Closing to be felt in budgets of '99

By DONALD M. COOPER

Brand Editor Holly Sugar's decision to shut Hereford plant will be felt in the budgets of area taxing entities.

In 1997, Holly Sugar was the top

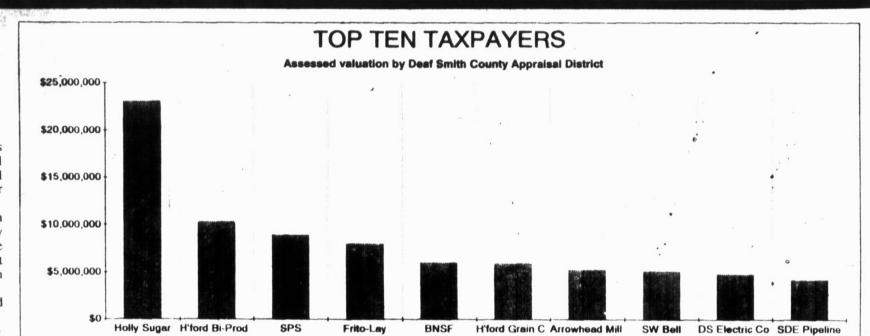
and High Plains Water District. According to the county's appraisal district, the value of Holly Sugar property is about \$23.1 million.

Holly Sugar paid \$121,887 in taxes to the county: \$49,460 to the hospital district; \$322,611 to the school down sugar beet processing at its district; and \$1,936 to the water district.

Although the company is not on the city's tax rolls, Hereford certainly taxpayer in Deaf Smith County, Deaf will feel an economic jolt because the Smith County Hospital District, beets and processing pumps about Hereford Independent School District \$14 million in the local economy each

The Hereford-area growers spend

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Holly's decision leaves growers in a quandry

By DIANNA F. DANDRIDGE **Staff Writer**

A long association between Holly Sugar and area sugar beet producers is coming to a close, leaving many people stunned, surprised and wondering about the next step.

Tony Brorman, a grower affiliated with Holly Sugar since 1964, said "I'm surprised, but not really

shocked.' Brorman said he can understand the company's decision to close the processing plant and - like the farmers who wouldn't grow beets because they couldn't make a profit have seen it coming for a number of

Kenneth Frye, president of the Texas-New Mexico Sugarbect Growers Association, said the Holly decision "didn't just happen in the last year. It's been accumulating over the last three to four years.'

"Our surprise came from the research done on test varieties," Frye said. "Growers in California had the same problems and they overcame them. I feel we could have turned the situation around in two more years."

Louise Leasure of the Texas New Mexico Sugarbect Growers Association said she knew it was a distinct possibility that the plant would close, but she didn't know it would come this soon

She said her office should be closed in the next month.

"This is truly a sad day for everyone concerned," she said. "Holly always referred to the Hereford plant as its crown jewel. It will be sorely missed.

"There are no fingers to point," Frye said. "We've always had a good relationship with Holly. This is

business; it happened. "Hereford's not the only town that will feel these repercussions. It'll be felt in the Mall in Amarillo, down in Lubbock. The ripples are there and

it's gonna be felt. Bear Denton, a Hereford seed dealer, said many of his customers are

still evaluating the situation. "They're not happy and they don't like it, but it's a done deal and I guess



KENNETH FRYE

the growers will move on to another crop," Denton said.

Denton acts strictly as a consignment seed dealer and hasn't brought in any sugar beet seed.

Charles Schlabs, a producer who has been growing sugarbeets for nearly 50 years, said he is disappointed and shocked and doesn't know how he will fill the gap.

"Partly with cotton, I guess. Normally, I plant about 200 acres of sugarbeets," he said.

Schlabs is one of the many getting close to solving the weed and disease problems.

'We were expecting a Roundup ready seed by about the year 2000 Holly just couldn't hold out any longer, I guess," Schlabs said.

'We've seen a series of tough years. I'm afraid it's all written in concrete, already. It's going to affect the economy up and down the line." Schlabs said during meetings with

Holly officials, he got the impression that Holly was never going to try to reopen the plant as a processing facility. This sentiment was repeated a number of times by producers and employees.

It's not just the producers who are upset with the closing of the plant.



producers who felt the industry was Motorists traveling around Hereford can see proof that gasoline prices have been on the decline in recent weeks, even falling below \$1 per gallon for the first time in months. Gasoline prices in the U.S. are at their lowest level since May 1994.

Motorists pay less at pump

NEW YORK (AP) - Steadily declining gasoline prices have reached their lowest level in nearly four years, according to the American Automobile Association.

The average cost of the benchmark grade, self-service regular unleaded, was \$1.11 a gallon, said the AAA's monthly price survey released Tuesday.

The price is 4.5 cents cheaper than in January and 17.3 cents less than a year ago. It is also the lowest price since May 1994.

Gas prices began a gradual decline in September, following a drop in crude oil prices. Consistently low prices for oil, currently around \$16 a barrel, have helped push down prices at the pump, AAA spokesman Mike Morrissey said.

"A barrel of crude is about \$6 cheaper now than a year ago," he said. "As long as that holds, prices should stay low heading into the spring driving season." The AAA report said mid-grade

gas was selling for \$1.21, down 3.2 cents from January, and premium is down 4.5 cents to \$1.26.

The West was the most costly area to drive, with self-service regular unleaded going for \$1.25 a gallon, down 6.9 cents from last month. It is least costly in the Southeast at \$1.04, down 3.9 cents.

Other regional averages are: New England, \$1.16, down 4.7 cents; mid-Atlantic, \$1.11, down 4.3 cents; Great Lakes, \$1.06, down 1.7 cents; Midwest, \$1.05, down 3.6 cents; and the Southwest, \$1.10, down 4.8 cents.

Wholesale prices show drop in January

prices at the wholesale level down by Persian Gulf War. 0.7 percent in January, the biggest one-month drop in more than four years, while housing construction drop and bolstered the belief that the remained at a high level.

The Labor Department said today boost interest rates anytime soon. that its Producer Price Index, which See HOLLY, Page 2 percent fall in energy prices, the 1970s, inflation measured by the PPI sharply higher. Instead of a decline

WASHINGTON (AP) - A steep biggest drop since a 5 percent decline and the more closely watched of 0.8 percent, the government said decrease in energy costs pushed in February 1991, the end of the Consumer Price Index has been well

The January decline was even better than the expected 0.2 percent Federal Reserve will feel no need to

Despite the fact that a robust measures prices before they reach the economy has pushed unemployment from the previous month, but consumer, was held down by a 3.7 to the lowest levels since the early December's performance was revised

behaved.

In a second report, the Commerce Department said today that construction of new homes and apartments remained at a high level - an annual rate of 1.54 million units in January.

That was down a slight 0.3 percent

today that construction of new homes and apartments actually rose 1 percent in December.

Taken together, analysts said the reports showing continued strong activity in the housing sector and the absence of inflation highlighted how well the economy at present.

For all of 1997, wholesale prices fell 1.2 percent while consumer prices were up just 1.7 percent.

Project chief says lights now on in new medical complex

By DONALD M. COOPER

Brand Editor Shannon Wilburn gave members of the Deaf Smith County Hospital District board a short report on the district's construction project, then

had to leave to turn off the lights. Wilburn, who is managing the construction of a new medical office complex adjacent to Hereford Regional Medical Center, told the directors the power has been turned on in the new facility. He also said the exterior work will not be finished by March 1; however, the April 1 target for occupying the new complex will be met.

The contractors are working inside the building, Wilburn said, and will complete the exterior, as well as the parking lot and landscaping at the

Wilburn also said specifications for the sprinkler/landscaping systems are being completed and bids will be solicited soon.

The board also received a report from Pat Stone, community organizer, about the progress of the Community Health Improvement Partnership's work.

"rounding first base ... some people at the Hereford Community Center. in the community thought we're further along in the process than we are. We have completed 71 one-onone interviews and sent raw data (from the Feb. 9 community

Paul McGinnis for evaluation.

"What I want to stress is you have to take the information from all areas and then mesh (the information). ... The partners will be looking for consensus. They say if these 23 people can't agree on what needs to be done, then the county won't be

able to reach an agreement," she said. Stone also encouraged the board members to attend the partners' "marathon" meeting, which will be Stone said the partners are noon-5:30 p.m. March 10, tentatively

In other business, HRMC administrator Jim Robinson reported consultants Bill Wagner and Will Simpson have agreements with the Hereford hospital, as well as hospitals meeting)" to health care consultant in Dimmitt and Friona to develop

Deaf Smith County Hospital District

strategies for implementing a Center and Elliott/Russell for office provider sponsored organization that will feature cooperation among the three health care facilities. The two consultants have completed work in Dimmitt and are expected to be back in Hereford and Friona in the next week, with results from the first phase of their work expected within

In other business, the directors:

- Discussed hiring a computer consultant, but decided to seek additional information before taking any action;

- Accepted bids from Office Four directors' positions will be on

furniture for the new medical office complex. The total of the two bids is

\$59,625.30. Office Center bid \$44,053.48, but did not submit proposals for every item listed in the specifications.

Elliott/Russell submitted a bid for every item on the specifications: however, its bid on those areas where both companies offered proposals was higher than Office Center's. However, its bid of \$15,571.82 for those items omitted by Office Center

was accepted; Called an election for May 2.

the ballot. The positions are now held by the Rev. Jeremy Grant, Karen Solomon, Dean Crofford and Mark

- Heard a report on insurance coverage from Robinson.

Robinson said specifications for insurance coverage should be completed soon and the hospital will advertise for bids by the end of the

The bids should be received in time for the board's insurance committee to review and make recommendations before the board's April meeting;

- Received a departmental report from Mary Boeckman, director of the HRMC Cardio-Pulmonary Rehabilitation department.

HEREFORD BRAND Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

On Sunday, Feb. 15, 1998, I was involved in an incident, which I feel the public needs to be made aware of.

My son, two young women and I were traveling down a county road a dirt road that was slick with falling rain. Ultimately the truck slipped into a ditch and left us stranded.

After some discussion, my son and I decided it would be best to leave

the young ladies in the pickup while we went for help.

At some point a vehicle passed us, turned around and stopped to inquire about us. The driver of the vehicle was the off-duty Sgt. Ed Toler of the Hereford Police Department.

When the truck stopped, I was leery of a stranger, but then recognized

the driver and thought help was at hand.

To my chagrin, we were told by the off-duty officer that he would neither call someone to help us, nor would he give us a lift to the nearest house. He couldn't even be bothered to light our way up a long drive way to prevent dogs from possibly charging us.

I realize that many private citizens are fearful of stopping to help someone, especially on a cold, dark rainy night. But, for an officer - who is supposed to carry his service weapon with him and who has taken an oath to serve and protect - to leave two known and respected citizens of the community

stranded is unpardonable. Is this the type of officer we want serving our community?

I take pride in the helpful, caring concern exhibited by most of the people of Hereford and Deaf Smith County. Unfortunately, I am now led to believe this caring and concern does not extend from this off-duty officer.

We were able to walk to a farm house, with nothing worse than taking a good soaking and, thanks to the kind people who live there, Luis and Petra Lopez, were able to contact some help. To these people, I offer my

The Hereford Brand welcomes letters to the editor on subjects of interest to our readers. Short letters are most likely to be chosen for publication, but the use of any material is at the discretion of the editor. The editor reserves the right to edit letters to meet space requirements, for clarity, or to avoid obscenity, libel or invasion of privacy.

Although letters discussing overall political situations may be considered, we will not publish letters endorsing or denouncing any particular candidate. All letters must bear the handwritten signature of the writer and include the address and phone number for verification purposes. Address and phone number will not be printed unless necessary. Letters published do not necessarily reflect the editorial policy or beliefs of this newspaper.

THE HEREFORD BRAND Local Roundup

Golf tourney

Where's the beef?

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.

Based on a full field of 40 teams (80 players), prizes will be \$300 for first place, \$180 for second and \$120 for third. For information, call 363-7139 or 1-800-687-6255.

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.

For applications or more information, call the SBA toll-free at (800) 366-6303 or TDD (817) 267-4688.

Chance of rain or snow

Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of light rain or light snow, low in the upper 20s, north to northwest wind 5-10 mph.

Thursday, partly cloudy with a high in the lower 50s, northwest wind 10-15 mph.

3-DAY FORECAST

Friday, partly cloudy, low in mid-20s, high around 60. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain, low in the lower 30s, high in upper 50s.

Sunday, partly cloudy, low in mid-30s, high in the lower 608.

TUESDAY RECAP

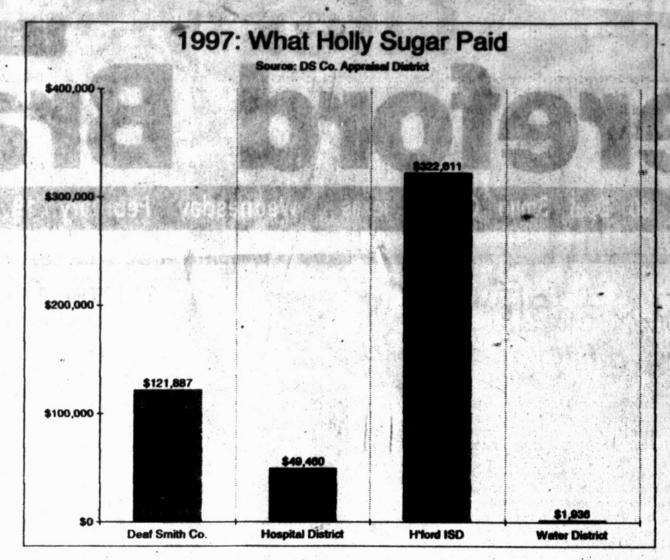
High, 49; low, 35; no precipitation.

ALTA spelling bee winners

Fourteen Hereford students competed in the annual ALTA Spelling Bee in Dallas on Saturday, Jan. 24. The students were successful in their respective divisions and twelve will be traveling to Dallas to compete in the finals in February.

The ALTA Spelling Bee emphasizes the phonetic approach to spelling, concentrating on the structural rules of English

Those competing were: Hereford Jr. High, Wally Walker, Joaquin Rodriguez, matthew Collier; West Central students, Zack Ambold, Thomas Langford; Blubonnet students, Brandon Gresham, Becca Gallardo, John Cardenas, Marcos Escamilla; Shirley students, Eugene Abeyta, Derek Vela, Eddie Villalovos, Jonathan Martin, and Roy Rincon.



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as much as \$20 million annually to produce the beet crop, spending money on seed, fertilizer, pesticides, irrigation, harvesting, transportation and other needs to take the crop from seed in a sack to big, finished sugarbeets delivered to the plant.

The closing of the processing operation will mean some 325 season and about 80 permanent jobs will be lost, which will be felt in local stores.

Roger Hill, president and chief executive officer of Holly Sugar, said Tuesday the company will case sugar beet processing at the plant it's operated here since September 1964. However, the plant is not completely shutting down. The

company will continue to package and distribute refined sugar products from the plant to its current customer

Danny Jones, Deaf Smith County's chief appraiser, said the Holly decision will have no affect on the 1998 taxes.

"I can't see it having an effect on '98 taxes, but I think it will in '99," Jones said. "It depends on how much of it Holly leaves going (at the plant). The building value is about \$3.6 million, the overall appraisal is about \$23 million," Jones said.

"If they're just bagging and distributing, we're not sure. The building will still be there and it'll be

Chamber banquet

Serving will begin at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the annual Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce banquet, 30 minutes earlier than originally scheduled, according to chamber director Don Cumpton.

Texas Gov. George Bush will be the keynote speaker.

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 crowed, 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.

THE HEREFORD BRAND Emergency services

Activities reported by emergencies personnel for Feb. 17, include the following:

Police Department

-- A 48-year-old man was arrested in the 100 bock of Fuller on a theft

-- A 17-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of Avenue G. -- A theft was reported in the 500 block of N. 25 Mile Avenue.

--Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 700 block of Thunderbird.

 Criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of Avenue J. -Dog at large was reported in the

800 block of Irving. -- A runaway was reported in the 100 block of Avenue H.

-- theft was reported in the 2000 block of Plains.

THE HEREFORD BRAND Obituaries



MILDRED X. RILEY Feb. 16, 1998

SEAGRAVES - Funeral services for Mildred X. Riley, 90, will be 2 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church in Seagraves with Rev. Rick Smith officiating. Burial will be in the Seagraves Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Gililland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Riley died Monday at the West Gate Nursing Home. She was born Sept. 1, 1907 in Buxton, Iowa to Samuel Mckelvie and Amelia Cuvelier. She married Forest Knop Riley on Feb. 22, 1934, in Chicago. They came to Texas from Illinois in 1935. She moved to Hereford in 1994. She was a homemaker and member of the Dorcas Sunday School class of First Baptist Church of

Survivors include two sisters, Gertrude Jacobs of Hodgkins, Ill., and Jessie Gillies of Homewood, Ill.; three grandchildren, one from Hereford; seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter Charlene Smith.

CLIFFORD R. GANDY Feb. 16, 1998

Funeral services for Clifford R. Gandy, 93, of Hereford will be 10 a.m. Friday in the Temple Baptist Church with the Rev. H.W. Bartlett officiating. Burial will be in West Westgate Nursing Home. He was Park Cemetery. Arrangements are born Sept. 15, 1914 in Boswell, under the direction of Gililland- Okla., to Jesse Shaw and may Watson Funeral Home.

Mr. Gandy died Monday at the Hereford Regional Medical Center. He was born Oct. 10, 1904, in Goldwaite to James Pride Gandy and Cora Ellen Barker. He married Corene Julian on Oct. 26, 1935 in

Plainview. He came to Deaf Smith county in 1934. He was a farmer and had served as Hereford's professional Santa Claus for more than 60 years.

Survivors include two sons, Julian R. Gandy of Hereford, and Troy M. Gandy of Modesto, Calif.; two daughters, Earle Dean Lowry of Houston, and Glenna F. Bell of Pampa; one brother, George S. Gandy of Wheeler; 10 grandchildren and 14

While acknowledging the value of

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taxed," Jones said, adding there are too many factors to be considered now, especially since it's unclear what Holly will leave at the facility.

If the ion extractor, which is appraised at \$9 million remains at the Hereford facility, the total value would be about \$12 million, Jones said. Holly officials have not decided what to do about the ion extractor, which is used in the molasses desugarization process.

the plant will be less with the shutdown of the beet processing operation, Jones said, "We're not going to lose the whole \$23 million."

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Some 85 full-time employees will be looking for work, either with the Holly Sugar Corp. in another facility

All the seasonal workers, who work during the annual campaigns will be also be facing new job

Dennis Printz, the agricultural manager at Holly Sugar, said the company doesn't know "when the layoffs will begin. Our human

resource people will-be here next week to look at the situation."

The human resource department staffers will be the ones who explain and present the severance packages

and the possibility of transfers.
Elvira Mendoza, a Holly Sugar
employee, said, "I'm hurting. Both
financially and emotionally. I've worked out there 9-10 months of the year since '75. I don't have any

prospects for work."

Many employees had little to say and were waiting for the results of

employee meetings and meetings with the human resources department. A spokesperson for the Texas

Workforce Commission said a rapid response team will probably come in from Austin to deal with large number of persons who will be claiming unemployment.

Don Cumpton, executive vice president of Deaf Smith Chamber of Commerce, agreed that the closing of Holly will have an economic impact, "but, we as a community have enough unity and resolve to overcome the problems created by this situation."

"This is not the end of the world," Frye said. "The sun came up, the sun went down and we will survive. Holly never made Hereford. The people did. We will continue to live and grow. There is always the promise of something better on the horizon."



Farmers Insurance reducing its rates

is cutting its auto rates by 3.8 percent covered by Mid-Century Insurance.

customers when losses decline," said the company said. Texas. "This should send a strong cuts, Hageman said drivers will see and clear message that the Texas auto insurance market is alive and well and giving something back to our loyal customers."

Hageman on Monday said insurance claims involving bodily injury and uninsured motorists have declined, prompting the rate cuts.

The cuts, effective April 15, affect

-- Welfare concern was reported in

Sheriff's Department

Arrests

-- A 38-year-old man was arrested

-- A 42-year-old man was arrested

for violation of probation from

Fire Department

responded to the Mechanical

techniques for a smoke scare.

or the Temple Baptist Church.

LORENZA SHAW

Feb. 16, 1988

Graveside services for Lorenza

Shaw, 83, of Hereford were 10 a.m.

today at the West Park Cemetery with

Rev. Travis Curry of the Bible Baptist

Church officiating. Arrangements are

under the direction of Gililland-

Mr. Shaw died Monday at

Middleton. He married Elsie Davis

on August 26, 1940, in Telephone,

Texas. They came to Deaf Smith

County in 1950. he was a feedlot

worker and a member of the Avenue

three daughters all of Hereford, Sid

Shaw, Suc Rogers, Kathy Weems,

and Louise Jobe; one brother, Doyle

Shaw of Canyon; four sisters, Jo

Hardy of Lubbock, Eva Sanders and

Nadine Beatty both of Clovis, Calif.,

and Ruth Peel of Fresno, Calif.; nine

grandchildren and 10 great grandchil-

Memorials should be made to

Texas Lions Crippled Childrens

Home, c/o Past District Gov. Sid

Shaw, 123 N. Texas, Hereford.

Survivors include one son and

great-grandchildren.

Watson Funeral Home.

Baptist Church.

--1:58 a.m., Feb. 18, firefighters

the 600 block of Avenue K.

for violation of probation.

Morris County.

AUSTIN (AP) - Farmers Insurance 1.3 million drivers, including 780,000

Cuts will roughly be 3.8 percent "This is the way we reward our for all Texas Farmers policyholders,

In examples of the Mid-Century reductions of:

- 6.1 percent in El Paso

- 6 percent in McLennan, Tom Green, Maverick and Val Verde

- 5 percent in Harris County

- 5.9 percent in Nueces County - 3.9 percent in Travis and Bexar

Crime Stoppers

The Hereford Police are investigating the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle which occurred on Feb. 13, 1998. The theft occurred in the 500 block of N. 25 Mile Ave. The suspect entered the fenced area of Western Ford, getting into a 1997 red Ford Mustang. The suspects then drove the car through the gate, and later struck a fence in the 400 block of Irving. Suspects attempted to burn the car.

Anyone having information about the Crime of the Week or any other criminal activity is urged to call the Clue Line at 344-2583.

All callers may remain anonymous by using a code name or number.

Crime stoppers would like the Memorials public to be aware their number has should be sent to the Gideon Society changed. The new number is 344-



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

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 1-3-11-25-34

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nd, P.O. Box 673, Hereford, TX. 790 SUBSCRIPTION RATES: Ho Hereford, \$5.20 month; by mail

Lifestyles

Dear Ann Landers: Like many who grew up during the Depression, my parents took great pride in pulling themselves up by the bootstraps. Their home was their castle, and they both worked diligently to maintain it.
When my mother died six years

ago, my sister, "Anne," now 36, was living at home with the folks. She never moved out. Anne now has four dogs, and they have virtually trashed the place. The living room carpet smells like a cow barn. The house is covered with dog hair, and since the dogs sleep with Anne, her bedsheets are filthy.

Despite the fact that my parents financed her college education, Anne, who has always had a good job, pays rent only sporadically. My father's resentment is eating him alive. This would be easy for me to write off as none of my business, but I would like my children, ages 2 and 5, to spend more time with their grandpa. He is getting on in years, and I want to visit more often, but seeing the beautiful home I grew up in being turned into

a dump is very painful.

Dad complains to me constantly about Anne's freeloading. He wants to remodel his home but says he won't do it as long as the dogs are there. The way things are going, I'm afraid the dogs will outlive him. Please tell me what to do. This is critical, and I'm beside myself. --S.L. in Spencer, N.Y.

Dear Spencer: Have you heard of professional house cleaners? They usually work in teams and do a wonderful job. Look in the phone book, and make an appointment. You

will wonder what took you so long. If there are none in Spencer, hire a cleaning woman. I urge you to get going. The longer you wait, the worse it will be for all concerned.

Dear Ann Landers: My husband and I have been married for 15 years, and we have three children. Over the course of our marriage, my husband has had several affairs. This is well-known by a number of people because he appeared publicly with various women. The most visible affair (also the most painful for me) was his liaison with my sister. I nearly left him, but he promised "never again" if I would give him one last chance. I agreed.

My sister has two children. I have three. The question is, how much should I tell the children? This is a rather small town, and gossip travels fast. I would not be at all surprised to learn that they have already heard something. Will you please advise me? -- Indiana Mom

Dear Mom: I see no reason to tell them anything. Should they come to you and ask if the stories they have heard are true, you must be honest and say, "Yes, but that is all in the past, and we don't need to think about it anymore." To open a dialogue with children about their father's infidelity would be punitive and counterproduc-

Dear Ann Landers: We recently had a death in the family. The notice in the paper read "private graveside service." An in-law, who had neither seen nor spoken to a family member in 20 years, showed up at the cemetery and tagged along for the wake. I think this was in extremely poor taste. My husband disagrees. What do you say, Ann? -- Grieving sliced turkey in gravy, D'zerta in Gary, Ind.

Dear Gary: A graveside service is not a social event. Anyone who Oriental rice, French green beans, chooses to be present should be made to feel welcome.





Contest winners

Local fifth grade students who were winners in the safety poster contest sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary to Roy Wederbrook Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4818 were, from left, Maxie Smith, Shirley School, first place and \$10; Amanda Lucero, West Central School, second place and \$8; and Erasmo Dominguez, West Central School, third place and \$5.

Local genealogical society nears completion of cemetery project

L.J. Clark, president of the Deaf Smith County Genealogical Society, reported at Monday's meeting that the long term project of listing all graves at various Deaf Smith County sites is at last nearing completion.

Clark set a goal of having the work ready to publish by the end of the

Information to the included in the project will relate to Restlawn Cemetery, St. Anthony's Cemetery, West Park Cemetery, Wildorado Cemetery, La Plata Cemetery and a single grave at a location in the northwest part of the county.

There are still two graves in the Old Plata site where a Texas State Historical Marker was placed several years ago. These graves have been enclosed in a pipe fence and are being cared for.

Information cards made for the graves in each cemetery will be kept in a card file in the Genealogy Room at the Deaf Smith County Library.

and the Genealogical Society plans established. to regularly update the published

Nell Norvell reminded the group that Los Ciboleros Chapter NSDAR had reprinted the E.B. Black Funeral Home records and this book is and Denver, Colo. available at the county library.

Program speaker for the evening was Mildred Sheffy. She reported on new book purchased for the Genealogy Room at the county library, EVIDENCE - Citation and Analysis for the Family Historian

by Elizabeth Shown Mills, Sheffy noted that the two biggest mistakes often made by genealogists are failure to cite the source of work they have done, and the acceptance of work done by others without verification.

She said that even what are generally considered primary sources by genealogists contain errors. Each researcher must be responsible for All cemeteries in the county have rechecking all information for their

agreed to keep a copy of new burials own records if validity is to be

Secretary Wilma Clark listed several upcoming genealogical meetings and workshops in Lubbock, Jacksonville, Hurst/Bedford, Austin, Fort Madison, Iowa, Pasadena, Calif.,

The Deaf Smith County Genealogical Society meets on the third Monday nights. Persons interested in genealogy are invited to become part of the group. Those interested may contact any member of the group.

Members at the February meeting were Miles Caudle, Don Minchew, Troyce Hanna, Jean Beene, Donita Rule, the Clarks, Sheffy and Norvell.

Alzheimer's support group to hold meeting Thursday

In affiliation with the Alzheimer's Association, Panhandle Chapter, the Hereford support group for family caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, will meet from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Thursday in Fellowship of Believers Church, 245 North Kingwood (at Moreman).

A support group is a gathering of people with common problems, needs and interests to share their feelings, thoughts, questions and experience in a combined effort to better cope with and survive the challenge presented by persons with Alzheim-

er's disease and related dementias. The focus of this month's meeting will be a brief presentation by Lynn Gwyn, a group facilitator with the Amarillo Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. Ms. Gwyn has had firsthand experience in caring for a family member with Alzheimer's.

There will be an opportunity to dialogue with Ms. Gwyn regarding any current situations being faced by the caregiver.

Group facilitator is Nathan L. Stone, Ph.D., pastoral-counselor and former senior chaplain with Family Hospice of Temple.

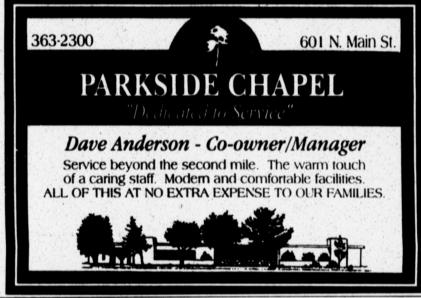
Naples, Italy is the birthplace of pizza, which a baker at the royal court may have invented in the 1700s.

The game "Monopoly" has been sold in 19 different languages, most recently in Russian.



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FRIDAY-Baked fish with lemon wedge, cheese girts, Scandinavian vegetables, peach/cottage cheese salad, cornbread, bread pudding with lemon sauce; or McRibb, sherbet. MONDAY-Pepper steak, seasoned

noodles, Harvard beets, fruit salad, French bread, vanilla pudding; or pudding. TUESDAY-Chicken fillet,

cranberry/orange relish, roll, pineapple upside down cake; or roast pork smothered, cottage cheese, pineapple tidbits.

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Musical instruments restored in exclusive Oak Lawn workshop

source of wonder to Dennis a fine violin could cost up to \$10,000. McCaigue. He is particularly perplexed by the varnish.

the varnish is a mystery," he said, touching the tea-colored back of the know it was made from tree resin, but there are thousands of trees.'

In his one-room workshop in Oak Lawn, McCaigue, 40, restores and price of real estate.

The shop is part of Morris & down, virtually, into its constituent Smith, a London-based firm that parts. specializes in selling six-figure violins, violas and cellos used by some of the best musicians in the world.

The 271-year-old cello, which had needed adjustments to its base bar, was dropped off by its owner, Ko Iwasaki, an internationally known soloist, winner of the 1970 Tchaikovsky Competition and a teacher at Southern Methodist University.

Iwasaki was preparing to take the cello on tour to his native Japan, and McCaigue admitted to anxiety about whether the work would be found

satisfactory. He needn't have worried.

"I was very impressed," Iwasaki fine." said. "I like the sound better now. It has a more open sound. The quality mistake. is very much improved.'

Morris & Smith opened its Dallas office last summer. Dallas is not immediately regarded as an arts mecca, but it has its advantages, said Michael Selman, a Morris & Smith

"It's centrally located," he said. "If you're in New York or LA, you're sort of stranded on the coasts."

And it has a key ingredient necessary to high culture, which is to say, well, money.

'Traditionally, for example, with the Medicis in Florence, you had financial support. It's something that has to be there, and you have that in Dallas," Selman said.

McCaigue's workshop is believed to be the only repair shop between Chicago and Los Angeles for an egg; nobody quite knows how it ultra-high-end instruments, Selman can hold so much pressure." said. Previously, Iwasaki sent his cello to Chicago, New York or Europe for repairs.

It's not like having your shoes

resoled. The price of adjustments and simple repairs vary widely, but

DALLAS - A Stradivarius cello is Selman said a routine restoration of

Before entrusting the Stradivarius to Morris & Smith, Iwasaki quizzed "The varnish is very beautiful, but McCaigue about his theory of cello

"He had some of the same ideas instrument. "For one thing, we don't about the instrument I had," Iwasaki know what its composition is. We said. "I felt comfortable leaving the instrument with him.'

Iwasaki's cello was a relatively simple, if delicate, repair job. Elsewhere in McCaigue's workshop, repairs musical instruments worth the a circa-1870 Bisiach violin with woodworm damage has been broken

> McCaigue plans to gouge out the hole, then carve a piece of maple to replace the old wood. Filling the hole with putty would damage the instrument's sound, he said.

Each job requires its own strategy and often demands improvisation. When McCaigue cleans out old glue, he sometimes uses meat tenderizer.

Much of his work entails repairing previous repairs. Current thinking about restoring violins was developed early in this century, he said.

Before that, McCaigue said, "I think a lot of people used to go about it with the attitude that you could put a screw in it and it would be just

Not that he has never made a

"You chip a piece of wood, and you gasp," he said. "But then you take a breath and say, OK, and move on. It's two steps backwards sometimes.

Nonetheless, he said, he believes that old musical instruments are worth the bother.

"There's something that happens to wood," he said. "First, it gets dry, and then it crystallizes. When I cut into old wood, I find I'm working with a different substance entirely. ... The columns of cells in the wood become almost like organ pipes."

McCaigue is fascinated with a

violin's structure. Minus the chin piece, he said, "the violin weighs less than a pound, and yet with its strings, it carries more than 70 foot-pounds of pressure. It's like

He is in love with his job. a little varnishing and painting, it's a little woodworking, and it's a little interacting with people, with musicians, who are the most fascinating people

Teday in History

By The Associated Press Today is Wednesday, Feb. 18, the 49th day of 1998. There are 316 days

On Feb. 18, 1861, Jefferson Davis

Today's Highlight in History:

was sworn in as president of the Confederate States of America in Montgomery, Ala. On this date:

of England popularly known as "Bloody Mary," was born in Greenwich Palace.

In 1546, Martin Luther, leader of the Protestant Reformation in

Germany, died. In 1564, the artist Michelangelo died in Rome

In 1885, Mark Twain's "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" was published in the United States for the

In 1930, the ninth planet of our solar system, Pluto, was discovered. In 1953, "Bwana Devil," the movie that heralded the 3D fad of the 1950s, opened in New York City.

In 1960, the Eighth Winter Olympic Games were formally

opened in Squaw Valley, Calif., by Vice President Nixon.

In 1970, the Chicago Seven defendants were found innocent of conspiring to incite riots at the 1968

atic national convention. In 1972, the California Supreme Court struck down the state's death

In 1977, the space shuttle On this date: Enterprise, sitting atop a Boeing 747, In 1516, Mary Tudor, the Queen went on its maiden "flight" above the Mojave Desert.

Ten years ago: Soviet Communist

Party leaders dropped former Moscow party chief Boris N. Yeltsin

from the ruling Politburo. Anthony

M. Kennedy was sworn in as the 104th justice of the Supreme Court. Five years ago: President Clinton hosted a campaign-style rally at St. Louis' Union Station to enlist citizen

support for his economic plan.

One year ago: Astronauts on the space shuttle Discovery completed their tuneup of the Hubble Space Telescope after 33 hours of spacewalking; the Hubble was then released using the shuttle's crane. Bill Richardson began work as U.S.

ambassador to the United Nations.

Today's Birthdays: Songwriter-musician Pee Wee King is 84. Actor Jack Palance is 77. Cosmopolitan editor Helen Gurley Brown is 76. Actor George Kennedy is 73. Sen. John Warner, R-Va., is 71. Author Toni Morrison is 67. Movie director Milos Forman is 66. Singer Yoko Ono is 65. Singer Irma Thomas is 57.
Singer Herman Santiago (Frankie Lymon and the Teenagers) is 57.
Singer Dennis De Young (Styx) is 51.
Actress Sinead Cusack is 50, Actress Cybill Shepherd is 48. Singer Juice Newton is 46. Singer Randy Crawford is 46. Rock musician Robbie Bachman is 45. Actor John Robbie Bachman is 45. Actor John Travolta is 44. Game show host Vanna White is 41. Actress Greta Scacchi is 38. Actor Matt Dillon is 34. Rapper Dr. Dre is 33. Actress Molly Ringwald is 30. Rock musician Tommy Scott (Space) is 30. Actor Tyrone Dorzell Burton ("The Parent

Thought for Today: "What is man but his passion?" - Robert Penn Warren, American author, poet and critic (1905-1989).

'Hood") is 19.

Husbands are meeting guests

Kingdom Seekers Sunday School Class of Avenue Baptist Church held its February meeting recently at K-Bob's.

Husbands of class members were pecial guests for the supper and

In attendance were C.E. and Maxine Coleman, G.W. and Nancy Duncan, Jack and Trudie Gary, Andy and Perry Keyes, Rosic Wall, Jessie Sumner, Madeline Hutson, Dorma Kirby, Erma Bain, Ruby Stevens, Pauline Landers, Dorothy Carlile, Luella Thomas and Kathy Keyes.

Hospital Notes

Report from Hereford Regional Medical Center for Feb. 18:

Admitted: Elizabeth Gulley, Miller Dismissed: Sarah Payne, Crystal



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Hints from Heloise

in the world."

Dear Heloise: I have looked everywhere for a recipe for a baking mix. I know that I should be able to make it for less than buying one that is already made. None of my cookbooks has a recipe. Can you help? — Kara

Here's a baking mix recipe that my mom used to use all the time to make biscuits.

For this recipe you'll need: 2 teaspoons salt 8 teaspoons sugar (optional)

1/3 cup baking powder 8 cups flour

1 cup solid shortening Combine everything except the solid shortening and mix well. Using a pastry blender or two table knives. cut in the shortening until the mixture resembles coarse meal.

Now you can use the baking mix or tight lid. The mix can be stored on the pantry shelf or kept for a longer period of time in the refrigerator.

To make some delicious biscuits, just combine 1 cup of the mix with 1/ 3 cup of milk.

Make the biscuits by dropping tablespoonfuls on a cookie sheet, or pat out and cut them. Bake in a preheated 450-degree oven for 12 to 15 minutes. — Heloise

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Dear Heloise: No need for deviled eggs to slide around. Simply cut a small slice off the bottom of each (I halve mine the long way) and mash it in with the yolks. Makes for ample filling and each one has a flat side to sit on.

Now why didn't I think of that years ago? - Hannah Bates, Montgomery, Ala.

EASY DOES IT

Dear Heloise: My husband and I do a lot of baking. We don't like getting our hands greasy using paper towels to grease baking dishes.

Now, along with avoiding greasy store it in a container with an air- hands, we have found a solution that also helps the environment a little. We simply keep the wrappers from butter and margarine sticks, fold them in half and keep them in the

When we need to grease a dish, we simply get a wrapper from the fridge, unfold it and use the butter already clinging to the wrapper to complete the task. When finished, we throw it away. - Jamey Piper, Laurel, Md.

Brown gives parenting program for Wyche FCE Club meeting

Shirley Brown gave the program and prayer. Brown, as hostess, gave at the recent meeting of Wyche the opening exercise while co-hostess Family Community Education Club Camelia Jones gave the hostess

in the Hereford Community Center. report. Brown's program was titled "Surprise - A Change in Life," based

Refreshments were served to members Argen Draper, Dorma on the current trend of more Kirby, Audrey Rusher, Carol Worthan, Batterman, Brown, Jones grandparents in the parenting role. Vada Batterman led the pledges and guest Movida Busby.

Birkenfeld addresses conference

of Hereford and founder and director of The Promised Land Network, will speak to the National Catholic Rural Life Conference Annual Meeting

Father Darryl Birkenfeld, formerly Friday and Saturday in Washington,

Father Birkenfeld's talk is titled "Building a Web of Life in the

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Sports

On the Sidelines

Olympic Glance

By The Associated Press NAGANO, Japan — A quick look at

NO HOCKEY DOUBLE FOR USA
The U.S. men's hockey team won't
atch the gold medal won by the
omen's team. The Czech Republic
usted the United States with a 4-1
uarterfinal win. Dominik Hasek ed 36 shots a day after the U.S. on's team beat Canada 3-1 for the

st Olympic title.

RECORD GOLD FOR DAHLIE

Bjorn Dahlie of Norway became the
st Winter Olympian to win seven
arear gold medals when he helped his
am win the 40-kilometer cross-courry ski relay. It also gave Dahlie 11
arear medals, the most by any Winter

pics athlete.
DIFFERENT MOUNTAIN, DIFFERENT MOUNTAIN,
SAME OLD STORY
Up to 4 feet of new snow forced a
24-hour postponement of the men's
giant slalom, the first Ofympic race on
Mount Higashidate. The forecast -clearing through Thursday, with highs
in town reaching the mid-40s.
AERIALS

Milki Stone of Westpornigh Mass.

Nikki Stone of Westborough, Mass., and Eric Bergoust of Missoula, Mont., won the gold medals in aerials. BIATHLON

Ole Einar Bjorndalen of Norway won the men's 10-kilometer race. He led the event a day before when a snowstorm forced it to be called off. ICE HOCKEY

The first gold medal in women's ice hockey belongs to the United States. Behind the goaltending of Sarah Tueting, the Americans beat Canada

SPEEDSKATING A world record by Gianni Romme led a Dutch sweep of the medals in the 10,000 meters.
NAGANO NUGGET

Ulf Samuelsson became the first hockey player kicked out of the Olympics because he had two passports. The rugged Swedish defenseman had his eligibility rescinded by the International Ice Hockey

QUOTEBOOK "I guess the gap's been closed."
Canadian women's hockey coach
Shannon Miller, after the United States
won the gold medal and ended the
Canadian reign as No. 1 in the world.

IN BRIEF

CBS ratings skid

NEW YORK (AP) -- With six nights left in the Olympics, CBS is on track for the lowest rating in 30 years from the Winter Games.

After 11 nights of coverage, CBS is averaging a 16.4/27, 37 Lillehammer and 15 percent below the 19.2 from Albertville.

CBS will need to average at least a 20.0 the last six nights or its final rating will be the lowest since the 13.5 from Grenoble in 1968. The previous low also came in Japan, the 17.2 NBC received from Sapporo in 1972.

But there have been many changes in the TV landscape since Sapporo, notably the increase in channels that has eroded network

The ratings news is not all bad for CBS, which has won every half hour in prime time since the Olympics began and should make \$40 million despite not reaching the 19.5 rating it guaranteed advertisers.

Monday night's prime-time coverage, featuring the ice dancing gold medal and day-after coverage of Hermann Maier in the super-G, got a 15.3 rating/23 share. That was 45 percent lower than the 27.9/42 from Lillehammer and 29 percent lower than the 21.7/32 from Albertville.

Golf

Tee times for the Icebreaker Open Feb. 21 at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course have been moved back, according to Bill Brown, one of the tournament organizers.

Tee times for the tournament will begin at 1 p.m. The tee times had been previously scheduled to start at 12 p.m.

Olympic Medals y The Associated Press Through Wednesday (50 total medals)

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Germany	7	8	7	22
Norway	7	8	4	19
Russia	8	5 3	1	13
Canada	4	5	3	12
Austria	2	3	7	12
United States	5	1	4	10
Netherlands	4	4	2	10
Finland	2	3	5	10
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Italy	1	4	2	7
France	2	1	3	6
Switzerland	2	1	2	5
China	0	3	0	3
South Korea	2	0	0	2
Czech Republic	0	1	1	2
Sweden	0	1	1	2
Belarus	0	0	2	2
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U.S. pushes medal count to 10 overall

NAGANO, Japan (AP) -- It started with women hockey players and ended with aerial acrobats. Suddenly, in the space of 16 hours -- in newly hatched Olympic sports -- things were golden again Wednesday for the United States at the Nagano Games.

A trio of gold medals, two of them in freestyle skiing, pushed the U.S. total to five golds and 10 overall. And a powerful trio of female figure skaters waited in the wings to add to a medal count that now has an outside chance to become America's best

"Best ever" also describes Norway's Bjorn Dahlie, who skied his way into Olympic record books with his seventh gold medal and 11th

overall in cross country events.

A day after beating Canada 3-1 to win the women's hockey gold, members of the U.S. team savored both the win and the attention for a sport making its Olympic debut. They showed up with gold medals around their necks at a Nagano hotel reception, then appeared on "Late

recite the 10 best things about winning a gold medal.

It was a far cry from the years of anonymity on ice before women's hockey became an official Olympic sport in Nagano.

'We were talking about who was going to be on the Wheaties box," J.S. forward Alana Blahoski said. We were told it was going to be Picabo Street or us. Why not us?"

Eric Bergoust, who learned aerials by jumping off the chimney of his

Night with David Letterman" to parent's farmhouse into a pile of mattresses, and Nikki Stone could also lay claim to the cereal box after hitting twisting back flips to win golds in men's and women's aerials.

"I can crash every jump for the rest of my life and I won't care," Bergoust said. "I felt like everything I've done before doesn't matter now that I've finally done this.'

Bergoust was close to perfection on both his quad jumps on a snowy and windy day, while Snow, who nearly retired after failing to qualify

years ago, was nearly as good.

U.S. freestyle skiers now have three of the five American golds, with a super-G win by Picabo Street the only other individual gold for the United States. Freestyle skiing didn't become an Olympic medal sport until

"My dreams, everything I've dreamed of since I was 5 years old, I was in a gym saying, 'I'm going to

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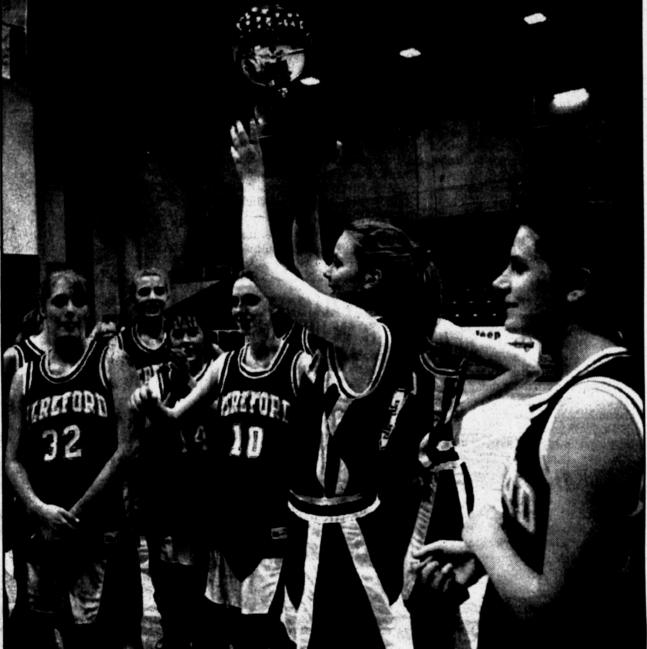


Photo by Bob Varmette

Taking another trophy

Members of the Hereford Lady Whiteface varsity basketball team accept their second post-season trophy Tuesday after they clinced a 66-45 area playoff round win over El Paso Bowie at the Odessa College Sports Center. The Lady Whitefaces will advance to play No.1-ranked Canyon in a region 1-4A quarterfinal bout Saturday, 2 p.m. at Amarillo High.

Girls declaw Bowie, 66-45

From staff reports

the El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4A area round girls basketball game in front of 50 class and a class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 4. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie Lady Bears 66-45 in a Class 6. See El Paso Bowie ODESSA -- The Hereford Lady basketball game in front of 50 fans at the Odessa College Sports Center Tuesday night.

Julie Rampley led Hereford with 18 points. Valerie Guzman added 14 and Catie Betzen had 10 for the Lady Whitefaces.

Yadhira Soriano led Bowie with

17 points. Mary Martin tallied 11 and Ana Benitez scored 10 for the Lady "If you play their pace and do the

same things they do, they can stay with you, 'Hereford head coach Eddie Fortenberry said. "We made the same mistakes, the same turnovers. Mentally, it didn't look like we were in it for awhile."

Hereford (28-4) will now face a rematch with District 1-4A rival Canyon, a winner over Andrews Tuesday night. The time and site of the game have yet to be determined. Bowie finishes its season at 23-5.

"For an El Paso-area school, they are good," Fortenberry said.
"They're the best one I've seen come out of there in awhile, in 4A." The Lady Whitefaces struggled

with turnovers throughout the game, but it was evident early the Lady Bears would not be hibernating.

Hereford managed to hold only 14-9 lead after the first quarter.

"We didn't expect them to (press)," Fortenberry said. thought they would get back in their zone and try and keep the game close because they had to be thinking, 'This could get out of hand if we don't play

well."
The Lady Whitefaces got some breathing room in the second quarter, quarter.'

HEREFORD (28-4): Baker 1 0-0 2, Perrin 0 0-0 0, Guzman 7 0-0 14, Eicke 0 0-0 0, Betzen

5-7 66.

EL PASO BOWIE (23-5): Martin 4 2-5 11,
Diaz 0 0-1 0, Martinez 0 1-2 1, Gonzalez 0 0-0
0, Workman 1 2-2 4, Soriano 7 3-4 17, Gomez
0 0-0 0, Benitez 3 4-8 10, Castro 0 0-0 0, Andrade
0 0-0 0, Sanchez 0 0-0 0. Totals 15 12-22 45.
Halftime--Hereford 36, Bowie 19, 3-Point
goals--Hereford 3 (Davis 2, Rives), Bowie 3
(Soriano 2, Martin). Fouled out--Benitez.
Rebounds--n/a. Total fouls--Hereford 19, Bowie
13, Turnovers--n/a. A.-50 est

3. Turnovers--n/a. A--50 est.

aided by eight points from Rampley. Hereford outscored Bowie 22-10 in the second period to take a 36-19 lead at intermission.

The Lady Whitefaces extended their margin in the third quarter, scoring 18 points to the Lady Bears' 15. Betzen got three field goals and six points, and Guzman came off the bench for six points as well to pace Hereford in the quarter.

The Lady Whitefaces outscored Bowie 12-11 in the final quarter.

"We didn't play horrible," Fortenberry said. "We played good enough to win.'

Fortenberry said the Lady Whitefaces must improve to beat

"We've got to pick up to beat Canyon," he said. "They're fixing to be under a lot of pressure, so I've left them alone for awhile.'

Fortenberry said he was particularly displeased with the Lady Whitefaces' play on defense.

"I was kind of upset we kept getting beat on defense," he said. We gave up a lot of layups because we weren't moving our feet. It got better as the game moved on, but it wasn't very good in the first

Spurs win at home, edge Detroit, 95-94

Antonio Spurs, who face an uncertain future with All-Star center David Robinson out with an ailing knee, found temporary solace against the Detroit Pistons.

San Antonio was on the brink of losing three straight games at home when Reggie Geary made a key steal that led to Avery Johnson's 20-foot jumper with 4.4 seconds left, giving the Spurs a 95-94 victory Tuesday night.

It was a sweet reversal for the Spurs, who lost 106-105 to Seattle last week after having a one-point lead and the ball with 18.2 seconds left. A San Antonio turnover and Vin

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -- The San Baker's jumper with 1.9 seconds gave the Sonics the victory.

That made Johnson's winning shot that much bigger for San Antonio, which was on the verge of going winless on its three-game homestand.

"It's amazing when you win by one point the whole world shifts 360 degrees than if you lose by one," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said.

San Antonio improved its record to 35-16, a half-game back of Utah in the Midwest Division, and showed the Spurs can win even if Robinson continues to be nagged by what has been diagnosed as "jumper's knee."

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Phoenix scorches Mavericks

DALLAS (AP) -- For Jason Kidd, a visit to Reunion Arena doesn't hold the excitement it once did.

Kidd, acquired by Phoenix in a major trade in December 1996, still played with enthusiasm against his former team Tuesday night, finishing with 17 points and 14 rebounds to lead the Suns to a 95-77 victory over the Dallas Mavericks.

"The first few games back here, it was special," said Kidd, chosen by Dallas with the second overall pick of the 1994 NBA draft. "Now it's just another team on my schedule.'

The Suns won the game by outrebounding the Mavericks 67-29. Phoenix got 13 rebounds from Antonio McDyess and at least five from seven players.

"I haven't seen something like that in a long time, especially in a regulation game," Suns coach Danny Ainge said. Cliff Robinson scored 14 of his

20 points during a third-quarter surge to help the Suns win their 11th straight at Reunion Arena. "We do a good job of rebounding as a team," Robinson said

after the Suns bettered their season-high for rebounds by 11. "We took advantage of a team that has some good rebounders." McDyess added 18 points to

help the Suns to their seventh win in nine games. Phoenix had to overcome 24

turnovers to nine for Dallas.

Sloppy ballhandling by the Suns contributed to 14 steals by the Mavericks.

"That's one of the worst games we've played all season," Ainge said. "Our execution was awful and our ballhandling was horrendous. We were there physically, but we weren't there mentally.

Said Kidd: "There aren't any style points in the win-loss column. We weren't making our shots, but we didn't give up and kept crashing the boards.

The Suns might also have been looking ahead to tonight's home game against the Los Angeles Lakers, a matchup of Western Conference powers.

'The Dominator' eliminates U.S.

team, nightmare tournament.

The most talented U.S. hockey team ever assembled ended its most humiliating Olympic experience of all time, losing 4-1 Wednesday to the Czech Republic and goaltending genius Dominik Hasek.

Six 50-goal scorers and 17 other NHL stars weren't enough to keep the United States from getting eliminated in the quarterfinals, extending America's record medal-less run to five Olympics. The U.S. team hasn't won so much as a bronze since the 1980 Miracle on Ice gang captured

The Olympics' first "dream tournament, featuring six nations stocked with NHL talent, will be forever remembered as the United States' ultimate hockey failure. The

NAGANO, Japan (AP) -- Dream Americans finished 1-3 and were outscored 12-4 by the only three good teams they faced.

As the buzzer sounded, Tony Amonte broke his stick over the boards and flipped it onto the ice. Heads bowed, the Americans shook their conquerors hands and dejectedly left the ice.

"This was the biggest waste of time ever," said U.S. assistant captain Keith Tkachuk. "I hate to be negative, but this is disgusting."

While almost everyone considered the U.S. team a lock for at least a silver medal based upon its incredible talent and thrilling World Cup victory over Canada in 1996, few picked the Czech Republic as a serious gold medal contender.

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Photo by Julius Bodner

Looking inside

Hereford's Matt Cosby looks inside for a teammate to pass to during a recent game at Whiteface Gymnasium. Hereford (15-13) will meet Snyder (17-14) in a Class 4A boys bi-district game 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Wolfforth Frenship.

Cowboys move camp to Wichita Falls

WICHITA FALLS (AP) -- The Dallas Cowboys will open their 28th summer training camp at Midwestern State University in mid-July and owner Jerry Jones said Tuesday he hopes it will be more than just a one-time thing.

Jones said the possibility of

extending the contract "will give us all the incentive to be careful with our relationship and to really make this work."

The Cowboys trained at St. Edward's University in Austin for seven years before leaving somewhat under a cloud. Players trashed the dorms on the final night of training camp last year and the Cowboys had to pay for damages, including broken survelliance cameras.

Some 500 people gave Jones a

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CBS shows hockey without network fluff

No tear-jerking features, fluff terviews or stale coverage. Olympic hockey on CBS has been presented as something rare: a true sports event. The network has blessedly avoided the pre-packaged, tape-delayed entertainment pieces that have become an Olympic staple on American television.

And the live -- or slightly delayed -- coverage has been complemented by sharp analysis, telling the story of what happens on the ice instead of off it.

One example came Tuesday morning at the dramatic women's gold-medal game in which the United States beat Canada 3-1.

That the game was even televised is a credit to CBS. In Atlanta, NBC all but ignored the U.S. gold-medal winning softball and women's soccer teams, even showing a gymnastics exhibition instead of the softball game.

But with the United States a medal favorite, CBS decided a few months before the Olympics to show the championship game on a slight delay during its morning program.

Despite having to compress the game into a two-hour program, which was interrupted by traffic, news and weather reports, CBS delivered one of its best telecasts

The credit goes to the two teams, which played a hard-fought, emotional game, and announcers John Davidson and Sean McDonough, who have meshed well in Nagano to become CBS' top announcing team.

Davidson, who broadcasts NHL games for Fox and Madison Square Garden Network, is the best analyst in any sport. He can communicate his knowledge effectively without hitting viewers over the head.

He also does two things most analysts don't -- admit mistakes and scout referees.

Davidson even provided insight in the less familiar women's game, noting how the high boards make it difficult for line changes, describing Canadian goalie Manon Rheau-

straight on a road trip that will end

but was scoreless in the fourth

Spurs. Monty Williams, who had

been playing sparingly, scored 16. When you lose your best scorer

and defender, it hurts,' Popovich said.

"We had a different rotation on the

floor that hadn't played together. I'm

glad they stepped it up. It came at a

Grant Hill, whose last-second shot missed for Detroit, scored 20 points.

Tim Duncan's 28 points led the

with stops in Houston and Dallas.

Commentary Josh Dubow AP Sports Writer

me's technique on stopping Cammi Granato's tip-in attempt and reporting that U.S. coach Ben Smith told his players to shoot high about one minute before the first goal.

That last tidbit was gathered by sideline reporter Darren Pang and relayed to Davidson. That's a much more effective use of the reporter than the gushing interviews with parents and self-serving comments by coaches and athletes.

While Davidson has been the star of CBS' hockey coverage, McDonough has done a more than capable job replacing Mike Emrick, CBS' play-by-play man in Lillehammer and Albertville and Davidson's partner at Fox.

McDonough made up for CBS' mistake from Saturday's Canada-U.S. women's game, when it failed to show postgame reaction. There was an argument between the teams, and Canada coach Shannon Miller said a U.S. player made a snide remark about a Canadian's recently deceased father.

CBS also ignored the controversy the next day when Bill Macatee interviewed three of the American players. But McDonough brought it up quickly in the telecast and even speculated it could have been a motivational ploy by Miller.

CBS smartly did not cut away from the postgame celebration by the U.S. team and the medal ceremony Tuesday, when it showed Granato in tears and the entire team.singing the national anthem.

Luckily, fans have more hockey. to look forward to this week, with the medal round of the men's tournament. But they will have to stock up on caffeine or videotapes because the games will be shown live during late-night coverage.

his right knee that forced him to sit out the second half of last Saturday's

94-81 loss to Phoenix. He will miss

Thursday night's game at Dallas and be re-evaluated again Friday.

has pain Friday, he wants to take a

bone scan to look at the bone and

to be concerned about," Dr. Schmidt

said. "The MRI showed no problems

other than the wear and tear on a knee

for a player who has been in the

league as long as David has (ninth

Dr. Schmidt said if Robinson still

"Joe Fan doesn't have anything

The Pistons (23-28) suffered their team physician Dr. David Schmidt sixth straight road loss and third prescribed rest for inflammation of

Dominator

But the Czechs are 3-1, their lone loss coming 2-1 to Russia in round-robin play. And with "The Dominator" in goal, they will be in

Hasek, MVP in the NHL last season, has won three Vezina trophies as the league's top goalie. Using his unique, scrambling style, he has allowed only five goals in the howed us. Olympics. He had 38 saves Wednes-

Seeking its first medal since the split of Czechoslovakia after the 1992 Olympics, the Czech Republic will meet either Canada or Kazakstan in Friday's semifinals. Czechoslovakia won three silvers and three bronzes

but never a gold.

Jaromir Jagr, the Czech Republic's only superstar-caliber offensive player, had a goal and an assist, Vladimir Ruzicka added a goal and Martin Rucinsky broke the Americans' will with a late second-period goal that Mike Richter should have stopped, Jiri Dopita scored with 39

seconds to play.

After Rucinsky scored on his innocent-looking wrist shot from 40 feet, giving Hasek an insurmountable two-goal lead, Richter kicked the ice with his right skate and slammed his stick in disgust.

U.S. coach Ron Wilson, loyal to Richter because of the goalie's incredible World Cup performance, stayed with the New York Rangers' star all tournament even though he wasn't at his best.

After Hasek kept the game scoreless with three outstanding saves including an arm stop on a 10-footer by wide-open Brett Hull -the Americans broke through at 16:12 when Mike Modano chipped Amonte's pass over Hasek.

The Czechs responded by scoring three times in the second period, giving Hasek more than enough

At 8:21, Jagr's shot went wide but Ruzicka hacked the rebound past Richter, who bobbled the puck into the net.

Just 58 seconds later, Jagr displayed the brilliant individual skill that has made him the NHL's highest-paid player. The Pittsburgh Penguins marvel stole the puck from Gary Suter on the right boards, stickhandled between two U.S. players into the slot and wristed a shot past Richter's stick side.

Hasek made 15 more stops in the third period.

Cowboys

anding ovation when he was troduced by Dr. Louis J. Rodriguez, MSU pres

"Your facilities here are outstandg," Jones said of the university with an enrollment of close to 6,000 students. "The No. 1 reason we chose Wichita Falls was the -- enthusiasm, desire and interest the people here

Second, he said was the "promcity to our core base.

Wichita Falls, a city of 103,200, is located just about halfway between Dallas and Oklahoma City, approximately 125 miles from each city.

"Going to Wichita Falls will give us a fresh start under a new coach, said quarterback Troy Aikman. "We will be able to concentrate on football and that's good. That's what we

The Cowboys dropped to 6-10 last ear and coach Barry Switzer was forced to retire.

The new coach, Chan Gailey, was in Wichita Falls Tuesday with Jones as they toured the facilities which included four grass practice fields. Training camp is scheduled to end

on Aug. 14. Dallas trained for 27 years at Thousand Oaks, Calif., before moving to St. Edward's in 1990.

Previous training camps were at Pacific University in Forest Grove, Ore., St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn., and Northern Michigan

College, Marquette, Mich. Since Dallas moved its training camps to Texas, the team has won three Super Bowls.

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win a gold medal someday," Stone

said. "I can't believe it." With four days of medals still to be won, the United States was nearing its best showing ever of 13 medals in Lillehammer. Germany, with 22 total medals, topped the medal list, followed by Norway (19), Russia (13), and Canada and Austria (12). The United States was tied for sixth

with the Netherlands and Finland. CROSS COUNTRY: Last week, Thomas Alsgaard cost Dahlie his chance at a seventh gold by surging past him in a race. Today, he made up for it by sticking his right ski across the finish line just ahead of Italy's Silvio Fauner to give Norway the gold in the 40-kilometer cross-country relay.

Alsgaard's late charge ended in victory when he got his right ski across the line two-tenths of a second ahead of Fauner. Italy took the silver and Finland the bronze.

"I was not thinking about it so much, but it means something to me," Dahlie said of the record. "I will

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back on a fantastic career. But I was

not concentrating on it here." Dahlie has seven gold medals and 11 overall in three Olympics. He's won three in Nagano, including two golds.

SKIING: Another day, another postponed ski race. Even moving to a different mountain didn't help Alpine skiers, who seem to bring bad weather with them at these games.

An overnight blizzard that dumped more than 3 feet of snow on Mount Higashidate forced postponement of the men's giant slalom. That meant Italy's Alberto Tomba would have to wait another day to try to win a medal

for an unprecedented fourth Olympics. BIATHLON: Ole Einar Bjorndalen could have had reason to complain when they stopped a biathlon he was leading Tuesday because of heavy snow and fog. Instead, he simply came back to win the restarted 10-kilometer race. The Norwegian star used flawless shooting and steady skiing to top teammate. Frode Andresen, who took second. The bronze went to Finland's Ville Raikkonen.

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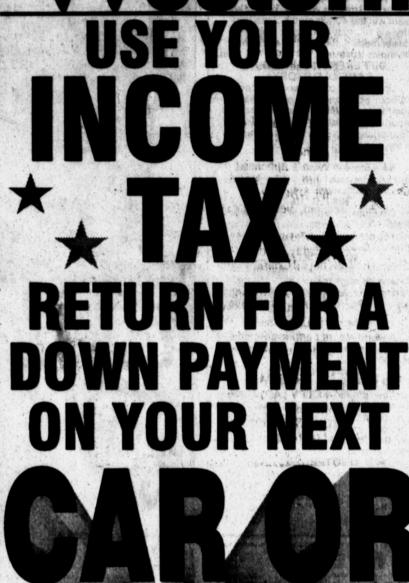


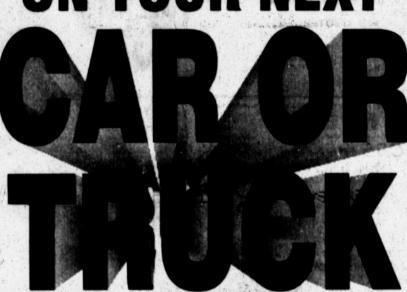
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First, members of the undergraduate drama club rolled out a fish tank. ate drama club rolled out a fish tank. Then they tried to get Kline, who was wearing a curly red wig and a bra resembling a fish, to swallow one of the scaly creatures, a feat he performed in the movie "A Fish Called Wanda."

In the end, Kline only fed it.

"This fish looks diseased," Kline joked Tuesday evening before accepting the award, a shiny pudding pot. "I'm truly honored and touched in ways too indescribable to tell you."

Kline won an Academy Award as best supporting actor in "A Fish Called Wanda." His other movies include "Sophie's Choice," "The Big Chill" and "The Ice Storm," in which he co-starred with Sigourney Weaver, who received the Hasty Pudding Woman of the Year award last week.

Kline also won Tony Awards for his stage work in "On the Twentieth Century" and "The Pirates of Penzance."

KATIE COURIC

NEW YORK (AP) - Katie Couric is expected back at work at NBC's DAN RATHER

"Today" show Monday.

The co-host hasn't appeared on "Today" since Jan. 23, the day before her husband, NBC News legal analyst Jay Monahan, died of cancer. He was 42.

Jodi Applegate, who was filling in for Couric on Tuesday, said during the show that she hoped Couric would be back next week.

Katie is doing well and spending time with her family," NBC spokeswoman Erica Proto said. "We at 'Today' miss her and look forward to her return, hopefully on Monday."

SISTER HELEN PREJEAN

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - Sister Helen Prejean took a message of love to survivors of the Oklahoma City federal building bombing.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Names in the News

Prejean, the Louisiana nun whose anti-death penalty crusading earned her a nomination for this year's Nobels Peace prize, told survivors Monday that the planned execution of convicted bomber Timothy Mc Veigh won't bring them peace - only love

can do that.

"Hate is replaced only by love and by community, not by people trying to convince you with arguments, especially someone who hasn't even lost a family member," said Prejean, the author of "Dead Man Walking."

Prejean visited the state at the invitation of the Catholic Archdiocese and the state Coalition to Abolish the

Death Penalty.

Bud Welch, whose daughter, Julie, died in the bombing, affirmed Prejean's views.

We're led to believe that by executing someone, that's going to somehow bring some peace back,"
Welch said. "And it's just the
opposite. There's no peace that can come from another death."

NEW YORK (AP) - Dan Rather was back on CNN's "Larry King Live" - as the host.

The CBS News anchor filled in for the vacationing King on Monday, questioning guests about the weapons-inspection showdown in Iraq. At the time, CBS was airing Olympics coverage.

Rather's bosses at CBS said it's good publicity for the evening news anchorman to appear on a competing

network's program. During the hourlong show, Rather interviewed Defense Secretary William Cohen, Iraqi United Nations Ambassador Nizar Hamdoon and Sens. John Warner, R-Va., and Carl Levin, D-Mich., about the confrontation between the United States and

It wasn't the first time Rather has filled in as a "Larry King Live" co-host, but this was his first time doing it solo, CNN spokeswoman Caroline Teasdale said.

Rather, who is friendly with King, turned down an offer to join CNN last year, instead signing a lucrative contract extension with CBS.

JOHN GOODMAN

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Life after "Roseanne" doesn't mean John Goodman's hard to find.

The big guy is all over the big screen with "Fallen," "Blues Brothers 2000" and "The Borrowers." A fourth movie featuring Goodman, "The Big Lebowski," will be released March 6.

Goodman plays Walter Sobchak, an argumentative Vietnam veteran who is a friend and bowling teammate of Jeff Lebowski, portrayed by Jeff

"It's weird the way it turned out. Four things coming out at once," Goodman said in Tuesday's Daily News of Los Angeles. "I don't know if it's going to be good or bad, but they're all pretty different. Since "The Big Lebowski"

wrapped up production last fall, the 45-year-old Goodman has been taking

"I've found out how lazy I can get," he said.

COURTNEY LOVE

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - Courtney Love says she's \$27,543 in the hole after winning a case in which she was charged with slugging two fans during a 1995 concert.

Love wants Orange County to reimburse her that amount for legal fees, but the county is offering only

"We're trying to be nice," prosecutor George Dorsett said in

Tuesday's Orlando Sentinel. "I have little chat more than a signature," she in January 1996, with the goal of releasing the whale to the wild.

Two counts of battery were thrown out after a judge ruled that two teens allegedly struck by the singer at a Hole show were not exposed to any more violence than could have been expected at a rock concert.

VANESSA REDGRAVE

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Don't think you can get away with just asking Vanessa Redgrave for an

autograph.
"I like to talk to them," she said of fans who stopped by St. James's Park in London while she was filming "Mrs. Dalloway" last summer.

"I like to ask them what they're doing, sign autographs if that's what they want. Hopefully, they'd like a The Hereford Brand, Wednesday, February 18, 1998--Page 7

Ms. Redgrave, stars as Clarissa Dalloway in the movie adaptation of Virginia Woolf's "Mrs. Dalloway," about a woman contemplating whether she should have married a

politician. The movie opens Friday

in limited release. CRAIG McCAW

KIRKLAND, Wash. (AP) -Cell-phone billionaire Craig McCaw considers his watery encounter with Keiko the killer whale "the high point of my entire life spiritually."

McCaw was struck by the plight of an ailing Keiko trapped in a Mexico City theme park as the orca's movie, "Free Willy," became a hit. So McCaw helped get Keiko moved to an aquarium on the Oregon Coast Awards.

releasing the whale to the wild.
A wetsuit-clad McCaw met Keiko face to face last summer in its Oregon

"The high point of my entire life spiritually is spending time with Keiko in the pool," he told The Oregonian last week from his office in this Scattle suburb.

"It's almost like dealing with an extraterrestrial, having a relationship with an intelligent being on a very personal level.

STEVEN CURTIS CHAPMAN

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - Steven Curtis Chapman was nominated Tuesday for the Gospel Music Association's best artist, male vocalist and songwriter Dove

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Classifieds to prove case; trial going on Judge rules cattlemen failed

AMARILLO (AP) - The first test of the nation's 13 "veggie libel" laws has come back with an incomplete grade.

The federal judge in Oprah Winfrey's beef defamation trial on Tuesday tossed out part of the case filed under Texas' food defamation law, but allowed cattlemen to continue the trial as a simple disparagement suit. disparagement suit.

U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson, without explanation, rejected a defense request to throw the case out entirely. Jurors were to return today to hear the lawsuit as a common-law business disparagement

Cattlemen blame Ms. Winfrey's April 16, 1996, talk show about mad cow disease for causing cattle prices to plummet. They say the program cost them \$12 million.

It was the first time a lawsuit had tested the "veggie libel" law passed in 1995. Judge Robinson did not declare the Texas law unconstitutional; she merely ruled the cattlemen failed to make a case under it.

"Under the plaintiffs' theory, any person in the United States who owned a cow has a cause of action,' defense attorney Charles Babcock said during a hearing Tuesday. "It creates too much danger, too much risk to people speaking about generic topics.

Attorneys were unable to discuss the ruling with reporters because of a gag order. Others closely watching the case were surprised by the ruling.
"When I got the law drafted in

1995, I never dreamed that there would be someone with enough money to hire the best legal defense in the world," said state Rep. Bob Turner, D-Voss.

Now that their case has been reduced to ordinary business albusiness disparagement laws. The disparagement, cattlemen have a much heavier burden of proof.

They must show Ms. Winfrey, her production company and a vegetarian activist guest meant to damage the beef industry. Under the "veggie libel" law, they only had to prove knowingly false statements were

Judge Robinson issued the ruling after a day of arguments outside the jurors' presence. Her decision was terse and was not accompanied by a written order.



States passed "veggic libel" laws after Washington state apple growers unsuccessfully sued CBS over a 1989 '60 Minutes" segment about the potential dangers of a fruit coating called Alar.

Without a specific food disparagement law on the books at the time, apple producers sued under traditioncattlemen find themselves in the same situation after Judge Robinson's

"It appeared to me (cattlemen) were stressing the 'veggie libel' claims," said Bruce Johnson, the attorney who successfully defended CBS. "They were putting all their eggs in the 'veggie libel' basket, and the judge's decision apparently cuts the heart out of their case."

Johnson and other experts had predicted this case could become the Supreme Court test for "veggie

eliminated that possibility.

In a motion filed Tuesday

morning, cattlemen said they believe there's been enough evidence presented in the four-week trial to support the more difficult disparagement case.

Plaintiffs rested their case last Friday. The defense was to begin calling witnesses this morning when jurors return from a long weekend.

and activist Howard Lyman gave the impression on her show that U.S. cattle were at risk for mad cow disease, an English epidemic suspected of causing 23 Brits to die.

counterpart never have been detected in the United States.

Plaintiffs attorney Joe Coyne said his side has proven the falsity and malicious intent of statements.

libel" laws. Judge Robinson's ruling

The cattlemen say Ms. Winfrey

Mad cow disease and its human

ry conditions mean poor grazing despite mild weather

Despite spring-like weather, continues around the state, reports the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dr. Bruce Carpenter, an Extension livestock specialist in Fort Stockton. said West Texas producers are still feeding livestock because of the area's dry winter.

"We have very dry conditions and poor forage quality," he said. "Even though we've had warm days, the cool nights keep forage low.

Carpenter said the grass quality has not been adequate enough to meet the protein requirements dry cows need and lactating cows require even

He said ranchers who properly stocked forage and hay this winter have had adequate quantities but low quality for their cattle.

Dr. Joe Paschal, Extension livestock specialist in Corpus Christi, said the Coastal Bend has had some rain, but the grass is not really growing.

"We've seen dry standing forage, but the feed quality is just a little bit better than cardboard," he said.

Paschal said buffelgrass is growing south of Corpus Christi but not much greening has occurred. He said even if the grass is two to three inches tall, it contains mostly water and has little

Texas is in full swing and most poor to fair condition. supplemental feeding of cattle livestock have very poor grazing conditions.

> He said no winter forage has grown duc to dry conditions, and wheat pastures also are late in growing because of the lack of moisture.

> "We've had warm temperatures and sunshine, but we haven't had moisture." Carpenter said.

counties are way behind in rainfall. directors: Most counties in Texas report mild

weather conditions. of Uvalde said the recent moisture Wheat is rated fair to good; mild

"South Central Texas is now part of the week. ahead of the long term year-to-date

starting to flower," he said. growing conditions.

Watermelon planting is under two-week period."

COLLEGE STATION (AP) - supplemental feeding in West Central temperatures have left pastures in

"Excessive soil moisture is slowing garden preparations and the mild weather has caused an early bloom of the peach trees," he said.

Extension director Jett Major of Lubbock said recent moisture has brought recent wheat and pasture improvement, though supplemental feeding is still necessary.

The following specific livestock, He said some counties have crop and weather conditions were received rain; however, some reported by area district Extension

PANHANDLE: soil moisture short to surplus. Ranges, pastures fair In the southwest region of the in condition. Cattle in good condition: state, Extension economist Jose Pena supplemental feeding continues. and mild winter is triggering an early weather allowed excellent growth. Some rain and snow fell in the latter

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture rainfall. Some Texas bluebonnets are adequate. Pastures, ranges fair to good, improved by rain. Livestock in good Extension horticulturist Dr. Julian condition; supplemental feeding Sauls of Weslaco said mild days and required. Land preparation, herbicide cool nights are helping to create good and fertilizer application continued as weather allowed.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture way and a small amount of sorghum adequate to surplus. Ranges, pastures was planted," he said. "Planting will in poor to fair condition; muddy field begin to increase over the next conditions. Cattle in good condition; some calf bloat problems. Wheat could Tony Douglas, Extension director use clear, sunny days. Insect and weed of Overton, said heavy rains and mild problems reported in some fields.

Titanic' sailing past competition

LOS ANGELES (AP) - "Titanic" remained the nation's No. 1 movie over the three-day holiday weekend despite meeting its strongest opposition yet in Adam Sandler's comedy "The Wedding Singer."

"Titanic" was the top film in North America for the ninth straight weekend with a gross of \$32.9 million, and analysts predict the movie is headed to a record-breaking domestic gross of close to \$500

"Titanic" also is a huge hit erseas, where it has sold more than \$400 million in tickets.

The ocean liner blockbuster's toughest competition yet came from "The Wedding Singer," which grossed \$21.9 million over the weekend - the best opening yet for a

film making its debut against per location, total gross and number "Titanic."

"The Borrowers" premiered in sixth Inc. and Entertainment Data:

wider re-release after last week's best picture Academy Award nomination, finished at No. 10 with a healthy per-screen average. "Good Will Hunting" and "As

Good as it Gets," two other best picture nominees, improved from a weekend ago. "The Replacement Killers" and "Blues Brothers 2000" both collapsed in their second weekends.

The top movies at North American theaters Friday through Monday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts

of weeks in release, as compiled "Sphere" opened in third and Tuesday by Exhibitor Relations Co.

"L.A. Confidential," given a million, 3,002 locations, \$10,952 average, \$376.3 million, nine weeks.

2. "The Wedding Singer," New Line, \$21.9 million, 2,821 locations, \$7,769 average, \$21,9 million, one week.

3. "Sphere," Warner Bros., \$16.6 million, 2,814 locations, \$5,894 average, \$16.6 million, one week.

4. "Good Will Hunting," Miramax, \$9.3 million, 2,172 locations, \$4,261 average, \$79.7 million, 11 weeks.

5. "As Good As It Gets," Sony, \$7.4 million, 1,801 locations, \$4,125 average, \$101.6 million, eight weeks.

in brief

Voyager is most distant man-made object in universe

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) Hurtling through space and more than 6.5 billion miles from Earth, a spacecraft bearing the sound of a mother's kiss and greetings in 55 languages became the most distant man-made object in the universe.

The Voyager 1 spacecraft won the distinction Tuesday, surpassing the distance of the older Pioneer 10 spacecraft - the 6.5 billion-mile mark - around midday

After 20 years in space, Voyager 1 is on the edge of the solar system so far away that its signals take more than 9 1/2 hours to reach Earth.

Voyager 1 still returns data, although the power of the signal reaching NASA antennas is 20 billion times weaker than the power of a digital watch battery.

Anti-abortion leader convicted in protest

LYNCHBURG, Va. (AP) Moments after he was convicted of trespassing and sentenced to six months in jail, the director of a national anti-abortion group promised to organize even more demonstra-

"Evidently it's become an outrageous crime to lift up this gospel to kids," said the Rev. Flip Benham, director of Operation Rescue National.

'We're not going to let this stop us," he said Tuesday, Bible in hand. "It's just that the cost has gone up."

More than 150 Liberty University students demonstrated Nov. 10 at E.C. Glass High School. One group stood outside the public school and held anti-abortion placards while others greeted arriving students with religious and anti-abortion literature.

Titanic memorabilia goes on Christie's auction block

NEW YORK (AP) - While audiences have crowded into movie houses and a Broadway theater to see shows inspired by the Titanic, documents from the actual disaster brought big bucks at auction.

Collectors paid \$180,310 on Tuesday for wireless messages and other documents from the doomed luxury liner. Driven by the popularity of the "Titanic" movie and a Broadway ausical about the ship, the total was 17 times the top presale estimate set by Christie's auction

The centerpiece, bought for \$123,500 by an anonymous telephone a volume contair signals from or about the Titanic from the radio-room logs of the liners Olympic and Carpathia and other vessels.

Christie's specialist James Zemaitis, who relayed the winning telephone bid, said the price was spurred by renewed interest in the vessel's history.

FDA gives bran cereal with psyllium the OK

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Food and Drug Administration says All Bran Bran Buds cereal sold by Kellogg Co. contains enough psyllium to reduce the risk of heart

The FDA's decision Tuesday also allows dietary supplements containing this type of soluble fiber to advertise its heart benefit - and FDA officials expect more psyllium-containing foods, from waffles to biscuit, to hit the market

The FDA already had ruled that another fiber, from oats, reduced heart disease risks, a decision that prompted new advertising from dozens of cereals.

Tuesday, the FDA backed fiber from psyllium, ruling that foods containing 2.6 grams per serving of psyllium could be labeled heart-healthy when consumed as part of a low-fat diet.

New strategy: Hang up on telemarketers

WASHINGTON (AP) - Older Americans who fall victim to telemarketing fraud aren't stupid. They're just too polite.

That's the reasoning of the American Association of Retired Persons, which was launching a new phase of its fraud fighting campaign today.

AARP plans to train people how to hang up on telemarketers making suspicious offers and has a new set of public service announcements ready to run nationwide.

The group, which advocates on behalf of senior citizens, urges people to get off the phone quickly. Research indicates that many older Americans are uncomfortable hanging up on someone, so the campaign will urge people to devise an exit line in advance.

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in brief

Clinton's lawyers request dismissal of Jones' suit

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) President Clinton's lawyers have asked a federal judge to dismiss Paula Jones' sexual harassment lawsuit, accusing her of trying to "humiliate and damage the president."

In their filing Tuesday, the lawyers also said a dismissal would protect future presidents from frivolous litigation.

Mrs. Jones, a former Arkansas state employee, claims in part that when Clinton was Arkansas governor he asked for sex then retaliated when she rejected his advances. But in excerpts of her sworn deposition, released Tuesday by Clinton's lawyers to support their request, she said Clinton never threatened her or her job.

She gives as an example of harassment an incident in which she didn't receive flowers on "secretary's day." And she acknowledged that she never examined her employment records before filing the lawsuit in 1994.

Clinton's lawyer, Robert Bennett, said that despite months of gathering evidence, Mrs. Jones has failed to establish her case. He accused her of "using the compulsory processes of the court in an attempt to humiliate and damage the president."

There's no need even for a trial," he wrote. The trial is scheduled for May 27.

Tripp's agent says concern

about tapes prompted action WASHINGTON (AP) - While President Clinton's lawyers sought to dismiss Paula Jones lawsuit and divulge some of her testimony, new information surfaced about what may Lewinsky to turn over to prosecutors should face charges.

secret tapes suggesting a presidential affair and cover-up.

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Goldberg said that a month before Linda Tripp provided her secret recording of conversations with Ms. Lewinsky to prosecutors, Tripp became concerned her tapes might be illegal and began looking for a new lawyer to seek immunity from prosecution.

Goldberg, who was advising Tripp last year, said in an interview Tresday that it was that concern that eventually led Tripp to an attorney, and eventually, Whitewater Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr.

Report: U.S. jet didn't have

map showing ski lift NEW YORK (AP) - The crew of a Marine Corps jet that killed 20 people after hitting a ski lift in Italy did not have a map that showed the ski lift cable, the crew's Italian lawyers say.

Today, The New York Times reported why - because the Pentagon has a policy against using maps made by foreign nations.

The Times also reported the pilot had flown into an area the Italian government said was off-course and that his EA-6B Prowler was violating Pentagon rules by failing to fly 1,000 feet above the ground when the accident occurred.

The paper said the information was based on interviews with Italian and American military and law enforcement officials, the ski lift operator and others.

The accident has strained relations between the two nations and the Italian and American militaries are conducting a joint investigation to determine whether any of the jet's have led a colleague of Monica crew or its commanding officers

Tobacco industry flexible on lawsuits

says it is willing to consider to hook children on tobacco. alternatives but has heard nothing acceptable from the other side.

"We are not wedded to a particular method to deal with this problem," industry lawyers Meyer Koplow told reporters Tuesday. "If there are other suggestions that work as well for the industry but cause other people less difficulty, we certainly are prepared to talk to people about them.

'We just haven't heard anything that would fit that description raised so far."

included in a landmark settlement reached in June between cigarette-makers and the attorneys general of 40 states. In exchange, the industry would pay \$368 billion over 25 years and change some of its marketing practices.

Immunity from lawsuits has become the central issue as Congress debates whether to approve or rewrite the settlement. The Clinton adminis- end of the compromise, the whole tration has said it prefers a settlement thing starts to fray," Steven without immunity but is willing to Goldstone, chief of RJR Nabisco, told consider immunity if necessary to push the plan through Congress.

WASHINGTON (AP) - The little inclination to grant election-year tobacco industry, whose demands for favors to an industry that, according a shield against future lawsuits have to papers recently released by met a cold reception in Congress, cigarette makers, has looked for ways

In an interview later Tuesday, Koplow said his comments did not reflect a shift in the industry's strategy. In fact, he said, his statement match the testimony he gave to Congress last year.

The industry's goals remain the same, Koplow said. They include giving tobacco companies "absolutely certain amount of annual liability' without having to pay additional punitive damage payments and the legal ability to hold adult plaintiffs responsible for choosing to smoke.

'If there's a different way to get Protections against lawsuits were there than the June settlement, we will look at it," Koplow said. "But so far, in all of the months of negotiations, we haven't heard anything suggested other than what's in there that other people are prepared to agree to.'

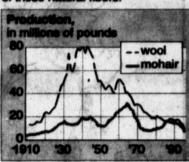
In the past, the industry has demanded that the settlement be approved as a package.

When you start tearing down one Wall Street analysts in October during a speech about whether to Congressional leaders have shown raise the price of cigarettes.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Wool and mohair a Texas tradition

exas farmers and ranchers have been raising sheep for wool and Angora goats for mohair since the early 1900s. Although the federal government phased out subsidies to growers in 1995, Texas still leads in the U.S. in production of these natural fibers.





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Echándole el ojo a Texas

Dos tesoros Tejanos: el mohair y la lana

D esde los principios del siglo, agricultores y ganaderos Tejanos han criado cabras para cultivar la lana y el mohair. El estado de Tejas es el líder nacional en la producción de estos materiales naturales, aunque en 1995 el gobierno federal dejó de pagar subsidios por lo cual.



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Affirmative action's highway roadblock

WASHINGTON (AP) - States are counting on billions in federal funds to pay for highway and mass transit projects - the "pork" that congress-men like to lavish on their districts. But the seemingly unrelated issue of affirmative action could put up a

Some Republicans want to kill a program that steers at least 10 percent of the transportation funds to minority- and female-owned businesses. But they face a fight from Democrats.

Republicans are by no means united on the issue, but the 1996 GOP platform put the party on record against affirmative action. Adding strength to the move was California's 1996 vote to ban consideration of race or gender in state hiring, public contracting and college admissions.

The merits of affirmative action are likely to be debated more than once in this election-year session of

Rep. Charles Canady, R-Fla., plans to reintroduce a bill to eliminate scores of federal programs that give advantages to women and minorities.

Other civil rights issues on the congressional table include President Clinton's call for an \$86 million spending increase for civil rights enforcement and his naming of Los

Angeles attorney Bill Lann Lee to the Justice Department's top civil rights post. Legislation to outlaw job iscrimination against gays is also

Canady and other conservatives, citing more than a dozen state proposals to end affirmative action programs, say the public is turning against "a system that reinforces prejudice and discrimination in our

"The politicians in Washington still have not gotten the message from the American people that it's time for us to put an end to the divisive policy

of preferences," Canady said.

Rep. Maxine Waters, the
Congressional Black Caucus chairwoman, said the failure on two previous occasions of Canady's bill shows Republicans are struggling with the issue.

'I would not like to have to fight them but should they continue, I think we are going to win," Waters. D-Calif., said in an interview.

The first vote on affirmative action is expected in March or April on a proposal by Sen. Mitch McConnell. R-Ky., to kill the highway program's set-aside provision.

Last year, lawmakers extended the previous highway and mass transit funding bill until May 1.

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22 nations begin effort to revise global finances WASHINGTON (AP) - An effort

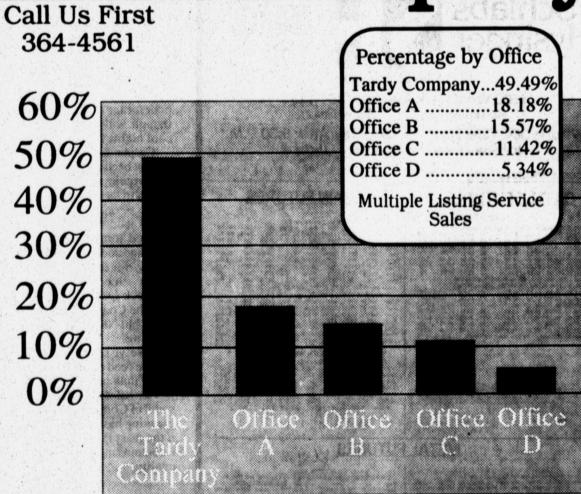
to revamp the global financial system to better handle future financial crises is off to a good start with general agreement among officials of 22 nations on several key points, participants say.

Deputy T. isury Secretary Lawrence Surmers, who led the daylong discussions Tuesday, told reporters late in the day that the officials, representing finance ministries and central banks, had "laid some important groundwork for what will be an international effort going forward.'

The preparatory talks among lower-level aides were designed to set the agenda for a conference of the same countries called by President Clinton for later this year, probably in April.

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