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Today's weather OUTLOOK

Increasing cloudiness

Tonight, increasing clouds with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, lows in the upper 40s.

Thursday, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, highs in the lower 70s.

Extended forecast

Friday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms, lows in the mid-40s, highs in the mid-60s.

Saturday, partly cloudy, a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, lows around 40, highs in the upper 60s.

Sunday, partly cloudy, lows around 40, highs 65 to 70.

Tuesday recap

High, 89; low, 54; no precipitation.

'TAAS' masters

HHS may be cited by state

By Dianna F. Dandridge

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

Preliminary TAAS scores indicate Hereford High School will be designated as a recognized campus by the Texas Education Agency, according to information presented at Tuesday's board meeting.

Deputy Superintendent Nena Veazey said 84 percent of all students successfully completed the reading portion; 86 percent passed mathematics; 88 percent of the students passed the writing skills.

Breaking the numbers down further into categories, 81 percent of the Hispanic students passed reading and mathematics, with 85 percent passing the writing portion.

Ninety percent of the Anglo students passed the reading tests; 97 percent, mathematics; and 93 percent, writing.

Economically disadvantaged students made the greatest strides, with 80 percent passing reading and math and 82 percent passing writing skills.

"All of our scores at the high school were above the 80-percent," Veazey said. "And, with our attendance rate hitting 98.6 percent, the campus is in very good standing."

Veazey expects official word of campus report cards in the coming weeks. During the board meeting, trustees discussed the 1999-2000 school calendar which had been chosen most popular by teachers.

Board members accepted a calendar which begins on Aug. 9, 1999, with new teacher in-service, and Aug. 10-13 as staff development. First day of class will be Aug. 16.

Students will be dismissed Dec. 22 for Christmas holidays and will re-

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HRMC to push recruiting

Studsrud planning to submit proposal for effort to attract additional doctors

By Don Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

John Studsrud believes the benefits from recruiting new specialists will outweigh the investment, so he will prepare a proposal to present to the Deaf Smith Hospital District board seeking the directors' OK to use strategic capital funds to try to bring new medical specialists to Hereford Regional Medical Center.

The hospital administrator told the directors Tuesday night he has identified 10 specialties that he believes the community will support—even though the price tag for recruiting the physicians can run from \$20,000 to \$40,000 per specialty.

"It'll take some discussion, but we need to go forward and it will cost a lot of money," Studsrud said.

He said he will prepare a written analysis for the board to consider and if he is given authorization to proceed aggressively in the recruitment of specialists, such as urologist and gastro-interologists, he will provide full monthly reports on contacts and expenditures in the process.

He said he is convinced the community will support the recruitment of specialists, which he also contends will result in increased rev-



BRAND/Don Cooper

Brandon Durbin, whose accounting firm Durbin & Co. of Lubbock conducted the audit of the Deaf Smith County Hospital District's finances, presents the report for the year ending Sept. 30, 1998. A complete review of the auditor's report will be in Thursday's edition of the *Hereford Brand*.

enue for the hospital.

Studsrud will present his proposal to the board at the next board meeting, tentatively scheduled for May 18.

The board also scheduled a special meeting for 6 p.m. May 3 to canvass the results in the May 1 hospital district election. The election will give the board a new look because three incumbents, board president Mal Manchee and directors Chip Guseman and Chris Leonard, opted not to seek re-election.

The board also received a report from the Hereford accounting firm of McGinty & Associates recommending suggestions for improvements to the internal control structure at the hospital.

The firm recommended the new controls establish specific written policies establishing the authority of both the HRMC administrator and the financial director in all financial areas, establishment of an audit committee of at least three members

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Durbin & Co. audit report

to monitor the hospital's financial management, and creation of a reporting system structured to the needs of the board.

The board directed the finance committee — Leonard and Directors Dean Crofford and Karen Solomon — to develop the internal control policies and present it to the board for its approval.

Brandon Durbin, whose firm Durbin & Co. conducted the annual audit of the hospital district's finances, also presented the auditor's report for the year ending Sept. 30, 1998.

Durbin said the audit concluded there are deficiencies in the internal control structure of HRMC, citing the limited size of the office staff.

"Because of the limited size ... the hospital has a lack of segregation of accounting duties. A good system of internal accounting control includes segregation of duties so that no one individual handles a transaction from inception to completion," the report stated.

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BRAND/Dianna F. Dandridge

Good day for fishing — The sun was out, the weather was warm — and maybe the fish in the Aquatic Center Pond were biting. At least that's what Gilbert Martinez Jr., 9, had in mind when he got his rod and reel Tuesday afternoon and went to the pond to see if he could snare some fish. Accompanying Gilbert on the fishing trip were Destiny Martinez, 4, and 9-month-old Jasmine Villarreal.

Tragedy

Two laugh as they kill classmates

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — Two teen-agers in black trench coats laughed and hooted as they opened fire on classmates in their suburban Denver high school, killing at least 16 people, including themselves, in the deadliest school rampage on record.

After the siege ended Tuesday, police said that as many as 25 people may have been killed. Early this morning, they revised the estimated death toll to at least 16 without elaborating.

'Trenchcoat Mafia'
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The attackers marched into the library of Columbine High School with guns and pipe bombs, demanding that "all jocks stand up. We're going to kill every one of you," said student Aaron Cohn.

A gunman looked under a desk in the library and said "Peek-a-boo," then fired, Cohn said. Anyone who cried or moaned was shot again.

Cohn said one killer put a pistol to his head but did not shoot him. Instead, he said, the shooter turned his attention to a black student. Cohn heard three shots but couldn't see what happened.

The bodies lay crumpled in the schoolhouse where they were shot; officers delayed removing the corpses until today because of possible booby traps.

Bombs were found in and around the school, including in two cars in the school parking lot. More than 11 hours after the shootings, a bomb on a timer blew up, but no one was injured.

Meantime, frantic parents awaited word of their children into the night, watching as busloads of tearful students were reunited with their families.

At least 23 people were hospitalized, most of them with gunshot wounds. One girl suffered nine shrapnel wounds.

The dead included students and at least one faculty member.

The gunmen were identified as Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold. The two exchange shots with police and were later found dead in the library with self-inflicted gunshot wounds.

National parks 'endangered'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dirty air is choking the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Deteriorating sewers are polluting the streams of Yellowstone. Historic ruins in the Chaco Culture National Historical Park in New Mexico are falling apart because of neglect and vandalism.

The examples were cited Tuesday by a private parks advocacy group as examples of a national park system that is in need of billions of dollars in repairs and protection.

"Our national parks are not being protected or respected," said Thomas Kiernan, president of the National Parks and Conservation Association, as the group released a list of its 10 "most endangered parks" in the federal system of 378 parks, monuments and historical sites.

Kiernan said the 10 parks were examples of the problems facing the federal park system and that other parks may be just as endangered.

While there is growing interest in Congress this year to spend more for conservation, including land purchases, there's no indication Congress is prepared to spend that kind of money on the federal park system.

Democratic Sens. Harry Reid of Nevada and Bob Graham of Florida attended the news conference to promote legislation they have introduced that would provide \$500 million a year for park improvements and address outside threats to federal parks.

The group did not rank the 10 parks, but provided a list in alpha-

betical order:

- Chaco Culture National Historic Park, New Mexico. Historic ruins have been severely damaged because of lack of maintenance, exposure to weather, tourism, vandals and looting.
- Denali National Park, Alaska. Made the list because of concern about a possible road being built through the heart of the park.
- Everglades, Biscayne National Park and Cypress National Preserve, Florida. Decades of development has siphoned away and polluted waters. A restoration project is under way, but environmentalists are concerned about redevelopment of a nearby former air base.
- Gettysburg National Military Park, Pennsylvania. Civil War uniforms, guns, swords, saddles and photographs have been damaged by mold, rust and rot.
- Grand Canyon National Park, Arizona. It is beset by an overflow of visi-

tors, traffic congestion, air pollution and noise from tour overflights.

- Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Tennessee and North Carolina. Severe air pollution in summer months. Average view during summer 13 miles, compared with 60 miles 50 years ago.
- Haleakala National Park, Hawaii. Many native species have been driven to extinction because of invasion of non-native plants, insects, reptiles and viruses that continue to undermine the park's biodiversity.
- Mojave National Preserve, California. Development and growth around the park threatens the parks desert wilderness.
- Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota. Pressure for use of motorized vehicles from motorized watercraft to snowmobiles.
- Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming, Montana and Idaho. The "poster child for neglect," the group says.

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THE HEREFORD BRAND Local roundup

Defensive driving class offered

A defensive driving class will be offered 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. Thursday at Friona State Bank. The cost is \$8, with the money going to the AARP. Participants will receive a 10 percent discount on their liability insurance for the next three years. For more information, call Benny or Joan Womble at 364-0832.

Easter STEP results

Hereford police department this week released the results from the Easter Selective Traffic Enforcement Program. Police issued 254 citations from April 1 through April 5 to individuals failing to comply with seat belt or child safety seat laws. The post survey indicates 91 percent of adults comply with the seat belt laws, but only 69 percent of children are restrained as prescribed by law. Along with the holiday STEPs, the Hereford Police will have unmarked cars on the streets actively watching for aggressive drivers. Police spokesman, Lt. Benny Barrick said the truckers, speeders and school zones will be closely monitored.

Garage sale donations needed

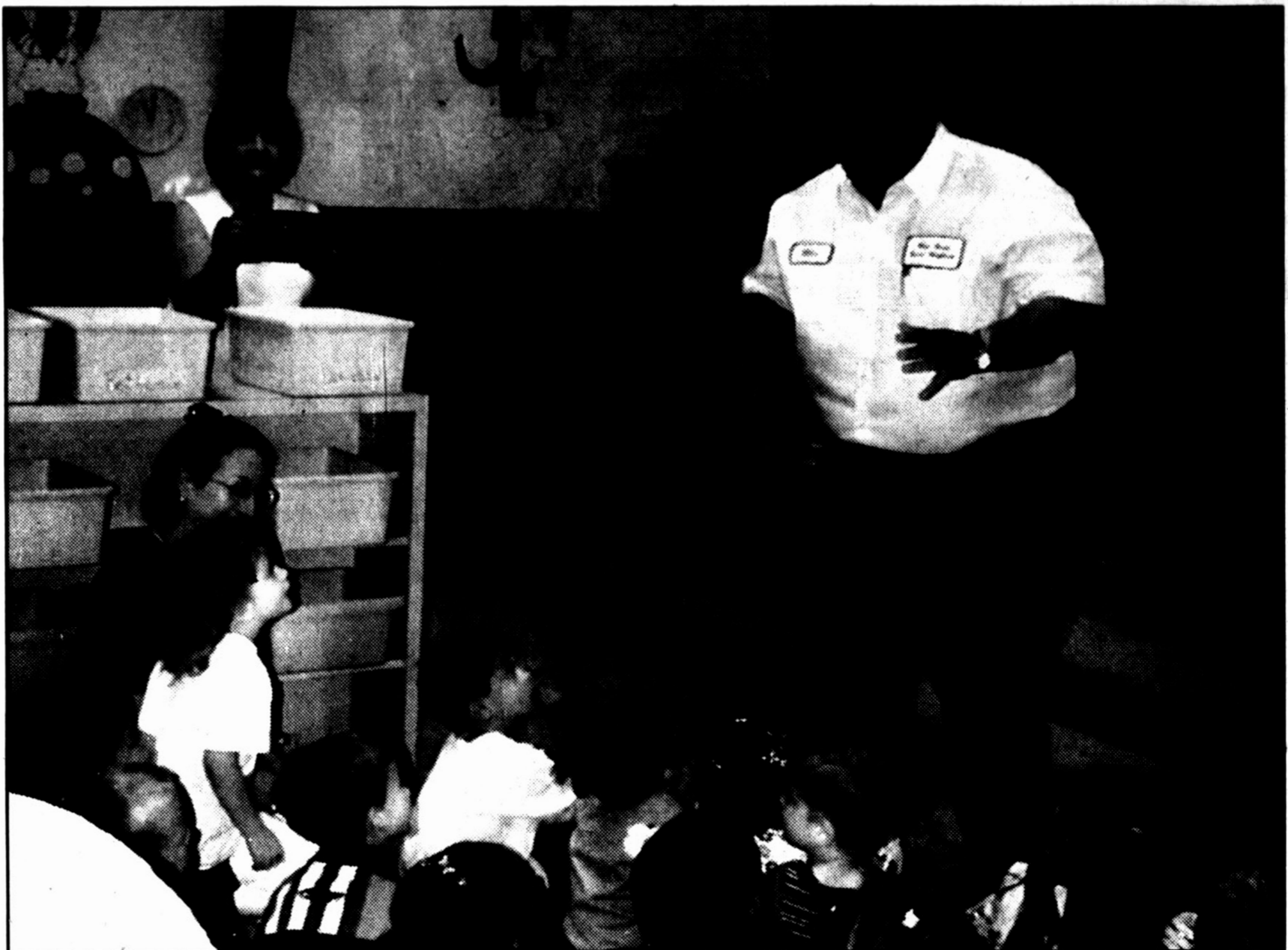
The SWorD group is accepting donations for their garage sale. Proceeds from the sale will go to help singles in the community. Donations will be accepted through Thursday and pickup is available by calling 344-4496.

Special Olympics field day

Special Olympics will meet Saturday at the Hereford High School football field for the annual Special Olympics field day. Officials say all volunteers are welcome and anyone wishing to volunteer should contact Don Cumpton at 364-3333 or Gene King at 364-4470.

Pilot Club schedules last game night

The last Pilot Club Game Night '42' party this season will be 7-10 p.m. Thursday at the Hereford Community Center. Everyone is invited.



Celebrate the child — Hereford Day Care Center is celebrating the week of the young child with special events for each day. Tuesday Mike Harris told bible stories and made balloon animals for his young audience. Today the school released blue balloons in recognition of child abuse prevention month. Thursday emergency medical services will visit and Friday is parent appreciation day. The school officials encourage parents and children to enjoy each other and take the time to do things together.

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News in brief

UT closes Texas Wranglers

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Wranglers, a spirit group for the University of Texas men's basketball team, has been shut down by the school for hazing pledges through sleep deprivation and other means.

The group was notified Monday that UT had revoked its registration as a student organization until Aug. 31, 2000, assistant dean of students Kevin Price told the Austin American-Statesman.

In a school investigation launched in late February, the Wranglers were found to have subjected new members to sleep deprivation and promoted alcohol consumption by underage members, officials said.

The Wranglers are the second UT student group to be disciplined for hazing recently.

In February, the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity was suspended for providing alcohol to underage members and humiliating and intimidating new members. That investigation was prompted by the death of one member, Jack Ivey, who died from severe alcohol poisoning in November. UT concluded that no hazing occurred in Ivey's death.

Olajuwon asks children to help

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Rockets basketball star Hakeem Olajuwon is trying to get children involved with relief efforts for Kosovar refugees.

Olajuwon, who has agreed to raise money to support the children in Kosovo, and Houston mayor Lee Brown met Tuesday with an assembly of schoolchildren who have developed projects to raise funds to help the children of Kosovo.

It's estimated there more than a half million refugees. Eight out of ten are women and children.

"I will just try to raise money and support the children in Kosovo," Olajuwon said.

"I was chosen as an honorary chairman, and I think that is a big honor. I feel privileged and am willing to play my role and help encourage people to step up and do something — to take responsibility."

With Brown and Olajuwon were schoolchildren who have developed projects to raise funds to aid Kosovo's children.

John Tsacrios Jr., executive director of UNICEF's Houston/Galveston office, said the agency hopes to raise \$250,000 in this area and \$3 million nationally.

Tsacrios said Olajuwon "has been involved with UNICEF since 1985, when he volunteered to help when the famine swept Ethiopia. He and (soccer great) Pele were key in our famine relief effort."

UNICEF is delivering drugs for adults and children, vaccines, syringes, water-purification tablets, baby-care supplies, blankets, tents, shoes, clothing, food, water and sanitation necessities.

Olajuwon also helped UNICEF relief efforts in 1991, when a cyclone swept through Bangladesh; in 1994 when war swept through Rwanda; and in 1998 when flooding ravaged Bangladesh. Olajuwon is also involved in the effort to eliminate river blindness, a disease spread by insects that live along river banks in Olajuwon's native Nigeria.

In 1996, Olajuwon teamed with Michael Jordan, speed skater Bonnie Blair and Norwegian skater Johann Olav Koss to form "Olympic Aid Atlanta," which raised millions for UNICEF.

Correction

Ramiro Zambrano's name was misspelled in article in Friday's edition of the *Hereford Brand*. The newspaper regrets the error.

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Small business insurance program closes

Workers scramble for new coverage

HOUSTON (AP) — A program to help small businesses buy health insurance for workers is closing on July 31, leaving 7,640 workers and their families scrambling for new health coverage.

The last insurance company in the program, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas, told officials last month it was pulling out, the *Texas Journal of the Wall Street Journal* reported in today's editions.

Blue Cross, which also oversees the program for the state, claims it has lost millions of dollars and that it didn't want to be the only company offering coverage for small businesses when the initial idea was to give employers a choice of carriers.

Officials of the Texas Insurance Purchasing Alliance, which was started more than five years ago, gave up trying to attract more carriers after Blue Cross said it wouldn't extend its contract, which expired in February, the *Journal* reported.

Alliance officials began notifying businesses about the shutdown this week. Lawmakers said it is too late to find state money to keep the program going. Instead, some lawmakers plan to ask for a study of ways to offer health insurance for small businesses.

Insurance agents said businesses who use the alliance program face immediate rate

hikes of 15 percent to find new insurance.

"When I first heard about TIPA, it sounded like the answer to the small-business nightmare," said Jan Dugger, owner of the Georgetown Tire Center. "I don't know what happened, but it wound up being not the answer."

Small companies are less likely to provide health insurance for workers than are large companies — fewer than one-third of small firms in Texas offer insurance. The alliance program was designed to make a dent in the number of uninsured Texans — nearly 5 million.

"TIPA has served as the place for the smallest groups and groups with people with health conditions" to get insurance, said Lisa McGiffert, a health-care analyst for Consumers Union's Southwest office in Austin. "Now they presumably are going to face higher costs."

But many other small businesses are getting insurance from the private market due to the same 1993 legislative package that created TIPA. For example, one law said private insurers can't reject any business that asks to be covered.

In 1997, more than 83,000 small businesses offered health coverage to employees, more than double the number in 1993, the *Journal* reported.

The 1993 changes also al-

lowed the creation of private insurance-purchasing pools, leading to Houston-based HealthShare Alliance of Texas, which provides coverage for about 150 businesses that cover about 1,300 employees and dependents.

In addition, the state office of the National Federation of Independent Business, a small-business group based in Washington, D.C., is rolling out a health-insurance plan for its 32,000 Texas members later this year.

TIPA never met expectations. At its peak, it covered fewer than 13,000 people — about 1 percent of the state's small-business health-insurance market.

It failed because insurance carriers cherry-picked small businesses whose employees posed less risk. Over time, TIPA became the insurer of last resort for businesses no one else wanted to cover — firms whose employees ran up large medical bills.

That caused insurers to charge higher premiums in

Communities' violations could cost flood insurance

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — Entire communities are at risk of losing federal flood insurance coverage after regulators have identified more than 800 Galveston County structures in possible violation of U.S. flood-plain rules.

Communities identified as having properties with flood-plain violations will have four months to bring them into compliance or risk losing access to the flood insurance program just as hurricane season arrives, according to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Frank Pagano, FEMA's division director of mitigation, told The Galveston County Daily News that the agency has identified 868 properties in the county which need closer review.

Most violations, the agency says, are in communities such as Tiki Island and Bayou Vista, which are in the 100-year flood plain and center on new homes built on stilts that use the base level for activities other than parking.

Federal guidelines prohibit homes from having habitable quarters below the base level, said Pagano.

The FEMA evaluation was focused on Galveston County because of its increasing growth and the amount of flood damage the county has endured, most recently during Tropical Storm Frances.

TIPA, forcing some firms to drop coverage and leaving an even higher-risk pool of employees in the program.

"The idea was to build a big pool," said Ms. McGiffert, "but then the state built in a way for carriers to pick out the healthiest businesses with the least risk."

Over the past four years, 15 insurers stopped offering policies through TIPA, citing unprofitability. A spokeswoman for Omaha, Neb.-based Mutual of Omaha said the combination of rising costs and state regulations led it to stop writing any coverage in Texas.

THE HEREFORD BRAND Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for April 20, 1999, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

— A 36-year-old woman was arrested and charged on a theft warrant.

Incidents

— A prowler was reported in the 500 block of Irving.

— A domestic dispute was reported in the 500 block of East Fourth.

— A suspicious person was reported in the 100 block of 25 Mile Avenue.

— A criminal trespass was reported in the 300 block of Blevins.

— A prowler reported in the 500 block of Irving resulted in the recovery of a stolen vehicle.

— A dog bite was reported in the 200 block of Lake.

— A two car accident was reported in the 300 block of Avenue B. No injuries were reported.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

— A 68-year-old man was arrested and charged with credit card abuse.

— A 17-year-old man was arrested and charged with attempted murder.

— A 50-year-old man was arrested and charged with two counts of criminal mischief.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Texas lottery

Cash Five

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

1-7-12-23-30

Pick 3

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

0-1-0

LIFESTYLES

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Father, son compromise is solution to long hair issue

Dear Ann Landers: Have you ever heard of a father disowning his only son for not cutting his hair? My husband asked "Wally" politely to get a decent haircut, and my son's reply was "I like it this way. I don't live at home anymore, and I don't have to do what you tell me."

Ann, Wally is 41 years old, divorced and raising two children on his own. He has a good job and doesn't drink or do drugs. His hair is shoulder length, graying and wavy, but clean. His father thinks that after all we've done for him, helping financially and taking care of the kids, Wally could at least do this for him.

My husband has forbidden Wally to come to our house. The only way I can see him or my grandchildren is to travel 20 miles. Christmas was a heartbreaker. I had to deliver the gifts to my son's house, and he couldn't be here with the rest of the family for the holidays.

Please don't suggest counseling. It's out of the question. My daughters say both men are stubborn mules and this problem will resolve itself in time. Meanwhile, I'm brokenhearted and torn between the two of them. I would appreciate any advice you could offer. — Heartbroken in Maine

Dear Maine: Wally and his father should each give a little to keep peace in the family. Wally should trim his hair so it is noticeable. Your husband needs to mellow out and re-



Ann Landers

alize that Wally is no longer a kid who needs his father's approval when it comes to the length of his hair. They should meet each other halfway.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been in a committed relationship for the last four years with a woman who has children from a previous marriage. When we are alone together, we have a wonderful time. Our time with the children, however, is strained and disappointing.

We don't live together because I cannot tolerate the way she is raising her children. The kids berate her and are in total control. Last Christmas, one of her sons made fun of her in a very disrespectful way, and she ignored it. He still received wonderful gifts.

We have had countless arguments about children and discipline, and it is obvious we disagree. I have considered leaving her over this but doubt I would ever find a woman as compatible. I know her kids won't be around forever, but I'm not sure I can survive until then. What should I do? — Anonymous in the Midwest

Dear Midwest: The woman needs counseling to learn how to deal with these disrespectful children, for their sake as well as hers. Urge her to do so at once. She does her children a grave disservice when she allows them to run all over her. Let her know, too, that she could lose you if she refuses to take control of the situation. Be firm about this, or you're sunk.

Dear Ann Landers: Several years ago, my mother-in-law, "Bess," took care of her mother when she was dying of cancer. Bess has one brother, "Tommy," who lives far away and was unable to help. When the mother died, she left Bess her entire estate. This caused a major blowout between Bess and Tommy, and they haven't seen each other in 11 years.

Now, Tommy is dying of cancer. He called Bess to patch things up, and they have made amends over the estate. She would like to visit him, but Tommy's wife refuses to settle their differences and has told Bess not to bother coming. Ann, should she make the 1,200-mile trip knowing she might not get to see her brother after all? Time is running out. Please advise. — Bill in Cincinnati

Dear Bill: Bess should go anyway. If she doesn't, she'll regret it.

Have trouble sleeping at night and don't want to get involved in a novel? "A Collection of My Favorite Gems of the Day" is the perfect bed-stand mate. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Collection, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562.



Deaf Smith County 4-H'ers participating in the County Fashion Show were, front row from left, Chelsea Campbell, Jessica Shelton, Madison Urbanczyk, Amy Adams; center from left, Toni Kay Payne, Lark Duncan, Stephanie Shaw; back row from left, Dawn Auckerman, Abigail Wilks, Chelsea Blain, Kylee Auckerman and Craig Campbell.

4-H'ers model spring styles 'Rainbow Parade' theme for fashion extravaganza

"Rainbow Parade" was the theme for the Deaf Smith County 4-H Fashion Show held Sunday in the Lamar Room of King's Manor Methodist Home. Beverly Harder, County Extension Agent Family and Consumer Sciences, was narrator for the parade of styles modeled by county 4-H members.

Winners in each division will represent Deaf Smith County in the coming District Fashion Show.

At the conclusion of the fashion show, the following awards were presented:

- Senior Buying Division**
Dressy: Abigail Wilks
Formal: Kylee Auckerman
Casual: Craig Campbell
- Intermediate Buying Division**
Dressy: Dawn Auckerman
Casual: Chelsea Blain
- Junior Buying Division**

Dressy: Jessica Shelton
Casual: Winner-Madison Urbanczyk, 1st runner up-Amy Adams, 2nd runner up-Chelsea Campbell.

Intermediate Construction Division
Dressy Daywear: Lark Duncan

Junior Construction Division
Casual: Stephanie Shaw
Dressy: Toni Kay Payne

Design and Apparel Junior: Toni Kay Payne
Some objectives of the 4-H fashion revue awards program are to help young people build self-confidence and poise through developing self-concept and the ability to make the most of one's personal attributes and to give them an appreciation of the skill in the use of the decision-making process.

At the Center

Senior Citizens

MENUS

THURSDAY-Mexican stack, Spanish rice, pinto beans, salad fixings, tostados, pineapple tidbits; or chicken breast.

FRIDAY-Salmon patties with dill sauce, hashed potatoes, Normandy vegetables, coleslaw, lime gelatin/pears; or smothered chicken, D'zerta gelatin.

MONDAY-Smothered chicken, seasoned noodles, seasoned mixed vegetables, tossed salad, tapioca pudding with apricots; or beef patty in mushroom gravy, apricots.

TUESDAY-Beef brisket, potato salad, pinto beans, pickle/ onion, purple plum cobbler; or Polish sausage, purple plms.

WEDNESDAY-Roast pork

with gravy, cornbread dressing, buttered zucchini squash, cranberry nut salad, carrot cake; or sliced turkey, peaches.

ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil painting 9-11 a.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

FRIDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., Thrift Store 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

MONDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class 1-4 p.m.

TUESDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., Golden K Kiwanis Club 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, ceramics 12:30-4 p.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Hospital Notes

Patients in Hereford Regional Medical Center on April 21:

Linda Celaya, Brian Cody Hodges, Kim Jorgenson, infant boy Jorgenson, Ruth E. King, Morna Parks, Sam H. Sessions, Paul L. Stevens, Tommy L. Wells.

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DAR chapter recognizes area youths



American History Essay Contest winners from the fifth grade who attended the DAR Honors Tea Sunday were, above from left, Kristen O'Rear, Jennifer Brock and Amanda Moss. Sixth grade winners were, below from left, Kale Hollingsworth, John Griffin and Jaclyn Paschel.

DAR Good Citizens and the winners in the DAR American History Essay Contest were guests of honor at a tea Sunday in Hereford Community Center.

Los Ciboleros Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution hosted the tea to publicly recognize the winners, their families and school faculty.

Winners recognized were:

• Fifth Grade
West Central: 1st-Kristen L. O'Rear. 2nd-Tie Amanda Blain Moss and Jennifer M. Brock.

St. Anthony's: 1st-Kesli Urbanczyk. 2nd-Russell Artho.

• Sixth Grade
West Central: 1st-Kale Ann Hollingsworth. 2nd-Benjamin Thomas Coneway.

St. Anthony's: 1st-John Grif-

fin. 2nd-Jaclyn Paschel.

• Seventh Grade
Community Christian School: 1st-Carissa Shell Hicks. 2nd-Chelsea Shay Blain.

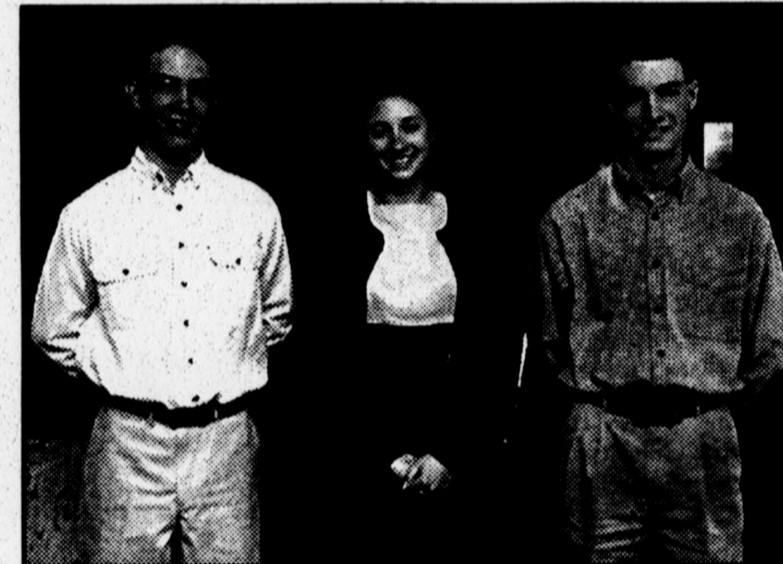
Nazarene Christian Academy: 1st-Edward John Silva. 2nd-Christopher Charles Kerr.

• Eighth Grade
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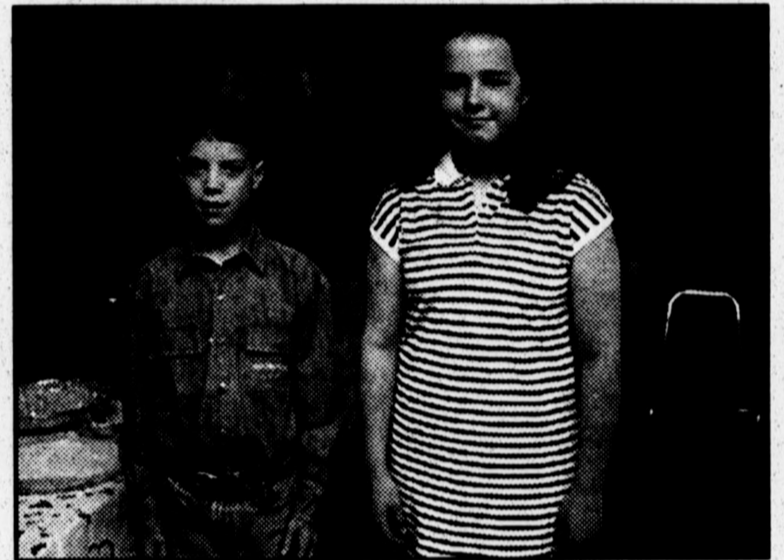
DAR Good Citizens were selected by teachers at their respective high schools and were also presented at the Honors Tea. They were Lindsey Welch of Dimmitt, Jaime Steiert of Hereford High School, Toby Duncan of Community Christian School and Clint Burney of Friona.



Essay contest winners from the seventh grade who attended the Honors Tea were, above from left, Christopher Kerr, Carissa Hicks and Chelsea Blain. Eighth grade winners were, below from left, John Ory and Amanda Smith.



Good Citizens—Clint Burney, Lindsey Welch, Toby Duncan.



Toujours Amis Club views fashions

Toujours Amis Study Club met at Boots and Saddle Western Wear for a program presentation titled "What's New for Spring?" The club was entertained by a show of the latest spring fashions narrated by Mary Beth White and then

treated to a shopper's discount. President Sally Nolen conducted the business meeting.

Refreshments of cheese and crackers, an assortment of cakes, coffee, tea and cold drinks were served by hostesses Kim Bigham, Cristi Conger and

Marsha Winget to Chrystal Anuszkiewicz, Melinda Bridge, Lisa Formby, Diana Griffin, Shannon Hagar, Sandy Josseland, Julia Laing, Jan Reeve, Becky Reinart, Jill Savoini, Sherri Turnquist and Tammy Yenser.

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Troop 52 sets garage sale

Boy Scouts from Troop 52 will have a garage sale on Friday, April 23 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and on Saturday, April 24 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the old Cardinal's building, 1403 E. Park Ave.

Donations of saleable items, except clothing, will be accepted until Thursday, April 22. Items can be delivered to the garage sale location between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. on April 21 and 22 or call 364-7158 to arrange for pickup.

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Yankees rout Rangers, 4-0

NEW YORK (AP) — Nearly seven months later, the Texas Rangers still can't hit New York Yankees pitching.

David Cone allowed three hits in eight innings and Paul O'Neill homered twice to lead New York to a 4-0 victory Tuesday night, snapping a four-game losing streak.

"It's a lot easier when you win," acting manager Don Zimmer said after his team avoided what would have been its first five-game skid since September 1997.

And it's a lot easier with a pitching performance like Cone's.

"I felt sharp tonight," Cone said. "I got on top of the ball more and had more life on my fastball. I threw a lot of curves early and went to sliders and splitters late to keep them off balance."

The Rangers, who scored just one run and batted .141 against New York in last year's division series, couldn't do any better Tuesday, failing to get a runner past second base.

"What makes him effective is that he throws his pitches no matter what the count," Rusty Greer said. "It is very tough to zero in on one of his pitches or on one side of the plate."

Cone, 36, has had major arm surgery twice in the last three seasons and faced questions this spring whether he could repeat his 20-win season from a year ago.

After three starts, he has answered the critics. Cone (3-

0) has a 0.94 ERA and is holding opponents to a .121 batting average.

"I know I will be scrutinized and rightly so after what I have been through," he said. "I don't take exception to the questions, I just try to let them motivate me."

Cone was replaced by Mariano Rivera after throwing 100 pitches, an efficient night for him. He threw 105 pitches in 5 1-3 innings in his first start and 113 in six innings in his second start.

He also had no problems pitching to Jorge Posada instead of Joe Girardi, who caught 34 of Cone's 35 starts last year.

Cone struck out seven and allowed just six runners.

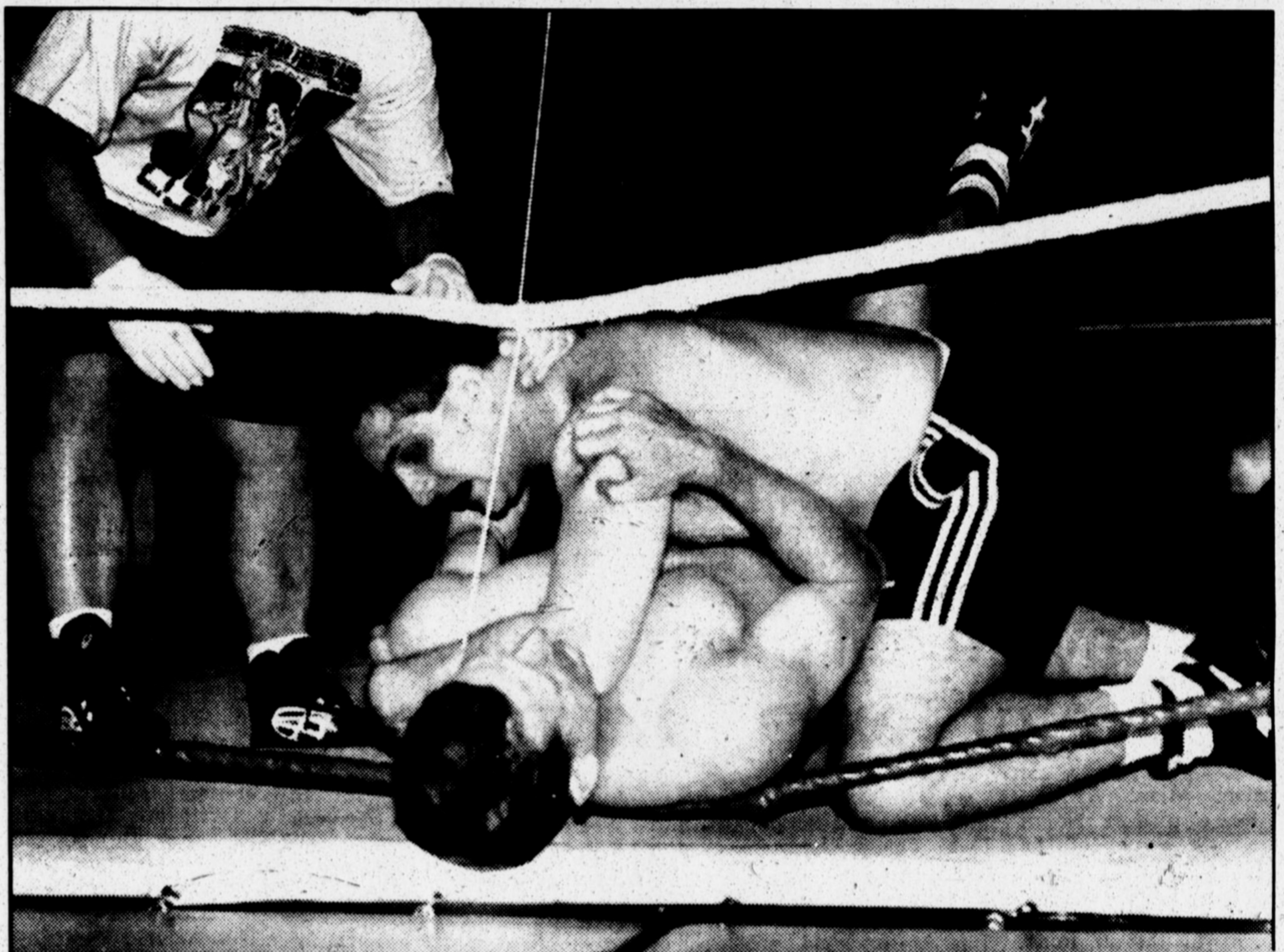
"It was a lot of fun," Posada said. "He was on tonight. His fastball was great today and he went right after the hitters."

The Yankees scored as many runs in the first three innings — thanks to O'Neill — as they did the entire weekend in Detroit. Derek Jeter singled with one out in the first off John Burkett (0-2) and scored on O'Neill's first homer, a towering fly to right-center. That broke an 0-for-15 stretch for O'Neill.

"Sure it bothered me," O'Neill said of his hitless stretch. "You come out every day and want to succeed. It's not 0-for-4 or 0-for-5. It's 0-for-15 and that's a lot of at-bats."



Shoot-out



BRAND/Julius Bodner

Take down — Craig Skiles, of Amarillo, brings down Terry Thompson, also of Amarillo, during a middle-weight bout of the Shoot Fight Tournament sponsored here this past weekend by the North American Fighting Alliance. Skiles fell to Lubbock's Gabriel Garcia in the championship round.

Pumping iron



Power-lifters — The Hereford YMCA hosted its first-ever power-lifting contest this past weekend. The winner of the competition was Josa Samarron after he netted lifts totaling 1,606 lbs. in three different categories including; bench press, squats and dead-lift. Other competitors and their totals were; Richard Samarron, 1,395; Tim Wolf, 1,110; Luis Ramirez, 1,045; Larry Campbell, 1,155; J.R. Grando, 995; Daniel Frohnofer, 995; Mike Ruiz, 935; Perfecto Manch, 835; Carlos Perez, 705;

Herd falls to Dons

Amarillo scores three runs in final inning to top the Whitefaces

The Hereford Whitefaces and the Amarillo Palo Duro Dons, both utilizing stingy defenses, had a difficult time deciding who wanted to win Tuesday's District 3-4A baseball game here at Whiteface Field more.

The teams were tied 2-2 by the bottom of the sixth inning and both found their zones in the seventh, but Palo Duro found the holes more often, slipping by Hereford 5-4 with three runs in the top of the seventh.

Whiteface pitcher Ramiro Zambrano relieved Eddie Lacey in the seventh inning and absorbed the loss which sent Hereford to 1-6 in district play and 4-15-3 overall.

Palo Duro improved to 4-3 in loop play and 9-10 for the season. Brandon Wright, after being relieved in the sixth inning, came back in the seventh to earn the win for the Dons.

Amarillo took two runs in the top of the fifth to take an early lead.

Hereford answered in the bottom of the sixth with two runs to tie the game, but fell short in the bottom of the seventh after grabbing only two runs to Palo Duro's three.

No news is good news for Yankees Strawberry

NEW YORK (AP) — The longer the New York Yankees go without hearing news on Darryl Strawberry, the better it is for the slugger.

New York Yankees general manager Brian Cashman on Tuesday said the team had not heard any updates. The commissioner's office informs teams of positive test

results but not of negative tests.

"There's nothing new to report," Cashman said. "They won't tell unless we need to know."

Strawberry was in New York the past two days to meet with officials from the commissioner's office and the union and to take another drug test.

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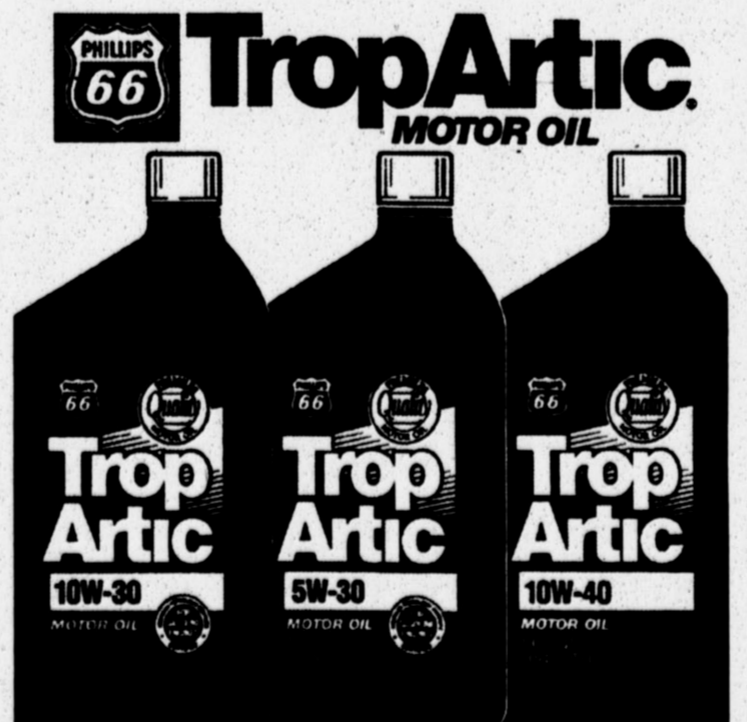
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Spurs snap Jazz winning streak

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Don't engrave Karl Malone's name on that MVP trophy just yet. Tim Duncan is making some special deliveries of his own.

Duncan had 36 points, 10 rebounds and seven blocked shots as the San Antonio Spurs beat the Utah Jazz 83-69 Tuesday night. The loss snapped Utah's 11-game winning streak and pulled the Spurs within three games of the Jazz's league-best record. San Antonio also clinched a playoff spot in the Western Conference.

"I felt great out there, as you could see," Duncan said. "This was a big game for us, and we responded like a very good team has to do."

If the ecstatic whoops coming from the Spurs' locker room after the game were any indication, San Antonio also has tossed the Jazz monkey off its back. The Jazz had beaten the Spurs eight of the last nine meetings, including four of five in last year's conference semifinals.

"It was the kind of game you'd expect with the rivalry that exists here," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "These guys have beaten us 97 out of 100, I think."

With his dominating performance, Duncan more than covered for a foul-plagued game from his Twin Towers partner, David Robinson. Duncan had 14 points in the third quarter as the Spurs built a sizeable lead over the out-of-sync Jazz, who shot just 35.4 percent in the game.

"Maybe we thought we could just show up at home with an 11-game winning streak and take care of business," Malone said. "We're the Jazz. If we only score 69

points, anybody can beat us on any given night."

In the fourth quarter, Malone hit a jumper to cut the Spurs' lead to 67-61 with 7:28 to play, but Duncan responded with five points on San Antonio's next three possessions, and a critical block on Malone. The Spurs made an 11-2 run over the next six minutes to put the game away.

The Spurs have won four straight games, with their last three coming against Portland, Houston and Utah. San Antonio also snapped a three-game road losing streak.

Malone finished with 23 points and 13 rebounds, but he got little help from his supporting cast. Bryon Russell, John Stockton and Shandon Anderson were a combined 9-for-30 from the field, and the Jazz committed 16 turnovers.

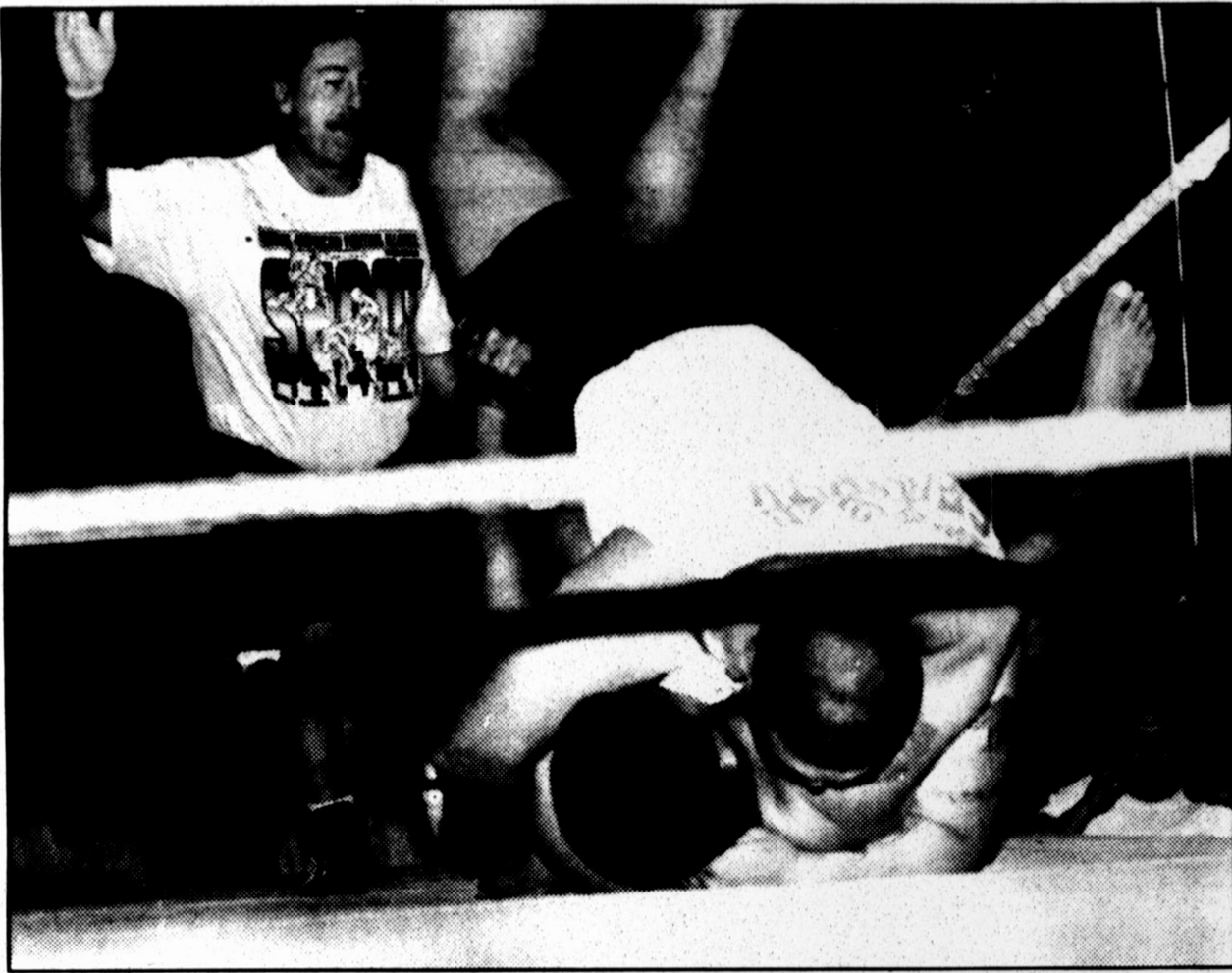
Utah lost for the first time in April and for just the second time at home this season. Afterward, the Jazz seemed shocked by their de-

cidely un-Jazzlike performance.

"If it were anybody else, we wouldn't have to worry about it," said Jeff Hornacek, who had 11 points. "But it's the team that's right behind us in the standings ... and they nailed us."

In fact, it was a 101-87 loss to Utah at the Alamodome on Feb. 28 that sparked the Spurs to their dramatic turnaround. After losing to the Jazz, San Antonio was 6-8; since then, the Spurs are 23-4.

Duncan dominated the game early, getting 13 points, five rebounds and five blocks in the first half as the Spurs led by double digits. Only three personal fouls prevented him from doing more damage.



BRAND/Julius Bodner

Bear hug — Shoot fighters Cody Couard of Pampa and Mike Pardo of Hale Center go at it during the North American Fight Alliance shoot fighting tournament which was held at the Hereford Bull Barn this past weekend. Couard won the tourney championship with a decision over Randall Alexander of Plainview. Shoot fighting is a mixture of wrestling and kick boxing that allows, under very liberal rules, just about every form of fighting except actual punching.

Ryan says excitement building for move of Texas league team

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan, the new owner of the Jackson Generals, says excitement is building over the Texas League team's move next season to Round Rock, Texas.

Ryan, who purchased the franchise last year, said 2,200 season tickets for the team's first season in the Austin suburb have already been sold. Ground was broken earlier this month on a new \$13 million, 7,500-seat stadium in the Austin suburb.

"I think we are probably more excited than we had been earlier because of the response we have gotten over in that area," Ryan said Tuesday. "We think things are going really good with ticket sales, suite sales and interest from advertisers in central Texas."

Ryan, who will be inducted into the Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, N.Y. on July 25, was in Jackson on Tuesday for a fund-raiser for the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and Museum. He then went

across the parking lot to Smith-Willis Stadium to watch the Generals play the Arkansas Travelers.

"I'm here to get a feel for how the game is put on here, and I think it will help us for future reference when we open in Round Rock," Ryan said.

Con Maloney, who had owned the Jackson franchise since 1982, cited dwindling attendance and escalating costs when he sold the team to a group of Texas buyers headed by Ryan.

Steve Purcella drops further among pro-rodeo standings

From staff and wire reports

A Hereford cowboy has dropped out of the top 10 money winners, according to figures released Tuesday by the National Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association.

Steve Purcella, who has been in the top 10 for most of the rodeo season, dropped to 11th place with earnings of \$13,134.

Mickey Gomez of Norman, Okla., and formerly of Hereford, also has fallen among the money leaders. Gomez has earned \$8,738, which ranks him No. 20 among team roping (heeling).

All-around Cowboy
1. Fred Whittfield, Hockley, Texas, \$71,300. 2. Herbert Theriot, Poplarville, Miss., \$32,788. 3. Chad Hagan, Leesville, La., \$32,495. 4. Joe Beaver, Huntsville, Texas, \$27,806. 5. Robert Bowers, Brooks, Alberta, \$26,571. 6. Ty Murray, Stephenville, Texas, \$23,957. 7. Tee Woolman, Llano, Texas, \$22,405. 8. T.W. Snyder, Colbert, Okla., \$22,288. 9. Kurt Goulding, Duncan, Okla., \$22,206. 10. Trevor Brazile, Childress, Texas, \$19,769.

Saddle Bronc Riding
1. Rod Hay, Wildwood, Alberta, \$41,545. 2. Dean Schiattmann, Basin, Wyo., \$28,646. 3. Tom

Reeves, Eagle Butte, S.D., \$26,400. 4. Dan Mortensen, Manhattan, Mont., \$24,251. 5. Ira Siagowski, Carlin, Nev., \$23,332. 6. Steve Dolarhide, Wickenburg, Ariz., \$21,390. 7. Rance Bray, Tethonia, Okla., \$19,873. 8. Bobby Griswold, Moore, Okla., \$19,593. 9. Ryan Elishere, New Underwood, S.D., \$18,353. 10. Ryan Mapston, Geysler, Mont., \$18,173.

Barrel Racing
1. Pete Hawkins, Weatherford, Texas, \$31,857. 2. Jeffrey Collins, Redfield, Kan., \$26,693. 3. Chris Harris, Arlington, Texas, \$23,145. 4. Denny McLanahan, Canadian, Texas, \$22,913. 5. Eric Mouton, Weatherford, Okla., \$22,277. 6. Mark Garrett, Nisland, S.D., \$20,683. 7. Jason Wylie, Stanchfield, Minn., \$20,631. 8. Eric Swenson, Bonham, Texas, \$20,430. 9. Kelly Wardell, Bellevue, Idaho, \$19,366. 10. Mark Gomes, Nickerson, Kan., \$17,059.

Bull Riding
1. Gregory Potter, Weatherford, Texas, \$30,228. 2. Cody Hancock, Taylor, Ariz., \$23,706. 3. Mike Moore, Wellington, Colo., \$20,788. 4. Myron Duarte, Auburn, Wash., \$19,975. 5. Rex Phillips, Elko, Nev., \$19,158. 6. Robert Bowers, Brooks, Alberta, \$19,122. 7. Francis Wilson, Sidney, Neb., \$18,967. 8. Josh O'Byrne, Annas, N.M., \$18,264. 9. Chad Castillo, Tucson, Ariz., \$17,807. 10. Scott Breeding, Edgar, Mont., \$17,661.

Team Roping
1. Fred Whittfield, Hockley, Texas, \$61,923. 2. Cody Ohi, Stephenville, Texas, \$37,092. 3. Blair Burk, Durant, Okla., \$35,372. 4. Johnny Emmons, Grandview, Texas, \$24,992. 5. Herbert Theriot, Poplarville, Miss., \$23,558. 6. Tony Reina, Wharton, Texas, \$23,331. 7. Jim Bob Mayes, Elgin, Texas, \$21,341. 8. Ricky Hyde, Conway, Ark., \$20,483. 9. Jerome Schneberger, Ponca City, Okla., \$20,276. 10. Ty Hays, Weatherford, Okla., \$19,670.

Steer Wrestling
1. Rope Myers, Van, Texas, \$33,733. 2. Lee Graves, Calgary, Alberta, \$25,672. 3. Chad Hagan, Leesville, La., \$23,298. 4. Randy Suhn, Laramie, Wyo., \$21,081. 5. Byron Walker, Ennis,

Texas, \$21,074. 6. Jason Lahr, Empona, Kan., \$21,009. 7. Mickey Gee, Wichita Falls, Texas, \$19,102. 8. Vince Walker, Oakdale, Calif., \$17,973. 9. T.W. Snyder, Colbert, Okla., \$17,915. 10. Rod Lyman, Victor, Mont., \$17,419.

Team Roping (Heeling)
1. Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., \$24,899. 2. Speed, Williams, Jacksonville, Fla., \$24,467. 3. Daniel Green, Oakdale, Calif., \$21,994. 4. Tee Woolman, Llano, Texas, \$18,311. 5. Kevin Stewart, Glen Rose, Texas, \$18,022. 6. David Montes, Fresno, Calif., \$17,116. 7. Turtle Powell, Alpine, Texas, \$14,968. 8. Jake Barnes, Cave Creek, Ariz., \$13,891. 9. Bobby Hurley, Ceres, Calif., \$13,459. 10. Matt Tyler, Weatherford, Texas, \$13,166.

Team Roping (Heading)
1. Britt Bockus, Claremore, Okla., \$24,899. 2. Rich Skerton, Llano, Texas, \$24,467. 3. Allen Bach, Turlock, Calif., \$21,994. 4. Tyler Magnus, Llano, Texas, \$18,311. 5. Martin Lucero, Stephenville, Texas, \$18,022. 6. Wayne Folmer, Stephenville, Texas, \$17,955. 7. John Paul Lucero, Stephenville, Texas, \$7,069. 8. Rocky Patterson, Pratt, Kan., \$7,026. 7. J. Paul Williams, Ponca City, Okla., \$5,717. 8. Trevor Brazile, Childress, Texas, \$5,212. 9. Scott Snedecor, Needville, Texas, \$5,007. 10. Bucky Helmer, Chelsea, Okla., \$4,900.

Steer Roping
1. Guy Allen, Lovington, N.M., \$9,913. 2. Marty Jones, Hobbs, N.M., \$9,269. 3. De Lynn Jones, Hobbs, N.M., \$8,154. 4. Arnold Felts, Sonora, Texas, \$7,921. 5. J.B. Whalley, Gardendale, Texas, \$7,069. 6. Rocky Patterson, Pratt, Kan., \$7,026. 7. J. Paul Williams, Ponca City, Okla., \$5,717. 8. Trevor Brazile, Childress, Texas, \$5,212. 9. Scott Snedecor, Needville, Texas, \$5,007. 10. Bucky Helmer, Chelsea, Okla., \$4,900.

Barrel Racing
1. Sherry Cervi, Midland, Texas, \$44,481. 2. Janet Stover, Decatur, Texas, \$26,677. 3. Ruth Harship, Acampo, Calif., \$21,503. 4. Taina Bird, Post, Texas, \$21,397. 5. Jamie Richards, Kennewick, Wash., \$20,675. 6. Rachael Myllyraa, Arlee, Mont., \$18,996. 7. Monica Wilson, Cardston, Alberta, \$15,960. 8. Charmayne James, Stephenville, Texas, \$15,531. 9. Liz Loeffler, Poteet, Texas, \$15,217. 10. Gail Hillman, Walter, Texas, \$14,029.

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We will miss his wit, his laughter, his wisdom, his loyalty, his leadership - and most of all - his friendship.

INSIDE

Study: Enjoy an egg

CHICAGO (AP) — An egg a day really is OK, according to researchers who found that healthy people eating up to seven eggs a week didn't increase their risk for heart attacks or strokes.

"Our study doesn't mean that people should go back to the typical Western diet — a breakfast with two eggs, bacon, sausage, butter and toast. This kind of diet is very unhealthy," said Dr. Frank B. Hu, whose research used data from two long-running landmark studies.

"People are afraid of eggs — because the cholesterol is so high and their reputation is so bad," said Hu, a nutritional epidemiologist at Harvard School of Public Health. "But eggs, per se — I don't think they deserve such a bad reputation."

Diabetics, however, did face higher risks of heart attacks or strokes with increased egg consumption, according to the study, which is being published in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

A large egg contains about 215 milligrams of cholesterol — far more than most other foods with the same number of calories.

A spokeswoman for the American Heart Association, which was not involved in the study, said the findings won't change her group's belief that Americans should limit their dietary cholesterol.

"These new data do not conflict with the American Heart Association's recommendations that healthy individuals consume no more than 300 milligrams of dietary cholesterol per day," said the spokeswoman, Dr. Alice H. Lichtenstein of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's nutrition center at Tufts University in Boston.

She agreed with the study's authors and what many experts have said for a long time — that it is more important to limit consumption of saturated fats and trans fats, the processed fats that make doughnuts, commercial cakes and french fries so delicious.

Hu noted that past research has shown dietary cholesterol to be less of a culprit than initially believed.

Hospital

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"Segregation problems occur in almost all small and medium-size hospitals, and often it is not economically feasible to permit an adequate segregation of duties in all respects. The hospital's management should be diligent in providing additional separation where possible," the report continued.

The audit found the hospital's total operating revenue for the year was \$11.2 million, down about \$500,000 from the previous year. The total operating expenses were about \$11.9 million, up about \$100,000 from the previous year.

For the year, the hospital showed an operating loss of \$623,055.

At the end of the year, the hospital's fund balance was \$4.9 million, down from \$5 million the year before.

The board also tabled a decision on hiring a charge master auditor for its compliance with federal guidelines.

In other business, the board accepted the bids for medical equipment. These capital expenditures included:

- Seven gurneys for the emergency room, \$20,352.80;
- A radiant warmer, \$7,712;
- Bassinets for the HRMC nursery, \$9,953;
- A nursery isolette, \$9,445;
- Stretchers for the ER, \$3,634;
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Riding the TAAS train — TAAS master, Richard Saucedo Bluebonnet principal, boards the TAAS train to encourage students to do their best on the TAAS test, which will be administered next week. Saucedo promised all students passing all parts of the TAAS Test will receive a trip to Wonderland Park in Amarillo.

HISD

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turn Jan. 5, 2000. Spring break will be April 17-21, 2000.

The later spring break was chosen to accommodate as many extra-curricular activities as possible.

The board adopted the calendar but reserves the right to make amendments as necessary.

The board also accepted the resignations of Lisa Laramore, an English teacher at Hereford Junior High, and Sheryl Patton, HJHS nurse.

New personnel hired were Amy Liscano, second-grade teacher for Aikman; Penny Summers, head softball coach and social studies teacher at the junior high; and Karen Sherrod, who was hired as a

Prime Time teacher for the second semester at Stanton Learning Center.

In other business, the board called a special meeting for 6 p.m. May 4 to canvass the results of the May 1 election, and named Jeri Bezner as the delegate to the 1999 Texas Association of School Board's Convention, which will be in October. Mark Landrum was named alternate.

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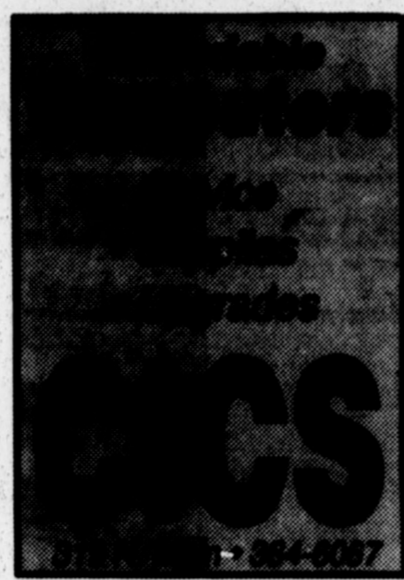
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Tragedy
'Trenchcoat Mafia' opposed athletes, Hispanics, blacks

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — They called themselves the "Trenchcoat Mafia," a dozen outcast students who opposed blacks, Hispanics and athletes, and dressed up in long black dusters, like villains of the Old West.

They played World War II games, bragged about their guns, and razed fellow students about kowtowing to the elite students at Columbine High School.

But few students took them seriously until Tuesday, when police said two members of the rebellious group took out guns and started firing.

Classmates and Denver media identified the dead gunmen as Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold. Police refused to confirm the identities, but were seen at Harris' home.

Sean Kelly, a 16-year-old junior, shared a computer lab with Harris.

"They just didn't seem to be all there. They liked things like Soldier of Fortune magazine," Kelly said. Harris made his own video production at school in which he bragged about some of his new guns.

Authorities said the boys killed themselves following a "suicide mission" in which they marched through the school, hurling pipe bombs and firing shotguns, leaving a trail of bodies. They said they learned of the group only after Tuesday's shooting.

"School officials said they had no problems with the two suspects, there were no discipline problems," said Jefferson County sheriff's spokesman Steve Davis.

Kelly said members of the group made a number of "generally derogatory remarks" about Hispanics and blacks, and were considered outcasts by other students at the school.

In the 1998 yearbook, a photo of a half-dozen mem-

"They just didn't seem to be all there. They liked things like Soldier of Fortune magazine."
Sean Kelly, junior, Columbine High

bers of the group, showing them locking arms and smiling, was accompanied by the caption, "Who says we're different? Insanity's healthy. ... Stay alive, stay different, stay crazy."

Chris Morris, a leader of the group, is grinning broadly.

Klebold's sallow-faced picture appears on a separate page, with the statement: "After going through many experiences in their lives, oftentimes students have regrets of past actions."

Student Andrew Beard said members of the group often came to school in steel-toed combat boots, some of them wearing Nazi crosses. Tuesday was the anniversary of Adolf Hitler's birthday, but it was unclear whether the students linked the attack to the date.

Beard said a dozen students joined the group last year, adopting the trademark dusters and sometimes wearing red or green berets, but the numbers dwindled to a half-dozen this year as the novelty wore off.

"Dylan said he hated the jocks, and how they could walk over people and thought they were tough," Beard said.

Josh Nielsen, 17, a junior at the school, said he knew members of the group as well.

"They liked playing war games," he said. "That's all they could talk about. They played war games and they liked to re-enact World War II battles."

NATO warplanes attack party offices in Belgrade

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — NATO missiles slammed into a Belgrade high-rise today, setting top floors ablaze in an attack on the offices of Yugoslavia's ruling party. The United States rushed more troops and equipment into Albania as border clashes raised fears of an expanding Balkan war.

Fueling those fears, Croatia charged that Yugoslavia had moved up to 300 troops into a U.N.-controlled demilitarized zone between Croatia and the Yugoslav republic of Montenegro. Yugoslav troops also wounded an Albanian soldier in a firefight along their tense border.

And in nearby Macedonia, President Kiro Gligorov warned that the influx of 130,000 Kosovo Albanian refugees and the presence of thousands of NATO troops was destabilizing his country.

At least three missiles struck the President Slobodan Milosevic's Socialist party, as well as three local television and radio stations.

The pre-dawn strike left a gaping hole on the first floor and plunged the upper floors into flames that firefighters were still battling hours later. Belgrade Deputy Mayor Spasoje Krunic said there apparently were no casualties.

Milosevic's daughter Marija visited the site this morning. She owns Kosava radio and TV, and others who are close to authorities control privately owned radio and TV Pribud and BK — all knocked off the air.

Calling the action the work of "criminals," Serbian Prime

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS News roundup

Minister Mirko Marjanovic declared, "They cannot bend us." Congress hearing about war costs

WASHINGTON — Congressional Republicans are divided over how much money to provide for the conflict with Yugoslavia and an accompanying military buildup, but agree it will exceed the \$6.05 billion President Clinton wants and that it will come from Social Security surpluses.

Hoping to move closer to a price tag, lawmakers invited Defense Secretary William Cohen and Gen. Hugh Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to testify today to the House Appropriations defense subcommittee. In the past, Republicans have said they believed Pentagon requests for extra money have been watered down by Clinton administration budget officials.

Congress was considering the Yugoslav campaign's expense even as the city prepared to host NATO leaders for a long-planned celebration of the alliance's 50th birthday that has evolved into a war council. In a three-day summit beginning Friday, leaders of 40 nations plan a show of unity over the fighting and may discuss clamping on oil embargo on Yugoslavia in hopes of hastening a surrender by Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic.

As they prepared to draft legislation financing the U.S. share of the fighting over Kosovo and aid to refugees, House GOP leaders said they would include money for the Pentagon to buy weapons and ammunition and to try to remedy a personnel shortage.

"I see a national security crisis," said House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas. "I see it as our first moral obligation."

Army refused to use a figure, but said Monday that a \$10 billion measure would be "insufficient." He blamed Clinton for the problem, saying Republicans must "fill the void that's been left by this administration."

Some House conservatives have said the bill should cost \$15 billion to \$18 billion. And Tuesday, Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., chairman of the House Armed Services military procurement subcommittee, said he believed the bill should run "well beyond \$20 billion."

Cancer rates fall, mostly for men

WASHINGTON — Cancer rates are continuing to inch down, thanks largely to drops in smoking — but men are benefiting most from the progress, says the nation's annual report on cancer.

Although they still suffer more cancer than women do, the rate of new cancer cases is dropping eight times faster for men than for women, says the study unveiled Tuesday by the American Cancer Society and government scientists.

Overall, cancer incidence has dropped 2.2 percent a year since 1992, says the report, published in this week's Journal of the National Cancer Institute, which analyzed cancer trends through 1996.

Scientists warned Tuesday that tobacco use could reverse the progress: Lung cancer remains the nation's top cancer killer, and recent declines in lung cancer among men who quit smoking in the 1970s and '80s helped fuel the overall declines in cancer incidence and mortality. But high teen smoking and new popularity for cigars have experts fearing a rebound.

Bauer's in race, touting morality

WASHINGTON — Gary Bauer is betting that his hands-on background, bottom-up tax cuts and morality-bound foreign policies will set him apart from the crowded presidential field he enters today. "Virtue is in free fall," the conservative activists says, and cannot be reclaimed for America without a family-friendly national agenda.

"Reverence and respect are disappearing, and the question before us is: Will the family, as well?" the Republican said, opening his long-shot campaign in a speech prepared for delivery to residents of Newport, Ky., his hometown. The son of a janitor, Bauer, 52, returns to the blue-collar river town across the Ohio from Cincinnati to underscore empathy for Americans of all classes and races.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Texans take care of Texas

Earth Day is April 22 this year, and since the first Earth Day held in 1970, a generation has grown up learning to protect the environment.

Texas Environmental Facts

66% of Texas households reported saving cans, bottles, or newspapers for recycling.

64% of Texans report leaving yard trimmings on the lawn all or most of the time.

64% of Texans reported choosing a product made of recycled materials over a regular product "all or most of the time" when both have an equivalent price.

64% of Texans favor the "pay as you throw" program for garbage pickup.

38% of Texans report taking hazardous waste to collection facilities "all or most of the time."

Texans report that they recycle aluminum cans "all or most of the time," followed by paper (38% of the time), plastic (31%), tin cans (29%), and glass (24%).

For more information on how you can help call: 1-800-CLEAN-UP.

SOURCES: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us), Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, 1997 Survey of Environmental Behaviors and Attitudes of Texans, and 1998 Texas Environmental Survey (Pico University)



Echándole el ojo a Texas

Los Tejanos cuidan a su ambiente

El día del planeta tierra se celebra el 22 de abril. Desde la primera celebración que fue en 1970, una generación ha crecido aprendiendo a apreciar el ambiente donde vivimos.

Hechos del Medio Ambiente

66% de las viviendas en Texas reciclan latas, botellas de vidrio y periódicos.

64% de los Tejanos por la mayor parte del tiempo dejan los recortes de la yarda.

64% de Tejanos reportado choosing a product made of recycled materials over a regular product "all or most of the time" when both have an equivalent price.

64% de los Tejanos prefieren el programa "paga cuando tires" que recoge la basura.

38% de los Tejanos reportan depositar en El Centro de Colección de Desechos Peligrosos los materiales de alto riesgo la mayor parte del tiempo.

Los Tejanos reportaron reciclar latas de aluminio la mayor parte del tiempo, seguida de 38% de papel, 31% de plástico, 29% de latas, y 24% de vidrio.

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FUENTES: Comptroller de Cuentas Públicas del Estado de Texas (www.window.state.tx.us), Recursos de la Comisión de Conservación Natural de Texas, Encuesta de 1997 sobre el Comportamiento de los Tejanos al Medio Ambiente, y Encuesta del Medio Ambiente de Texas en 1998 (Pico University)



Bradley making racial unity centerpiece of his campaign

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declaring racial unity "the defining moral issue of our time," former Sen. Bill Bradley put the quest for societal integration at the center of his campaign to win the White House in 2000.

Bradley, the sole Democrat thus far to challenge Vice President Al Gore for the party's nomination, said Tuesday afternoon the problem of race is "central to our American future."

"In running for president, I'm betting that far more than a majority of people in America want to achieve a deeper racial unity," he said in remarks prepared for a speech today at Cooper Union in New York City.

Bradley was speaking in a city where the shooting death of an unarmed African immigrant by four white police officers has ignited a storm

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agency you've furthered tolerance and racial understanding."

Bradley recited a litany of prejudices and injustices: church bombings, incidents of people beaten or killed because they were of Chinese descent or gay, the police practice of pulling over drivers because they are racial minorities. And he spoke about his own experience with the prejudices directed at his black teammates when he played professional basketball, and how they drove him into politics.

Bradley, pointing to the case of West African immigrant Amadou Diallo, who on Feb. 4 was hit by 19 of 41 bullets fired by four white New York City plainclothes officers, said the fight for racial equality has changed since the civil rights movement of past decades.

of protests and caused a major political headache for Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

"When Ronald Reagan was president, everyone knew that if you wanted to please the boss, you cut taxes, increased

military spending and fought communism," he said. "If I'm president, I want one thing to be known: If you want to please the boss, one of the things you'd better show is how in your department or



IMF says worst of crisis is over

By Martin Crutsinger

The Associated Press

The International Monetary Fund reported Tuesday that "significant positive developments" in the world economy this year raise hopes that the worst may be over for a financial crisis that pushed one-third of the globe into recession.

Issuing its latest "World Economic Outlook," the IMF insisted there are still plenty of threats around. But for the first time since the crisis erupted, the 182-nation international lending organization was able to revise its previous growth forecast slightly upward instead of being forced to admit it had been overly optimistic.

The IMF said it believes the global economy will expand by 2.3 percent this year, just 0.1 percentage point higher than a forecast it made four months ago. That would still make this year the weakest since the last global recession in 1991.

Looking further into the future, the agency saw a solid rebound in 2000 with the economy returning to growth of 3.4 percent.

"Global economic growth should pick up again in 2000 as adjustments in the emerging market economies run their course," the IMF economists wrote.

For that to occur, the IMF said, the world's largest economy, the United States, must achieve a "soft landing" with growth slowing to a more sustainable pace to keep inflation pressures at bay. Japan, the second-largest economy, will have to finally exhibit signs of emerging from its worst recession in a half-century, the IMF concluded.

If weaknesses in Japan are prolonged further, if recent weakness in continental Europe intensifies or if the United States suffers a sharper slowdown than expected, risks to the global economy will rise markedly, the IMF said.

IMF forecasts also saw threats coming from the current NATO bombing campaign in Yugoslavia, warning

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Japan's economy was projected to shrink again this year, with output falling 1.4 percent — double last year's plunge. The IMF said there are hopeful signs that Japan's economy finally may be emerging from its decade-long period of weakness. It predicted an end to the Japanese recession and slight growth of 0.3 percent in 2000.

The IMF was even more optimistic about other Asian countries, where plunging currencies and stock markets, triggered steep downturns, beginning first in Thailand in July 1997 and then spreading to other nations in the region.

"Activity has recently turned around in Korea and seems to have bottomed out in Malaysia and Thailand," the IMF said. "Investor sentiment toward many emerging market economies has rallied."

This assessment echoed a forecast released Monday by the Asian Development Bank, which reported "distinct signs that this sharp contraction may be bottoming out."

This view is a far cry from concerns last fall after Russia defaulted on billions of dollars in debt, throwing stock markets from New York to Buenos Aires into a tailspin. The Federal Reserve responded with a series of U.S. interest rate cuts that restored confidence and helped cushion the shocks.

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