO ACCIARITO

NEW YORK (AP) - The jailed ex-husband of Ingrid Rossellini Aborn could take prosecutors up on a deal that would free him, if he agrees to stay out of the country for five years.

Alberto Acciarito, 44, was unable to make the \$5,000 bail that a judge set Wednesday. Acciarito has been jailed since a jury convicted him Feb. 4 of aggravated harassment for showing up at Mrs. Aborn's home despite court orders to leave her alone.

Prosecutors have offered him a deal in which they will not ask for a jail sentence if he leaves the country and stays away for at least five years. an offer that will be discussed at a Feb. 26 hearing.

Acciarito, a film director and JEFF-LEBOWSKI producer who lives in Rome, faces up to a year in jail and a \$1,000 fine if he rejects the deal.

The charges against him arose from his calling and threatening Mrs. Aborn, a daughter of the late Ingrid Bergman. Acciarito said he was just desperate to see the couple's only child, Tommaso.

Mrs. Aborn has remarried. She is the twin sister of actress-model Isabella Rossellini.

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LARRY FLYNT

CINCINNATI (AP) - Defiant as ever, Larry Flynt dared authorities to arrest him for selling X-rated videos in the city that once prosecuted him on obscenity charges. The publisher of Hustler magazine

has added more adult merchandise to his new bookstore since the City Council passed an emergency ordinance cracking down on business with a "significant" - but undefined portion of adult-oriented merchan-

"I'll fight this battle on either front - either the zoning issue or the obscenity issue," Flynt said Wednesday. "The ball's in the city's court."

Prosecutor Joseph Deters did not return calls to his office. No uniformed officers were at the store Wednesday morning.

Flynt's 1977 conviction for pandering obscenity was overturned two years later. While there is no city law against selling Hustler, many vendors say they would fear prosecution if they were to try.

When Flynt opened his downtown store in October, about 30 percent of his merchandise was for adults. On Wednesday, about half the store's shelves were stocked with items ranging from adult magazines to whipped cream cans emblazoned with pictures of nude women.

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - The real Lebowski wants you to know he isn't anything like the pot-smoking loafer depicted in the new movie, "The Big Lebowski."

"I'm not aware of any parallels between my life" and the movie, Jeff Lebowski, an assistant attorney general and former prosecutor, said ednesdav

Lebowski, 37, went to the same high school in suburban St. Louis

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Park as the film's makers Joel and Ethan Coen, who also made "Fargo," "Blood Simple" and "Raising Arizona."

Joel Coen doesn't remember going to school with Lebowski, said Alan Schoolcraft, chief of operations for the filmmakers' production company. He said they got the name Lebowski from a friend of their sister.

"So Mr. Attorney General is in the clear - or we are," Schoolcraft said Wednesday.

In the movie, Jeff Bridges plays Jeff Lebowski, or "The Dude," a shiftless bowling fan who gets caught up in a kidnapping after he's mistaken for a millionaire also named Jeff Lebowski.

The real Lebowski says he's "having a good laugh" with the notoriety.

"I just had a judge today ask me, 'Are you the original Lebowski?" he said.

"The Big Lebowski," also starring John Goodman, Julianne Moore and Steve Buscemi, opens March 6. HANSONS

TULSA, Okla. (AP) - The Hanson boys keep City Hall telephone operators hopping.

The operators regularly field calls from people in search of news about the Tulsa brothers who hit it big in the pop world with "MMMbop.

'Most of them want a home address, which we don't give," said a spokesman, Louis VanLandingham. "I don't even know that we know their home address, but if we did we wouldn't give it out.'

Still, VanLandingham said Hanson calls don't come close to the most common inquiry.

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By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

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Olympics disappoint, but CBS wins

NEW YORK (AP) - The Winter Olympics aren't quite the hit that CBS expected, but the network still

CBS had a 16.9 rating and a 27 share last week,

Normally that would be reason for wild celebration during a "sweeps" month when ratings are watched closely to set local advertising rates. But CBS's Olympic ratings are below past Games and the network has been harshly criticized for its coverage.

The 16.2 rating and 26 share for Olympic coverage through Tuesday is 37 percent below the Lillehammer Olympics of 1994 and 14 percent below the Albertville

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buried its competitors last week in Nielsen Media Research's prime-time television ratings

with more than twice the number of average viewers of second-place NBC

Games of 1992.

were among last week's eight most-watched programs.

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Another CBS show, "60 Minutes," had its highest ratings in three years to become the only program to beat an Olympics broadcast. NBC's rebroadcast of the two-hour,"ER" pilot

finished ninth for the week, but attracted 12 million fewer viewers than the drama's average telecast.

The first part of ABC's two-part retrospective on Motown scored a disappointing 7.8 rating on Sunday night, Nielsen said Wednesday.

For the week, NBC had an 8.2 rating and 13 share, ABC had a 7.4 rating and 12 share, Fox had a 7.2 rating and 11 share, the WB had a 3.4 rating and 5 share and UPN had a 2.6 rating and 4 share.

- A rating point represents 980,000 households, or 1 percent of the nation's estimated 98 million TV homes. Share is the percentage of in-use televisions tuned to a given show.



CITY	Tax Rate	Feb. 1998	Feb. 1997	Pet. Chang
Dimmitt	1.5%	\$37,460.70	\$28,224.23	. 32.7%
Dalhart	2.0%	\$147,820.87	\$102,039.86	44.9%
Pampa	2.0%	\$333,891.97	\$319,101.58	4.6%
Plainview	1.5%	\$315,456.175	\$295,528.70	6.7%
Borger	2.0%	\$301,661.25	\$287,707.96	4.8%
Dumas	2.0%	\$128,900.42	\$97,884.35	31.7%
Friona	2.0%	\$26,324.74	\$34,892.56	-24.6%
Amarillo	2.0%	\$4,750,356.65	\$4,505,106.19	5.0%

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\$38,948.40, a 13.6 improvement from \$34,281.61 in February 1997 and 33.1 percent higher than the \$26,055.58 received in January.

For the year, Hereford has received \$192,380.31, an 8.5 percent improvement over the \$177,272.95 received for the same period in 1997.

The comptroller's office delivered a total of \$290.5 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,090 Texas the highest in the nation." cities and 118 counties. Comptroller John Sharp also noted that holiday shoppers had kept cash registers ringing steadily for most retailers across the state.

The February payments to Texas cities and counties include sales taxes higher than allocations of \$21.2 collected by monthly filers at the million in February 1997. Another height of the holiday shopping in December, and reported to the purpose districts around the state.

comptroller in January, plus quarterly returns for sales in October, November and December, and all yearly filings for 1997.

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"Retail holiday sales statewide were projected to run well ahead of those for the previous year, and December sales surpassed even those expectations," Sharp said. "For the fifth consecutive year, Texas is experiencing strong economic growth, and consumer confidence is

Sharp delivered monthly sales tax rebates totaling \$267.1 million to Texas cities, 11.5 percent higher than last February's payments of \$239.5 million. Rebates of \$23.3 million to Texas counties were 9.7 percent \$8.1 million went to 30 special

By law, the state collects sales taxes for Texas cities and counties that have local sales taxes. The comptroller's office then returns the local portion of the taxes on a monthly basis.

The state charges a 6.25 percent sales tax and local sales taxes can be up to 2 percent above that.

Around the area, Dimmitt, which in January had seen a decline from the previous year, rebounded, receiving a payment of \$37,460.70, up 32.7 percent from the \$28,224.33 received in February 1997.

Dalhart, which had also seen its January rebate fall below the previous year, also rebounded, receiving \$147,820.87, a 44.9 percent improvement over the \$102.039.86 payment in February 1997.

The comptroller's next sales tax allocation is scheduled for March 13.

U.S. real estate investors said to be targeting the smaller communities

HOUSTON (AP) - Small towns hands in Beaumont last week. But the caution. are increasingly drawing investors buyer and price weren't disclosed. scared away from Texas' big-city real In December, a joint venture smaller markets, "it's a signal that estate boom, according to the Texas comprising the investment firms people may be overreaching," said

When investors start looking to



Journal of The Wall Street Journal. Abilene, Beaumont and McAllen are the newest destinations of

jet-setting brokers trying to put together big-money deals. "West Texas hasn't seen people flying out in Lear jets to places like Abilene before, and they're flying out

here now," said Tony Conder, president of Musgrave Enterprises, an Abilene broker. Escalating prices and stiff

competition in Austin, Dallas and Houston from real estate investment trusts is forcing interest in markets with populations of well under 300,000.

The 80,000-square-foot Regents I and II office complex changed

Nomura Asset Capital Corp. of New York and Landau & Heyman of Chicago paid \$84 million for two malls in Abilene and San Angelo. "The bigger markets are full."

George Ablah, a Wichita, Kan., art dealer and investor, told The Journal. "So you have to go to the smaller markets just to make the deals work."

710.000-square-foot industrial complex in Abilene may fall short of other bidders. Recently, Ablah also made an undisclosed offer for the laboratory facilities at the site of the abandoned supercollider in Waxahachie.

There's a downside to the small-city interest, some analysts

Bill Brueggeman, a professor of real estate at Southern Methodist University's Cox School of Business in Dallas. "Because of the narrowness in their economic base, the risks are definitely higher."

But some property owners in those cities have been eager for the buying

president of Trammell Crow Co. in

frenzy in Dallas and Houston to spill Ablah said his recent offer on a over. Downsizing at large employers or even a move - can be devastating in a smaller city. "When the music stops in the smaller markets, the music really stops," said Matt Khourie, area

Houston.

Gore tours storm-ravaged coast

RIO NIDO, Calif. (AP) - More relocation," he said. rain began falling today from northern California up to Seattle, soon after Vice President Al Gore suggested storm-battered residents should think about moving.

On Wednesday, Gore heard from residents whose lives have been disrupted by the string of storms that has battered the West Coast. Some residents, driven by rising water or falling mud, have been out of their homes since Feb. 7.

"When you have repeat flooding, repeat disaster, that's an indication that you have to at least consider sweeping others out to sea.

and local officials, and said the Clinton administration would speed up the release of some \$263 million for emergency rebuilding statewide.

Another \$20 million would be made available for road repairs and \$17 million would go to repair levees in the north, Gore said.

At Point Reyes National Seashore, the high winds and waves of the recent storms killed up to 260 elephant seal pups, battering many of the pups to death on the rocks and

Gore also viewed storm damage Gore also met with federal, state in the area north of Sacramento from the air. "I have come here to let California

families know that we will do everything we can to help them recover from the storms that have robbed them of their livelihoods," he said.

Storm damage has been estimated at \$275 million to \$300 million so far.

Farm damage statewide has reached \$65 million, including a \$18 million hit taken by Ventura County's early strawberry crop.

AAA wants drives to soothe anger

man Ron Remer describes his old self as a regular "Dr. Jekyll, Mr. Hyde."

Off the road, he had a soft-spoken, sweet demeanor.

But behind the wheel, Remer became a different person altogether: tailgating, flashing his headlights, making obscene gestures.

"I was a road warrior," said Remer, who lives in New Haven, Conn. He enrolled in a seminar for angry drivers that taught him to control his frustration and channel it toward more important goals such as work.

The American Automobile Association hopes to produce more reformed "road ragers" with a new campaign aimed at quelling the anger of drivers who provoke or commit violence on the road. The association said Wednesday the number of

WASHINGTON (AP) - Business- accidents and deaths resulting from the AAA tallied 10,037 incidents of "road rage" is on the rise, and urged drivers to take a deep breath and relax before hitting the streets.

"If we can convince millions of calm, mature motorists not to get sucked into encounters with angry drivers, many lives can be saved and injuries reduced," said David Willis of auto crashes are associated with who heads the AAA's Foundation for Traffic Safety.

The association will begin airing public-service radio announcements to encourage drivers to obey not only the rules of the road but also the rules of common courtesy.

Remer finds himself a changed driver. He's more tolerant of elderly and youthful drivers and less competitive with others on the road. He drives "as if there was a state trooper in my rearview mirror." A study commissioned last year by

road rage resulting in 218 deaths between 1990 and September 1996. An additional 12,000 people were injured. And Dr. Ricardo Martinez, head of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, has testified

before Congress that about one-third such driving as weaving in and out of

traffic, running red lights and screaming and honking. Gail Parker, a psychologist at University of Michigan's business school, characterizes road-rage thinking as "rigid, perfectionistic and punitive.

Drivers have the attitude "if you get in my way, I'm going to make you pay," she said. She recommends that drivers

control their breathing and talk themselves into relaxing-

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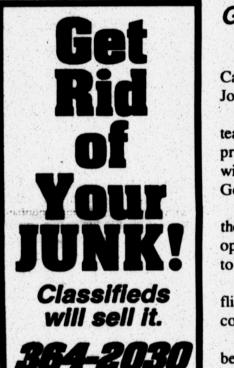
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The Hereford Brand, Thursday, February 19, 1998--Page 11 Manhattan Transfer to swing on PBS' 'Austin City Limits'

'NEW YORK (AP) - The jazz vocal group Manhattan Transfer takes a different route on PBS' "Austin City Limits," with country artists Asleep at the Wheel and

Ricky Skaggs along for the ride. Swing is the thing, with a touch of country flair. "If you leave out Texas swing you're not telling the whole story," says Manhattan Transfer leader Tim Hauser.

We wanted to really try to represent swing music the way we felt it really was," Hauser said. "A lot of people think swing was played by guys in an orchestra in white jackets and black ties. Those were the bands that came out of New York.

"Texas swing was a very specific kind of music. It definitely was swing. We wanted to bring in both urban and rural swing music," he said. "I like traditional rural American music as much as I like urban jazz."

When Manhattan Transfer cut its most recent CD, titled "Swing," the Austin-based band Asleep at the Wheel and Skaggs were guests on it. So it was logical that they would be guests again on "Austin City Limits," which has its premiere Feb. 21 on PBS stations.

"When we got to Austin, they were so prepared," Hauser says. "There wasn't any special rehearsing we had to do. It was just smokin'. They really had it together. It came out real nice.'

On the show, Manhattan Transfer sings and scats jazz tunes, among them Jelly Roll Morton's "King Porter Stomp" and Glenn Miller's "Tuxedo Junction." And Skaggs sings lead with them - swinging Bill Monroe's bluegrass song, "Uncle Pen."

"Ricky is Bill Monroe's torch bearer," Hauser says.

The rest of the time, Hauser and Manhattan Transfer members Cheryl Bentyne, Alan Paul and Janis Siegel take turns singing lead.

Just over 25 years ago, when Hauser put together

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There will be plenty on hand when Hereford hosts the Beef Capital of the World Ice-Breaker Open Golf Tournament at John Pitman Golf Course Saturday and Sunday.

The two-person scramble will be limited to the first 40 paid teams. Entry fee will be \$120 per team and includes green fees, prizes and a beef dinner following Saturday's round. Carts will be extra. Checks should be made payable to the John Pitman Golf Course Association.

The tourney title, "Ice-Breaker Open," refers not only to the first tourney of the year but it will sound familiar to feedyard operators who may still be breaking ice so the cattle can get to the water. There will be a shotgun start each day, and teams will be flighted after the first round by the JPGCA tournament handicap committee.

Manhattan Transfer, he was advised by his music theory teacher that, since he intended jazz to be sung by two men and two women, he should pattern their harmonies on Count Basie's saxophone section. It had two tenor and two alto saxes, playing in block harmony. On "Austin City Limits," they perform two tunes

that Basie did: "Moten's Swing," their opener, and "Blee Blop Blues."

Asleep at the Wheel joins the vocal group on Ella Fitzgerald's "A-Tisket, A-Tasket" and the Ink Spots' smoothly light-hearted "Java Jive." Skaggs plays a jazz solo on mandolin on "Air Mail Special" along with Manhattan Transfer and the six-piece band which travels with them.

Everybody takes part in the lively finale, Louis Jordan's "Choo Cha-Boogie."

A couple of years ago, Hauser and Asleep at the Wheel's Ray Benson had talked while waiting for their cars after a Hollywood awards evening sponsored by the Rhythm and Blues Foundation. Hauser mentioned that the quartet was planning to make a swing record. Benson said, "Call me."

About that time, Skaggs invited Manhattan Transfer to perform on his "Live at the Ryman" TV show in Nashville. "Why don't we do swing tunes and see how it sounds," Hauser proposed.

'It was so joyful," he says. "We knew this really works."

Hauser told the group's agent to suggest to "Austin City Limits" that they appear on the show. "I think it's one of the best musical programs in America," Hauser says. "It's basically American acoustic music.

"It focuses on the people that perform and the music. That's why I like it. It's a straight-ahead concert, an as-is situation. You walk out, do your show, walk off and that's it. You don't go back in afterwards and re-record the voices."



TOM CRUISE

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) -Tom Cruise called police to report three cars he believed to be paparazzi were following him."

'He felt they were paparazzi and called on his cell phone. They drove by when he stopped his car," police Lt. Gary Gallinot said of the Tuesday incident.

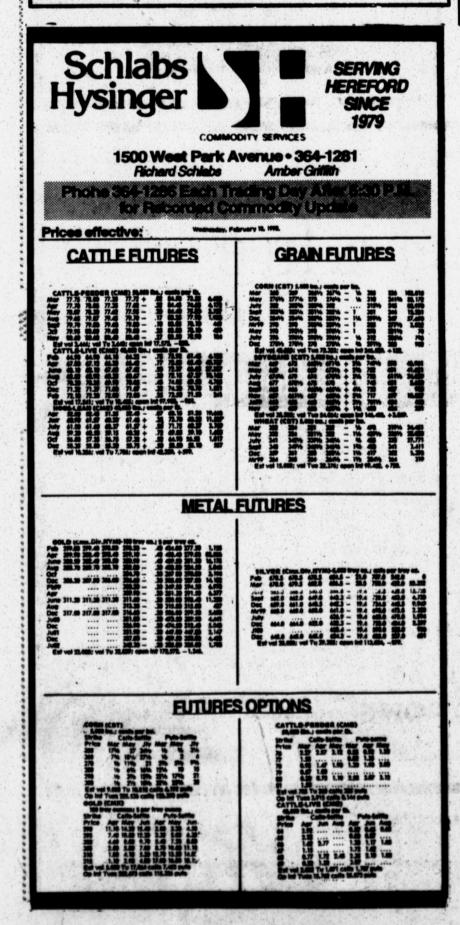
Cruise was picking up his son at school, Gallinot said. A traffic report was filed.

"There was really no crime. They didn't run him off the road, they didn't try to keep him from going to his destination," Gallinot said.

Cruise publicist Pat Kingsley had no comment Wednesday. "It's a police matter," he said. Two paparazzi were recently convicted of misdemeanor false imprisonment for chasing Arnold Schwarzenegger and wife Maria Shriver as they drove their son to another Santa Monica school. Coincidentally, Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, announced proposed legislation Tuesday to outlaw some tactics used by paparazzi.

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'Seinfeld' spots: \$2 million

NEW YORK (AP) - NBC is shattering the record it established only a month ago for the most expensive commercial time on television.

The network has sold two 30-second commercials on the final original episode of "Seinfeld" for \$2 million each, people familiar with the sales said Wednesday.

That is 54 percent higher than the previous high for a TV ad of \$1.3 million, which NBC set in January for a half-minute of commercial time on the Super Bowl telecast Jan. 25.

Some media buyers said they doubt that NBC will command as much for the remaining nine minutes of national advertising time that is being sold on the May 14 "Seinfeld" show. NBC declined to comment on the matter, but a person familiar with the sales said the first two ads were sold to film studios.

The comedy series dealing with life in New York appeals to a young, urban audience coveted by such advertisers as movie studios, brewers and car companies. "Seinfeld" has been one of television's highest-rated

shows for the past few years and NBC expects that the final show will attract a huge audience.

Media buyer Paul Schulman said NBC will likely get record prices for the show because the evening will probably be TV's top draw of the spring. The hour-long finale will be preceded by a one-hour show

on the series and will be followed by the season finale of the hospital drama "ER."

"NBC's feeling is that this will be the biggest event in the past five years. Anybody who has anything to say that's important knows this is the time to say it," he said.

Schulman said the final show could draw a 40 rating, which would nearly double what the show has been averaging for original episodes this season.

A ratings point represents 980,000 households. The Super Bowl telecast, which saw Denver upset Green Bay for the National Football League title, had an average rating of 44.5.

Steve Grubbs, a top network media buyer for the ad agency BBDO, said the final "Seinfeld" will probably draw a younger and possibly more upscale audience. than normally watches. He also expects NBC to promote it heavily.

The combination makes it a natural for movie studios who may have films opening anytime up to the Memorial Day weekend as well as for brewers, carmakers and other advertisers who like to be in on big events, Grubbs said.

But he said he doesn't think the entire inventory of commercials would command the \$2 million price that NBC is seeking.

Chains scrap patient info sharing

BALTIMORE (AP) - After hearing from worried customers, a supermarket chain and one of the nation's largest pharmacies have decided to stop sharing patient medical information with a marketing firm.

Giant Food Inc. of Landover, Md., placed full-page advertisements in The (Baltimore) Sun and The Washington Post on Wednesday announcing its decision after critics said the practice was unethical and raised privacy concerns.

CVS Corp. of Woonsocket, R.I., also said it is ending the practice.

The companies provided patient data to Elensys Inc., a Woburn, Mass., company that specializes in computer database marketing. Elensys got paid to send customers prescription reminders and promotional literature for new drugs.

The Post on Sunday reported on the relationship between the three companies, adding that Elensys was sometimes paid by drug companies to send letters promoting new drugs.

Elensys receives prescription information from 15,000 pharmacies about millions of people each week and uses some of the most sophisticated computer equipment available to keep track of the records, the

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Post said.

After the story, a number of customers expressed fear that their medical information could become common knowledge among people who didn't have the need or right to know.

"Because of privacy concerns, we discontinued the program immediately," said Barry Scher, spokesman for Giant Food.

We believe the program could greatly benefit certain patients," CVS spokesman Fred McGrail said, "but based on some concerns expressed by some customers, we have decided to suspend the program.'

The companies said customers' medical confidentiality was never compromised.

People expect the information they give doctors and pharmacists to remain confidential, and a violation of that trust is a serious breach of medical ethics, said Dr. George Lundberg, editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association.

"When things are done to patients in the Western world, it is expected that they will be informed what is being done to them. In this instance, as far as I know, the patient hasn't been told," he said. "I would expect patients across the country to resist this kind of process."

ROBERT DOWNEY JR.

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Robert Downey Jr. was escorted from jail to Paramount Studios for a recording session - at his own expense, the sheriff's department said.

The trip Tuesday was court-ordered, said Deputy Steve Sciacca, who offered no further explanation.

After a series of drug arrests and second chances, the actor was led off to jail Dec. 8 for six months for violating probation by failing to stay clean and sober.

On Friday, Downey's nose was cut in a fight with another inmate in a common area and he was placed in a cell away from the general population.

Also, deputies found drug paraphernalia in another area where Downey ate and watched television with about 100 other inmates. Officials were trying to determine the source of the contraband.

CATHERINE DENEUVE

BERLIN (AP) - The Berlin film festival awarded Catherine Deneuve an honorary Golden Bear for her life's work Wednesday, but she wondered if it wasn't too soon.

"I'm still an actress who's hard at work," said Deneuve, 54. "I'm not afraid of time. I'm afraid of a lack of time."

The 48th annual festival is featuring a retrospective of Deneuve films, including a screening of "Repulsion," the Roman Polanski thriller.

Deneuve, who is shooting a French film with Guillaume Depardieu, the son of Gerard Depardieu, said she's too busy to watch her old movies or take stock of her career.

"I don't want to judge my work," she said. "I'm someone who is easily frightened, so perhaps I would stop right away."

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Analysis

Lawmakers leery of Clinton on Iraq

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG

Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON - Legitimate questions, bad memories and a dose of politics combined to put the brakes on what once looked like a sure thing: a congressional resolution backing U.S. military action against Iraq.

There seemed little doubt on Capitol Hill two weeks ago that Congress would vote overwhelmingly to urge President Clinton to, as the resolution said, "take all necessary and appropriate actions to respond to the threat posed by Iraq's refusal to end its weapons of mass destruction programs."

Yet, Congress left town Friday for a week-plus recess without going on record in support of military action. Some members, including the Republican and Democratic leaders, rose to express their backing for U.S. action. But there was no vote because too many lawmakers had too many questions.

It remains a good bet that Congress will adopt a resolution on Iraq. But it is less likely Clinton will receive unequivocal support to take "all necessary and appropriate actions.'

The original resolution was offered by Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. With remarkable swiftness, doubts set in.

Republicans and Democrats remembered the 1964 Gulf of Tonkin resolution that President Johnson used as congressional authorization for an open-ended commitment of U.S. forces in Victnam.

When Congress returns next week, any Iraq resolution is certain to include a reference to any action being done within the context of U.S. laws. That language, which might appear self-evident, would be a clear reference to the War Powers Act, a Vietnam-era law that requires congressional authorization for any long-term commitment of U.S. troops to combat.

Equally vivid, particularly for Republicans, was the memory of how reluctant many congressional Democrats were to endorse President Bush's decision to have the United States take the lead in driving Saddam Hussein's Iraqi army out of Kuwait.

'It was five months after Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, five months before Congress passed a resolution authorizing the use of force to expel him." Lott reminded the Senate last week. That was a Democratic-run Congress and a Republican president and, as Lott pointed out, "the speaker and the majority leader were working to defeat the administration's policy."

This time, the Republican leader said, there is bipartisan cooperation to make sure "that the language is right and that the actions are right." There also is bipartisan concern about how to reach that point.

The question asked most often on Capitol Hill is, "What would air strikes. on Iraq accomplish?'

After a round of briefings with administration officials, the only thing that is clear is what the U.S. air strikes are not going to accomplish," said Sen. Rod Grams, R-Minn. "They will not eliminate Iraq's stockpiles of chemical and biological weapons: they will not eliminate Iraq's capability to produce weapons of mass destruction; and they will not remove lraq's rulers.'

The need to remove Saddam from power was a theme echoed by members of both parties in the House and Senate. Another persistent theme was the question of the aftermath of a U.S. attack.

As is so often the case when Congress gets involved in foreign policy, lawmakers offer their own views of the proper diplomatic and military strategy

'The president's got to set a deadline, and Saddam Hussein has to understand it," Scn. John McCain, R-Ariz., a senior member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said on "Fox News Sunday."

But Defense Secretary William Cohen, a former senator, rejected that



GOP lawmakers hit road for tax code

SEATTLE (AP) - A flat tax. A national sales tax. No tax.

Whatever the plan, participants at a national tax reform hearing Wednesday night agreed on this much: the current tax system needs to be overhauled or abolished.

Two Republicans, House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas and Rep. Billy Tauzin of Louisiana, stopped in Seattle on their cross-country "Scrap the Code" tour. They told an audience of several hundred people at the Washington State Convention Center that the current system doesn't work.

"If you are not today totally disgusted with the income tax code ... you are either not paying taxes or a member of the Clinton cabinet," Armey quipped.

Armey is promoting a 17 percent "flat tax" on income. Under his plan, taxpayers would lose prized deductions like home mortgage interest but gain a lower rate and a simpler system.

Tauzin is pushing a 15 percent national retail sales tax, which would replace the income tax entirely. Citizens would be taxed not on what they earn, but on what they buy.

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democracy," he said to a healthy

round of applause and one shout of

30 stops on the two GOP members'

road trip. They hope the debates will

whet public interest in overhauling

the tax system and help the GOP

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Seattle was the 13th of an expected

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Both lawmakers agree that Congress is unlikely to endorse major tax reform without public support. Wednesday's audience was ready for change.

Steven Chapman of Seattle, a stay-at-home dad and a civil engineer, said he was leaning more toward Armey's flat tax plan. He said the current tax code is full of loopholes and too complicated.

"Last year ... it took me three days to get all the stuff together and get it (tax filing) done by myself, and then I still did it wrong and got sent a bill for a small amount of money, which I just sent them because it wasn't worth the time to dispute it," he said.

Jeani Piper, a Seattle health care worker, said both congressmen's plans "make sense.

"But we sent them there to cut government back, and that's what we the people want - to cut government. And when you cut government you're going to cut spending," she said.

David Hill of Seattle said he liked the idea of a national sales tax. Hill, who builds houses for a living, said such a plan would climinate assorted "hidden taxes" on the manufacture of goods.



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advice. Clinton "will decide if and when diplomacy has failed," he said on ABC's "This Week."

Several lawmakers said any military action against Iraq should wait until Congress returns next week and can vote on the issue

"An attack would be an act of war," Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said on Fox. "And only the Congress has the authority to authorize that."

"I agree completely," said Sen. Dick Durbin, D-III. "The American people have to be in on this decision through their elected representatives."

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Baseball loses its goodwill ambassador

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) - , Ed Lynch said. No one sang "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" with the same enthusiasm. When he bellowed "Holy Cow," there was no mistaking his raspy voice.

Chicago Cubs announcer Harry Caray, who personified baseball to of Park Ridge, mourned as well. millions of fans, died Wednesday, four days after suffering a heart nobody could sing 'Take Me Out to attack during a Valentine's Day dinner with his wife, Dutchie. He was believed to be 78.

He died of brain damage caused by the attack, said Harlan Corenman, an Eisenhower Medical Center spokesman. Caray had a house near Palm Springs.

After failing to make the big leagues, Caray became a huge success Family spokesman Bill Wills said in the broadcast booth, sharing his zest for the national pastime and life over the airwaves for nearly 60 years.

Caray and his thick, oversized glasses and colorful style became familiar to fans through his Cubs' games for WGN-TV, carried by many national cable systems.

Calling himself just one of the guys in the bleachers, Caray would say, "You can't beat fun at the old ballpark." And he seemed to live the line

"It's really been a heck of run for Harry - just an amazing human being. He squeezed every drop out of about four lifetimes. He really lived life to the fullest," Cubs general manager

Hall of Famer Stan Musial said: "We're going to miss old Harry. He

was always the life of the party, the life of baseball. First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton,

who grew up in the Chicago suburb

"Harry was one of a kind and the Ballgame' like he could," Mrs. Clinton said.

Caray was born Harry Christopher Carabina, an orphan in St. Louis. Exactly when is unclear; he brushed aside questions about his age. The Cubs media guide said he was born March 1, 1920, but other accounts had him as much as five years older.

Caray was 78.

Caray dreamed of playing major league baseball but was rejected by his hometown Cardinals. So he turned to broadcasting, telling KMOX he could do a better job calling Cardinals games than the station's announcer. Impressed by his determination,

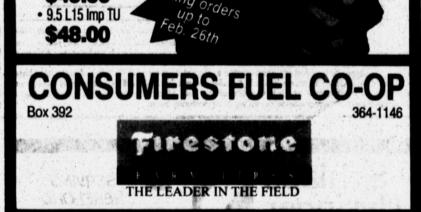
the station manager helped Caray get a job at WCLS in Joliet, Ill. By 1946. Caray was back in St. Louis as the "Voice of the Cardinals" for KMOX.

Caray was a broadcaster for the Cardinals for 25 years and for the Chicago White Sox for 11 years before moving across town to Wrigley Field in 1982.

Tauzin said his plan would also do Hill said he has been audited five away with the Internal Revenue times, and he's sick of dealing with the IRS. "There is no more un-American

"It's bad news. It's not the money, it's the control on the individuals, he said. "It's an intrusion by an agency in every person's life.'

Wednesday night's tax debate was sponsored by The Citizens for a Sound Economy, a Washington, D.C.-based organization that supports less government, lower taxes and fewer regulations. It was broadcast live on KVI Radio.



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