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Growth slowing in U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Growth in the U.S. economy slowed sharply in the spring. Analysts say the last two years of vibrant expansion will be followed by a period of lackluster gains.

The gross domestic product advanced at a 1.8 percent annual rate in the April-June period, after shooting up at a 5.5 percent rate during the first three months of the year, the Commerce Department said today.

That was a bit better than the 1.6 percent rate estimated a month ago and the initial 1.4 percent estimate of two months ago. Still, it represented compelling evidence the economy has entered a new phase after growing rapidly - at nearly a 4 percent rate - through 1996 and 1997.

The Commerce Department said orders to U.S. factories rose 1.6 percent to a seasonally adjusted \$189.4 billion in August.

That unexpected strength was caused mainly by a huge, 15.1 percent surge in transportation orders, including motor vehicles and parts that had been scarce during strikes at General Motors earlier in the summer, and unpredictable aircraft orders.

Outside the volatile transportation sector, orders for all other types of durable goods fell in August by 2.1 percent, the biggest drop since May. That included a steep, 7.9 percent drop in demand for electronic equipment, which includes consumer products such as televisions, lamps and refrigerators.

Orders for durable goods are an important signal of how busy factories will be in the months ahead.

Strong demand from U.S. consumers helped durable-goods orders rally a bit in June and July, after a 3.3 percent drop in May that was the worst in five months. Analysts have been predicting a leveling off.

Economists are expecting modest GDP growth around a 2 percent rate or a little higher, for the second half of the year. That would make the current recovery, which began at the end of the 1990-91 recession, the second longest in U.S. history, surpassing the boom of the 1980s but still falling short of the expansion of the 1960s.

The long expansion has reduced the nation's unemployment rate to near a 28-year low and the recent slowdown hasn't yet greatly curbed demand for labor. The Labor Department said today that first-time claims for unemployment fell by 8,000 to a seasonally adjusted 292,000 last week, the lowest level in five months.

Economists blame two factors for the slowdown, one temporary and the other longer-lasting. Businesses sharply slowed their production of goods for inventory and that alone subtracted 2.7 percentage points from the second-quarter growth rate.

Also, the global economic slump, principally in Asia, showed up in the U.S. economy in the form of a drop in export sales, at a 7.7 percent annual rate, and an increase in imports at a 9.3 percent rate.



TWO SHIRLEY fifth-grade students, Armando Cuellar and Harley Davis, are participants in the M.E.T.S. program.

Hurricane Georges bearing down on the Florida Keys

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) - Hurricane Georges bore down on the Florida Keys today, and more than three-quarters of a million people as far north as Fort Lauderdale were advised to evacuate mobile homes and low-lying areas.

Forecasters predicted that Georges - already blamed for more than 110 deaths across the Caribbean - would slice through the Keys late today or early Friday.

Hurricane warnings were posted today for four counties - Monroe, Dade, Broward and Collier - with a population of 3.8 million. The warnings meant that hurricane-force winds of at least 74 mph could arrive by 5 a.m. Friday. Georges could be the first major hurricane felt in southern Florida since Andrew, which caused \$25 billion damage in Florida alone in 1992.

Forecasters said similar conditions were possible in five more counties farther north by Friday evening: Palm Beach and Martin on the Atlantic Coast, and Lee, Charlotte and Sarasota counties on the Gulf coast.

Advisories recommending residents of low-lying areas and mobile homes to evacuate were issued today in Dade, Broward, Collier and Sarasota counties. The evacuation advisories cover about 685,000 people; a mandatory evacuation order issued earlier in the Keys affects an additional 80,000.

In Cape Canaveral, on Florida's Atlantic coast, NASA ordered the Discovery back to its giant launch pad Thursday night. The space shuttle had been rolled to its launch pad Monday for next month's scheduled mission with John Glenn.

The wide area of the advisories was based on

uncertainty in the forecast. The longer Georges' center stays over Cuba, the less time it has to build before hitting the United States. But a slight shift in track could give Georges more time over water to rebuild into a major hurricane.

Looking down the road, Georges is expected to have plenty of time over the warm, open Gulf of Mexico to build into a threat to the northern Gulf late Sunday night or Monday morning.

For the Keys, the wind was already starting to pick up this morning. John and Sylvia Phillips, who lived on a boat docked off Key West, had an uncertain future after they loaded backpacks and stuck out their thumbs to hitchhike to the mainland.

"We had to wait until last night to pick up a paycheck," said Phillips, a waiter and bartender. They made up their minds to leave during the night when "that boat started rocking," Ms. Phillips said.

At 8 a.m., the hurricane was inland over Cuba, about 385 miles southeast of Key West, and moving west-northwest at 12 mph. Top winds of 75 mph, extending 35 miles from the center, were expected to increase.

Georges hit some Caribbean islands with 20-foot waves and storm surges 5 to 10 feet above normal tides. Some of the Florida Keys are as little as 7 feet above sea level. The highest point in Key West is 14 feet above sea level.

By today, thousands had fled along U.S. 1, the two-lane road connecting the slender, 110-mile string of islands.

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- Dan Odell, course organizer

Shirley students learning skills for saving lives

By DIANNA F. DANDRIDGE
Staff Writer

In emergency situations, young people, just like adults, need to be prepared with essential, possibly life-saving skills.

For a group of fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade Shirley Intermediate students, known as M.E.T.S. (minor emergency trainers), that knowledge came this week with a chance to take an emergency first aid course.

Coach Dan Odell, organizer of the course, said, "This is a chance to give kids the opportunity to get involved in health care and at the same time teach them a much-needed life skill."

He said that at this early age the concept of being involved with the health career as a profession just goes over them, but some of the kids do show a natural aptitude for just helping others.

"These trained kids will be able to help on field trips or if an emergency erupts on the playground."

Odell stresses this is not an effort to replace the campus nurses, but more an opportunity to get students helping and knowing what to do in an emergency.

"These kids will know what to do

in an emergency and know how to help if needed," said Odell.

Odell would like to have as many students as possible be first aid-certified.

"You never know when something is going to happen," Odell said. "Many of these kids live out in the country and if they could provide emergency care, it might save a life until paramedics could arrive."

The students, at least one from each home room class at Shirley, participated in the American Red Cross Emergency First Aid class taught by Red Cross interim director Betty Henson.

Participants were chosen by interviews with the teacher and coach and how they felt about helping other kids.

Students successfully completing the course will be issued a card and a certificate.

Odell said the course is geared down to suit the students' age level, but it is still the same tests as adults take.

"This isn't a 'give me' certificate," he said. "These kids know what to do and know how to do it."

Bankruptcy bill hits at Texas exemption

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate approved a bankruptcy reform bill Wednesday that would strike at the heart of a cherished Texas perk: The protection of debtors' homes under a generous homestead exemption.

The legislation, designed to make it harder for people to sweep away their debts, would allow debtors to shield only \$100,000 of their homeowner equity from creditors. Farmers would be exempt.

The Senate measure would pre-empt the Texas Constitution, which protects homes and ranches, regardless of their value, from seizure to settle debt. Only a handful of other states have a homestead exemption as generous as Texas', which limits the exemption to one acre in urban areas or 200 acres of rural property.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, will fight the restrictions when House and Senate negotiators meet in the coming weeks to work out differences

between the Senate- and House-passed bills. The House in June narrowly brushed back an attempt to cap the homestead exemption at \$100,000.

Instead, the House approved an amendment co-authored by Rep. Lamar Smith, R-San Antonio, that would allow states to set their own laws for protecting debtors' homes with the exception of residences purchased within a year of a bankruptcy filing. The intent of Smith and his allies was to put a halt to the practice of people sinking assets into a home in hopes of shielding their money from creditors.

Gramm favors a similar approach and had drafted an amendment that would have limited the homestead exemption to \$100,000 for homes purchased less than a year before a bankruptcy filing; and \$1 million for purchases made more than a year but less than three years prior to filing.



Big eater

Rick McCracken was back for seconds -- and they must of been good because the 6-2, 300-pound Deaf Smith County resident ate 7.5 pounds of steak Wednesday to win the Tri-State Fair's Steak Eating Contest. The 51-year-old McCracken, who finished second by 2 ounces last year, was the top eater in a field of nine this year to claim the \$1,000 prize. An additional \$500 was donated to the charity of his choice.

Band boosters kick off projects

Several fund-raising projects supporting the Hereford High School Mighty Maroon Band will kick off Friday night at the Herd-Randall football game in Whiteface Stadium.

A variety of T-shirts, caps and yard signs promoting the band will be on sale at the stadium; proceeds will go the booster club's scholarship fund.

Tickets will be sold for a chance at one-half of a beef. The ticket costs \$2, and the winner will be announced at half time of the Nov. 6 home game.

Also, band parents and grandparents will have an opportunity to order picture buttons. Button photos will be shot at 6 p.m. Friday at the stadium and at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the band hall. The buttons, which must be paid for before pictures will be taken, cost \$4 each for Polaroids and \$6 each for 35-mm.

For additional information, call Kerrie Steiert at 364-1855.

Texans hold steady on resignation calls

WASHINGTON (AP) - The torrent of new information about President Clinton's trysts with Monica Lewinsky, whether in Clinton's own words or from the independent counsel's voluminous files, hasn't unleashed a wave of resignation calls from Texans on Capitol Hill.

To date, five of the 32 Texans in Congress have officially urged the president to resign.

That number remained stable this week, even as the nation's airwaves were blanketed with images of Clinton's videotaped deposition and the public was bombarded with yet more revelations from the nearly 3,200 pages of documents newly released from Kenneth Starr's files.

Republican Reps. Henry Bonilla of San Antonio, Tom DeLay of Sugar Land, Kay Granger of Fort Worth, Sam Johnson of Plano and Pete Sessions of Dallas all have called on Clinton to resign, saying such a move would be in the country's best interest. Nationally, six senators and more than 50 House members have issued similar pleas.

Rep. Ralph Hall of Rockwall, a conservative Democrat who never has been a fan of the Clinton White House, has stopped just short of an official call for Clinton's departure.

In comments reported last week by the Gainesville Daily Register, Hall said in a letter to House Judiciary Committee Chairman Henry Hyde that the president lied under oath.

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Lifestyles

Two authors driven to write cookbooks

By KIM PIERCE
The Dallas Morning News
DALLAS - For some people, it's not enough just to cook: They are driven to cook well.

But unless can you spend a chunk of time at a culinary school or have the resources to experiment, it's sometimes difficult to know how to achieve the tenderest biscuit or a sauce that perfectly coats the back of a spoon.

The task just got easier with two new books, and exquisite books they are. One is like a session in a culinary school, and the other does the trial-and-error so you don't have to.

Pam Anderson's first cookbook, "The Perfect Recipe," is the culmination of her systematic testing to find the very best methods for preparing cherished dishes such as macaroni-and-cheese and prime rib. Anne Willan's "Cook It Right" takes many techniques taught at her La Varenne Cooking School in France and illustrates them - literally - by showing both right and wrong outcomes.

As executive editor of Cook's Illustrated, by far the country's most obsessive cooking magazine, Ms. Anderson is familiar with exhaustive testing. Cook's will take a dish such as roast turkey and spend 40 days, 40 nights and 40 turkeys testing various methods before pronouncing one superior.

Ms. Anderson has adopted the same approach in this book with recipes she loves: chicken pot pie, strawberry shortcake, steamed lobster, mashed potatoes and dozens of other hearth-and-home classics.

"I really focus in tight on my favorite dishes," she says. "And I do extensive research." An understatement. She says she usually creates a chart that lists such categories as ingredients, combining methods, cooking temperatures, etc., and she mixes and matches these through 40 or 50 trials to arrive at her "perfect" recipes.

But, she notes, the results reflect her personal taste.

"Instead of creating this anal-perfect recipe, I give people freedom because they have knowledge and information," she says.

And unlike the dense and weighty look of Cook's, these recipes are accessible and inviting. This also distinguishes her book from 1996's excellent "Cook's Bible" (Little, Brown and Co., \$29.95) by Cook's Illustrated editor and publisher Christopher Kimball, which emulates the style of the magazine.

There are no photographs in "The Perfect Recipe," just a few simple line drawings on cleanly designed pages. Even Ms. Anderson's narratives are short and direct. And you do come away better educated about what makes a great strawberry shortcake, for instance.

"Part of the perfect strawberry shortcake was testing all the different biscuits," she says. "I found most traditional biscuit styles tasted too savory; they belonged in the bread basket."

"This was the style (of biscuit) I like the best," she says of the one that made the book. "It tasted more like dessert; it's more of a sconelike shortcake."

By contrast, you can tell right away that this isn't Ms. Willan's first book. Slick and lushly photographed, it is as beautiful as the food it portrays.

And what it shows will bring joy to serious cooks. Here, for perhaps the first time, are glistening clear photographs of what happens when you make something wrong - how fish looks when it's overcooked, next to fish that is perfectly cooked and undercooked; how underbaked or overrisen focaccia looks; how a

brown sauce clings to a spoon when it is too thin, perfect or too thick.

With this approach, she covers everything from sauteed onions to sabayon sauce.

And there's a bonus. Ms. Willan also provides solutions to the "mistakes." For curdled hollandaise, for instance, you cool the pan by dipping it in cold water, add an ice cube to the sauce and whisk beside the cube, gradually re-establishing the emulsion.

If this doesn't work, she has nifty "quick fixes" for recovery. In fact, some are almost humorous, along the lines of Julia Child on TV nudging a dropped potato aside with her foot.

Say you've overcooked stir-fry vegetables, which are now limp and soggy. "Use disappointing stir-fried vegetables in Chinese omelet crepes," Ms. Willan advises. Then she gives a little recipe. Or say you have a "seriously collapsed" vegetable terrine: "... Bring bread to the rescue," she says. "Pack the mixture in pita pockets with lots of crispy sprouts."

Interspersed with the basic recipes and photos are recipes using the various techniques, many sumptuous sounding and looking, such as "Moroccan Roast Turkey With Honey and Almond Glaze," "Cornmeal Dumplings Baked With Parmesan," "Berries and Pear With Sabayon Sauce" or "Caramelized Onion Quiche."

President and founder of prestigious La Varenne, Ms. Willan says in her introduction that she wrote this book because of an epiphany of sorts. One day in class, she was explaining that a roast chicken looked done. "And then I thought - how do I know?"

"How you know" is the crux of "Cook It Right," a cookbook that is destined to become a well-worn friend in the kitchens of serious cooks everywhere.

Strawberry Shortcakes with Whipped Cream
 3 pints strawberries, hulled
 12 tablepoons sugar (divided use)
 2 cups all-purpose flour
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1 tablepoon baking powder
 1 stick (1/2 cup) unsalted butter, frozen
 1 large egg, beaten
 1/2 cup half-and-half
 1 egg white, lightly beaten
 1 cup heavy cream, chilled

Crush 1 pint of strawberries with a potato masher or fork. Quarter the remaining 2 pints. Mix together with 6 tablepoons sugar in a bowl; set aside. Adjust oven rack to lower-middle position and preheat oven to 425 F.

Mix flour, salt, baking powder and 3 tablepoons sugar in a medium bowl. Grate butter into dry ingredients. Toss butter with flour to coat. Use a pastry cutter to finish cutting butter into flour. Or scoop up coated butter with both hands, then quickly rub it into dry ingredients with fingertips until most butter pieces are the size of split peas. Mix whole egg and half-and-half; pour into flour mixture. Toss with a fork until mixture forms large clumps, adding more half-and-half if mixture seems dry.

Turn mixture onto a work surface and lightly knead until dough comes together. Press dough out to 3/4-inch thickness. Dip a 2 1/2-inch biscuit cutter into flour and cut as many dough rounds as possible. Gather scraps and gently knead. Repeat process to form 6 rounds. Place 1 inch apart on a small ungreased baking sheet. Brush dough tops with egg white and sprinkle with 2 tablepoons sugar. (Shortcakes can be covered and refrigerated for up to 2 hours before baking.) Bake until golden brown, 12 to 14 minutes. Place baking sheet on wire rack and cool until warm, about 10 minutes.

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Pilot sweetheart

Patsy Giles, right, was presented as Pilot International Foundation sweetheart of the Pilot Club of Hereford. Sue Hyer, president elect, made the presentation as a part of the observance of September as Foundation Month.

Foundation Month is observed by Pilot Club

Four of the Pilot Club of Hereford charter members expressed "What Pilot Means to Me" at the regular breakfast meeting Tuesday in Hereford Community Center.

The speakers were Mary Edwards, Peggie Fox, Linda Minchew and Margaret Bell.

The special program was presented in conjunction with September as Foundation Month.

Members were encouraged to bring guests to the meeting. These included Ann Nelson, Becky Camp, Trish Brown, Joyce Skelton, Kathryn

Musser and Valerie Manley.

President Brenda Thomas presided at the business meeting. A report was given of the "42" Game Night. Winners at the game night were Diane Kreig and Linda Adams with Jelly and Rosalee McGowen finishing second. Low score went to Betty Mercer and Clovis Seago.

Other events reported included the birthday party held at Golden Plains Care Center and the workshop held in Lubbock recently which was attended by 11 local members.

Volunteers are needed to serve Crisis Center

The Women and Children's Crisis Center will hold a new volunteer training starting Oct. 13.

Training will be conducted in twice weekly sessions, on Tuesday and Thursday, for five weeks to meet the required 30 hours of initial training.

Volunteers are needed to advocate, transport and provide support for victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. Topics covered in the training sessions include domestic violence, sexual assault, the role of law enforcement, listening skills and legal services.

The Crisis Center, a service of Hereford Regional Medical Center, has been serving Deaf Smith, Castro, Oldham and Parmer counties since October 1997. More than 200 people have utilized services provided by the center.

Anyone interested in taking part in the training should call 363-6727.

Hospital Notes

Patients in Hereford Regional Medical Center on Sept. 24:
 Gertie E. Burrell, Veronica Ann Gonzalez, infant girl Gonzales, Emma A. Smith, Vershan M. Valadez.



Xi Epsilon has meeting

Shelley Lewis has been chosen as 1998-1999 sweetheart of Xi Epsilon Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. The announcement was made by Connie Matthews at the recent meeting in the home of Deann Harris. Matthews, president, thanked the social committee for a successful tailgate party held prior to the first home football game.

and Kim Hollingsworth as co-hostess. A "surprise" program is being planned by Lewis. Guests will be invited to this meeting.

In other business, Secret Sisters were thanked and dates of birthday lunches were announced.

Plans were finalized for the chapter garage sale to be held beginning at 8 a.m. on Sept. 26 at 220 Ranger Dr.

Melinda Henson, service chairman, conducted a quiz on 1960s rock and roll and collected money for the Christmas Stocking Fund from those giving incorrect answers.

Program chairman, Sharon Bodner, announced the next meeting will be Oct. 6 with Lewis as hostess

Harris gave the program on "One of the oddest things in life is the queer things one remembers." The title of the program prompted members to share some humorous stories about themselves and others.

Refreshments of pineapple sherbet, cookies and tea were served by hostesses Harris and Susan Shaw.

Those attending were Linda Arellano, Holly Bixler, Peggy Hyer, Kay Williams, Bodner, Harris, Henson, Hollingsworth, Lewis, Matthews and Shaw.

Neill presides at chapter meeting

President Phylis Neill presided at the recent meeting Alpha Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in the XiEpsilon meeting room.

Included in the business meeting was a discussion of the new Beta Sigma Phi cookbooks which are available from any member for \$8.95.

Secret sisters were revealed and names for new sisters were drawn for the coming year.

Hostesses Barbara Burkhalter and

Jinny Jackson served chocolate brownie pizza and tea to the 11 members in attendance.

The next scheduled meeting is Oct. 6.



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Reservations are taken for a specific park location on a first come, first served basis. Reservations must be made in person at the City Hall.



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Early Childhood Education Clinic

Oct. 1, 1998

Hereford ISD Administration Building
601 N. 25 Mile Ave.

Hereford Independent School District's Special Education Department and Region XVI Service Center are offering a FREE clinic for children 0-5 years of age. This clinic is to identify children who may need early classroom experiences or home intervention in:


- Hearing
- Talking
- Seeing
- Learning about their world
- Using their hands
- Playing like other children

or may have a PHYSICAL HANDICAP.

Certified specialists will be working with children at the administration building on Oct. 1st from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED and can be made by calling 363-7600.

A Parent or Legal Guardian will need to accompany the child to the screening to provide permission and needed developmental information.

If you need additional information call Annie Mercer at 363-7600.



Clinica Interventiva Para Niños

Octubre 1, 1998

Edificio de Administracion
601 N. 25 Mile Ave.

El Departamento del Educacion Especial del Distrito Escolar de Hereford (HISD) y Region XVI Centro de Servicio ofrecera una clinica GRATIS para niños entre 0-5 años de edad. La clinica es para identificar aquellos niños que puedan necesitar educacion o intervencion en casa con:

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- El Hablar
- La Vista
- Jugar con otros niños
- Adaptarse a sus alrededores
- Uso de las manos

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Especialistas certificados examinaran a los niños el 1 de octubre desde las 8:30 am hast las 5:30 pm. SE REQUIEREN CITAS! Haga su cita llamando al 363-7600.

El Padre/Madre/o Guardian debere acompañar al niño para que dé permiso e informacion tocante el desarrollo del niño.

Para mas informacion, llame al 363-7600 y pida hablar con Annie Mercer.



This picture of buffalo grazing on Charles Goodnight's ranch in Armstrong County was probably made in the early 1920s. It is one of the photos included in an exhibit featuring the American bison which opens Sunday at the Panhandle-Plains Museum in Canyon. Goodnight was one of several ranchers in Texas and elsewhere who helped save the bison from extinction. Less than 1,000 survived in 1890. Today an estimated 200,000 (mostly privately owned) live in North America.

Area Events

PORTALES

Theme for homecoming activities at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales this weekend is "The Games People Play."

Highlights include the homecoming parade, homecoming football game and the return of the annual homecoming dance.

Activities begin with alumni registration from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday in the foyer of the Campus Union Building and conclude with the Alumni Board of Directors meeting at 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the Pecos Room of the Campus Union.

For more information, call the ENMU Alumni Office at 505-562-2125.

CANYON

An exhibit featuring the American bison, commonly referred to as "buffalo," will open at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon on Sunday.

Many aspects concerning the American bison, including the natural

history, paleontology, prehistoric people on the Plains, the Plains Indians, buffalo hunters and the effort to save the buffalo from extinction will be included in the exhibit.

Part of the exhibit will feature the buffalo as the mascot of West Texas A&M University from 1921 to present.

Some of the items included in "Where the Buffalo Roam: Bison on the Southern Plains" will be a collection of buffalo *kitshe*, several works of art featuring the buffalo and a prehistoric buffalo altar excavated at Caprock Canyons State Park. Several photographs and a mounted buffalo head also will be displayed.

TULIA

The Tulia Chamber of Commerce is hosting the second annual Classic Weekend celebrating the '50s with a variety of events Saturday.

Festivities begin at 8 a.m. with a Classic Car Show and Model Car Show. Other events include a Radio Remote Control Airplane Show,

Tortilla Toss, "Grease" Look-Alike Contest and Bicycle Safety Demonstration.

In conjunction with the Classic Weekend, the Women's Division of the chamber will host its 18th annual Arts and Crafts Fair around the square.

Culmination of the festivities will be a Sock Hop at the Dallas Street Gym Saturday at 7 p.m.

For more information, call the Tulia Chamber of Commerce at 806-995-2296.

SHAMROCK

The fourth annual Irish Craftfest, "Christmas in October," is being held Oct. 3-4 at the Shamrock Community Center on south Main St.

Crafters will have booths containing handmade arts and crafts and collectibles. These items can be seen and/or purchased between 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

There will also be a concession stand offering food and drink items.

Wyche reports volunteer hours

Carol Sartain presided at the recent meeting of Wyche Family Community Education Club held at Hereford Community Center.

Members answered roll call by reporting the number of hours they had volunteered. A total of 753 hours was reported.

Argen Draper introduced the

speaker Patricia Rose. Rose demonstrated how to make craft and ceramic Christmas gift items.

Following the program, hostess Draper served refreshments to the guest and members Thelma Auten, Mary Lou Aven, Louise Axe, Vada Batterman, Audrey Rusher and Sartain.

Tri-State Fair results

Hereford continues to place

Residents from Hereford continue to be recognized in judging at the Tri-State Fair.

Winners were announced in the Senior Culinary Department.

Baked Products

Class 5-Cookies, Division 46-Chocolate Chip; Darlene Stovall, 3rd. Members of Hereford FFA competed in Tuesday's swine show.

Junior Market Swine Show

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Class 2: Seth Hoelscher, 6th and 10th.

White OBP

Breed Champion-Amber Eckert.

Class 1: Chad Schilling, 6th; Blake Schilling, 7th.

Class 2: Amber Eckert, 1st.

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Class 1: Amber Eckert, 1st.

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Shifting the focus from the criminals and placing it on the victims of violent crime, the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund administered by the Office of the Attorney General can provide victims and their families financial assistance for certain out-of-pocket expenses not paid for by insurance, workers' compensation or some other available resource.

"Homicide, sexual assault, kidnapping, aggravated robbery, arson and other violent crimes can leave a victim and their family emotionally and financially devastated," Morales said. "The Crime Victims' Compensation Fund is an important safety net for them. The Fund can help pay for doctor bills, counseling fees, funeral costs and certain other related expenses attributed to the crime."

With the belief that criminals should be held responsible for their actions, the Fund is sustained through fines paid by convicted criminals. There are no tax dollars involved in the administration of the Fund. With the exception of gifts, grants and donations, criminals bear the entire cost of the program. They pay by way of fines assessed by state and federal courts for felonies and misdemeanors, through restitution and from parolee supervision fees.

The Crime Victims' Compensation Fund has existed nearly 20 years. It was created in 1979 when the Texas Legislature passed the Crime Victims' Compensation Act. From 1980 to 1997, eligible victims of violent crime have been awarded more than \$284 million from the Fund. The Fund was first administered by the Industrial Accident

Board, later known as the Workers' Compensation Commission. The Office of the Attorney General was assigned full responsibility of the Fund in 1991. By 1997, victims had received in excess of \$160.3 million from the Crime Victim's Compensation Fund.

Awards on any one claim occurring after September 1, 1997, cannot exceed \$50,000. However, in the event of a catastrophic injury, an additional \$50,000 is available. Claims on any one claim occurring prior to September 1, 1997, are set at \$25,000 respectively.

Examples of what the Fund can help pay for are:

- * medical bills associated with injuries sustained by a drunk driving collision;
- * counseling costs of an abused child or a sexual assault survivor and their immediate family;
- * burial and funeral expenses;
- * lost wages and loss of support payments;
- * costs associated with crime scene cleanup;
- * travel expenses for those seeking medical treatment, counsel-

ing or to participate in the criminal justice process.

Although the Crime Victims' Compensation Act was passed in 1979, it was not until 1985 that the Crime Victims' Bill of Rights was added to the Code of Criminal Procedure. Included in this legislative action was the requirement that victims be informed about the Crime Victims' Compensation program.

"This September marks the thirteenth anniversary of victims' rights in Texas. By giving victims the right to be informed, present and heard through the criminal justice process, we gave them a voice in the system," Morales said.

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Today in History

By The Associated Press
Today is Thursday, Sept. 24, the 267th day of 1998. There are 98 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Sept. 24, 1896, author F. Scott Fitzgerald was born in St. Paul, Minn.

On this date:
In 1789, Congress passed the First Judiciary Act, which provided for an Attorney General and a Supreme Court.

In 1869, thousands of businessmen were ruined in a Wall Street panic after financiers Jay Gould and James Fisk attempted to corner the gold market.

In 1929, Lt. James H. Doolittle guided a Consolidated NY2 Biplane over Mitchell Field in New York in the first all-instrument flight.

In 1948, Mildred Gillars, accused of being Nazi wartime radio propagandist "Axis Sally," pleaded innocent in Washington to charges of treason. She served 12 years in prison.

In 1955, President Eisenhower suffered a heart attack while on vacation in Denver.

In 1957, the Brooklyn Dodgers played their last game at Ebbets Field, defeating the Pittsburgh Pirates 2-0.

In 1960, the USS Enterprise, the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, was launched at Newport News, Va.

In 1960, the CBS news magazine "60 Minutes" premiered.

In 1968, "The Mod Squad" premiered on ABC.

In 1976, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was sentenced to seven years in prison for her part in a 1974 bank robbery. After serving 22 months, she received clemency from President Carter.

Ten years ago: Canadian sprinter Ben Johnson won the men's 100-meter dash at the Seoul Summer Olympics, but he was disqualified

three days later for using anabolic steroids. Members of the eastern Massachusetts Episcopal diocese elected Barbara C. Harris the first female bishop in the church's history.

Five years ago: Addressing the United Nations, Nelson Mandela asked the world community to lift economic sanctions against South Africa, saying huge foreign investments would help prevent unrest and build a multiracial democracy.

One year ago: President Clinton urged the annual convention of the AFL-CIO not to try to punish Democratic lawmakers who stood with him on his request for stronger authority to negotiate new free-trade treaties. Garth Brooks was named best entertainer by Country Music Association.

Today's Birthdays: Sportscaster Jim McKay is 77. Actress Sheila MacRae is 74. Actor-singer Anthony Newley is 67. Singer Barbara Albut (The Angels) is 58. Singer Phyllis "Jiggs" Albut (The Angels) is 56. Singer Gerry Marsden (Gerry and the Pacemakers) is 56. Actor Gordon Clapp ("NYPD Blue") is 50. Rep. Joseph Kennedy II (D-Mass.) is 46. Actor Kevin Sorbo ("Hercules: Legendary Journeys") is 40. Rhythm-and-blues singer Cedric Dent (Take 6) is 36. Singer-musician Marty Cinton (No Mercy) is 27.

Thought for Today: "Public opinion is stronger than the legislature, and nearly as strong as the Ten Commandments." - Charles Dudley Warner, American author and editor (1829-1900).

Wedding information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday to be included in the next Sunday Brand. Wedding information forms, as well as those for engagements and showers, are available at the news office, 313 N. Lee.



At the opera

Girl Scout Senior Troop 281 recently attended "The Man of La Mancha" performance at the Amarillo Civic Center. Members of the troop are, from left, Sarah Freethy, Brandi Holley and Brandy Phillips.

COOKBOOKS

(From Page 3)

Whip cream with 1 tablespoon sugar until soft peaks form. Split each shortcake crosswise and spoon a portion of berries over each cake bottom. Spoon a dollop of whipped cream over berries. Cap with cake top and serve immediately. Makes 6 servings.

Cornmeal Dumplings Baked with Parmesan
3 tablespoons melted butter, plus a little extra
1 quart milk
1 onion, with a clove stuck in it
1 bay leaf
1 teaspoon peppercorns
Pinch nutmeg
Salt and pepper
1 cup coarse yellow cornmeal
3 egg yolks
1 teaspoon Dijon-style mustard, or to taste
1 cup grated Parmesan cheese (divided use)

Thickly butter a baking sheet; set aside. In a saucepan, heat the milk with the onion, bay leaf, peppercorns,

nutmeg and a little salt. Cover and bring just to a boil; reduce heat to low for 10 to 15 minutes. Strain out and discard solids; return milk to pan. Gradually whisk the cornmeal into the hot milk. Bring to a boil, lower heat and simmer, whisking constantly to prevent lumps, until mixture is thick enough to pull away from the sides of pan, about 8 to 10 minutes. Remove from heat and beat in the egg yolks, 1 at a time.

Stir in the mustard and half the cheese and taste for seasoning; the polenta should be highly seasoned. Spread the polenta to form a 3/8-inch layer on the prepared baking sheet. Brush with the melted butter and chill until set, about 1 to 2 hours.

Preheat the oven to 450 F. When mixture is set, use a 2-inch round cookie cutter or a glass to cut circles. (Or, you can make squares, which are easier and less wasteful.) Overlap the shapes in a baking dish and sprinkle with remaining cheese. Bake until very hot and browned, about 5 to 10 minutes. Serve at once. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I have been reading your column for 23 years, and most of the time, I view your advice as sound and balanced. I did not agree with you, however, when you said a man could be "a lousy husband and a great father." I speak from the perspective of a son, husband, minister and father of 23 years.

As a minister, I have counseled many couples who were suffering because one of the partners (usually the husband) had committed adultery. The emotional toll it takes on the children is agonizing. In the best cases, the full recovery of the marital relationship takes two years, and in that time, the children are neglected, confused, hurt and afraid. If there is a single incident of adultery and not a long-term affair, recovery is more likely. Repetitive affairs or a lengthy extramarital relationship not only destroys the self-respect of the wife but, far worse, will almost guarantee the same behavior in the children when they marry.

I agree with "L.D. from Houston," who said if the adultery will not stop, throw him out. The woman who finds the courage to tell her children that "there are some things that are absolutely wrong and will not be tolerated" will find the necessary strength and means to survive without him.

If a man cannot love the mother of his children, how great a father can he be? Sorry, Ann, you need to rethink your advice on this one. -- Pastor Paul in Buffalo, Texas

Dear Pastor Paul: My pastor friends point out that human beings, by nature, are complex and inscrutable. Of course, adultery is poisonous to any marriage, whether it leads to divorce or not. Children, however, still can receive the nurturing care they need and deserve from parents in a flawed marriage, so don't count out those parents because of the sins of the father or mother.

Dear Ann Landers: I just read on the Internet about a new law that affects all veterans. The law says that if a veteran has not registered at a Veterans Affairs office or hospital since Oct. 1, 1996, he or she will lose all medical benefits for life as of Oct. 1, 1998. The information also said

that VA cannot notify veterans about it directly and vets have to hear about it word of mouth.

This could really be a problem for a lot of veterans, Ann. Please check it out and tell me if it is true. -- Tim in Orlando, Fla.

Dear Tim: This is a warning to all my readers. Do not believe everything you read on the Internet. The "problem" you cited for "a lot of veterans" does not exist. We called the Department of Veterans Affairs and got the correct information:

The new law requires Veterans Affairs to establish an enrollment system for health-care services by Oct. 1 of this year. Veterans must be enrolled in the new system in order to receive health-care services, but they do NOT have to do this by Oct. 1. Veterans can apply for enrollment anytime.

VA is now processing applications. Acceptance letters are going to veterans in the order of the priorities established for veterans who have received health-care services since Oct. 1, 1996, will automatically have enrollment applications processed on their behalf.

Veterans Affairs is encouraging all veterans to apply for enrollment by calling, writing or visiting their nearest VA health-care facility. To find the nearest facility, call the VA Regional Office at 1-800-827-1000.

Gem of the Day: One of the best tests of religion is when you find yourself in church with nothing smaller than a \$20 bill.

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New microscope

In their Enriched Science program, St. Anthony's School students, from left, Ashton Paetzold, John Griffen and Kesli Urbanczyk are using the microscope which St. Anthony's purchased with Homeland's "Apple for the Students" points. Homeland receipts dated Sept. 23 or after can once again be used for the points.



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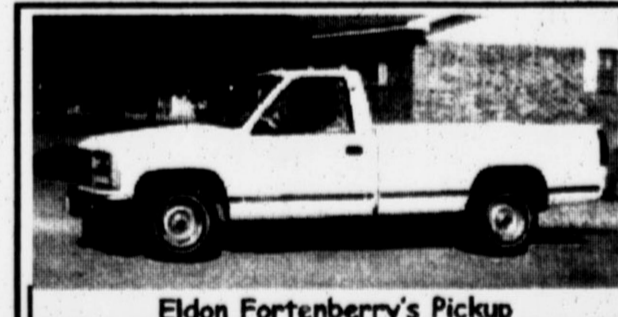


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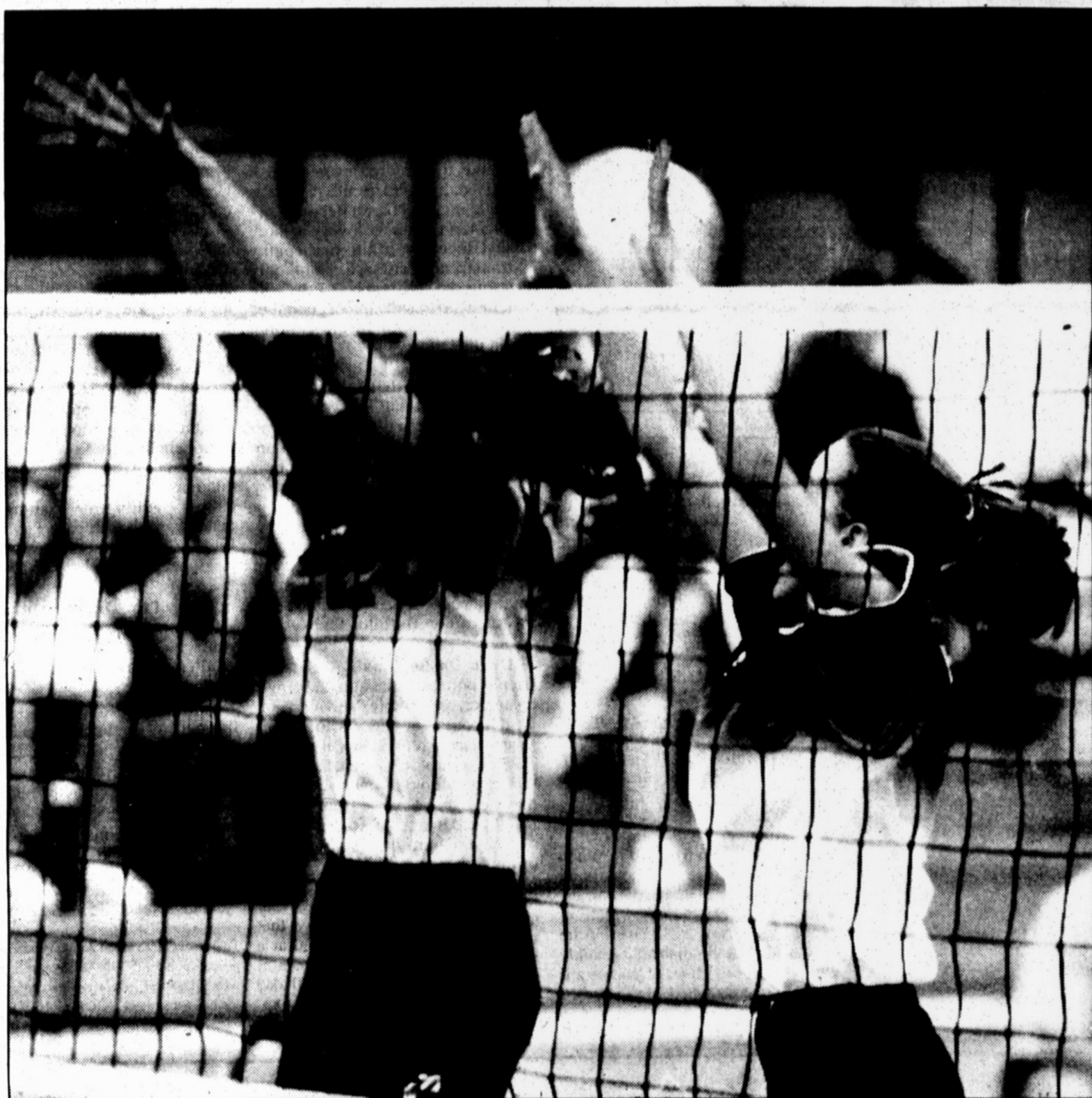


Photo by Julius Bodner

TORI WALKER (left) and Christy Schumacher can't quite block a kill attempt during the Lady White-faces' match with Dumas Tuesday night at Whiteface Gymnasium. The match was the District 3-4A opener for both teams. Dumas won, 15-6, 15-9. Hereford will play at Amarillo Palo Duro at 2 p.m. Saturday in another district match.

Foursome wins final scramble in puttoff

From staff reports
The foursome of Jerry Shipley, Leland Shelton, Ed Sanders and Jerry Shipman won the final Wednesday Night Scramble at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

The foursome shot a 33, but won a puttoff in the one-tie, all-tie format. Two groups had shot a 30 to force the puttoff.

Wednesday Night Scramble
Wednesday
at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course
30 -- Bobby Weaver, Rodney Barrett, Bill Adon, Sr., Dewayne Robbins, Nelson Canode, Bill Brown, Doc Weaver, Speedy Nieman, Keith Norvell.
31 -- Aaron Roberts, Ed Durrett, Mary Shelton, Don Davison, Dennis Davison.
33 -- Jerry Ripley, Leland Shelton, Ed Sanders, Jerry Shipman; Ron Mann, Mando Torres, Gayle Cornelius, Lily Shipman.
35 -- Paul Hubbard, Edna May, Amy Jepson, Sam Melcalf.
-- Won puttoff.

Sosa belts Nos. 64, 65

MILWAUKEE (AP) -- A day after he conceded the home run race, Sammy Sosa struck back.

He hit home runs Nos. 64 and 65 on Wednesday, tying Mark McGwire for the record and breaking an 0-for-21 slump in the Chicago Cubs' 8-7 loss to the Milwaukee Brewers.

The Cubs slugger, picking on his favorite pitching staff, homered against Milwaukee in the fifth and sixth innings, giving him 12 against the Brewers this season.

Sosa's No. 65 gave him 11 multihomer games this season, tying the major league record set by Detroit's Hank Greenberg in 1938.

Sosa hit a solo shot to right field with one out in the fifth off rookie left-hander Rafael Roque, who also gave up McGwire's 64th homer. With two out in the sixth, he hit a 2-2 fastball 410 feet to straightaway center off rookie right-hander Rod Henderson.

There was no mad scramble for the record-tying ball -- it bounced off the bleachers and back onto the grass, where center fielder Marquis Grissom retrieved it and tossed it to the infield. Shortstop Mark Loretta then rolled it to Sosa in front of the Cubs' dugout.

Both times, Sosa took a quick curtain call to chants of "Sam-my! Sam-my!"

Mired in his worst slump of the season, Sosa said he was concerned only about getting the Cubs to the

playoffs, while all McGwire had to worry about was swinging for the fences because the Cards were out of the race.

"He's the one going to finish up there a little bit higher than me," Sosa said Tuesday. "You have to remember, my situation is different. I have to go out there and try to win the last five games."

Plus, "He's swinging much better than me," Sosa explained.

Sosa had not gotten a hit and had struck out eight times since hitting a grand slam last Wednesday in San Diego for No. 63.

He walked his first two times up against Roque, then sent a 1-0 fastball 344 feet to the opposite field, giving the Cubs a 4-0 lead. His second homer made it 7-0, but the Cubs couldn't hold the lead.

Sosa's 12 home runs against the Brewers are the most by a player against one team since Roger Maris connected 13 times off the Chicago White Sox in 1961, the year he hit 61 homers.

Sosa's slump-buster came on the same day his native Dominican Republic began recovery from Hurricane Georges, which set off looting and street violence. Seventeen people died and much of the country lost power.

Most of Sosa's immediate family members were in Chicago, where they had gathered for the "Sammy Sosa Celebration" last weekend.

Aggies forfeit victory over Louisiana Tech

COLLEGE STATION (AP) -- Texas A&M has forfeited its 28-7 victory over Louisiana Tech because senior running back D'Andre Hardeman was academically ineligible, the school said Wednesday.

Hardeman, the top back for the 17th-ranked Aggies, also has been disqualified for the season, athletic director Wally Groff said.

Coach R.C. Slocum suspended Hardeman before Saturday's 24-6 victory over Southern Mississippi.

But Hardeman played in the Aggies' 23-14 loss to Florida State to open the season and their Sept. 12 victory over Louisiana Tech. The forfeit gives the Aggies a 1-2 record.

In a press release, Groff blamed the A&M registrar's office.

"A&M officials discovered an

inadvertent clerical error in the posting of grades at the registrar's office which resulted in Hardeman being cleared for competition," Groff wrote.

"There was no impropriety in the erroneous posting of the grades. The error was clerical in nature and was made outside of the athletic department. Besides this clerical error, no violation of NCAA and Big 12 rules was found."

Groff said he has sent a letter to Louisiana Tech forfeiting the Aggies' victory.

Athletic department spokesman Alan Cannon said the problem with Hardeman's records was discovered last Wednesday.

"In the checks and balances

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Trends emerge early in NFL season

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

When Chan Gailey replaced Barry Switzer as coach of the Cowboys after last season, the consensus was that a new coach -- any new coach -- in Dallas was good for two or three more wins following a 6-10 season.

Right now it looks the Cowboys might get more.

Some reasons:

1. The NFC East is awful -- 0-7 against outside competition. The New York Giants are playing like Dan Reeves rather than Jim Fassel is the coach; the Washington Redskins are totally confused; the Arizona Cardinals have major holes on offense and the Philadelphia Eagles are just bad.

2. Impact players can change games, as Deion Sanders demonstrated Monday night. The Cowboys had four: Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith, Michael Irvin and Sanders. Aikman is hurt, Smith and Irvin are past their peaks, but Deion is, as he used to tell everyone before he got religion, a prime time player.

Some other three-week trends:

AFC-NFC@ Denver's Super Bowl victory after 13 straight AFC losses demonstrated what a lot of football people already knew -- that the AFC is by far the better conference now. As such sages as George Young and the late Jim Finks used to say during the days of NFC dominance: "Things run in cycles."

This cycle is no contest.

There are probably a half-dozen potential conference champions in the AFC, even in this day when everyone is watered down by the salary cap. Denver, Kansas City, New England, Jacksonville and Miami have all played like contenders, and Pittsburgh will once it gets its offense straightened out. We'll know about Seattle after its next three games -- at Pittsburgh and Kansas City and home to Denver.

Moreover, Tennessee, Baltimore, the New York Jets and maybe Cincinnati are respectable, giving the conference 11 decent teams.

The NFC may have 11 bad teams.

Only Green Bay, San Francisco and Minnesota have played like contenders, and there are questions about the defenses of both the Vikings and 49ers -- Minnesota did, after all, almost blow a big lead in St. Louis. Dallas is probably OK, the Giants might be if Fassel can turn their heads around, and the Tampa Bay Bucs can make the playoffs if they learn that games have a first half as well as a second half.

But there are some awful teams in the NFC: Philadelphia, Arizona, Washington, Chicago (they lose close games, but they lose), maybe Detroit, Carolina, New Orleans and St. Louis. OK, the Saints are 2-0 and so are the Falcons, who could challenge for a playoff spot. But the Saints are bad and Atlanta is a mediocre team with an easy schedule.

QUARTERBACKS@ They're either too young, too old or hurt. The Cowboys' Jason Garrett, who's been a third-stringer for five of his six years in the NFL, could probably start for a half-dozen teams.

DISAPPOINTMENT@ The Lions figured to finish fourth in the NFC Central, but a respectable fourth that could get them to the playoffs again. Now they seem to have tossed in the season by inserting rookie Charlie Batch at quarterback.

Too bad, because Barry Sanders may be too old by the time Batch matures into a good QB. But it probably had to be done. Scott Mitchell is the classic coach-killer -- he teases you with an occasional good game, or good three quarters, then kills you with stupid mistakes.

DISAPPOINTMENT II@ (see above): Nobody expected the Giants to go to the Super Bowl this season, and they lost one of the keys to last season's NFC East title-winner when Jason Sehorn was lost for the season with a knee injury.

But they're still way down from last season and fingers are starting to be pointed.

"Some people here aren't very hungry," says All-Pro defensive end Michael Strahan.

NASCAR drivers rebut criticism they aren't athletes

By DICK BRINSTER
AP Sports Writer

DOVER, Del. -- Dale Jarrett was torn between a career of hitting a little white ball down the fairway or muscling a 3,400-pound race car for 500 miles in sweat-drenching heat around a steeply banked track.

This, after he was all-everything as a football and basketball player who happened to shoot near-scratch golf -- in high school.

So, tell him he's no athlete. It's all car. Anybody can do it.

"That kind of talk doesn't bother me, because some people just don't understand what we go through in these cars," Jarrett said. "But it's a lot like other sports because you need hand and eye coordination."

"When you're in traffic at the

speeds we race, it's not easy to get by somebody and still not hit him."

Drivers also deal with one handicap alien to any other sport. "Carbon monoxide is a real problem," Jarrett said. "It's bad, and it's something that's so hard to explain, something baseball, basketball and football players just don't have."

Jarrett says the growing popularity of the sport has opened many minds to the difficulty of racing. And drivers are beginning to earn respect as something other than throttle jockeys, says Jeff Gordon, now closing in on his third NASCAR Winston Cup championship in four years.

He finished seventh last year in voting for Male Athlete of the Year by The Associated Press. No



Cope



Nemechek

racer has won in the poll that dates to 1931.

"That's a real credit to the sport," Gordon said of his inclusion among the world's greatest athletes. "That kind of recognition is important to all of us."

The 27-year-old Gordon, who began driving minicars two decades ago, says athleticism is not

necessarily limited to strength and agility.

"Stamina and concentration play a big part," he said. "Try 4.5 hours behind the wheel when it's 140 degrees in the car and you're fighting off the effects of dehydration."

"You're trying to stay alert and keep it off the wall while going close to 200 mph with 40 guys all over you. Does that make us athletes?"

Because he became a serious racer when other kids were in Little League, Gordon never played organized sports. But he's a rarity among Winston Cup stars.

Derrick Cope caught in the minor leagues before a knee injury forced him out of baseball; Sterling Marlin was one of the great two-way players in Tennessee high

school football; and Kyle Petty was pursued by college football recruiters.

Jeff Burton, Steve Grissom, Chad Little and Joe Nemechek also starred in more than one sport before turning to racing.

Most drivers take in stride the charge that athleticism has little relationship to their performance. Some even laugh.

"Who said we're not athletes?" Marlin asked. "Bring him down here, strap him in and let's go a hundred laps flat out around The Monster Mile."

Cope speaks of discipline, determination and perseverance, something he says is common among athletes. Without those qualities no one can succeed in a race car, he insists.

"All those things enter into the

equation," he said. "But what I don't think people realize is how physically demanding this is, especially on a brutally hot afternoon when you're inhaling fumes and you can't breathe."

"I've caught doubleheaders in July in Florida, and that never left me as drained as 500 miles in a race car at a place like Bristol or Talladega."

Nemechek says conditioning is a key element. He insists those who don't have to withstand the effects of running high-banked tracks and tight turns at extremely high speeds cannot understand the strain it puts on the body.

"You've got to be in shape," he said. "I know we sit down, but

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Silva leads NCA rout

From staff reports

Esrael Silva ran back two interceptions for touchdowns and found the end zone five times overall as Nazarene Christian crushed Faith Temple Christian of Portales, N.M., 62-16 in a six-man game called by the 45-point rule Tuesday at NCA Field.

Both of Silva's interception returns came in the Eagles' 24-point second quarter.

Silva also threw a pair of touchdown passes -- the first to John Ory and another to Nick Foster.

Teel Merrick also tossed a pair of scores for the Eagles. Merrick found Silva in the third quarter and Josh Casey in the fourth quarter.

Drivers

there's a lot of stress on our arms and legs."

Jeremy Mayfield works out religiously, and points to the conditioning of most drivers as the reason they don't break down during a long season. He also says toughness allows drivers to withstand some horrendous contact.

"If some of these guys aren't athletes after taking some of the licks they have in wrecks, then neither are professional boxers," he said. "I've noticed the guy usually arguing that we aren't athletes normally has a belly out to here and never misses a game on television."

Bobby Hamilton, like Gordon a racer almost as far back as he can remember, doesn't like to hear how tough it is in other sports.

"It gets up to 150 degrees inside the race car, and we have to stay focused," he said. "Is that as tough as walking out of a shaded dugout to swing a baseball bat four times a night?"

"There aren't any timeouts or any guys named Sven coming out to kick the football. It's three to four to five hours of grip the wheel and hold on for dear life. If you strike out in our sport, it hurts."

Rockies defang Arizona, 14-11

DENVER (AP) -- Todd Helton homered twice and drove in a career-high five runs to lead the Colorado Rockies to a 14-11 win over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Wednesday night.

Colorado's Larry Walker went 3-for-3 to improve his NL-best batting average to .360 as the Rockies ended a four-game losing streak to the Diamondbacks.

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HISD SUB-VARSITY ROUNDUP

From staff reports
CANYON -- Jose Reece scored on a 30-yard run in the third quarter for the only points of the game as the Hereford Junior High School eighth-grade "A" football team blanked Canyon 6-0 Tuesday.

Robert Gil, Chris Constancio and Jorge Gonzalez each had a fumble recovery to lead the Hereford defense.

In the "B" game, Canyon defeated Hereford, 20-18.

Sammy Ellis scored on a pair of touchdown runs for the Whitefaces. Ellis jaunted in from 10 yards in the third quarter and from 32 yards in the fourth quarter.

Raymond Carillo picked up the Whitefaces' other touchdown on an 80-yard reception.

Paul Gilmore led the Hereford defense with three fumble recoveries. Jacob Armendariz and Ellis also recovered fumbles for the Whitefaces. Glen Castro recorded the only interception for Hereford and returned it one yard.

The Hereford eighth-grade teams will host Dumas Tuesday at Whiteface Field. The "A" game will be at 6:30 p.m., the "B" game at 5 p.m.

From staff reports
Jeffrey Gomez scored on two

lengthy touchdown runs to lead Hereford to an 18-0 win over Canyon Tuesday at Whiteface Field in seventh-grade "A" football.

Gomez also figured in the Whitefaces' other touchdown, tossing a 20-yard touchdown pass to Ryan Arthro.

In the "B" game, Daniel Garcia got Hereford's only points on an eight-yard run in the third quarter as Hereford and Canyon struggled to a 6-6 tie.

The Hereford seventh-grade teams will play at Dumas Tuesday. The "A" team will play at 6:30 p.m., and the "B" team at 5 p.m.

Aggies

where people keep going back through, some A&M official said. "Now wait a minute, let's take a closer look at this," Cannon said.

Hardeman was the team's third-leading rusher last year with 508 yards and seven touchdowns on 91 carries. He carried 24 times for 105 yards with four touchdowns in his two games this season. He scored three times in the Louisiana Tech game.

Hardeman has been replaced in the Aggies' lineup by freshman Ja'Mar Toombs. Texas A&M

plays at home Saturday against North Texas.

Slocum, reached at his home Wednesday night, said he was upbeat about the rest of A&M's season despite the forfeit and the loss of Hardeman.

"Not a whole lot has changed for our team other than we've lost a very good football player," Slocum said. "Hopefully that won't wreck our whole season. There's ample opportunity for us to qualify for a bowl game if we're good enough."

The Aggies have nine games remaining this season.

Groff said that since Hardeman has not redshirted during his college career, he might qualify for another year of eligibility under NCAA rules. School officials said they intend to request another year if Hardeman can qualify academically.

Hardeman attended Galena Park North Shore High School, where he ran for 1,729 yards and 20 touchdowns to qualify as a Parade All-American.

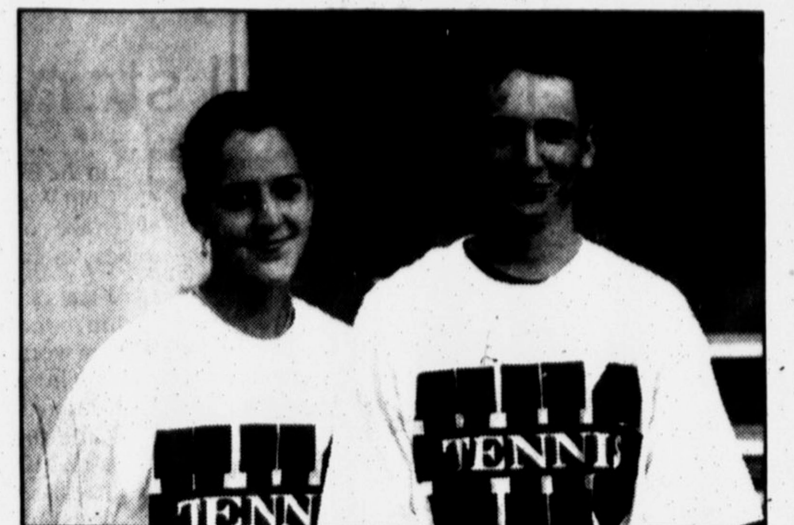


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BRYNNE BRYANT (left) and **Brent Berend** were recently elected captains by their teammates on the Hereford High School boys and girls tennis teams. Both squads will play Borger Saturday at Whiteface Courts.

AREA HAPPENINGS

'Lil' Herd teams will play Saturday

The Hereford "Lil" Herd Panhandle Youth Football League teams will kick off their home schedule at Whiteface Stadium Saturday.

The Stevens 5-Star Car and Truck Center "Lil" Herd will play the Canyon Randall "Lil" Raiders at 1

p.m. and the Golden Nugget Pawn Shop "Lil" Herd will host the Amarillo Caprock "Lil" Longhorns at 4 p.m.

Admission will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students, and will be good for both football games. A concession stand will be available.

City golf tournament set for Saturday

From staff reports
The Hereford Men's City Championship will be Saturday and Sunday at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

The tournament is open to all Deaf Smith County residents. There will be three classes -- Men's Open, Men's Senior and Super Senior.

The Men's Open class will be split into net and gross divisions. Players in the net division must have a verifiable handicap.

Entry fee is \$20 for all divisions. For more information, please contact the pro shop at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course at 363-7139.

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Cold War

CNN to tell story in 24 hours

By DAVID BAUDER
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK - Anyone who thinks a 24-hour documentary on the Cold War is overkill should consider this: it's a scaled-down version of CNN founder Ted Turner's original vision.

In St. Petersburg, Russia four years ago for the Goodwill Games, Turner invited CNN executive Pat Mitchell to breakfast and said he wanted to make a 40-hour series on the geopolitical struggle that ended when the Soviet Union did.

After an argument with producer Sir Jeremy Isaacs, Turner eventually settled for 24 hours.

The final product, made for nearly \$15 million, is still staggering in its scope. The first part premieres on at 7 p.m. CDT Sunday on CNN, and a new hourlong installment runs each week at the same time into next March.

"Ted believes history matters and he believes television companies have a responsibility to tell important stories," Mitchell said. "He put his money where his belief is on this."

The series comes at an important time for CNN. The network's reputation needs a shot of prestige after being battered this summer by having to retract a report that American forces used nerve gas in the Vietnam War.

Vietnam has its place in "Cold War" (episode 11), but then so does virtually every other milestone in history between 1945 and 1990, so all-encompassing was the struggle for supremacy between the United States and the Soviet Union.

"The world held its breath for 45 years," Isaacs said.

CNN's story begins in the ashes of World War II. The wartime alliance of the United States and Soviet Union had quickly turned to rivalry. The Berlin airlift, Korean War, the space race, Cuban missile crisis, Prague spring, terrorism, detente and the eventual collapse of the eastern bloc are all recorded in succeeding episodes.

Last year, when Yale University historian John Gaddis offered a course on the Cold War, 145 students took it. This fall, 400 signed up, indicating curiosity among a generation whose only clear memory of the conflict is its conclusion, he said.

Historians like Gaddis consider it valuable that the documentary refuses to take sides or stick solely to a Western perspective.

"It wasn't to be from the winner's eyes or the loser's eyes," Turner said. "In fact, everybody lost. Humanity

lost in the Cold War, but humanity also won because the Cold War ended peacefully. My generation is alive when we could just as well be dead, and I think this series is going to make us feel good about ourselves."

What's striking to Mitchell in retrospect is the fear within the communist bloc that the United States was bent on world domination. Ronald Reagan called the Soviet Union the "evil empire," but to the Soviets, the United States was that empire.

While the Cuban Missile Crisis is burned into memory, historians now recognize that the two sides may have been just as close to war in 1983, when military exercises ordered by President Reagan alarmed Soviet leaders.

Americans were also convinced at the end of the Eisenhower era that the Soviets were well ahead in the space race. "Cold War" reveals a little-known price paid for that perception: an explosion within the Soviet space program that killed 189 people.

Isaacs said he was left with a high regard for leaders on both sides who held back from belligerent gestures when the results would have been calamitous. The Cold War stayed cold, for the most part, because of all the nuclear firepower each side had pointed at the other. The acronym of choice was M.A.D. - Mutually Assured Destruction.

At a panel discussion sponsored by CNN recently, historian Arthur Schlesinger took the deterrence argument to a provocative extreme: "Does the atomic bomb deserve the Nobel Peace Prize?" he asked.

Fear of nuclear annihilation may have staved off a shooting war, Gaddis said, but there was a price: The conflict probably lasted longer than it should have because people were afraid to challenge the Soviet Union.

And there were many peripheral conflicts where the Cold War turned hot, like in Vietnam, Korea or Angola.

Turner felt the time was right to film the series because only a certain amount of time was available to film some of the major players. Former Kennedy aide McGeorge Bundy, for example, died three weeks after being interviewed.

CNN realizes viewers will need stamina to stay with the series. Each installment is repeated six times a week.

"It's a series that has value forever," Mitchell said. "We could play this every year from here to eternity and it would still have historical significance."

McCartney leading rock hall list

CLEVELAND (AP) - Paul McCartney, Bruce Springsteen and Billy Joel head up the list of 15 nominees for induction next year into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

McCartney is already in the hall as a member of the Beatles. If he winds up on the inductees' list this time, it would be for his work as a solo artist.

Blue-collar rocker Springsteen was nominated without his longtime backing group, the E Street Band, because he released his 1973 debut album "Greetings From Asbury Park, N.J." as a solo artist.

Musicians are eligible for nomination to the hall 25 years after the release of their first recording.

Joel, whose gift for melody has sometimes drawn comparisons to McCartney, has been eligible for induction for three years.

Also nominated for induction are: doo-wop groups the Flamingos and the Moonglows; gospel singers the Staples Singers; rhythm and blues singers Solomon Burke and Curtis Mayfield; singers Darlene Love, Gene Pitney and Dusty Springfield; heavy metal group Black Sabbath; jazz-influenced Steely Dan; and early rockers Del Shannon and Richie Valens.

Ballots with the list of nominees were mailed this week to the more than 800 artists, producers, journalists and music industry executives.

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Table of TV schedules for Thursday, September 24, showing programs from 6 PM to 11 PM across various channels.

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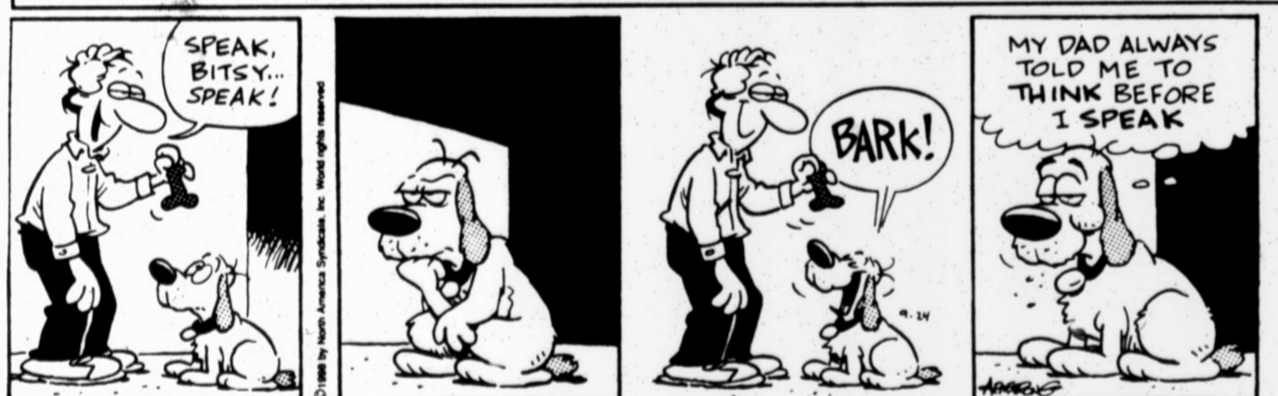
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