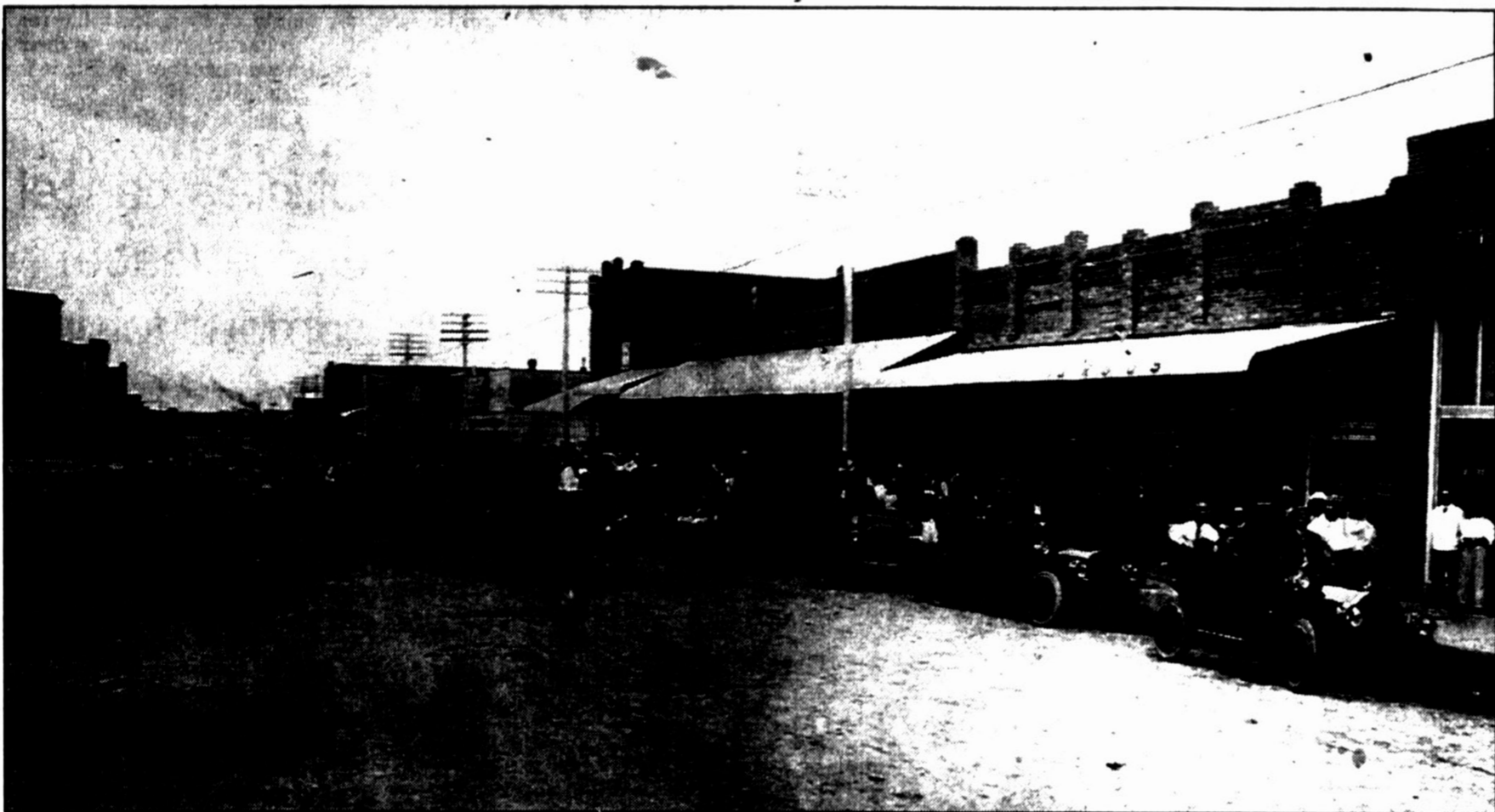


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File Photo

Hereford in the early days

Hereford was a vibrant, young city on the high plains of the Texas Panhandle when this photograph was taken. Although there is no indication when this photograph was taken, it apparently was sometime in the Roaring Twenties and the event was a road race. Notice the streets still had not been paved.



CENTENNIAL
PREVIEW

CENTENNIAL QUIZ

Hereford Independent School District lists 15 men who served as superintendent. Records are incomplete as board minutes were missing from 1914 to 1919. The superintendent with the longest tenure, 15 years, served from 1923 to 1938. Who was he?

See answer, list of Superintendents, Page 9

Commissioners postpone a vote on road closure

By DONALD M. COOPER
Brand Editor

Deaf Smith County commissioners put off until next month a decision on rescinding a road closure order.

A study of the commissioners' decision in March 1997 to close a portion of Road O near the Simms community has determined the order is invalid because it violates the Texas Open Meetings Act.

However, County Attorney Jim English said the violation was an oversight, not an intentional action by the commissioners, and that the commission needs to rescind the order.

The minutes of the meeting were incomplete and indicated the commissioners closed a portion of Road M, rather than Road O.

The original petition for the road closure was submitted by Jimmy Brown, who owns property abutting the road.

Brown's attorney, Jerry Smith, said Brown has submitted a new petition seeking the closure, which will be considered Aug. 24.

In the new petition, Brown is joined by other property owners - Morris Blankenship, Joe Perrin, Jim Bob Perrin, Allen Cansler, R.L. Pinnell, Gary Fangman, Jim Charlesworth and John Broman - is seeking the closure of Road O in Precinct 4.

After some discussion, Commissioner Lupe Chavez moved the order be rescinded. However, his motion died for lack of a second, with other commissioners expressing some concern about rescinding the order less than a month before reconsidering a new petition. If the order were rescinded, Brown could be required to remove a fence, only to be allowed to re-erect the fence if the new petition is approved.

Commissioner Johnnie Latham moved the item be tabled until Aug. 24, when the commissioners would also consider the new petition. Commissioner Wayne Betzen seconded the motion, which was approved.

The commissioners also accepted the high bid for a Precinct 4 tractor from a Clovis, N.M. firm.

Ward Brothers submitted a bid of \$5,150 for the tractor. Seven other bids were received by the commission.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Approved a \$229.49 per-month rental agreement with Danka Business Systems of Amarillo for a Minolta copier in the Deaf Smith Public Library.

The copier will be compatible with the coin machine already installed in the library for patrons who use the copier.

First Printing of Hereford submitted a rental proposal of \$234 per month, but a new coin machine would have to be installed at an additional cost of \$89 per month.

- Authorized County Clerk David Ruland to advertise for bids for two used copiers. The copiers, which were on the second and fourth floors of

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DEBATE

Town hall meet focuses on Social Security

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - While participants in a town hall meeting about Social Security had differing views about whether the system should be privatized, they all had a common worry - whether the government or private firms could be trusted to invest people's retirement money in the stock market.

"I think the Wall Street brokers are going to be making the money," said one woman.

A panel of policy makers, college professors and lawmakers convened by President Clinton sparred over the costs and risks of Republican-championed proposals to divert a portion of the Social Security trust fund, which is now invested in safe but low-yielding government bonds, into potentially higher yielding private stocks.

The government could hire outside managers from Wall Street to invest the funds, do the investing itself or establish individual investment accounts so people could do their own investing.

Many were apparently squeamish about the first two options.

"I believe that the people who are advocating privatization are just like the tobacco people who are the ones that garner the big money with their programs," said one woman. The audience moderator said she was 68 years old, but did not provide her name and the woman did not identify herself.

Panel member Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., said he worried about Uncle Sam playing the stock market with Social Security money, but for a different reason. "That would be too much control of the private markets," he said.

Policy expert Robert Reischauer saw problems with the prospect of letting people decide on their own how to invest funds in individual accounts.



Confusion averted

Parents began lining up before 7 a.m. today, at the administration building to register their youngest children in classes at Hereford Independent School District. Registration for students grades 4-6 will continue tomorrow. The Health Department will be open late to facilitate students who need those all important immunizations.

House panel ponders citing Reno for contempt

WASHINGTON (AP) - A House panel is weighing whether to seek a contempt citation against Attorney General Janet Reno for defying its subpoena of two Justice memos dissenting from her handling of the campaign finance investigation.

The two memos recommend the case be turned over to an independent counsel, which Reno has declined to do.

After Reno's refusal Monday, Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., said he would discuss her decision with members of the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee today with a view to bringing a contempt citation against her for refusal to obey a congressional subpoena.

Reno and FBI Director Louis Freeh "both agree strongly that they are opposed to releasing these documents," Justice spokesman Bert Brandenburg said. "No prosecutor anywhere should have to hand out a road map to an investigation and reveal information that could tip off the guilty and smear the innocent."

Calling the committee's subpoena "unprecedented political tampering with law enforcement," Brandenburg said attorneys general under Presidents Ronald Reagan, Franklin Roosevelt and Theodore Roosevelt also had refused to give Congress documents from open criminal investigations.

But Burton, who is chairman of the

committee, said the department's explanation was insincere because his subpoena explicitly asked the department to remove any secret grand jury evidence before turning over the documents. Burton said he was seeking only the reasoning in the documents.

Brandenburg said there were other elements, like strategic plans, that the department would resist disclosing.

The documents in question are a July memo from the departing chief of the Justice campaign finance task force, Charles LaBella, and a November 1997 memo from Freeh. Both memos to Reno argued that she should seek appointment of an independent counsel to handle the

case, Justice officials have said. Reno rejected Freeh's advice last fall but has said she is still reviewing LaBella's.

The House panel has been conducting its own investigation into the activities of President Clinton, Vice President Al Gore and Democratic Party officials in raising money for Clinton's 1996 re-election campaign.

In a letter to Burton, Assistant Attorney General L. Anthony Sutin offered to meet committee staff members "at their earliest convenience to discuss ways to accommodate the committee's information needs to the fullest extent that we can, consistent with our law enforcement

responsibilities."

Brandenburg said Justice officials were willing to talk about a solution that would provide information similar to that contained in confidential briefings about Freeh's memo that were earlier given to Burton's panel and a Senate committee.

That briefing, which headed off Burton's earlier threats to subpoena the Freeh memo, reviewed Freeh's arguments for an independent counsel but left out secret grand jury evidence and other segments of the document.

Separately, the Senate and House Judiciary committees chairmen - Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, and Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill. - asked Reno last Friday for copies of the LaBella memo.

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Local roundup

Additional STEP

Hereford Police Officers will participate in an additional STEP (Selective Traffic Enforcement Program) July 31 through August 3. Officers will be checking that drivers, front seat passengers and all children under the age of four are in compliance with state seat belt and child safety seats.

During the pre-survey officers determined 81 percent of adults and 59 percent of children were in compliance.

Citations will be issued for violations at all times, but officers will be particularly watchful during the daylight hours.

Nominees sought

Nominations for "Beauty Spot of the Month" are being accepted by the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce. Please call the Chamber office at 364-3333 if you have a nomination for a residence or business. The final 1997 awards for beauty spots went to Ed Coplen for a residence and Peddler's Cove for a business.

Beautification time

Company is coming for the Centennial. This is the week to make your place shine. All the paper, metal and batteries that you clean out can be recycled Saturday from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. in St. Anthony's parking lot. The recycling day is hosted by Hereford Beautification Alliance and Community Christian School Service Club.

Partly cloudy

Tonight, partly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of thunderstorms, low in the upper 60s, south wind 10-15 mph.

Wednesday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, high in the mid-90s, southwest wind 15-20 mph with higher gusts.

Extended forecast

Wednesday night through Friday, a chance of afternoon and nighttime thunderstorms, lows 65 to 70, highs in the mid- to upper 90s.

Saturday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms, low around 70, high in the mid-90s.

Monday recap

High, 91; low, 65; no precipitation.

NEWS

in brief

Sharp, Perry talk issues at business forum

ARLINGTON (AP) - The Democratic and Republican contenders for Texas lieutenant governor agreed more than they disagreed during a forum before business leaders.

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, a Republican, and Comptroller John Sharp, a Democrat, are engaged in a close race to succeed Bob Bullock as lieutenant governor.

The pair made strikingly similar pitches for the seat during an amicable, 90-minute session with about 150 small-business leaders on Monday night.

Topics during the forum, the centerpiece of the 1998 Texas Conference on Small Business, included tort and regulatory reform, business finance, labor, health care and insurance.

Both candidates tried to appeal to the business owners by touting their own business experience.

Cab driver killed, 2 wounded in shooting after dispute

GRAPÉVINE (AP) - With hundreds of cab drivers jockeying for fares at one of the world's busiest airports, Tunde Obazee said he knew it was only a matter of time before fights would break out.

A string of almost two dozen 100-degree-plus days, law officers believe, also contributed to a cab driver's fatal shooting of a fellow cabbie and the wounding of two other drivers at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport on Monday.

"I know the frustration level. I have been there," Obazee said. "The intimidation and open harassment of drivers is rampant, along with discrimination."

Bile Abdi Farah, a 35-year-old resident alien from Somalia, surrendered to airport police under an overpass crossing the airport's main thoroughfare, airport spokesman Joe Dealey Jr. said. Farah remained in DFW Airport jail today in lieu of bonds totaling \$500,000.

Grapevine Judge David Florence arraigned Farah Monday night at DFW Airport. Florence set bond at \$200,000 on one count of murder and \$100,000 each on three counts of attempted murder.

Some of Texas' best humor has pertained to heat

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - Texans long ago discovered that since they couldn't do anything about the blistering heat, they may as well joke about it.

Temperatures in North Texas reached triple digits Monday for the 22nd consecutive day. Since June 1, the heat wave is blamed for at least 94 deaths in Texas, \$1.5 billion in agricultural damage and more than 6,765 wildfires.

Men like humorists Cactus Pryor and Boyce House, folklorist J. Frank Dobie and writers Alex Sweet, Wallace O. Chariton and others have kept alive the humor of a hot, dry, unforgiving Texas.

They have repeated hundreds of stories in their writings. No one knows any longer where most of them originated, but they live on, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram noted.

During a particularly dry spell, legend has it, a sad Texan once prayed, "I wish it would rain - not so much for me, I've seen it - but for my 7-year-old. Elsewhere:

MOTHER SENTENCED: A Brownsville woman who enlisted her elderly fortune teller to arrange the murder of her daughter's ex-sweetheart has been sentenced to life in prison. Dora Cisneros, 60, was convicted in May on charges of participating in a murder-for-hire plot. ... **GUBERNATORIAL SURVEY:** Republican Gov. George W. Bush and Democratic challenger Garry Mauro were in the minority just by answering a survey on issues ranging from abortion to guns to taxes. Nearly two-thirds of the 301 Texas candidates for Congress, the Legislature and governor didn't respond to the survey of Project Vote Smart. ... **RAILROAD SETTLEMENT:** Union Pacific Corp. has settled a lawsuit filed by Dow Chemical Co. It's the second agreement the nation's largest railroad has reached with a major customer disgruntled over poor service. ... **METEORITE SOLD:** A Big Spring man has paid \$23,000 for a meteorite that fell to earth earlier this year near where seven boys were playing basketball. The boys get about three thousand dollars apiece out of it.

Current heat wave could become No. 1

HOUSTON (AP) - Forecasters have been saying this is the hottest summer since 1980. They might soon be calling this the most sizzling summer ever.

"This heat wave still ranks second to 1980 but that doesn't mean it doesn't have the legs to become No. 1," said Bob Livezey, a senior research meteorologist at the National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center.

"Texas has had extraordinarily bad luck in this situation. In terms of an early summer, mid-summer drought, this is more serious than 1980."

Livezey accompanied Federal Emergency Management Agency Director James Lee Witt to Houston to huddle with state and local officials

disease, according to the Dallas County medical examiner's office. The heat was partially blamed for a grass fire in Hunt County that forced the closure of Interstate 30 for about two hours.

The blaze, 10 miles from the city of Greenville, consumed hundreds of acres of rangeland and at least one home.

Thick black smoke could be seen for miles before firefighters from at least a dozen departments extinguished the flames. No serious injuries were reported, although several firefighters were overcome by smoke and heat.

Also Monday, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs said it would be the lead

agency administering the state's share and assess what else the federal government can do.

President Clinton already has declared Texas and 10 other southern and southwestern states a disaster area because of the heat and drought, making available \$100 million in federal aid, including \$32.7 million to Texas.

The heat wave is blamed for at least 95 deaths in Texas since June 1, \$1.5 billion in agricultural damage and more than 6,765 wildfires.

On Monday, the temperature reached 103 degrees in North Texas. The latest death was reported this morning, when 98-year-old Jimmie Brown was found at home and taken to a Dallas hospital. She was declared

dead of hyperthermia and heart of the federal emergency money earmarked for low-income families with high utility bills resulting from the heat wave. Actual disbursements are to come from local community action agencies.

"Don't worry about running up a high electric bill," Amy Leinen, a department spokesman, said in a message to people who may keep air conditioners off. "We'll help you take care of it. Your health is more important."

A family of four is eligible for utility payment assistance if their annual income does not top \$20,563. Individuals making less than \$10,063 also are eligible for help.



Fun day picnic

The annual 4-H Fun Day was held recently with a family picnic in Veterans Park followed by a recreation activity sponsored by the Deaf Smith County 4-H Council officers. Jimmie Walker, front right, County Extension Agent from Vega, led the group in learning traditional western line and folk dances. Special guests for the evening included 4-H youth from Oldham County.

Coastal plan lacks impact statement

PORT ARTHUR, Texas (AP) - Ironically, a federal conservation plan to save 185,500 acres in three southeast Texas counties doesn't include an environmental impact statement.

So Jefferson County officials are considering how to seek an injunction to force the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to conduct such a review.

The Texas Chenier Plain Habitat Stewardship Program identifies

185,500 acres in Jefferson, Chambers and Galveston Counties as a refuge for migratory birds, fish and wildlife.

Most of the areas identified in Jefferson County are generally north of and adjacent to the McFaddin Wildlife Refuge.

Jefferson County officials are sending out letters to landowners in the areas "to make sure they understand what the Fish and Wildlife Service is trying to do with buying up

huge chunks of land," said John Johnson, assistant to Jefferson County Judge Carl Griffith.

The letters ask landowners to not sell or to sell to the county until the matter is resolved.

Though purchasing land is one aspect of the program, McFaddin Wildlife Refuge Director Dan Dinkler said the service's focus is on land conservation.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for July 24-27, 1998 include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

-- A 36-year-old man was arrested in the 500 block of Whittier and charged with driving without a license, no insurance, and defective equipment.

-- Four men were arrested at Veterans Park and charged with possession of marijuana.

-- Four men were arrested at Highway 60 and Lawton and charged with public intoxication.

-- A 39-year-old man was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated.

Incidents

-- A gasoline theft was reported at a convenience store located in the 2900 block of East First Street.

-- A car windshield was broken and a man assaulted in the 500 block of East First.

-- A bicycle was stolen from a residence in the 700 block of Blevins.

-- A criminal mischief was reported in the 900 block of West First.

-- A man assaulted his wife in the 100 block of Avenue H. No charges were filed.

-- A fight was reported in the 900 block of Brevard.

-- A loud party was reported in the 800 block of South Texas.

-- Theft of beer was reported at a convenience store in the 400 block of East First.

-- Theft of gasoline was reported at a convenience store in the 800 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.

-- An injury to a child was reported in the 100 block of Sixth.

-- A hit and run accident in the 200 block of Avenue K was reported.

-- A dog attacked a 5-year-old child, causing severe lacerations to

the child's head. The child was transported to Lubbock for treatment.

-- Child abuse was reported in the 400 block of 13th.

-- Domestic disturbance was reported in the 900 block of South Sampson.

-- Disorderly conduct was reported in the 200 block of Avenue H.

-- Persons discharging fireworks was reported on South Main.

-- A family dispute, involving the ownership of a car, was reported in the 800 block of South Texas.

-- Theft of gasoline was reported in the 2900 block of East First Street.

-- A local rent to own business filed four cases of theft of service, against different customers, for failing to make rental payments and failing to return rented merchandise.

-- A criminal trespass was reported in the 600 block of Irving.

-- A prowler was reported in the 100 block of Holly Sugar Road.

-- A disturbance was reported in the 100 block of Hermosillo Calle. No charges filed.

-- Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 600 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.

-- Charges of violating a protective order were filed against an 18-year-old man.

-- A 14-year-old boy was reported as a runaway from a residence in the 300 block of Avenue E.

-- A loud party was reported in the 600 block of Stanton.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

-- A 64-year-old man was charged with public intoxication.

-- A 22-year-old man was charged with parole violations.

-- A 23-year-old man began serving time on driving with a suspended license conviction.

-- A 21-year-old man was charged with violation of probation.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

July 24, 1998
-- 11:27 a.m. Firefighters responded to a structure fire at 100 Austin Road.

July 25, 1998
-- 3:16 a.m. Firefighters responded to a wreck rescue, pickup roll-over, on Austin Road and GA.

-- 9:56 a.m. Firefighters responded to a semi-truck roll-over, 21 miles west on FM 1058.

July 27, 1998
-- 3:25 a.m. Firefighters responded to a smoke alarm at 604 Schley.

-- 4:04 p.m. Firefighters responded to a CRP grassfire located 10 miles East on Highway 60. Approximately 20 acre burned. The ignition of a smoke bomb may be a possible cause.

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Obituaries

CARL C. MCFAUL
July 13, 1998

Memorial services for Carl C. McFaul, 69, of Amarillo were held July 16, 1998, at the Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel, in Amarillo with Pastor John Elser of the Lutheran Church officiating.

Mr. McFaul died July 13, 1998. He was born May 1, 1929, in Sweet Home, Texas. He married Teresa Kuss on Aug. 2, 1951 in Hermleigh. He was a supervisor for AT&T and a lifetime member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

Survivors include three sons, Daniel McFaul and Tim McFaul of Amarillo, and Jim McFaul of Brownwood; one daughter, Diana Hartmann of Abilene; three sisters; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The family suggests memorials be made to a favorite charity.

Officials cancel Greenpeace campus forum

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) - Texas A&M University-Galveston Vice President W. Michael Kemp says he canceled a forum planned by the environmental group Greenpeace because the university did not know it had been scheduled.

Kemp said he canceled the forum only hours before it was scheduled to start because university officials and Greenpeace members had not met in advance to discuss scheduling the forum.

No other administrator knew about the event, Kemp said Monday.

"It turned out one of my lower-level staffers just assumed it would be all right," Kemp said.

"We have policies that if we're going to have a group on campus, whether it's Greenpeace or the Boy Scouts or whoever, we sit down with them and find out what they want, how they want to do it, and we set out some sort of written agreement that protects them and protects us," he said.

No one pressured him to cancel the meeting, he said.

"There was no political agenda here," Kemp said.

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Business briefs

Hereford Regional Medical Center is honoring Betty Hammock and Peggy Fitzgerald on their retirement from 12 noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday upstairs in the Administration Department.

Submissions to "Local Business Briefs" are available to all businesses residing in Deaf Smith County to announce promotions or other staff changes within a company. Updates in writing on company letterhead and photo, if desired, should be submitted to the attention of Becky Camp. Submissions will be included on a space available basis.



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

The ticket was worth an estimated \$7 million.

The ticket was sold in Humble. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were:

10-13-15-19-27-43.
Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

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

9-7-4
AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery:

15-21-30-34-36
AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

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Lifestyles

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I was interested in the letter from "Bye Bye Forever in Texas," who said the Internet was responsible for the collapse of her marriage. Mine, too, is teetering on the brink of ruination for the same reason.

My husband of 22 years has become a recluse. He refuses social invitations, has quit attending our children's activities and lies to me about the amount of time he spends surfing the 'Net. Like an alcoholic, he apologizes and promises to do better, but once the computer clicks on, he sits there, transfixed, until the wee hours of the morning.

I don't understand the attraction. Most of what I've seen is garbage -- pornography, crackpot philosophy and nonsense. The young boy in Oregon who murdered his parents and then shot two schoolmates to death had also constructed five lethal bombs using instructions he obtained from the Internet.

I love my husband and don't want my children to go through the trauma of a divorce, but I am sick of attending events alone and inventing excuses for his absence. I believe the man has a full-blown addiction, and I've begged him to get counseling. He refuses. What now? -- Wits' End in the Midwest

Dear Midwest: Your husband has, as you described, an addiction. And, I might add, he has lots of company. If he flatly refuses to get help for his problem, you have two choices: You can make a life for yourself that doesn't include him. Go with family members and friends to the movies, the theater, card games and so on, as if you were a widow, which in a sense you are. Or you can get really tough and tell him he can seek professional

help for his addiction or he will have to move out and take the computer with him.

And now, dear readers, there is another side to the Internet "problem" that must be considered. Keep reading:

Dear Ann Landers: I want to share an Internet experience that is heartwarming. It could provide a sense of balance for those who are screaming about what a bad influence the Internet is on society and how it is ruining marriages.

Two years ago, my 42-year-old son, Steve, was in a horrendous mountain-bike accident that left him in a lengthy coma. Four months ago, Steve died after the life support systems were removed.

During this difficult time, my friends in a chat room for people over 60 kept me going with their kindness and support, not only on the Internet but with cards and words of encouragement sent by "snail mail." That wasn't all. They sent me a card that had been signed by chat-room friends from 10 different states, along with a gift certificate for me to have a full day at a spa with massage, manicure, facial -- the works!

I call these compassionate buddies, whom I have never met, my angels, for that is what they are. "Linda in Maryland" was the coordinating angel who pulled it all together. My unmet Internet friends have showered me with such warmth and understanding that I now know that kindness and goodwill can be found, even in cyberspace. -- U.P. in Los Angeles

Dear U.P. in L.A.: Letters such as yours are reminders that we must not lose faith in the basic goodness of people when we read about the horrendous crimes and man's inhumanity to man.

My readers have taught me more about compassion, generosity of spirit and genuine goodness than I could have learned in any post-graduate course of philosophy at Harvard or Yale.

Is that Ann Landers column you clipped years ago yellow with age? For a copy of her most frequently requested poems and essays, send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Gems, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$6.25.)

Program focuses on use of college dollars

"College Is..." will be presented for high school juniors and seniors and their families at Hereford Community Center at 7 p.m. Thursday.

This program is sponsored by the Family Living Committee of the Deaf Smith County Extension Service. The committee recognizes that higher education can drain a family's reserves and make budgeting difficult.

The program is a way to help youth realize that they are the "consumer" in the education process and will focus on ways to help them make the most of their consumer dollars.

The program is designed to present to youth and parents information on life management skills in college, and will provide general information on scholarships, qualifying test, college language, and college life opportuni-

ties. Specific information will be given on scholarship management.

Youth or families planning to attend are asked to call the County Extension Office at 364-3573 for noon Thursday to register. There is no cost for this program, however, reservations will be helpful adequate information to be available.

Younger youth who are interested may attend the session.

Need some furniture? Hereford's furniture stores offer a wide selection, and they invite you to shop through ads in *The Brand*. For best buys in furniture, look to *The Brand!*

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Cooking demonstration

Ken Branum will take part in activities at the Deaf Smith County Museum on Historical Heritage Day, August 7. Branum will demonstrate chuck wagon cooking methods while other local craftsmen will give historically-based demonstrations both inside and outside the museum from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

College preparations important to ease transition for students

Registration and roommates are just the basics. Classes and lack of sleep are also a part. The college experience can be exciting and overwhelming.

Extra preparation can create an easier transition for parents and students, according to West Texas A&M University's Dr. Don Johnson, assistant professor of psychology.

"It is important to establish clear guidelines between parents and students," he said. "For example, what are acceptable grades? What are the car arrangements going to be? How often is your student going to call home?"

Johnson said some practical things like setting up a checking account and giving laundry instructions can also be helpful for the new student.

"My mother taught me minor sewing repair," he said. "Try to prepare your student to live independently."

Johnson said this is a time when parents should try to give extra love and support to their new college student.

He suggests parents help their new student move in and spend the day with him or her.

"Spend a little time on campus; don't just dump your student off," he

said. "Give your student a chance to adjust to the new setting. Don't make immediate plans to change this or her room drastically, and make the first 'homecoming' a special occasion," he said.

He also said special arrangements should be made for the commuting student.

"Look at changing the status of the student," Johnson said. "For example, how long can the student stay out?"

Johnson advises parents to understand that college is a completely different environment than high school, and the student will have different expectations placed on him or her even though he or she is living at home.

Another area parents should address is campus safety.

"Ask the college personnel about the crime rate on campus and safety measures in place for students," Meri Lyn Odell, University Police Department director of police administration and WTAMU victim assistance coordinator, said. "For example, WTAMU has a really low crime rate, and most of our crime involves private property. Students don't always take proper precautions to protect their possessions."

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Odell encouraged students to take the same precautions they would take in public places.

"It is the student's home, but there are more people on campus than at their parents' home," she said.

Walking in groups, staying out of dark areas and always having car keys ready are some of the safety measures students should take.

Some campuses offer an escort service to assist students after dark. WTAMU's service is available 24 hours a day.

Odell said parents and students should also talk about the freedoms that go along with being away from home. Even though 18-year-old students are not old enough to legally drink alcohol, parents should discuss the responsibilities and dangers of alcohol and drug use.

"It may also be important to have frank discussions about sexual situation," Johnson said. "Share with them the realities of date rape."

Most colleges and universities have police departments equipped to aid students in need. WTAMU's Victim Assistance Program offers referrals and assistance to those needing attention.

Overall, Johnson said simple things like mail from home, periodic phone calls and a willingness to listen and share can be very reassuring to the new college student.

"Parents should communicate that even though the student is leaving home, he or she is not leaving the family."

Centennial commemoratives

Centennial commemorative items have arrived.

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STUFFING WITH THAT?

TORI WALKER of Hereford has her shot blocked by T'nae Thiel of Canyon during a District 1-4A game in February. Walker was a member of the West Texas Heat, which placed second at the recent Basketball Congress International national tournament in Colorado Springs, Colo. See additional photo on Page 6A.



Photo by Julius Bodner

Track officials study safety of fans at races

By **MIKE HARRIS**
AP Motorsports Writer
BROOKLYN, Mich. -- Race car drivers are always in danger. Spectators aren't supposed to be.

At Sunday's U.S. 500 Champ car race at Michigan Speedway, three fans were killed and six others were injured by a tire and other debris that hurtled into the crowd after a seemingly routine one-car crash.

While these were not the first fan deaths, it was the worst accident ever at a major U.S. superspeedway.

In interviews Monday, racing officials underscored the safety of their tracks and stressed how unusual the accident was.

Andrew Craig, president and CEO of Championship Auto Racing Teams, which sanctioned the U.S. 500, said it was too early to say whether any changes are warranted at the track.

"With any accident as tragic as this, we always look at structural factors," he said. "This is a very well-constructed race track. I would say this is one of the best racing facilities in America."

Michigan Speedway president Gene Haskett said he would meet with his facilities superintendent to check safety issues.

"We're definitely going to review it and determine what we can possibly do to make sure nothing like this every happens again," he said. "But I want to point out again that in the 31-year history of this oval, this is the first incident of this type."

"I've researched it and you have to go back five years even to find a minor incident in which a woman got a slight scratch on her arm from something that came off some vehicle," Haskett said. "What happened Sunday was a fluke situation."

Driver Adrien Fernandez suffered only bruised knees when he lost control of his car and it slammed into the fourth-turn wall. But the right front tire sailed over a 4-foot-high wall and an 11-foot-high catch fence into the crowd.

That 15-foot clearance is common at tracks throughout the world, and making the fence higher might not be the answer.

During the 1987 Indianapolis 500, a tire came off one car and was struck by another, sending it soaring. It hit a man in the top row of an 80-foot-high grandstand, killing him instantly.

On NASCAR's Winston Cup circuit, stock cars sometimes spray parts and pieces into the stands during particularly violent crashes.

Mike Helton, NASCAR's vice president for competition, said safety was the top issue for all racing circuits -- "whether it's the drivers, other participants, spectators, whoever."

"Obviously, it's not possible to cover every scenario that can cause tragedies to occur," he said. "Every now and then a weird set of circumstances comes together and some-

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Walsh lectures philosophy to football coaches

HOUSTON (AP) -- Hall of Fame coach Bill Walsh didn't bring his vaunted "West Coast offense" to the Gulf Coast on Monday. Instead, he talked philosophy to more than 1,000 note-scribbling Texas high school coaches at their annual convention.

Walsh was the kickoff lecturer at the Texas High School Coaches Association's summer coaching school. Rather than dwell on Xs and Os, the 66-year-old Walsh shared pearls of wisdom from four decades on the sidelines.

Coaches at all levels must work hard to instill a battlefield-like sense of camaraderie among their players for any of the strategy to matter, he said.

"Obviously, the life-and-death perils aren't there," Walsh said. "But the bonding, that willingness to sacrifice, is key. It's our job to develop an attitude among them that they bond with each other and sacrifice for each other."

Before the season, Walsh said he'd mark his calendar with specific points he wanted to drill into his team each day. Coaches should constantly hammer home their philosophies but vary their delivery to keep players on their toes, he said.

"Never, never be predictable. The great coach is a range of emotions," Walsh said, citing Vince Lombardi, Bum Phillips and Chuck Noll as examples. "If you're always a screamer, players will tune you out like someone who lives next to a freeway long enough that they don't even hear it anymore."

Walsh, a famed offensive tactician who led the San Francisco 49ers to three Super Bowl titles, did not dive into details of his offensive style as some in attendance might have expected.

"I think a lot of coaches maybe expected or wished to hear that," said Greg Jacobs, defensive coordinator at Crawford. "I think you can get most of his offensive strategy from his book."

Ironically, the only formation the offensive wizard diagrammed on an overhead projector at the Astroarena was a sketch of a properly executed prevent defense. One problem: He only slotted in 10 defensive players and never seemed to catch on, despite some guffaws from the crowd.

"Unfortunately, we run that defense sometimes, too," Jacobs joked.

THSCA ALL-STAR ROSTERS

By The Associated Press
Rosters for the Texas High School Coaches Association's annual all-star football game, to be played Tuesday night in Houston:

SOUTH TEAM

Ben Gay, RB, Spring
Bill Biaby, RB, Refugio
Derek Lechler, K, Sealy
Adrien Daniels, RB, Texas City
John Connor, FS, Columbus
Jason Washington, DB, SA

MacArthur
Mike Adams, LB, Beckville
Lupe Gonzalez, WR, Harlingen
Dwain Goynes, RB, La Marque
Michael Lewis, DB, Lamar

Consolidated
Curtis Fagan, WR, Mayde Creek
Beau Trahan, FS/QB, Bay City
Kliff Kingsbury, QB, New Brantley
Brian Gamble, LB, Alto
D.T. Hopkins, RB, Crockett
Derrill Moten, RB, Gatesville
Casey Doran, LB, CC Calallen
Richard Cox, LB, Alief Hastings
Aaron Killion, LB, Kingwood
Charles Sias, DE, West Orange-

Stark
Columbus Wooley, LB, Baytown Lee
Travis Thompson, OL, Austin
Westlake
Kyle Eaton, OL, Rogers
John Craig, DL, Boerne
Chad Green, DT, Ganado
Jarod Brothers, OL, Fairfield
Chris Redding, OL, Galena Park

North Shore
Kevin Morawietz, DL, Falls City
Brent Otto, OL, La Grange
Daryl Stefek, OL, Granger
Chris Wheeler, OL, Houston

Madison
Michael de la Torre, TE, Katy
Robert Ferguson, WR, Houston

Spring Woods

Sean Phillips, DE, Dulles
Jemarcus Joshua, DL, Aldine Nimitz

NORTH TEAM

Kareem Abdullah, WR, Clarendon
Tyron Davis, WR, Stanton
Ken Bohanon, LB, Garland
Ja'Mar Toombs, RB, Kilgore
Preston Hartfield, LB, Alvord
Ahmad Brooks, WR, Abilene
Michael Soria, K/QB, Amarillo

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Cornelius Hines, QB, Commerce
Spencer Stack, QB, FlowerMound
Marcus
Jamal Joyner, FS, Dallas Carter
Jared Sanderson, LB, Brackenridge
Demetrius Rector, RB, Celeste
David Evans, LB, Celina
Lee Jackson, FS, Longview
Jonathan Raegins, FS, Munday
Toby Shain, RB, Seminole
Josh Norman, RB, Midland Lee
Jeremy Davis, RB, Wheeler
Chris Robertson, RB, Denison
Travis Holland, LB, Amarillo
Brian Mechem, OL, Iraan
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Chris Montgomery, OL, Euless

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Mike Williams, DL, The Colony
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Tyreo Harrison, LB, Sulphur Springs
Jorge Villarreal, WR, San Angelo
Lake View

Quarterback, coach teamed together for one last all-star fling

HOUSTON (AP) -- Spencer Stack and Que Brittain reached the top of the Texas high school football mount last season by winning the Class 5A Division II championship. But the senior quarterback and the coach have one more piece of business to wrap up.

Stack will play for Brittain's North squad in the Texas High School Coaches Association all-star football game Tuesday night at Rice Stadium. Both men know their relationship gives them an immediate advantage.

"There's one guy we don't have to teach our offense to. He already knows what's going on," said Brittain, who tried to install the potent Flower Mound Marcus attack on his North squad over the weekend. "We're trying to get as much of it in as we can."

No school is allowed more than one representative in the game, which has been played every year since 1935. Stack, a lefty headed to North Texas this fall, said he's happy to accompany Brittain one last time.

"I love the idea of getting selected and to play under (the Flower Mound staff) and get to run our offense," Stack said. "It's just a great honor to come down here."

Stack is among more than three dozen players who will join Division

I-A college programs next month. He hopes someday to help UNT better compete against larger schools such as Oklahoma, Texas Tech, Texas A&M, Houston and Kansas, all of whom are on the Eagles' 1998 schedule.

"We want to compete against teams not just in our conference (the Big West)," Stack said. "I've told other guys on this team, 'Yeah we play you,' and they start laughing. They didn't even know they were playing us."

Stars in their own right with guaranteed scholarships, Stack and the others don't need to endure 100-degree practices at the University of Houston or risk injury in the game itself.

Both Brittain and South coach T.J. Mills, who has led Sealy to a record four straight 3A titles, aren't surprised the state's top players consistently return to play in the THSCA game.

"I think it being the coaches' game, played in front of all the coaches down here for the convention, I think (players) are encouraged to play in this game," Mills said.

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Life of bullpen catcher not as easy as Witt makes it look

By T.R. Sullivan
Fort Worth Star-Telegram
ARLINGTON -- Cliff Johnson and Fran Healy couldn't stand each other.

They were reduced to being backup catchers on the New York Yankees in the mid-1970s and neither was getting much playing time behind All-Star Thurman Munson. Their primary job was to warm up pitchers in the bullpen, but neither wanted to do it.

They insisted that the other guy squat, and often had to be separated by teammates or bullpen coach Elston Howard before their squabbles turned into fistfights.

Reliever Sparky Lyle, writing in his best-selling book Bronx Zoo, a diary of the 1978 season, said, "I hope nobody breaks it up. A big fight could end our problem right here. The loser catches."

"This stuff has been going on all year in the bullpen. You'd

never guess this was the big leagues, the Yankees, the world champions. You'd expect something like this in Little League."

The Yankees solved the problem by hiring a minor-leaguer, who had been released from Class A, to be their bullpen catcher.

The bullpen catcher isn't exactly the most glamorous job in baseball, but it's a necessary one. The Rangers found the right person for the job seven years ago in Doug Witt, and he remains an integral part of the ballclub.

"It's a great job but it's not exactly easy when you're squatting hour after hour," said Witt, younger brother of former Rangers pitcher Bobby Witt. "I know people think it's easy, and it is easy because I've been doing it so long. But when other people say it, I tell them, here, I'll give you my mitt and see what you think."

Witt, 29, is back on the job after

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-- Doug Witt

a nearly three-month layoff. Doctors had found a blood clot in his right shoulder that forced them to remove a rib. That sort of injury will definitely slow a catcher.

Witt's job goes beyond warming up relievers during the game. It

starts during batting practice when pitchers do their side work with pitching coach Dick Bosman. At least two pitchers throw every day in the bullpen, but sometimes there are as many as seven wanting to work.

Witt must also warm up the starting pitcher. If that pitcher is "on" during the game, Witt will have an easy night. There was one in particular he remembers well.

"Kenny Rogers' perfect game," Witt said. "He didn't have anything warming up. In the bullpen, he had some of the worst stuff I've ever seen. You can see by a guy's facial expressions and body movements that they don't feel they have it, and he was that way."

Then there are the nights when the opposing team is hammering the ball and manager Johnny Oates is working the bullpen, trying desperately to find the right match-up. On those nights, Witt can spend the final two hours of a game in a crouch. On the average 90-degree-plus summer night in Texas, with 90 mph pitches bouncing in the dirt, that can be a tough way to make a living.

"I get nailed all the time," Witt said. "Chest, shoulder, everywhere. But the pain goes away. It hurts a couple of minutes, then goes away. I get mad at them but they're not trying to do it."

Not all pitchers inflict such pain.

"There are guys you enjoy catching because they make my job easier," Witt said. "I love catching John Burkett's side work. He's always five (pitches) on the corner, five in, five out. He gets his work in and everything is pinpoint. That's fun."

"I'm there every day doing what needs to be done. I get tired, but it's a job to me, and I've got to do it. As long as we win, it doesn't bother me."

Witt puts in long hours to earn a relatively small salary from the Rangers and tips from the pitchers

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AREA HAPPENINGS

Lima tosses 6-hitter, 'Stros debone Fish, 9-1



Courtesy Photo

BCI basketball

Valerie Guzman (left), Julie Rampley and Tori Walker, all of Hereford, were members of the West Texas Heat. The team placed second out of eight teams in their age bracket at the Basketball Congress International national tournament in Colorado Springs, Colo., July 18-22. More than 100 teams participated in the tournament in various age groups.

Nieman, Short win VFW scramble

From staff reports
The pairing of Craig Nieman and Glen Short teamed up to shoot a 14-under-par 128 to win the championship flight of the Veterans of Foreign Wars HoSpice golf tournament Saturday and Sunday at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course.
Nieman and Short fired a first-round 65 Saturday in the two-man scramble. The pair cut two shots from their Saturday score, recording a 63 Sunday.
Jerry Stevens and Linda Stevens, and Wade Ridley and Dale Blaut tied for second in the championship flight. Both teams were one shot behind the winners with two-round totals of 129.
Ridley and Blaut came from five shots back after Saturday's first round

to earn the tie for second place, shooting a 61 in the final round.
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Second Flight
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Third Flight
1. Joe Saucedo/Jorge Gonzalez, 2. John Robinson/Rose Marie Robinson, 3. Richard Davis/Robert Aguirre.
Fourth Flight
1. Joe Soliz Sr./Joe Soliz Jr., 2. David Arellano/Gilbert Arellano, 3. Sam Macias/Tino Hernandez.

HOUSTON (AP) -- At one point this year, Jose Lima led the NL with six victories. Now, he's hoping to rediscover that winning touch.
Lima pitched a six-hitter and Moises Alou had four hits, including a solo homer and RBI single, to lead the Houston Astros to a 9-1 victory over the Florida Marlins on Monday night.
Lima (9-6) pitched his second complete game of the season, striking out six and walking none. He won for the second time in nine starts since June 6.

"I feel better than I did early in the season. Now I'm having fun. I know I'm going to pitch every five days and they are not going to take me out of the rotation," he said. "My goal now is to win 15 games."
Jeff Bagwell and Derek Bell each homered and drove in three runs for the Astros, who had 14 hits to support Lima.
"Lima just pitched a terrific game," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "The only thing you have to guard against when you get ahead like that is to not be careless."

And when you have that kind of a lead you really want to take it to the end and he did."
"Hopefully he's on his way again," he said.
Brian Meadows (9-8) allowed seven runs and seven hits in four innings. He left with a strained groin after giving up two consecutive hits to open the Houston fifth.
Consecutive homers by Bagwell and Alou highlighted Houston's five-run first inning.
Craig Biggio was hit by a pitch, moved to third on a single by Bill

Spiers and scored on a single by Bell. Bagwell then hit his 22nd homer of the season and Alou followed with his 26th of year and second in two days.
Meadows had trouble recovering after hitting Biggio to lead off the Astros' first.
"The pitch to Biggio slipped and I hit him. Then I made a couple of bad pitches and they hit them," Meadows said. "After I hit him I didn't want to come inside on a lot of hitters like I usually do."

Safety

thing like this can happen. What you can do is learn from that and make any changes that can keep it from happening again."
NASCAR has two Winston Cup races and one Busch Series race on the Michigan track each year, and Helton said his circuit is interested in seeing the results of the safety review.
In 1987, when NASCAR engines were unrestricted and stock car speeds had climbed above 210 mph, Bobby Allison's car nearly sailed into the stands on the main straightaway at Talladega Superspeedway.
A 100-foot stretch of safety fencing was sheared away in the accident. Amazingly, the car bounced back onto the track. The most serious injury was to a woman who lost an eye after being hit by a piece of debris.
That prompted Talladega officials

to rebuild the catch fence around the entire track, using stronger cables. It also prompted NASCAR to require carburetor restrictor plates on the cars to slow them down at its two fastest speedways, Talladega and Daytona.
The plates still are required and stock cars speeds have remained under 200 mph. Still, at the Winston Cup race in April, the hood from a crashing car sailed into the crowd and severed a spectator's hand.
In the two open-wheel series, CART and the Indy Racing League, drivers warm up at speeds above 200. Despite efforts to slow the sleek racing machines down, both series regularly record laps above 220 mph.
Although a car from any of the professional series could fly into a grandstand, the biggest danger for spectators comes from the way the vehicles come apart when they hit a wall or each other.

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across Texas are in town for three days of lectures, the football and basketball all-star games and a convention featuring more than 1,000 exhibitors.
Stack said the game will give him a taste of a big-time game.
"I think it's great just to get to play with such great athletes who can

dominate any game," said Stack, who threw four touchdowns in his last game, a 59-20 Marcus victory over Alief Hastings last December. "At the college level, all the athletes are just this fast and this skilled. It gives me a chance to get used to what that will be like."

Registration for PYFL scheduled

Registration for two Hereford teams in the Panhandle Youth Football League will be 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday at the Whiteface Stadium Fieldhouse, according to Hereford coach Lou Serrano.
Registration will be for Hereford players ages 11 and 12. No seventh-grade students will be allowed to participate in the league.
The PYFL is tackle football league made up of teams from Amarillo, Canyon, Hereford and Boys Ranch.

Ten teams are expected participate in the league, including two from Hereford.
Tryouts have been scheduled for Aug. 13-14 at a time and site to be announced. The first practice for the teams will be Aug. 18 at a time and site to be announced.
League play will begin Sept. 12. For more information, contact Serrano at 364-8581 or Aundre Walker at 364-4604.

Board OKs McCombs bid

GRAPEVINE (AP) -- The NFL's finance committee voted unanimously Monday to approve San Antonio businessman Red McCombs' \$250 million bid for the Minnesota Vikings.
McCombs said he expects to join the NFL officially on Tuesday, when the committee recommends approval of his bid to owners.
"I'm very excited about it," McCombs said after a brief meeting with the committee. "I expected it to go that way, but it is a very necessary step in the approval process and I'm glad we got past it."
In gaining the committee's

approval, McCombs passed the barrier that knocked down would-be buyer Tom Clancy in May.
The author originally outbid McCombs and Vikings president Roger Headrick, but Clancy skipped the required finance committee meeting when it became apparent he didn't have the money to back the bid.
McCombs, who first bid \$187 million in February, paid a reported \$250 million for the club. His bid was accepted by the Vikings on July 2.

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Witt
after the season.
Witt started catching for the Rangers in 1992. He was a third baseman in high school but did some catching at Framingham (Mass.) State University. He was working out with his brother after the 1991 season when manager Bobby Valentine and pitching coach Tom House asked him whether he had plans for the coming season.
He said no.
Witt started as a bullpen catcher with some ambition of playing professionally, perhaps in an independent league. Those thoughts have long since died, but he wants to stay in baseball, possibly as a scout or a coach. He paid his way to baseball's scouting school at the end of last year.
"I'm going to keep doing this until something else comes up," Witt said. "I want to stay in the game of baseball, and scouting would be good. I think I've got the knowledge of what it takes to play at this level. I don't want to catch forever. There's not much money in scouting, but it's a chance to move up."
Until then, the Rangers have no worries about backup catchers getting into fights.
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News	Fortune	Home Imp.	Soul Man	Spin City	Sharma	NYPD Blue	News	Fortune	Home Imp.	Soul Man
Fam. Mat.	Coach	Buffy the Vampire Slayer	Dawson's Creek	News	Beverly Hills, 90210	Heat	Fam. Mat.	Coach	Buffy the Vampire Slayer	Dawson's Creek
Mad-You	Simpsons	King of Hill	Guinness World Records	Xena: Warrior Princess	Frasier	Cops	Mad-You	Simpsons	King of Hill	Guinness World Records
Sportscen.	Billiards	Fitness America Pageant	Baseball Tonight	Sportscen.	Baseball					
(:45) Movie: Wind (1992)	Movie: Air America Mel Gibson. *** R	Movie: Street Gun (1996) Justin Page, Scott Cook. R	Movie: Poodle Springs (1998) James Caan, Dina Meyer. R	Movie: Executive Decision Kurt Russell. *** R	Movie: Polson Ivy: The New Seduction	Movie: Allens (1986) R	Movie: The Naked Male	Movie: The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse (1962) Glenn Ford, Ingrid Thulin. ***	Movie: My Wild Irish Rose (1947) ***	
Waltone	Oak Ridge Boys	Prime Time Country	Birthdays Bash	Dallas	Dukes					
Gimme Shelter	Wild Discovery	New Detectives	Snakes, Snakes and More	Justice Files	Wild Disc.					
Law & Order	Biography	Inside Story	Movie: Inspector Morse	Law & Order	Biography					
Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Mother, May I Sleep With Danger? (1996)	Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls					
Last Word Sports	High School Football Texas Coaches All-Star Game	FOX Sports News	Sports							
B-byton 5	Movie: Assault on Devil's Island (1997) Hulk Hogan. **	AFI 100 Years 100 Movies	AFI 100 Years 100 Movies	AFI 100 Years 100 Movies	AFI 100 Years 100 Movies					
D-uj	Rugrats	CharlieB	Brady	Brady	Brady	Bewitched	M.T. Moore			
Highlander: The Series	Walker, Texas Ranger	Boxing Anthun Echole vs. Urbano Gurrola	Silk Stalkings	Highlander						
Mi Pequena Travessa	Vivo por Elena	Pueblo Chico, Inferno	Primer Impacto Noc.	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Al Ritmo				
20th Century	Prophecies	Arms in Action	Modern Marvels	Chill War Journal	Prophecies					
Human Nature	AnimalDr	Emergency	Vets	Wild Heart of Africa	AnimalDr	Emergency	Vets			

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
Body Elec.	Watercolor	Desert	Government	Government	Designer's	Designer's	Bonanza-Lost	Science Guy	Wishbone	Bus
(:00) Home & Family	ShopDrop	Shopping	Big Valley							
Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Maury	Oprah Winfrey	News	MBC News				
Tale Spin	Chip 'n' Dale	Timon	Goof Troop	Aladdin	Dinosaurs	GrowlPains	Off the Wall	Flash	GrowlPains	Brotherly
(:00) Movie: *** Matlock: The Secret	Flintstones	Flintstones	New Scooby	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.		
Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Howie Mandel	Rosie O'Donnell	News	ABC News				
News	Beverly Hills, 90210	Fam. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell				
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Gudding Light	Sally	Am.Journal	Edition	News	CBS News			
Judge Judy	Forgive or Forget	Little House on the Prairie	Cartoon Cabana	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
Drag Racing	Billiards	Cheerlead	Racehorse	In. Skating	In. Skating	NFL Great	NFL Great	Up Close	Sportscen.	
Movie: Legend of the Lost Tomb	(:15) Movie: Street Fighter II: The Animated Movie **	Movie: Gunfighter's Moon *** PG-13	Movie: Little Heroes Researin Simpson.	Movie: One on One Robby Benson. PG	(:45) Movie: Tough Guys Burt Lancaster. *** PG	Movie: Go Naked-Wrld				
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Movie: I Love You Again (1940) Myrna Loy. ***	Movie: The Heavenly Body (1943) Hedy Lamarr. **	Movie: Yellowstone Kelly (1959) Clint Walker. **	In the Heat of the Night	Kung Fu: Legend	Lola & Clark-Superman					
Muppets	CharlieB	Garfield	Nick in the Afternoon	Brady Kids	You Afraid?	Rocko's Life	Figure It Out	Tiny Toon		
Movie: Off Limits (1968) William Dalco. **	Baywatch	Saved-Bell	USA High	Baywatch						
Leonela	Destino de Mujer	Cristina	Primer Impacto	Club	Noticiero					
Nautilus	20th Century	Movie: The Buccaneer (1958) Yul Brynner, Charlton Heston. ***	Battle Line	Nautilus						
Wild About	Amazing	AnimalDr	AnimalBite	Zooventure	Lesse	Shamu TV	Horse Tales	Pet Line	Amazing	Pet Shop

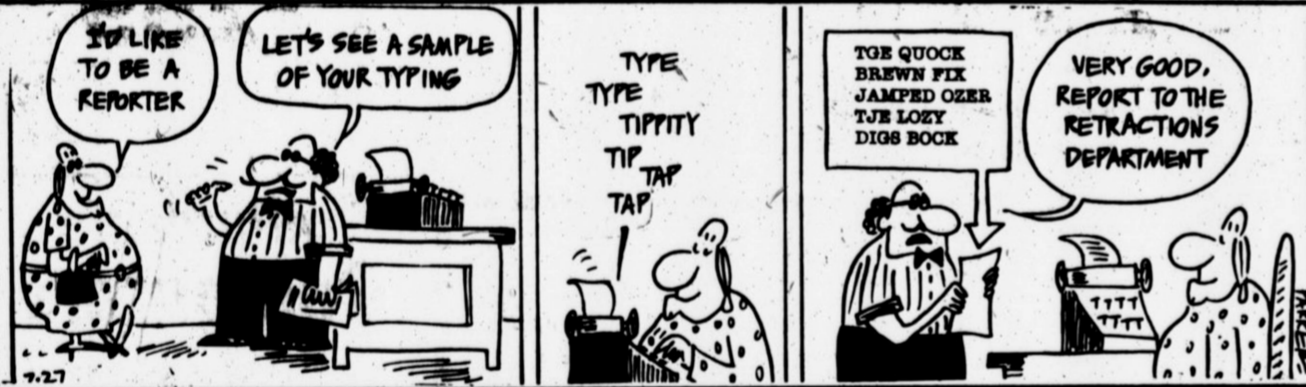
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7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Barney	Arthur	Boyz n the City	Puzzle Place	Reading	Teletubbies	Mr Rogers	Arthur	Barney	Smart	
Recess 911	Diagnosis Murder	Hawaii Five-0	Bonanza							
Today	Lesza	Geraldo Rivera	Sunset Beach	Days-Lives						
Goof Troop	Mickey	Miranda	Pooh	Beer	Katie-Orbie	Chip 'n' Dale	Madeline	Mermaid	Pooh	Jungle Cubs
Griffith	Griffith	(:05) Goodwill Games								
News	Fortune	Dharma	Two Guys	Draw Carey	Ellen	Primetime Live	News	Bainfield	Nightline	
Fam. Mat.	Coach	Wayans	James Fox	Wayans	Harvey	News	Beverly Hills, 90210	Heat		
News	Home Imp.	Nanny	Style	Public Eye	Chicago Hope	News	(:35) Late Show			
Mad-You	Simpsons	Movie: Terror in the Mall (1998) Rob Estes.	Mercutio-Jrmy.	Frasier	Cops	Real TV				
Sportscen.	Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced	Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced								
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(Off Air)	Club Dance	Crook & Chase	Dallas	Aleene's Crafts	Waltone					
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Interior Mot.	Start	Home Matters	Housemart!	Interior Motives	Home			
McCloud	Equalizer	Quincy	Northern Exposure	Law & Order						
Barbara W.	Sisters	L.A. Law	ThirtySomething	Night Court	Attitudes	Mysteries				
FOX Sports News	FR TV Body Waves	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Last Word				
CHiPs	CHIPs	Charlie's Angels	Spenser: For Hire	Movie: Flood! (1976) Robert Culp. ***	Movie: Flood! (1976) Robert Culp. ***					
CharlieB	Rugrats	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Busy World	Muppets	Dr. Seuss	Gullah	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Rupert
Facts of Life	Facts of Life	Gimme B.	Strangers	Wings	Wings	Major Dad	Major Dad	Movie: Buried Alive II (1997) **		
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NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Mark R.	American Experience	Diagnosis Murder	Hawaii Five-0	700 Club	Bonanza				
Recess 911	Diagnosis Murder	Hawaii Five-0	700 Club	Bonanza						
News	Ent. Tonight	Pretender	3rd Rock	Working	Law & Order	News	(:35) Tonight Show			
Movie: Fresh Friday Shelby Long. ***	Parent Trap	(:05) Movie: Suesie Q Justin Whalin. PG	TBA	Walt Disney Presents	Zorro					
Griffith	Griffith	(:05) Goodwill Games								
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Marvin By Tom Armstrong



Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake



Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker



Barney Google and Snuffy Smith By Fred Lasswell



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AMERICAN MODULAR BUILDINGS: Storage Buildings, Barns, Work Shops, and Garages. Size starting at 8x8 thru 16x40. Delivery available anywhere. 1-888-512-7888. 36788

For Sale: 1997 Javelin Fish & Ski Combo, 200 HP Johnson, less than 12 hours on the water. 364-2761. 36897

For Sale: New 5x10 Utility Trailer, single axle, \$600.00. Call 364-6394. 36900

AKC German Shepherds born 6-10. Black and tan/cream, 4 females & 1 male left. Asking \$150.00. 376-5968. 36904

For Sale: Four tickets to Cowboys-Seahawks at Texas Stadium on July 31. Two tickets to Cowboys-Raiders game-August 8. Call 364-3223 or 364-3715. 36907

FREE kittens to a good home. Call 364-0764. 36908

For Sale: Good Alfalfa Hay, \$4.00 bale behind baler! Call (806) 578-4387 or (806) 289-5525. 36893

Like new, two, downdraft air conditioners used few months, also two used central heaters, good condition. Call 267-2602. 36910

The Gift Garden
 Merle Norman
 Cosmetics
 Congratulate Kelley and Heather Wilburn and big brother Bret Kelley on the safe arrival of Austin Philip Wilburn, July 25, 1998!!
 220 N. Main • 364-0323

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 Domestic Violence or Sexual Assault
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 Use your Scentis Card and get the new Yankee scents.
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2. FARM EQUIPMENT

Custom Silage Harvesting, 6810 John Deere with Kemper Head. Call Robin Scott 254 977-4786 (Mobile) or 254 968-3050. 36840

3. VEHICLES FOR SALE

For Sale: 70 Buick Electric, 74,000 miles, \$1200.00. Phone 364-7577. 36864

For Sale: 1996 Honda Accord LX, 4 Dr. Low mileage. Call 364-2792 after 5. 36890

See Us Before You Buy
Marcum Motors Co.
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 413 N. 25 Mile Ave. - 364-3565

4. REAL ESTATE

HOUSE FOR SALE: To be Moved. 1300 Sq. Ft., 3 BR/2 Bath, Central Heat, remodeled 8/96. New carpet, tile, new kitchen. Call (806) 538-6327, (806) 344-5835. 36886

For Sale By Owner: 401 Hickory, 3 BR, 2 baths. \$63,000. OBO. Pay equity & assume loan. Lease purchase or refinance. call 364-6864. 36905

Two Story, 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath with basement, 2 car garage with shop and loft. 2 car carport, in ground pool. Assumable Loan, plus equity, \$67,500.00. Seller will pay closing. Phone 578-4396. House is on 443 McKinley.

FOR SALE, 401 S. 25 Mile Ave., 3 BR, 1 bath, 3-car garage, basement, new central unit, large corner lot, assumable, qualifying loan. Could be converted to a business. Call 363-6411.

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APARTMENTS:
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ACROSS
 1 Reactor type
 7 Cain's victim
 11 Ivanhoe's love
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 13 Callous
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 16 Listen to
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 22 Gobi, for one
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 27 Gown wearers
 29 Doll's cry
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 31 Cotton unit
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 5 Not up
 6 Placid
 7 Hand-some one
 8 Auction action
 9 First lady?
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 17 Spanish hero
 19 Himalayan land
 20 Felony, e.g.
 21 Poke fun at
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 25 Bike parts
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 31 Hard stuff
 33 For men only

34 Food fish
 35 Mine output
 36 Order's partner
 37 Capp and Pacino
 38 "Golly!"
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For Rent: Alonzo's Apartments - formerly Buena Vista. No deposit. Please call 364-2085 (Day) or 364-8805 (Evenings). 36176

Paloma Lane Apartments-2 bd's available. \$170.00 deposit. Applications required. Stove furnished. Call 364-1255 M-F. EHO. 36606

For Rent: Duplex Apartment, carpeted, Has stove & refrigerator. Call 364-4594. 36752

For Rent: 2 BR apartment, stove, fridge, water paid. Call 364-4370. 36852

For Rent: 200 Bennett, 4 BR, 1 bath, washer & dryer hookup. \$375.00 month plus \$100.00 deposit. 364-4908. 36856

For Rent: 3 BR, 1 bath, \$275.00 month, \$50.00 deposit. Also 1 BR, Kitchen, and 1 bath, \$190.00 month and \$50.00 deposit. Call 364-1918. 36861

For Rent: 4 BR, 2 Bath, washer & dryer hookups, 2 car garage, storage building. 400 W. 3rd, \$375.00 month plus \$100.00 deposit. Call 364-4908. 36875

For Rent: 3 BR Mobilehome, located outside city limits. Stalls available. \$400.00 per month plus deposit. Call 364-2857. 36896

For Rent: 4 BR, 1 1/2 bath, \$400 month plus \$200 deposit. 712 Stanton. Call 364-2800. 36898

For Rent: Nice large 2 BR house. Has ceiling fans in both bedrooms. Hook ups for washer & dryer. Stove and refrigerator furnished. Please call 364-5337 for more information. 36902

For rent: Very nice 2 BR house, newly remodeled, heat & air. \$200.00 deposit. Family with one child. Call 364-0862 or 373-3864. 36903

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MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
 Tortilla Manufacturing looking for a maintenance expert. Experience to include: machinery, mechanical, bilingual (Spanish/English) preventative and electrical maintenance. Salary based on experience. Please fax resume and salary history to General Manager. (806) 995-2457 before August 1, 1998.

DEAF SMITH COUNTY IS AN EEOC EMPLOYER

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Deaf Smith County Precinct I has an opening for a Road and Bridge Maintenance Worker. CDL license is required. Applications job qualifications may be picked up from County Treasurer, Courthouse, Room 206 from 8:30 a.m. July 27 thru 4:30 p.m. July 31.

Manager & Cashiers needed for convenience store. Send resume to P. O. Box 673 OC, Hereford, Texas 79045. 36891

For Rent: 3 BR Mobilehome, 1 1/2 bath, sets on 1/2 acre. \$350.00 month and \$150.00 deposit. Call 363-6426. 36906

Duplex for rent: remodeled very nice, no pets. Call 267-2602. 36911

6. WANTED

Wanted: Airdyne Exerciser. Call 364-4231 (shop) or 364-2949 (home). 36872

8. HELP WANTED

Production Manager
 West Texas Tortilla Manufacturer in search of expert Production Manager to be responsible for all manufacturing. Experience to include: tortilla industry, hands-on knowledge of machinery, Bilingual (Spanish/English), production scheduling, inventory control and supervision of 30 to 50 people in all aspects of tortilla manufacturing. Salary based on experience. Please fax resume and salary history before August 1, 1998 to General Manager, 806-995-2457.

JOB OPENING

The Tax Assessor/Collector's office for the County of Deaf Smith has an opening for the position of Auto Title Clerk I. Applicant must have good typing and computer skills, good communications skills, and have knowledge of office practices and record keeping procedures. Some knowledge of registration and title procedures will be helpful. Must have High School Diploma or GED.

Pick up application and job description from the Deaf Smith County Treasurer's office, Room 206, Courthouse, 235 E. 3rd, between 8:30 a.m., July 29 and 4:30 p.m., August 5.

Deaf Smith County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

CNA with current Certificate wanted. Good benefit package and competitive wages. Contact King's Manor Methodist Retirement Center, 400 Ranger Drive, M-F, 8 to 5. 36155

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HELP WANTED: Greyhound Farm in Oklahoma needs couple. Prefer Non-Drinker or Drug Users. Call Roy Patterson at (580) 227-2158. 36885

11. BUSINESS SERVICES

Brown Impressions Hydraulics Shop
 Hydraulics, tires, wheels, model cars, bike parts, gold plating, neons, and much more! Call Victor Alonzo at 364-1046.

We buy cars & pickups running or not running. We sell used auto parts of all kinds. 364-2754. 27574

Tree & Shrub trimming & removal. Leaf raking & assorted lawn work, rotary tilling & seeding of new lawns. 364-3356. 31572

Composition Roofing. Call Eldon Fortenberry, 364-6405. 36298

In Shop Welding, Repairs & Custom Fabrication. Call 364-4223. 36668

Quality Contracting: Total Home Improvement, windows, doors, siding, overhang. No job to large or small. Free estimate, 364-6394. 36899

9. CHILD CARE

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 Offering an excellent program of learning and care for your children 0-12! State Licensed
 Also - SPECIAL AFTER-HOURS pick-up for Kindergarten Children!
364-5062

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We buy scrap iron, metal, aluminum cans, all batteries, tin, copper & brass. 364-3350. 970

Garage Door and Opener Repair & Replacement. Call Robert Betzen, 289-5500. If No answer Call Mobile, 344-2960. 14237

Experience Child Care openings for infants & toddlers under 5 years. Call Bonnie Cole at 364-6664. 35298

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13. LOST & FOUND

LOST FAMILY DOG: Black Cocker Spaniel with pink collar in 400 block of Hickory. Reward if found. call 364-0764. 36909

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Writing Want Ads that really sell!

Unsure how to write a Classified Ad that will get results? Follow these pointers and you'll soon have an empty space in your storage room and cash in your pocket.

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- Give the price. A newspaper consultant says 70 percent of classified readers won't respond to an ad with no price.
- Use key words to describe what you're selling. The key words for a car are make, model, year, body style, color, mileage and price. If it's a house, key words are location, type of construction, number of bedrooms and baths, and condition.
- Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.
- Don't be misleading. Think accurate and factual when you write. Be sure to include a phone number and the best times to reach you.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Rafael Robles

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your Attorney do not file a written answer with the Clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services Petitioner, was filed in the District Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas on the 17 day of July, 1998, against Rafael Robles, Respondent, numbered DR-98G-120 and entitled in THE INTEREST OF GABRIEL ROBLES, A MINOR CHILD. The suit requests Temporary Managing Conservatorship and for termination in suit affecting the Parent-Child relationship the date and place of birth of the child who is the subject of the suit; D.O.B. 03-31-63 Birthplace: Unknown.

The Court has the authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the Parent-Child relationship, the determination of Paternity and the appointment of a Conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court, at Hereford, Texas, this the 23 day of July, 1998.

LOLA FAYE VEAZEY
DISTRICT CLERK, DEAF SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS
By Beatrice Galvan, Deputy.



Italy is the leading lemon-growing country in the world. The U.S. ranks second.

Pvt. Ryan opens at No. 1

LOS ANGELES (AP) - "Saving Private Ryan" won the weekend box office battle with \$30.6 million in ticket sales, appealing to a broad range of viewers despite its visceral depiction of war.

Steven Spielberg's story of a World War II mission to find and bring home a soldier whose three brothers died in combat took in more than twice as much as the swashbuckler "The Mask of Zorro," which fell to No. 2 with \$13.4 million in its second week.

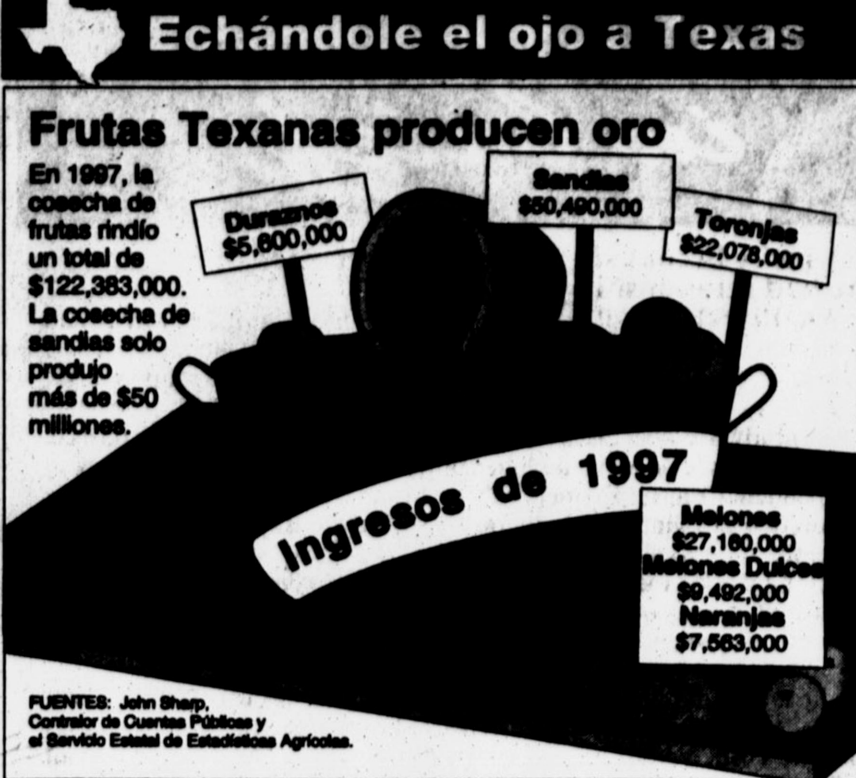
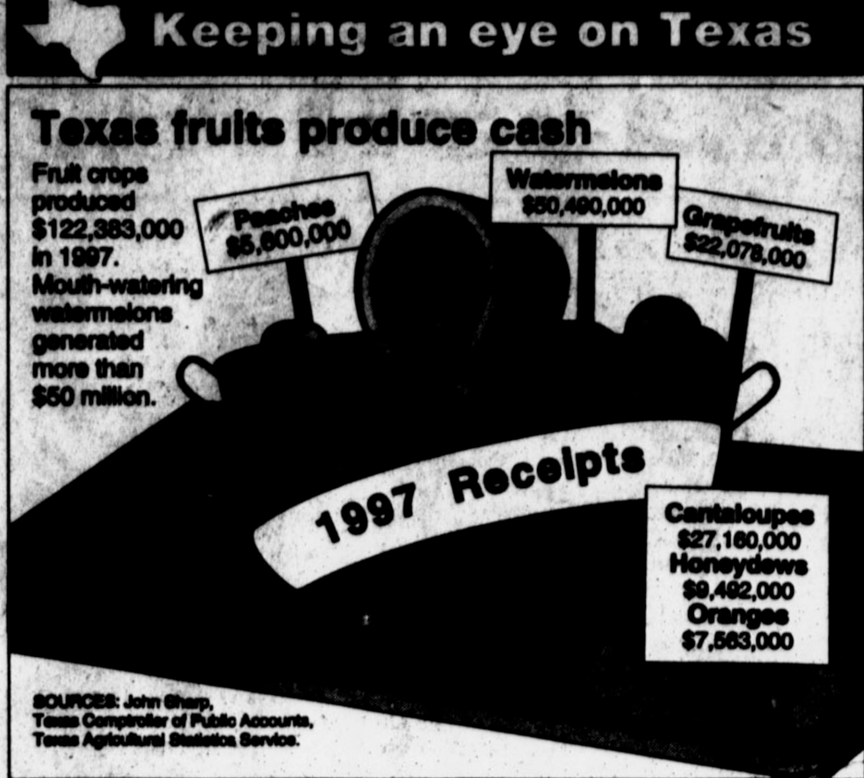
"Lethal Weapon 4" placed third at the weekend box office with \$13.1 million.

"Saving Private Ryan" garnered stellar reviews and predictions of an Oscars sweep. The 2-hour, 45-minute film with Tom Hanks and Matt Damon played to sold-out audiences even though Spielberg himself warned the battle scenes were gruesome.

"The movie played very broadly across the country - small towns as well as large cities, 50 percent male and 50 percent female and the over-25 crowd was slightly, only slightly, more than the under-25 crowd," DreamWorks SKG spokesman Jim Tharp said Monday. "Everyone is smiling here."

The top movies at North American theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release as compiled by ACNielsen EDI Inc. and Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc.:

1. "Saving Private Ryan," DreamWorks, \$30.6 million, 2,463 locations, \$12.414 per location, \$30.6 million, one week.
2. "The Mask of Zorro," Sony, \$13.4 million, 2,515 locations, \$5,334 average, \$47.3 million, two weeks.
3. "Lethal Weapon 4," Warner Bros., \$13.1 million, 3,117 locations, \$4,217 average, \$94.6 million, three weeks.
4. "There's Something About Mary," 20th Century Fox, \$12.5 million, 2,188 locations, \$5,731 average, \$40.9 million, two weeks.
5. "Armageddon," Disney, \$11.2 million, 3,127 locations, \$3,569 average, \$149.6 million, four weeks.
6. "Dr. Dolittle," 20th Century Fox, \$7.3 million, 2,509 locations, \$2,908 average, \$118 million, five weeks.



Study: Privacy is under siege

FLINT, Mich. (AP) - With pressure to settle increasing on both sides, negotiators recessed early today after failing once again to resolve a few remaining issues driving the crippling strikes against General Motors Corp.

Top union and automaker officials talked from early Monday morning until just past 2 a.m. today. They were to resume this morning, said Richard Shoemaker, the United Auto Workers' chief negotiator.

Sources said a framework for a settlement appeared to be shaping up, balancing promises from the automaker to invest in new equipment and keep plants open with union concessions on a longer contract and improved productivity.

But many of the details were still tentative, said sources who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The strikes at two parts plants in Flint have brought GM's North American operations to a virtual standstill and have cost the world's largest automaker an estimated \$2.2 billion. About 189,700 GM employees in North America remain idled by the strikes, in addition to the 9,200 strikers.

One proposal being discussed would have GM promise not to close the Delphi Flint East parts plant and two brake plants in Dayton, Ohio, for up to five years, sources said.

In exchange, the UAW would agree to a four-year national contract in 1999, rather than the traditional three-year pact. But that proposal

remained under discussion and was still subject to change, a union source emphasized.

GM still was insisting Monday that any deal to settle the Flint strikes also include resolution of festering disputes at parts plants in Indianapolis and Dayton, Ohio. The UAW also wants pending grievances settled at the 300,000 City complex in Flint.

The union has argued that it makes no sense to delay a settlement at Flint to reach deals elsewhere.

But as the strikes drag on, both sides are feeling increased pressure to settle. Dealers are running low on inventory and in some cases out of the most popular and profitable minivans. Some workers, without a paycheck for more than seven weeks, are under financial strain.

There were indications that a major dispute that prompted the first strike, GM's decision to stop investing in the Flint Metal Center, had been resolved. One source said the UAW agreed to help improve productivity at the plant to a set level in exchange for \$180 million in new equipment.

The marathon sessions began Saturday, the final day of a four-day arbitration hearing to consider GM's complaint that the strikes were illegal. That has led to speculation that both sides fear the potential of an unfavorable ruling and are rushing to end the strikes before the arbitrator issues his decision, expected this week.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Names in the News

JOHN LEE HOOKER
LOS ALTOS, Calif. (AP) - John Lee Hooker escaped with his guitars and his life from a fire that burned through the roof of his home.

The flames started in the bedroom of one of the bluesman's three housemates and caused about \$400,000 in damage to the \$1.5 million, eight-bedroom home Sunday night.

The fire was being investigated.

One of Hooker's housemates cut his hand while breaking a window to save several cats, and a firefighter was burned on the wrists, Teresa Meisenbach, senior deputy fire marshal for the Santa Clara County Fire Department, said Monday.

"Everybody walked out," Meisenbach said. Hooker "was concerned with his guitars and we assisted him with taking out his guitars."

Hooker has recorded more than 100 albums, including "The Healer," which earned him a Grammy Award in 1992. Meisenbach didn't know whether the Grammy was damaged.

JAMES EARL JONES
TITO PUENTE

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) - James Earl Jones and Tito Puente are sharing honors from the governor of New York.

The two are among more than a dozen recipients of the 1998 Governor's Arts Awards. Gov. George Pataki announced Monday. The awards, established in 1966 by Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, will be presented in October.

Other honorees includes Marian and Andrew Heiskell, active in the restoration of historic 42nd Street theaters in New York City, and abstract artist and sculptor Ellsworth Kelly.

As a tribute to the 150th anniversary of the Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, Judith Jamison, Tania Leon and soprano Beverly Sills will be recognized for their accomplishments in the arts through the Governor's Commission Honoring the Achievements of Women.

Jamison is the head of the Alvin Ailey dance troupe and Leon led the effort to bring "The Lion King" to Broadway.

THOMAS WOLFE HOME
ASHEVILLE, N.C. (AP) - Investigators say arson was behind the fire last week that heavily damaged the boyhood home of novelist Thomas Wolfe, who wrote "You Can't Go Home Again."

Harley Shuford with the Buncombe County Arson Task Force said Monday it appears someone threw something through the dining room window to start the fire. The dining room sustained the worst damage.

A \$20,000 reward is being offered for information leading to an arrest in the case.

The house, the setting for Wolfe's classic novel "Look Homeward, Angel," was gutted by fire early Friday. The house has been a state historic site for the past 24 years.

The Queen Anne-style Victorian house was built in 1883 and retained all of its original stained glass windows. Most of the furniture and contents were original.

A restoration planned for this fall was to have included installation of fire alarms and a security system.

MIA FARROW
NEW YORK (AP) - Mia Farrow blames elective heart surgery for the death of her mother, actress Maureen O'Sullivan.

"She was in full sail; in the bloom of her life," Farrow said in a column by Liz Smith on Monday. "She went in for elective surgery on her carotid arteries and after the first successful operation, she had the second operation three days later. That caused her to die of heart failure."

When Miss O'Sullivan, 87, died on June 22 in Arizona, her family did not elaborate on the cause of her death.

"I would give anything in the world to have her still here for just one more summer," Farrow said. "It is so hard to lose your mother, especially when she is your dearest friend."

ROBERT YOUNG
GLENDALE, Calif. (AP) - Robert Young's children hope the actor's on-screen warmth and generosity are what people remember, not his personal troubles.

About 100 friends and relatives gathered Monday at a private funeral for the star of "Father Knows Best" and "Marcus Welby, M.D."

"He gave so many millions so many hours and a legacy that will live on. And what's so wonderful is the thought that my grandchildren, my grandchildren's grandchildren, will still enjoy Papa," Betty Lou Gleason, one of Young's four daughters, said after the service.

Young, who had a bad heart and was recovering from surgery, was 91 when he died July 21.

COUNTY

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the courthouse recently were replaced and are no longer needed.

Ruland asked for permission to solicit sealed bids for the two copiers rather than store the machines until the next public auction; and

- Received a report from Dean Hacker, county building superintendent, about replacement of the air conditioning/heating system in the courthouse annex, which houses the Texas Department of Public Safety offices.

Hacker received three estimates for replacement of the system, with a proposal from Bob's Heating & Air Conditioning of Hereford submitting the lowest bid at \$2,125.97.

The other two bids were \$4,741.50 from Vasek Service & Equipment of Hereford and \$2,179 from Comfort Air of Hereford.

Hacker has the authority to evaluate the estimates and make the choice for the work.

Sacajawea dollar drawing fire

WASHINGTON (AP) - A citizen advisory committee thought it had chosen the figure for the new dollar coin, with a 6-1 vote in favor of Sacajawea, the young Shoshone woman who guided explorers Lewis and Clark.

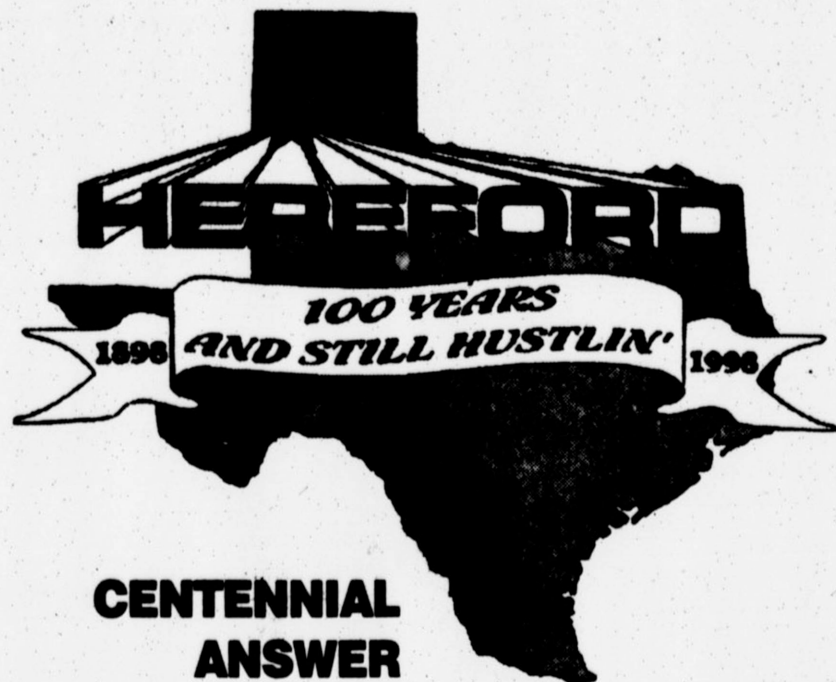
But Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin hasn't announced whether he will approve the panel's June 9 recommendation. And its chairman, Rep. Michael Castle, R-Del., has complicated the matter by sponsoring legislation to require that the coins depict the Statue of Liberty instead.

It's not that Castle, who also is chairman of the House Banking monetary subcommittee, finds Sacajawea, who led Lewis and Clark

to the Pacific Ocean nearly two centuries ago, "objectionable in any way," he wrote in a letter Monday to fellow lawmakers. Rather, he wrote, the Statue "would be a far, far better choice."

"Choosing Lady Liberty to grace the face of what should soon be the most popular and widely used item of U.S. coinage or currency would be choosing the most universal symbol of our country and the value we hold in common," he said.

Castle said he is pushing for a House vote before Congress recesses next month for vacation because Rubin "seems poised to affirm the recommendation" of Sacajawea.



CENTENNIAL ANSWER

HEREFORD SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Jack Patton	Since 1997-98
Charles Greenawalt	1987-88/1996-97
Harrell Holder	1976-77/1986-87
Roy Hartman	1969-70/1975-76
Johnny Clark Jr.	1965-66/1968-69
Darrell Williams	1964-65 school year
Paul L. Stevens	1960-61/1963-64
Fred Cunningham	1955-56/1959-60
George L. Graham	1946-47/1954-55
Chester O. Strickland	1945-46
Knox Kinard	1938-39/1944-45
C.H. Dillehay	1923-24/1937-38
Fertsch	1920-21/1922-23
Ben Short	1910-11/1913-14
E.H. Wray	1909-10

C.H. Dillehay had the longest tenure as HISD superintendent at 15 school years; Harrell Holder was next with 11 years.

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

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

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NEWS in brief

Lewinsky breaks silence, tells prosecutors she had relationship with president

WASHINGTON (AP) - Monica Lewinsky is breaking her silence and telling prosecutors she had sexual relations with President Clinton, a possible prelude to a deal giving her complete immunity from prosecution, legal sources say.

In a nearly five-hour interview Monday in a midtown Manhattan residence, Ms. Lewinsky's account included information considered relevant to Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's criminal investigation of possible obstruction by Clinton and others, but she did not say Clinton asked her to lie, the sources said.

Ms. Lewinsky's account closely tracked her lawyers' proffer of evidence to prosecutors early on in the probe, according to a key source. In that proffer, Ms. Lewinsky was said to have admitted having a sexual relationship with the president.

The source said the earlier proffer contained "a fair amount of information" dealing with Ms. Lewinsky's conversations with the president and his confidants about how they would deal with the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit against Clinton. The president denied under oath in the Jones case that he'd had sexual relations with Ms. Lewinsky and she filed an affidavit in the suit saying "I have never had a sexual relationship with the president."

Today, Starr's Washington grand jury was resuming work and also was to meet Wednesday and Thursday. Witnesses could include Linda Tripp - whose recorded conversations of Ms. Lewinsky triggered the perjury and obstruction investigation - and Secret Service officers.

Six additional Secret Service uniformed officers have been subpoenaed to testify this week, Mike Leibig, head of an association of Secret Service officers, said Monday night.

Leibig said a total of 11 Secret Service personnel have given grand jury testimony in the Lewinsky probe so far.

Bell Atlantic, GTE agree to merger

NEW YORK (AP) - In the latest mega-merger to transform the telecommunications industry, Bell Atlantic Corp. and GTE Corp. have agreed to combine into a huge company capable of offering local telephone calls, wireless services and Internet access.

The agreement reached late Monday was expected to be announced this morning, a source familiar with the transaction said.

The source, speaking on condition of anonymity, described the deal as a merger of equals in which the new board of the combined entity would be drawn equally from each company. The deal was a stock swap in which Bell Atlantic shares would be used to pay for the transaction.

The deal would be one of the biggest-ever corporate mergers in the United States. Published reports have put the value of the deal at around \$55 billion. Spokesmen for both Bell Atlantic and GTE declined to comment.

The merger comes on the heels of a series of major transactions that are transforming the way companies market and sell telecommunications services, from local phone service to Internet access.

A federal law intended to force more competition in telecommunications has touched off a spate of attempts - not all successful - by the industry's biggest players to buy their way into each other's businesses.

Capitol officers lie in state in Rotunda

WASHINGTON (AP) - In exceptional homage, two Capitol police officers felled by a gun-toting intruder are being memorialized in the stately Rotunda by the lawmakers and public they were sworn to protect.

The bodies of Jacob J. Chestnut and John Gibson were scheduled to lie in honor today in the awe-inspiring hall beneath the Capitol's famous Dome. That would make them only the 27th and 28th Americans to be so honored in a tradition that began with the assassinated Abraham Lincoln.

The public was to be allowed inside to view the pair of caskets beginning in the morning. A nationally televised ceremony was set for the afternoon at which President Clinton, House Speaker Newt Gingrich and Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott were scheduled to speak.

The alleged assailant, Russell E. Weston Jr., 41, is recovering from wounds in his chest and elsewhere and facing further surgery at D.C. General Hospital. A diagnosed paranoid schizophrenic, he was charged preliminarily with killing a federal officer, which carries a possible death sentence. Additional charges were pending.

The formal honors for Chestnut and Gibson began Monday when the House and Senate approved a resolution lauding the two men "for the selfless acts of heroism they displayed on July 24, 1998, in sacrificing their lives in the line of duty so that others might live."

The resolution also provides funeral expenses plus a gift equal to a year's salary to their wives and children, and authorizes a plaque in the officers' honor to be placed in the Capitol.

The roll call in the House was 392-0. The Senate - with nearly three-fourths of its members present, mostly sitting in their chairs - used a voice vote.

Powerball pot reaches \$250 million

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) - The odds of winning Wednesday's Powerball jackpot are, of course, ridiculously high. Then again, the odds of the prize reaching \$250 million weren't so good either.

"It is a statistical anomaly," said Charles Strutt, executive director of the Multi-State Lottery Association, which operates the Powerball game played in 20 states and the District of Columbia.

"A quarter of a billion dollars - statistically, it's 0.4 percent of the time we should get to this level. This is surprising us."

House splits along party lines on MSAs

WASHINGTON (AP) - A long-simmering disagreement between Democrats and Republicans over tax-exempt medical savings accounts has boiled over into congressional debate of new health insurance laws.

The House, split on partisan lines, voted Friday to make the health care expense accounts, known as MSAs, available to most Americans as part of broader legislation to protect consumers from health plan abuses.

"The source of Americans' frustrations with HMOs is the lack of control which patients and doctors feel," said House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas. "With MSAs, patients, not insurance companies, control their choices. There are no gatekeepers. There are no middlemen."

But with the Senate set to vote on similar health insurance legislation as soon as this week, White House advisers have marked MSAs as grounds for a veto. Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala calls them "risky, untested insurance schemes" that benefit mainly the healthy and wealthy.



Christmas already?

Well, not alway, but the Deaf Smith County Volunteer Board is selling tickets for a chance to win Christmas yard decorations. Board chair Johnnie Turrentine (left) and board member Lupe Chavez look at two of the three yard decorations that someone will win during a drawing, set for 4 p.m. Aug. 8 at the Town & Country Jubilee. The decorations were painted by local artist Darla Stengel. The tickets are \$1 each or 12 for \$10. The winner doesn't have to be present to claim the prize.

Brand Photo

GM, union talk, bid to end strike

WASHINGTON (AP) - A report by a public interest group blames Congress for failing to protect America's privacy, saying lawmakers accept campaign money from corporations that want access to people's personal information.

The Center for Public Integrity, in a study released today, largely points the finger at Congress for accepting contributions from banks, health-care, insurance and credit companies that lobby for continued access to personal data.

"Congress seems to have substantially aided and abetted the invaders of privacy, not the public," said Charles Lewis, director of the center. "Large sums of money have flowed to members of Congress, and concessions have been made toward various affected industries."

The financial services industry gave \$32 million to congressional candidates during the 1995-96 election cycle, and hospitals, health-maintenance organizations and pharmaceutical companies gave \$13 million more, said the center; a nonpartisan research group based in Washington.

The founder of CDB Infotek of Santa Ana, Calif., Rick Rozar, gave \$100,000 to the Republican National Committee in October, the center found. The company, where Rozar no longer works, will provide a person's full name, birth date and Social Security, telephone and driver's license numbers for \$7.

CDB didn't respond to requests for comment, but a recording says it provides "online information that businesses need." Rozar also couldn't be reached for comment.

The report also criticized Rep. David Hobson, R-Ohio, for including in legislation in 1995 what it described as "an industry-written proposal" that allowed companies to exchange computerized medical records. The report said Hobson also

has collected more than \$65,000 from groups opposing privacy laws.

But Hobson called the criticism "absolutely irresponsible." The legislation he introduced cuts down on paperwork, speeds payment and makes fraudulent claims easier to recognize because transactions are coordinated electronically, he said.

"It's very frustrating and disturbing to see the false charges being made by this group about a piece of legislation that... gets at one of the biggest problems facing our health care industry - fraud," Hobson said.

Despite laws passed in the 1960s and 1970s restricting how government agencies can collect personal information, private data is easy game for America's corporations.

The report described:

- A Rhode Island psychiatrist who received a letter in February from a patient's employer, asking why she was being treated with an anti-anxiety drug. The employer, drugstore chain CVS Corp., later said it conducts reviews of employee treatment to improve the quality of care and "to contain our benefit costs."

- A worker at a national laboratory who found that her employer had secretly tested her for syphilis, sickle-cell anemia and pregnancy during routine company medical exams. "I felt so violated," said Vertis Ellis, who sued with six other co-workers and is now negotiating a settlement.

- A woman in Orlando, Fla., who went to her doctor for routine tests. A few weeks later, a pharmaceutical company that had obtained her medical records suggested that she try its new cholesterol medication.




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