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Ron Taylor**

Today's weather OUTLOOK

Chance of showers

Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, lows in the mid-40s.

Friday, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, highs 65 to 70.

Extended forecast

Saturday, partly cloudy, a chance of showers and thunderstorms, lows 40 to 45, highs in the upper 60s.

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

Monday, partly cloudy, lows in the lower 40s, highs 65 to 70.

Wednesday recap

High, 83; low, 47; no precipitation.

More fear casualties in Kosovo



**PRESIDENT
CLINTON
56% job
approval
rating**

The Associated Press

President Clinton's job approval has slipped with the public because of concerns over his handling of foreign policy, says a new poll on the conflict in Yugoslavia.

The president's overall job approval rating slipped to 56 percent in a poll released Wednesday by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press, his lowest level in almost two years. His job approval rating has been in the low 60s much of the last year, including during his impeachment inquiry.

Almost two-thirds of Americans in the poll say ground troops will be needed to resolve the conflict in Yugoslavia, and a growing number are very worried the fight over Kosovo will cause U.S. casualties.

About two-thirds say they're very concerned that U.S. troops might suffer casualties in the conflict. The portion who are very worried there will be casualties, 66 percent, has grown by more than 10 percentage points in the last month. And the number very concerned about the financial cost of sending troops has grown from a fifth of Americans to more than a third.

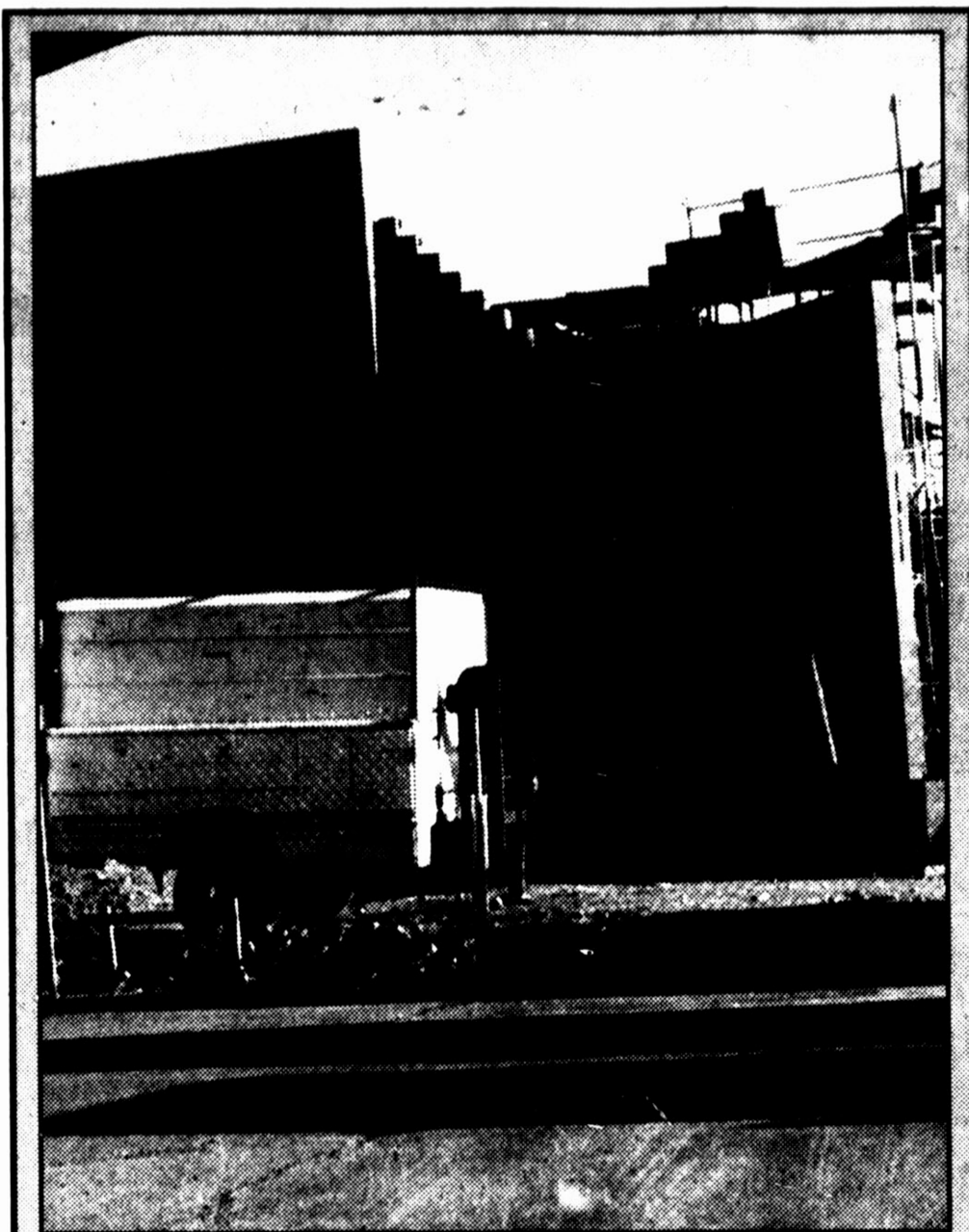
Almost three-fourths say it's very important for Clinton to get approval from Congress before committing ground troops to stop the Serb attacks on the ethnic Albanians who live in Kosovo.

Public support has held steady, about six in 10, for NATO's airstrikes against Yugoslavia, but more than half said they think the attacks will not make the Serbs more likely to agree to a peace plan.

The president's job approval remained steady among those who approve of his foreign policy, with the decline coming among those who disapprove.

Andrew Kohut, director of the Pew Research Center, said the drop in the president's job approval is "a warning sign, not a sea change in public opinion."

Even though a majority believe ground forces will be necessary to stop the Serb attacks on Kosovo's ethnic Albanians, public opinion is about evenly divided on the use of ground troops if airstrikes do not stop the attacks, the poll indicated.



Coming up — A new fine arts center is taking shape on the campus of Hereford High School. The new fine arts center is one of several buildings under construction across Hereford Independent School District. The district received a \$14 million grant from the state for the construction project.

NATO to ponder ground offensive

**Defense chief says ground campaign could involve
as many as 200,000 for invasion of Yugoslavia**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Clinton administration officials are giving the broadest hints yet that a ground offensive might soon be considered by NATO as part of a wider assault on Yugoslavia.

"It can happen very quickly," Defense Secretary William Cohen said Wednesday about updating plans that NATO has on the shelf for a ground attack.

Speaking on the eve of NATO's 50th anniversary summit here, Cohen told a House subcommittee that while a ground assault was not being considered, such a campaign could include 200,000 or more NATO troops for a full invasion of Yugoslavia or 75,000 troops for a limited ground operation in the province of Kosovo.

A White House official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said NATO may soon seek to update its assessment — made in October — that the campaign should be limited to air power.

Two other officials, also speaking on the condition of anonymity, said NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana has given the go-ahead to U.S. Army Gen. Wesley Clark, supreme commander of NATO forces

in Europe, for the new assessment.

Solana, in an interview published in today's editions of *The Washington Post*, said he thought the current air campaign against Yugoslav forces would succeed and that NATO was far from making any decision on using ground troops.

He said the "circumstances" of the attacks thus far on forces headed by Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic made it necessary to show the Serb leader that "all options are on the table." The Post said the White House arranged the telephone interview with Solana from NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium.

The topic of ground troops was certain to dominate the agenda of the NATO gathering here, which begins today and goes through the weekend. British Prime Minister Tony Blair and Clinton discussed the ground force issue Wednesday night at the White House.

The Pentagon awarded a \$41 million contract to Boeing Co. to convert 95 nuclear-armed cruise missiles to the nonnuclear version that B-52 bombers have been launching at Yugoslavia. The inventory of conventionally armed cruise missiles has been depleted by heavy use.

WTAMU to honor 3 alumni

Special to *The Brand*

CANYON — Three West Texas A&M University graduates, including one U.S. congressman, will receive the Distinguished Alumnus Award at the 36th Annual Phoenix Club Banquet, which will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Alumni Banquet Facility.

U.S. Rep. Larry Combest, Col. Dewey Wheat Jr. and Connie Wootton will receive the award, which is given to successful graduates who contribute time and support to the university and to humanitarian causes.

Combest, a Lubbock Republican whose 19th Congressional District includes Deaf Smith County, graduated in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. Each semester, he provides a WTAMU student the chance to be an intern in his Washington office. In his 15th year as congressman, Combest is

**Lawmaker, Army officer,
educator to be named
Distinguished Alumnus**

chairman of the House Agriculture Committee and serves on the House Small Business Committee.

Wheat graduated in 1973 with a bachelor's degree in political science. In his military career, he has been recognized for his service to the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon, military operations in Desert Strike and negotiations of prisoner of war exchanges between Syria and Israel.

Wootton, who graduated in 1970 with bachelor's degrees in English and biology and completed a master's degree in education administration in 1976, believes in the gifts and

Audit: HRMC operations showed loss

**Fewer patients spending
fewer days in hospital
shows up at bottom line**

By Don Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Declining usage of Hereford Regional Medical Center showed up in the bottom line last year, according to an auditor's report.

The Lubbock accounting firm of Durbin & Co. submitted its audit of Deaf Smith County Hospital District's finances Tuesday night to the district directors.

And, the audit confirmed what the monthly balance sheets showed last year, it was not a very good year for Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Revenue from inpatient services for the year ending Sept. 30, 1998, was about \$3.7 million, down from \$4.2 million the previous year.

The revenue from outpatient services was \$7.9 million, down from \$8.6 million at the end of September 1997.

The total patient revenue for the year ending Sept. 30, 1998, was \$12.8 million, down from \$14.3 million the previous year.

The biggest dropoff in inpatient service revenue was in the laboratory, falling from \$657,322 to \$493,933. The largest dropoff in outpatient revenue was in the Home Health agency, which saw its revenue fall from \$2.8 million in Fiscal 1997 to \$1.5 million in Fiscal 1998.

The auditors indicated the dramatic drop in the Home Health revenue was caused in part by the changes in Medicare/Medicaid outpatient reimbursement contained in the 1997 Balanced Budget Act.

"While some of the laws have been deferred until after April 1, 2000, the physical and occupational therapy law changes are effective as of Jan. 1, 1999," the auditors wrote.

"The new law will no longer pay for these therapies on a cost basis, but rather on a fee schedule ... Unfortunately for hospitals, the actual cash payments will be based on the old system, with a settlement based on the cost report. This may cause significant cost report adjustment," the report stated.

"The other outpatient reimbursements will change on ... April 1, 2000. The estimated effect to the hospital is a gain of \$35,508, or approximately 10.2 percent increase."

The auditors recommended the hospital administration review the HRMC charge master and coding procedures.

"We have found many instances where the coding has been a major problem affecting the outpatient reimbursement. This is especially true in hospitals that a low Medicare inpatient cost and actually a very profitable Medicare inpatient mix, such as your hospital does," the auditors wrote.

The HRMC administration already

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Durbin & Co. report

has begun the process of upgrading the charge master and coding. HRMC finance director Rodney Bailey is expected to recommend a charge master auditor to oversee installation of the proper coding at the board's next regular meeting.

The hiring of the charge master auditor also is intended to occur in conjunction with the installation of the hospital's new computer system, tentatively scheduled for July.

The Home Health Agency came under scrutiny by the auditors.

The agency's cost exceeded the per-visit payment limits, with the cost reported as \$1.2 million, while the per-visit cap was \$888,419. That resulted in \$335,389 of cost being disallowed by federal authorities.

"... it appears that the agency is not performing enough visits and that cost is excessive. We suggest having the reimbursement reviewed at least twice a year," the auditors recommended.

The auditors found HRMC had a decrease of 625 patient days, which was a 19 percent drop in utilization. Also, the hospital's discharges were 148, up 13 percent. The average hospital stay fell from 2.88 days to 2.07 from 1997 to 1998.

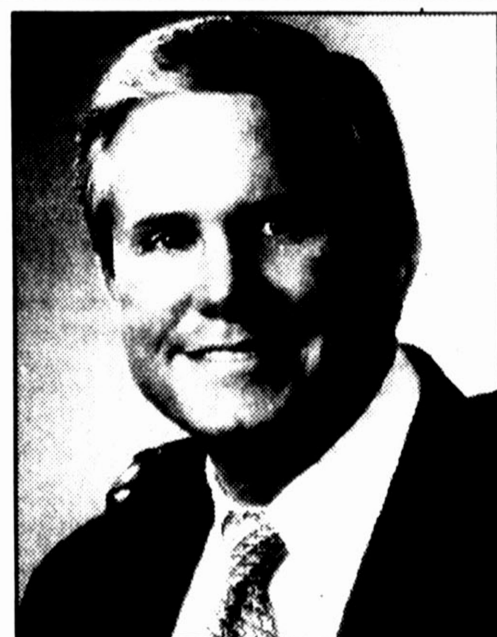
"Outpatient revenue decreased by \$762,861, or 2 percent. The outpatient decrease was due mainly in part to the law changes in HHA and the forced cutbacks," the auditors reported.

"Under the prospective payment system, hospitals are reimbursed based on discharges, not patient days, (so) discharges are a better measure of changes in utilization for Medicare and Medicaid." About 54 percent of the HRMC's patients are on care or Medicaid.

The board already has taken steps to deal with the deficiencies in internal control structure noted by the auditors.

The report indicated the hospital doesn't have segregation of its accounting responsibilities, which means one individual can handle a transaction "from inception to completion."

The board finance committee is reviewing the situation and will make recommendations to the full board to alleviate the problem.



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WTAMU grad
to be honored**

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THE HEREFORD BRAND Local roundup

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 o'clock tonight at the Hereford Community Center. Everyone is invited.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

Citrus marketing program targets teens

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — Hoping to build a base of lifelong orange juice drinkers, the Florida Department of Citrus is testing a marketing campaign aimed at children and teenagers.

During the first three months of this year, the department spent \$450,000 on television ads and a series of promotions in schools focusing on children between the ages of 6 and 18 in Grand Rapids, Mich., and Nashville, Tenn.

For years, the Department of Citrus has sponsored a program that gets school cafeterias to serve orange juice. But the new campaign marks the first time the department is appealing directly to children and teenagers to drink more orange juice.

"This age group is large and is very important," Linda Hawbaker, the department's school marketing director, told members of the Florida Citrus Commission at a meeting Wednesday.

Marketing officials dusted off a 1996 television commercial popular with children and young adults and also held promotions at schools that promised a visit from an Apollo astronaut for the school whose students drank the most orange juice.

Citrus officials in the near future also hope to have an Internet Web site attractive to children and teens and a partnership with a sports event geared toward the age group.

With kids drinking an average of about eight gallons each year, children and teens already drink more orange juice than the average consumption of Americans, about 5.5 gallons each year.

Cereal prices increase as farm prices fall

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., wants the Senate to investigate why General Mills and Kellogg are raising cereal prices when farm prices are declining.

"There's a short circuit in the economic wiring here," Dorgan said. "Farmers suffer big losses growing the grain, while cereal manufacturers reap big profits turning the same grain into breakfast cereal. The family farmer is being cheated out of a fair return."

General Mills is raising cereal prices 2.5 percent, an increase some analysts say will cause retail prices to rise by 10 cents a box. Kellogg raised prices 2.7 percent in December.

General Mills defended its move. "The current average retail price for a box of our cereal is about the same as it was in 1993, while average consumer prices for food at home since then have increased about 3 percent annually," said Austin Sullivan, General Mills spokesman.

"Nobody ever suggested that grain prices were behind our action," he added. "Grain is just one of many cost factors affecting cereal."

Dorgan asked the Senate Agriculture Committee to investigate the issue.

In a letter to the chairman, Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., and Democratic Sen. Tom Harkin of Iowa, the ranking minority member, Dorgan said producers are struggling to survive in the wake of a general price collapse.

The big cereal manufacturers, meanwhile, are returning profits of around 30 percent, even before the latest price increases, Dorgan said.

"Farmers deserve an answer to the issue of widening margins, especially as they are likely to be blamed for the retail cereal price increases," he said.

Rio Grande Valley cities vie for bird center

WESLACO, Texas (AP) — State officials are still circling, unable to decide where to put a World Birding Center.

Their indecision is causing a flap among boosters in several Rio Grande Valley cities who want to host the facility.

Five cities submitted their bids in December, set aside funds and even purchased land in hopes of landing the center.

State parks and wildlife officials were supposed to announce a roost for the \$12 million-\$15 million center Sunday during a major bird-watching event on South Padre Island.

But they announced they need more time to evaluate the proposals, and they put off a decision until June. Local officials say that's the same thing that Andrew Sansom, executive director of the Parks and Wildlife Department, said when he postponed a decision back in February.

"Its mind boggling. I'm glad we don't run the city this way," said Phyllis Griggs, one of McAllens representatives on the World Birding Center Community Planning Task Force.

Brownsville, Mission, Harlingen, Edinburg, and Weslaco have all submitted proposals for the birding center headquarters.

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Moses suggests stricter dress codes Freedom of expression needs boundaries

LUBBOCK (AP) — Texas schools should consider stricter dress-code enforcement after the Colorado tragedy in which students who set themselves apart with black coats staged a high school massacre, Texas Commissioner of Education Mike Moses says.

"I think freedom of expression is important, but I think when people are at a very young age, a very impressionable age, I think there are some boundaries," Moses told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal on Wednesday.

"We really need to ask ourselves how far in terms of freedom of expression. When do students lose touch with their ability to be able to exercise self-responsibility as

opposed to freedom of expression?"

Two members of a student group called the "Trenchcoat Mafia" killed 12 classmates and a teacher at a Littleton, Colo., high school on Tuesday. The pair, both juniors at Columbine High School, then committed suicide.

Moses said he found it disturbing that the gunmen never were questioned by school authorities about their practice of wearing trench coats no matter the weather.

"I was very concerned about students not being questioned about such things," Moses told the newspaper. "Is that necessary? Is that wholesome to the school environment?"

Moses said students' ex-

pressions of individuality should be a warning sign when behavior becomes unreasonable.

"In this instance, these students seemed to take on the identity of being a part of an army or being at war," he said. "I don't think that's healthy, but I don't know that a dress code resolves that."

Moses said school districts should continue to emphasize work in the area of character education and stress the importance of responsibility.

"We are going to have to examine the availability of weapons, dress codes, character education ... I think all of these are going to be important pieces," he said.

Some Texas school districts already are taking or consid-

ering action in the wake of the Colorado tragedy.

Two students at Brackenridge High School in San Antonio complained Wednesday that officials had asked them to remove black trench coats they have worn as fashion statements.

San Antonio Independent School District spokesman Bobby Zamora told TV station KMOL that officials were concerned about the message behind the clothing, which the students called "goth."

"We do want the kids to understand some messages and what they represent are wrong," Zamora said. "But there's more to their way of dress besides trench coats. They wear black nail polish, black leather boots, skeleton metal belt buckles and even a bondage belt."

In Greenville, northeast of Dallas, school officials said they always try to be alert for students whose actions indicate they are crying out for attention.

"The situation in Colorado was addressed first thing this morning and we did make counseling available to any student who needed it," district spokesman Brad Press told *The Greenville Herald Banner*.

Press said Greenville High School Principal Scott Potter addressed the tragedy as part of his morning announcements to students.

Nerves were also jittery in Hillsboro, where someone called in a false bomb threat to the high school only 21 hours after the Littleton shootings.

"There were truly students upset. It did scare some students," Principal Diane Innis told the *Waco Tribune-Herald*. "I know this had to do with the Colorado situation."

In Waco, two students were escorted from class by police officers and questioned after making threatening remarks regarding the Colorado massacre. The students later returned to class.

Editors note: See page A10 for related article. Bush says Texas schools are safe.



New business— The Deaf Smith Chamber of Commerce, Hereford Hustlers, welcomed Carla's Shearin' Shack to the community Tuesday with a special ribbon cutting ceremony. The new hair style center is owned and operated by Carla Shirley and her husband Ron, Vickie Wheeler and nail technician April Roby. Carla's is an environmentally safe salon which offers a full line of hair care, styles, and cuts. The new business is located at 128 E. Fifth Street.

Surgical castration remains untried

Texas prisoners must first complete evaluations

DALLAS (AP) — Two years after Texas started allowing the castration of chronic child molesters, only four inmates have said they want to volunteer for the surgical procedure.

The first operations are still months away because the inmates will have to undergo lengthy counseling and mental evaluations, prison officials said.

"There's no rush to get out the knives," Glen Castlebury, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Jus-

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Obituaries

WYMA JEAN SWAIN

April 19, 1999

DIMMITT — Funeral services for Wyma Jean Swain, 61, will be 2 p.m. Friday in the Rose Chapel of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home with Rev. W.L. Scott, pastor Abundant Life Family Church of Borger officiating. Burial will be at 3:30 p.m. in Dimmitt under the direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Swain died Monday at Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo.

She was born Sept. 12, 1937, in Henderson to Fred Benton and Ruby Jones. She married Eddie Swain on Aug. 8, 1953, in Clovis, N.M. She came to Dimmitt in 1995 from Fritch. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband Eddie Swain of Dimmitt; four sons, Eddie Swain, Jr., and Fred Douglas Swain, both of Dimmitt, Gary Swain of Fritch, and Edward Swain of Borger; two daughters, Billie Starling and Joyce Williams, both of Dimmitt; four brothers, James Benton, of Vernon, Kenneth Benton of Crowell, Curtis and Obie Benton of Wichita Falls; one sister, Sandra Benton of Wichita Falls; 16 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

tice, is quoted as saying in today's editions of *The Dallas Morning News*. "These are people who are going to be with us for some time."

Two inmates have officially requested castration and will begin the evaluations in the coming weeks, Castlebury said. Two others have apparently said they want to undergo the surgery but have not completed their applications, he said.

The names of the four inmates will not be released because, by law, records concerning the inmates' health are confidential, Castlebury said.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for April 21, 1999, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrests

— A woman was arrested in the 1100 block of West Park and charged with shoplifting.

Incidents

— Four children were at home and unsupervised by an adult in the 600 block of Irving. The case was referred to Children's Protective Services.

— An aggravated assault was reported at the High School.

— A 1-year-old boy was bitten by a cat in the 500 block of Roosevelt.

— An attempted burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 100 block of Star.

— Criminal trespass was reported in the 300 block of North McKinley.

— A two-car accident was reported at the intersection of Fourth and Main.

— A gasoline theft was reported at a convenience store, in the 2900 block of East First.

— A domestic disturbance was reported at a residence

Texas prisons house about 25,000 sex offenders, including those whose victims were adults, according to *The News*.

About 1,500 qualify for the castration program, which started in 1997, the newspaper said. Those are inmates who are at least 21; who are serving time for indecency with a child, sexual assault of a child or aggravated sexual assault of a child; and who have been convicted of one of those crimes at least once before.

The law allowing offenders to opt for castration includes detailed procedures for ad-

ressing the legal, medical and ethical concerns raised by castration, Castlebury said. The procedures involve other state agencies, including the Texas Board of Medical Examiners and two university hospitals that provide medical care.

That is why these first surgeries are a long way off, if the inmates decide to go through with them, Castlebury said.

Texas is the first state to provide directly for surgical castrations in prison, but chronic child molesters in other states have the option of chemical castration — injections of drugs that reduce male hormone levels, the newspaper reported.

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Texas lottery

Lotto Texas

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were:

19-47-39-27-29-11.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$7 million.

Pick 3

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

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Imperfect Citizen?



Preparing for competition at the District 14-H Roundup contest at West Texas A&M University on Saturday is the Share the Fun - Celebrating 4-H team of, from left, Toby Duncan, Paul Clark, Trae Blain, Erin Louder and Abigail Wilks. The skit builds the "perfect citizen" for the future by using the 4-H Creed to create 4-H Man in the lab of a mad scientist. Not pictured is Cassidy Hicks, who portrays the lab technician in the skit.

Traditional sources still surpass Internet

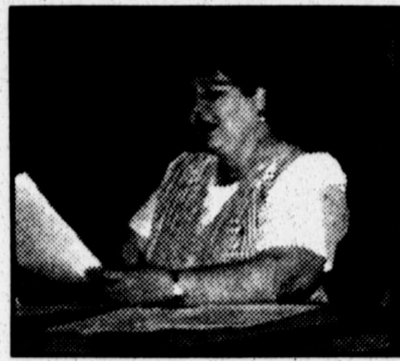
Donita Rule, first vice president and program chairman of the Deaf Smith County Genealogical Society, presented the program at the April meeting.

Using information from the Internet for a program titled "Learn About Genealogy," she emphasized that genealogists still must go beyond the keyboard, or risk finding themselves climbing an incorrect family tree.

Some of the reference books available online are not accepted as reliable sources so genealogists must still conduct in-depth research with traditional sources.

For every published genealogy, cemetery index, marriage record, or military reference found on the web, there are thousands more in libraries, archives, courthouses and museums.

During the business meeting conducted by L.J. Clark, the group voted to purchase "1836 Facts About the Alamo and Texas War for Independence" for the Genealogy Room at the Deaf Smith County Library.



Donita Rule

Prospective member Peggy James was introduced. Others present were Wilma Clark, Nolan Grady, Laquita Norvell, Nell Norvell, Jean Beene and Rule.

College Report

Mark E. Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scott of Hereford, is among 201 students from the Texas Tech University main campus, the School of Law and the School of Nursing who will be inducted into Phi Kappa Phi at a banquet on April 26.

Scott is a graduate student in Law, a national member of Phi Delta Phi and registered to

practice before the patent and trademark office.

Phi Kappa Phi is a national honor society which was chartered on the Texas Tech campus in 1956. Only seniors and graduate students in the top 10 percent of their classes, and juniors who make the top two percent are invited for membership.

Creators Syndicate

Ann Landers



Ann Landers who said women were ignorant if they were uncomfortable having a male technician perform a breast examination.

Ann, if a half-naked woman is uncomfortable being alone with a male technician, it's due to modesty, not ignorance. If she requests that another woman be in the room, she is not trying to insult the health worker, she is simply looking out for her own well-being.

Since when does medical training and a scrub suit make a man any less male? While many male technicians can keep their thoughts and hands under control, a lot of men don't. That's why many states have laws requiring a second woman to be in attendance whenever invasive exams are performed by men. I'm sure you have heard many stories about male physicians who touch their female patients inappropriately.

There is nothing wrong with a woman asserting herself during an exam and insisting on having another woman present. Please say so. — Leesburg, Va.

Dear Leesburg: You are right. Any woman who does not want a male to perform an exam should request a female technician. Most doctors are happy to comply, and no male technician should be offended by such a request. While the vast majority of technicians, male and female, are interested only in doing their jobs, no patient should be made to feel uncomfortable.

Dear Ann Landers: Please tell your readers to stop buying into all the doom and gloom about the Y2K prob-

lem. Sure, there will be computer glitches on Jan. 1, 2000, but the lights will come on, and the phones will work. Bankers have been upgrading their systems, preparing contingency plans and working with the federal regulators who closely examine our institutions. The goal is to have our systems ready and fully tested by midyear.

Banks have survived fires, floods, the Depression and a lot more. We're not going to let some computer code get us down. Banking's solid earnings and capital, plus FDIC insurance, means the safest place for consumers' money is in a bank.

Ann, I hope you will lend your influence to help spread the facts about Y2K. Americans need to know that we're all working now to make certain that banks are open for business as usual in 2000. — Donald G. Ogilvie, executive vice president, American Bankers Association, Washington, D.C.

Dear Donald Ogilvie: I appreciate your words of reassurance. The Y2K problem is baffling for most people, but the authorities I have spoken to agree with you. My thanks for writing.

Dear Ann Landers: You printed a letter from a pastor who disagreed with your comment that a man could be a lousy husband but a great father. You were right, Ann.

My father had trouble with women and could never stay married, but I could not have asked for a better dad. He gave all his children a wonderful legacy — unconditional love, compassion, understanding, humor and the gift of listening to them, which may be the greatest gift of all. — Lucky to Be His Daughter in Kentucky

Dear Lucky: Thanks for being in my corner. There are many males who are miserable husbands but wonderful fathers. By the same token, I have known men who were terrible fathers but great hus-

bands. I'm sure many readers out there can cite examples of both. Life can be funny that way.

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Hospital Notes

Patients in Hereford Regional Medical Center on April 22:

Linda Celaya, Monica Garza, infant girl Garza, Santos Gonzales, Kim Jorgenson, infant boy Jorgenson, Ruth E. King, Morna Parks, April D. Riley, Grace K. Sanders, June Scott, Sam H. Sessions.

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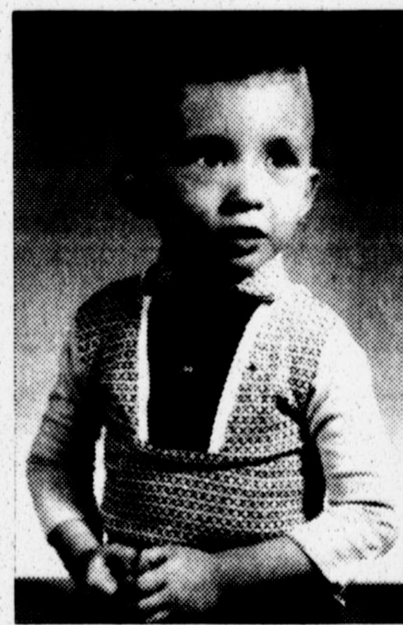
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Salad supper planned tonight for potential pageant entrants

A salad supper for Miss Hereford hopefuls and their mothers will be hosted by the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce at 7 p.m. tonight (Thursday) in the old Camp Fire Lodge, 14th St. and Avenue H.

Any young lady between the ages of 16 and 21 with an interest in the Miss Hereford Scholarship Pageant is invited to attend the salad supper.

Following the supper, both the young ladies and their mothers will have an opportunity to ask questions about the

pageant and get acquainted with the members of the pageant committee.

Registration forms will be available at the supper or may be obtained at the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce office, 701 N. Main.



4-H'ers performed their Share-the-Fun Dance routine for the 4-H County roundup recently. The group will perform to "Holdiing On" during competition at the District I 4-H Roundup Saturday on the campus of West Texas A&M University. 4-H project leader Tracy Duncan was coach for, front row from left, Carissa Hicks, Lark Duncan, back from left, Celeste Louder, Chelsea Blain and Nathan Louder.

What's Happening

Area Events

TULIA
Tulia Chamber of Commerce will host the second annual Sidewalk Chalk ArtFest on Saturday, May 8. Entries will be divided into two divisions: high school age and older; or junior high age and under. Prize money of \$800 will be awarded for the older age group. Children will also have a chance to win prizes in their age division. Early entry deadline is May 1. For more information, call the chamber office at 995-2296.

AMARILLO
Carmella Jones, Armstrong County Sheriff, will be the guest speaker for the meeting of Romance Writers of the Texas Panhandle at 10 a.m. Saturday on the second floor of the Central Library. Jones was appointed to office in 1993 and is one of four women sheriffs in the State of Texas. She is a state instructor in hypnosis and D.A.R.E. Sheriff Jones was appointed to the Texas Commission on Jail Standards by Governor Bush and serves on the Sheriff's Association of Texas Board of Directors. She is a board member of the Panhandle Regional Law Enforcement Academy. RWTP is a non-profit organization to help those pursuing a writing career in the romance genre to succeed.

Amarillo-Panhandle Humane Society will host Pet Adoptathon '99 on April 30 and May 1 from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. at the Humane Society, 3501 S. Osage. In conjunction with the Adoptathon, there will be a pet/owner look-alike contest; appearances by some Amarillo Dillas and the Dilla Dude; live music by Tennessee Tuckness, Chuck Alexander and Stew Moss; search and rescue demonstrations; balloons, refreshments; and many other activities.

LUBBOCK
The Lubbock Municipal Garden and Arts Center will host a Mystery Writing Workshop instructed by Katherine G. Saideman from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, May 1 in the center located at 4215 University Avenue. Saideman is a publishing professional writer with more than 12 years of experience teaching and working with authors. The one-day seminar will examine the publishing market and the different types of sub-

categories, and will look at what makes a story suspenseful. For more information, call the center at 806-767-3724.

Texas Federation of Women's Clubs will hold its 102nd Annual Convention April 28-May 1 at the Holiday Inn Lubbock Plaza, 3201 S. Loop 289.

Speakers will include General Federation of Women's Clubs Second vice-president Ernie Shriner of Wyoming and Diane Lowell of Lubbock, a member of the Governor's Commission on Women. The organization will award 15 scholarships totaling \$15,000 at this convention.



Heart topiaries, like the one pictured with Mark Griffin, son of Diana and Frank Griffin, and hoop topiaries will be offered for sale at the L'Allegra Plant Sale going on today (Thursday) from 2 p.m.-5 p.m. and beginning again Friday at 9 a.m. Other features of the sale will be 4" geraniums, annuals, perennials and herbs and hanging baskets of geraniums and asparagus ferns. An added feature this year is that for everyone who brings their one container of soil, club members will pot the plants they purchase. Proceeds from the plant sale will go to purchase snowflake light pole Christmas decorations for the city.

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JUNIOR HIGH TRACK

Boys' District Track Meet Thursday, April 16 Final Results

Team Finish: 2. 107.5 points.
400 relay — 5. (Luis Perez, Raymond Carrillo, Wade McNutt and Armando Pinales), 48.92.
800 — 6. Chris Ruckman, 2:27.31.
110 hurdles — 5. Tyler Yenzar, 18.55.
400 — 1. Armando Pinales, 56.81; 6. Johnny Esperza, 1:03.82.
800 relay — 3. (Raymond Carrillo, Ty Yosten, Chris Ruckman and Luis Perez), 1:43.88.
1600 — 3. Chris Ruckman, 5:37.23.
1800 relay — 2. (Luis Perez, Raymond Carrillo, Wade McNutt, Armando Pinales), 3:54.45.
High jump — 3. Jorge Gonzales, 5'-2" 5. Wade McNutt, 5'-0".
Long jump — 5. Raymond Carrillo, 16'-8 1/2".
Pole vault — 1. Luis Perez, 10'-0"; 3. Jason Edwards, 9'-0"; 4. Stewart Carr, 8'-6".
Shot put — 1. Tim Schlabs, 43'-3".
Triple jump — 1. Wade McNutt, 37'-8"; 4. Luis Perez, 36'-11 1/2"; 5. Raymond Carrillo, 35'-3".

7th Grade Boys

Team Finish — 6. 53.5 points.
400 relay — 2/ (Ryan Artho, Jorge Chavez, Seth Hatley and Luis Cruz), 51.70.
110 hurdles — 3. Jorge Chavez, 20.40.
100 — 2. Ryan Artho, 12.33; 6. Luis Cruz, 12.87.
800 relay — 6. (Seth Hatley, Matthew Espinoza, Josh Fuller and Seth Hoelcher), 2:02.52.
1600 relay — 4. (Jorge Chavez, Luis Cruz, Richard Fieves and Ryan Artho) — best Hereford team time of year — 4:26.94.
High jump — 6. Josh Fuller, 4'-8".
Long jump — 1. Ryan Artho, 16'-5".
Pole vault — 5. Seth Hatley, 7'-6".

Girls' District Track Meet Friday, April 16 Final Results

8th Grade

Team Finish — 1. Pampa, 170; 2. Borger, 133; 3. Dumas, 122; 4. Hereford, 99; 5. Valleyview, 57; 6. Canyon, 8.
400 relay — 2. (Tiffany Smith, Melissa Brown, Tiffany Mercer, Tiffany Koenig), 55.62.
800 — no results
100 hurdles — no results
100 meter dash — 1. Tiffany Koenig
800 relay — 4. (Mercer, Meyers, Brown, Smith) 2:03.26.
400 — no results
300 hurdles — 4. Sarah Griffin, 54.60; 5. Missy Meyers, 55.08.
200 — 1. Melissa Brown, 30.34; 5. Tiffany Smith, 31.12.
1600 — 3. Chris Ruckman, 5:44.72.
1800 relay — 2. (Griffin, Meyers, Koenig, Crox), 4:28.38.
400 — no results
High jump — 2. Sarah Griffin, 4'-8".
Triple jump — no results
Long jump — 4. Tiffany Koenig, 13'-23/4".
Shot put — 3. Kern Flood, 27'-03/4"; 6. Becky Bailey, 25'-61/4".
Discus — 5. Julie Aquino, 8'-0".

7th Grade Girls

Team totals — 1. Borger, 146; 2. Canyon, 119; 3. Pampa, 113; 4. Hereford, 103; 5. Dumas, 74; 6. Westover, 32.
2400 — no results
400 relay — 1. (Barrera, Ochoa, Pena Garcia), 56.80.
800 — 3. Claudia Flores, 2:47.95.
100 hurdles — 1. Sabrina Garcia, 17.35.
100 — 1. Kelli Barrera, 13.16.
800 relay — 2. (Barera, Ochoa, Artho, Garcia), 2:00.70.
400 — 4. Astrid Gomez, 1:10.97; 6. Claudia Flores, 1:13.97.
300 hurdles — no results
200 — 3. Stephanie Pena, 30.60.
1600 — no results
1800 relay — 4. (Ochoa, Gomez, Schlabs, Flores), 4:53.95.
Discus — 4. Beth Fuller, 72'-01/2"; 5. Marie Campos, 70'-51/2".
Shot put — 2. Marie Campos, 26'-6".
High jump — no results
Triple jump — no results
Long jump — 4. Sabrina Garcia, 12'-9".

High-stepper



Long strides — Hereford Lady Whiteface harrier Kristin Fangman keeps stride with an Amarillo Tascosa runner in the 100-meter hurdles during the Amarillo Relays two weeks ago. Fangman placed second in this past weekend's District 3-4A meet in Pampa to advance to the Regional Qualifiers Meet in Lamesa. The girls' track team, led by Brionne Yosten's two first place finishes in the 3,200 and 800-meter runs, also qualified in the 1,600 relay.

BRAND/Julius Bodner

Astros rip Chicago, 10-3

CHICAGO (AP) — The last time Jeff Bagwell hit three home runs in a game, he was in the midst of a magical season. Something good seemed to happen every time he stepped to the plate — homers, RBIs, doubles, you name it.

So the fact that his second three-homer game came during what could be considered — for him, at least — somewhat of a slump makes it even more special. "I've been getting my hits, but my slugging percentage was like .100," Bagwell said after matching career bests with three homers and six RBIs Wednesday as the Houston Astros beat the Chicago Cubs 10-3.

"I felt I had to work pretty hard for those home runs," he said. "I

was fouling off pitches, I had some bad swings. Fortunately for us, when I had a good swing, I had a good pitch."

Bagwell's three homers also gave him the franchise record for home runs. He now has 225, two more than the previous Houston record set by Jimmy Wynn from 1963-73.

"I can't think of a more class act and better person than Jimmy Wynn," Bagwell said. "I always look at him with amazement."

His other three-homer game was against the Los Angeles Dodgers on June 24, 1994, when he hit two in one inning. He finished the year with 39 homers, 116 RBIs and 73 extra-base hits — all club records, and was named NL MVP.

He also had an 18-game hitting

streak that year, and his season average never went below .323.

"1994 was kind of a crazy year for me," he said. "Everything that could go right for me did that year."

But this year? Though he came into the game hitting .372, he'd only homered once and his slugging percentage was .488. He's still trying to work out some of the kinks in his swing, concentrating on not letting his hands drop so far when he's behind in the count.

It paid off early against the Cubs. In his first at-bat, he sent Scott Sanders' 2-2 pitch over the left-field fence for a solo home run. He added a three-run homer off Sanders in the third, and a two-run drive off Rodney Myers in the seventh.

It was the third time Bagwell has had six RBIs in a game.

PYFL marks third season; registration deadline set

The Panhandle Youth Football League is set to begin its third season with a growing field of league teams.

The league has scheduled its annual four-person golf scramble at 2 p.m. on May 14 at Ross Rogers West Golf Course.

Hereford organizes two teams for league play

The fee is \$40 per player and includes green fees, cart, barbecue, lunch, trophies, contests and prizes. Tee box

sponsorships also are available, with all proceeds benefitting PYFL.

The deadline to sign up is 5 p.m. on May 11th.

PYFL began in 1997 as a new football league for children in the fifth and sixth grades. Players are assigned to teams according to the high school district they reside in.

This year, the league will have 10 teams including; the Lil' Sandies, Longhorns, Dons, Rebels, Wildcats, Raiders, Boys Ranch Roughriders, Highland Park Hornets and two Hereford teams.

"Our goal is to teach the fundamentals of football as well as good sportsmanship, with safety as our primary focus," league director, Kevin Morgansaid.

PYFL was accepted into the Amateur Athletic Union in 1998, and PYFL league officials say the AAU endorsement has increased awareness of the league throughout the nation — to the extent that leagues from other states have indicated their interest in forming a national league with the Amarillo-based organization.

"PYFL will be the prototype program for all United States teams in this age group, and we hope to host a National Super Bowl in Amarillo," Morgan said.

PYFL follows University Interscholastic League rules and employs paid officials for all games. PYFL coaches, who are not paid, must have at least five years of football experience.

Registration for the 1999 season is set to begin in August, with games starting in the fall.

For more information on either the golf tournament, or the league, contact Morgan at 356-6620 or Scott Riley at 383-6024.

CORRECTION:

The Hereford Brand incorrectly reported Wednesday that sophomore pitcher Eddie Lacey threw seven innings before being relieved by Ramiro Zambrano in Hereford's 5-4 loss to Amarillo Palo Duro Tuesday.

Senior hurler Corey Ortiz started on the mound and was relieved in the seventh.

We regret the error.

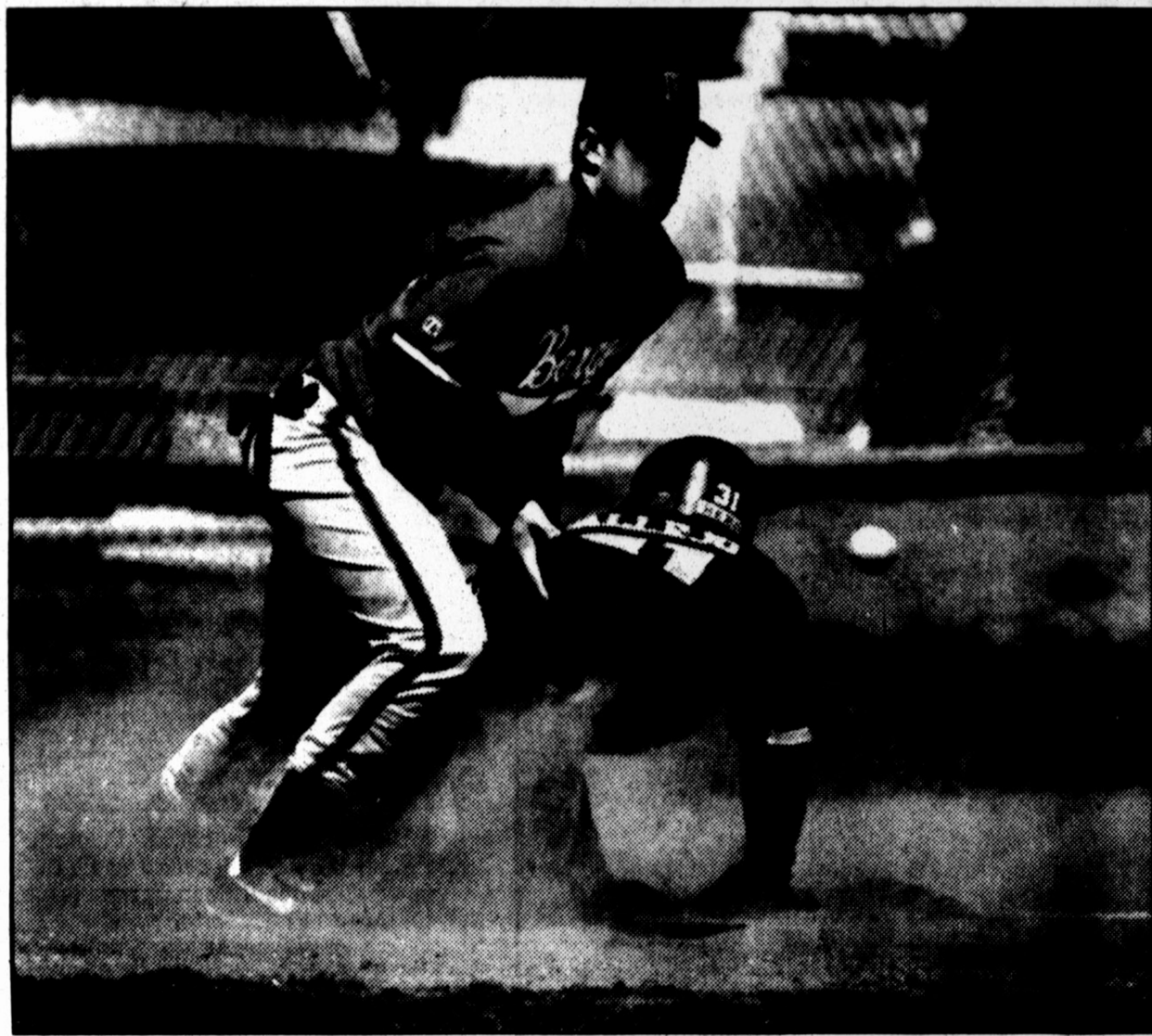
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Too Late

L.J. Valjeo slides into third, way ahead of an infield throw to Borger's third baseman, during a district game here between the two teams earlier this season. The Whitefaces won the battle, their only district win thus far. Hereford takes a 1-6 district record into Saturday's game here against the Pampa Harvesters at 1 p.m. The Herd will then meet Borger again there Tuesday, April 27.

Scottie Pippen arrested for suspected DWI

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Rockets forward Scottie Pippen was arrested on suspicion of driving while intoxicated early this morning after running a red light, police said.

The officer who stopped Pippen around 1:30 a.m. in downtown Houston summoned a member of the department's DWI task force after suspecting Pippen was driving drunk, said police spokesman Fred King.

Pippen, 33, did poorly on the field sobriety test and was taken into custody, where he was videotaped and given the opportunity to take a breathalyzer test, King said.

After he refused, Pippen was booked on suspicion of DWI and released just before 7 a.m.

Pippen, a seven-time NBA all-star with six championships, appeared cooperative, King said.

"I don't have any kind information about any trouble at all," he said.

Houston Rockets spokes-

man Tim Frank would not discuss the arrest.

"All I can tell you is that he was arrested," Frank said. "I have not seen any of the documentation on this, so I'd prefer not to comment."

How the arrest will affect Pippen's role with the team was unclear.

"I think we need to get all the facts before we start looking at any team policy," Frank said. "I think that would be premature."

In January, Pippen left the Chicago Bulls, where he had spent his 11-year pro career, and signed a five-year, \$67.2 million contract with the Rockets.

The 6-foot-7 Pippen scored just four points Wednesday night in the Rockets' 109-95 loss to the Dallas Mavericks.

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Dallas surprises Rockets, 109-95

By CHRIS SHERIDAN

AP Basketball Writer
 It doesn't get much busier in the NBA than it was Wednesday night.

In fact, the league won't have another like it until the final night of the season.

Of the 21 teams in contention for the postseason, 17 were in action as 12 games were played. And on a night of surprises, the Houston Rockets and Utah Jazz had the most shocking losses.

Michael Finley had 27 points and 11 assists as the Dallas Mavericks surprised their fourth playoff contender in six games with a 109-95 victory over Houston, and Jason Kidd had 21 points and 12 assists as the Phoenix Suns downed the Jazz 91-82.

"To get that kind of performance is baffling," Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said after his team allowed Dallas to win just its third road game of the season. The Rockets were kept from clinching a playoff spot.

Elsewhere, Charlotte defeated Detroit 88-85, Portland edged the Los Angeles Lakers 88-82, Miami beat Cleveland 93-80, Indiana downed Milwaukee 108-100 in overtime, Seattle defeated Minnesota 119-105, Sacramento topped Golden State 103-94, Toronto beat Washington 107-91, Philadelphia nipped Boston 80-78, New Jersey defeated Chicago 99-87 and Vancouver edged the Los Angeles Clippers 97-94.

The Mavericks led by as many as 26 against the Rockets, who never recovered after allowing an 11-0 run in the first quarter.

Gary Trent had 24 points and 10 rebounds and rookie

Phoenix Suns melt Utah Jazz, 91-82

Dirk Nowitzki added 22 points for his fifth double-figure performance in the last six games. The Mavericks shot 53 percent from the field to 43 percent for the Rockets.

"They played well," Charles Barkley said. "Give them credit. Michael Finley was terrific and Trent was terrific and Nowitzki was terrific. Every time we lose, you guys (the media) think the world is coming to an end."

Suns 91, Jazz 82
 At Phoenix, the Suns squandered a 21-point lead before staging a late rally. It came at a good time for the Suns as they pulled into a tie for the sixth playoff spot in the Western Conference with Minnesota.

"I have not figured this team out yet," Suns coach Danny Ainge said. "I do not know what is going on."

In addition to Kidd's big

night, Danny Manning scored 16 points and Cliff Robinson, Tom Gugliotta and Rex Chapman had 13 each for the Suns.

Karl Malone had 28 points and 13 rebounds for league-leading Utah, which suffered its second straight loss, matching its longest losing streak of

the season.
Hornets 88, Pistons 85
 At Charlotte, the Hornets ran their winning streak to nine games and moved into eighth place in the Eastern Conference.

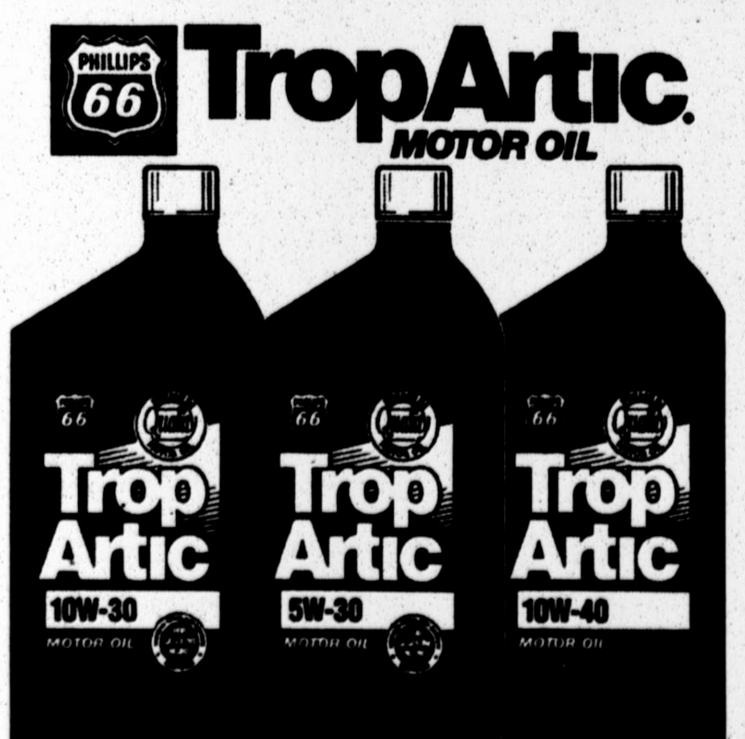
To do so, they overcame the absence of Eddie Jones (hand laceration) and got a season-high 32 points from Elden Campbell. Grant Hill had 28 points, nine rebounds and six assists for Detroit, which has failed to score more than 86 points in its last six games — five of them losses.

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The slide has dropped Detroit into a tie with Philadelphia and Milwaukee for fifth place in the East.

Trail Blazers 88, Lakers 82
 At Portland, Rasheed Wallace had 21 points and nine rebounds as the Trail Blazers improved to 2-0 against the Lakers and moved with a half-game of Utah for the best record leaguewide.

The Lakers rallied from 13 down, but faltered in the final three minutes to lose for the 11th time in 21 games.

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INSIDE

Animals star in 'Borneo Burning,' 'Why Dogs Smile'

By Lynn Eiber

The Associated Press
A pair of new documentaries argue that animals deserve better than they get from us, both in perception and treatment.

There's a subtler message, as well: Humans disconnect themselves from other species at peril to all.

One film, "Borneo Burning," tells of the increasingly threatened orangutans of Asia and the critical period last year when El Niño-driven fires compounded their tragedy.

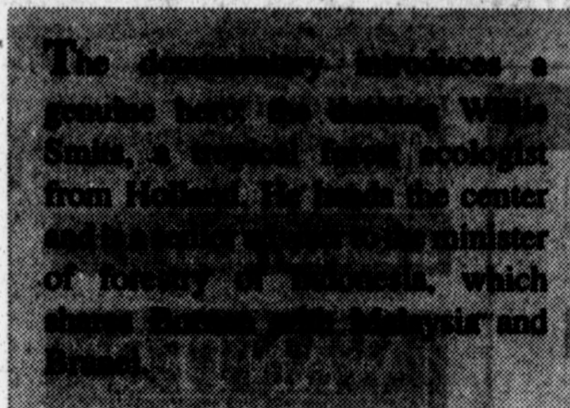
The second, "Why Dogs Smile & Chimpanzees Cry," supports those who believe emotions are not exclusively human.

A caution: Animal lovers will wince at some scenes of imperiled animals. Those who dislike being reduced to Jell-O by footage of baby animals also should consider themselves warned.

The truly dark film is "Borneo Burning," showing 8 p.m. CDT Saturday on the cable channel Animal Planet. The hourlong film is a devastating portrait of an ape on the brink of extinction, pushed closer by one infernal season.

Orangutans — in Malay, the name means "man of the forest" — once lived all over Southeast Asia and parts of southern China. Now, the film tells us, they find refuge only on the islands of Sumatra and Borneo.

In summer 1998, fires destroyed 19,000 square miles of the drought-parched Borneo rainforest and killed about 1,000 orangutans.



Many more were injured or orphaned. The disaster accelerated the loss of orangutan habitat, which was already largely deforested for plantations.

The orangutan population a decade ago was an estimated 180,000; today, it is fewer than 30,000, wildlife experts in Borneo say.

"Borneo Burning," reported by Michaela Strachan and produced by Sarah Cunliffe of the BBC, details the fire destruction and the desperate efforts by the Wanariset Orangutan Center to save the species.

The documentary introduces a genuine hero: the dashing Willie Smits, a tropical forest ecologist from Holland. He heads the center and is a senior adviser to the minister of forestry of Indonesia, which shares Borneo with Malaysia and Brunei.

Leading a band of rescuers deep inland, past stunning landscapes, Smits resolutely tracks down captured orphans and weak adults in danger of being killed for food. He is not judgmental toward the islanders who

place survival above conservation.

"What are you going to do, put the father in jail?" Smits says of a family man who killed a female orangutan to feed his family, leaving its baby motherless. Scenes of

baby orangutans imprisoned inside boxes or chained to stumps, clearly hungry and afraid, are painful to see.

"You feel like you're doing nothing and you're trying so hard," Smits says at one point. In the few weeks the BBC film crew was on hand, Smits and his workers saved dozens of orangutans.

If you think you see emotion in the orangutans' eyes, it may not be your imagination, according to "Why Dogs Smile & Chimpanzees Cry," debuting 7 p.m. CDT May 9 on Discovery Channel.

The two-hour film uses science and anecdote to advance the premise that animals experience many of the emotions people do, even sophisticated ones such as gratitude and grief.

It is a boon for those pet owners convinced they see real affection in their dog's eyes and not just a demand for kibble. Actress Sigourney Weaver narrates the two-hour program; Carol L. Fleisher was the producer.

The difference between you and a chimpanzee or you and a dog or you and a cat is

one of degree, not of kind," researcher Dan Fouts of the Chimpanzee Human Communication Institute at Central Washington University in Ellensburg, Wash., says in the film.

At the institute, a group of chimpanzees have been taught to speak in sign language, including star pupil Washoe. The chimps use their signing skills not just to get food or toys but to tell their human caretakers

when they are happy, sad or grateful for gifts and attention. And they even use their left fingers to extend compassion.

When one researcher returned after a week's absence because of a miscarriage, she explained to Washoe that she had lost her baby. The chimp, which had lost an infant of its own, used the sign for "cry."

"Please, person, hug," Washoe told the woman as

she got up to leave.

Some who deal intimately with nature do seem to veer into anthropomorphism. Photographer Mike deGruy, for instance, swears he has shared vibes with squid and octopus.

Given how shabbily the human species treats many forms of life, maybe an excess of empathy isn't so bad.

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TELEVISION

THURSDAY APRIL 22

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Will & Grace	Prezler	Veronicas	ER	News	Charlie Rose	700 Club	News
World's Greatest Magic	Full Circle	Famous Families	Mystery!							News-Funny
Going Wild!	Going Wild!	Going Wild!	Movie: The Goodbye Bird	Cindy Pickett	**'s 'G'	Movie: Wacky Zoo	Zorro			
Rosanne	Rosanne	(-35) WCW Thunder	(-35) WCW Thunder	(-35) WCW Thunder	(-35) WCW Thunder	(-35) WCW Thunder	(-35) WCW Thunder	(-35) WCW Thunder	(-35) WCW Thunder	(-35) WCW Thunder
News	Fortune	Video	Video	Draw Carey	Spin City	American-Dustin Hoffman	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
News	Home Imp.	Promised Land	Turks	48 Hours	News	(-35) Late Show				
Friends	Friends	Wayans	Jamie Foxx	Harvey	For-Love	Rosie O'Donnell	Love	Change	Stingray	
Mad	Simpsons	Wildcat Police Videos	Fox Files	Simpsons	M*A*S*H	Frasier	Cops	Real TV		
Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs	Conference Quarterfinal Game 1	Teams To Be Announced	Baseball	Sportscenter					
Movie: Mirror-2 Faces	Movie: My Best Friend's Wedding	Julia Roberts	PG-13	Movie: Red Corner	(1997) Richard Gere, Bai Ling	**'s 'G'	Love Street			
Movie: Real Sports	Movie: Clear and Present Danger	(1994) Harrison Ford, Willem Dafoe		Pinups Up, Ho's Down	Movie:					
Movie: One Crazy Summer	Movie: Boogie Nights	(1997) Mark Wahlberg, Burt Reynolds	**'s 'G'	(-35) Movie: Naked Lies	Shannon Tweed	Movie:				
Movie: Seven Brides	Movie: High Society	(1956) Bing Crosby	**'s 'G'	Movie: Going Places	(1939) Dick Powell	**'s 'G'				
Wild Discovery	Invisible Places	Mysteries-Twilight Zone	Into the Unknown	Invisible Places	Twilight					
Party of Five	Chicago Hope	Movie: Nowhere to Hide	(1994) Rosanna Arquette	**'s 'G'	Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls			
Sports	Last Word	Major League Baseball	Texas Rangers at Minnesota Twins	FOX Sports News						
ER	Movie: Night Hawks	(1981) Sylvester Stallone	**'s 'G'	All-Star Tribute to Johnny Cash	Movie:					
Doug	Rugrats	Thornberry's	Shooter	Brady	Wonder Yrs.	Jeffersons	Laverne	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	Brady
Xena: Warrior Princess	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: Scent of a Woman	(1992) Al Pacino, Chris O'Donnell	**'s 'G'	Stalkings					
Gotita	Preciosa	La Usurpadora	Identira	Lente Loco	Bienvenidos	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Major-Ritmo		
20th Century	Scotland Yard's Greatest	Century: America's Time	World's Fairs: Visions	Trains Unlimited	Scotland					
Old House	Workshop	Almanac	How-Blade	Rpm	Designing	Location	Dream	Almanac	How-Made	Room
Star Trek	Sliders	Movie: Asteroid	(1997) Annabella Sciorra	**'s 'G'	Star Trek	Sliders				
Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Wayans	Jamie Foxx	Harvey	For-Love	News	MacGyver	Heat		

FRIDAY APRIL 23

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Barney	Teletubbies	Sesame Street	Arthur	Zoboo	Barney	Teletubbies	Reading	Mr Rogers	Cook Off	
Bad Dog	Bobby	Mork	Knock	700 Club	Kangaroo	Station	Dino Babies	Adv. Mumfie	Bobby	
Today	Leeza	Sunset Beach	Judge Lane	News	Days-Lives					
Goof Troop	101Dalmats	Sing a Story	Pooh	Bear	Out of Bx	Madeline	Katie-Orbie	Mermald	Pooh	Bear
Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Little House on the Prairie	Little House on the Prairie	Griffith	Griffith	Matlock	Hunter			
Good Morning America	Live - Regis & Kathie Lee	The View	Howie Mandel	News						
This Morning	Ricki Lake	Price's Right	Young and the Restless	News						
Mask	Dragon	Quincy	Knight Rider	Jenny Jones	Major Dad					
Bus	Magic Bus	Garfield	Hercules	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Benny Hinn	Life in Word	Kenneth C. Robison	Angel	
Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Tennis
Movie: Legend-Tomb	Movie: My Magic Dog	Bryan Mendez	G	Movie: Going Ape!	Tony Danza	**'s 'G'	Movie: Invisible Dad	Daran Norris	PG	
Movie: Wayne's World 2	Mike Myers	(-45) Movie: Anastasia	Voices of Meg Ryan	**'s 'G'	Movie: Adventures in Babysitting	**'s 'G'	Movie:			
(6-15) Movie: Bedazzled	Movie: Out to See Jack Lemmon	PG-13	(-45) Movie: Oh God!	Book II	George Burns	**'s 'G'	Movie: Head Above Water			
Movie: The Little Princess	Movie: Bright Eyes	(1934) **'s 'G'	Movie: Honeymoon	(1947) **'s 'G'	Movie: Bachelor and Bobby-Soxer					
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Assignment Discovery	Home Matters	Design	Interior Motives	Home				
Designing	Designing	Next Door	Attitudes	Party of Five	Chicago Hope	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie:			
Sports	Sports	Sports	Bodies	Yoga Zone	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Last Word
CHiPs	Reasonable Doubts	In the Heat of the Night	Movie: Heartburn	(1986) Jack Nicholson	**'s 'G'	Movie:				
CharlieB	Rugrats	Maisy	Blue's Clues	Little Bear	Franklin	Gullah	Busy World	Blue's Clues	Franklin	
Major Dad	Ned-Stackey	Foxworthy	Something	Naked Truth	Boston	Wings	Wings	Movie: Scent of a Woman	(1992) **'s 'G'	
(6:00) Despierta America	Real West	World War I: The Death of Glory	War Years	Newsreels						
Garden	Grow	Carol Duvall	Sew Perfect	Decorating	Room	Typical Ray	Solutions	Appraise It!	At-Auction	Cooking
Lost in Space	Forever Knight	DarkShad	DarkShad	Twilight Z.	Beyond	Time Trax				
Tiny Toon	Animanics	PinkyBrain	Histeria!	Batman	Batman	Griffith	Griffith	Matlock	News	

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
Body Elec.	Painting	Paintable	TimeGrow	TimeGrow	With Health	With Health	Zoom	Science Guy	Wishbone	Arthur
Menace	Casper	Ghostbats	Candy	Eek!stravag.	Bad Dog	Walter M.	Radio Act	Big Wolf	Addams	Addams
Days-Lives	Another World	Donny & Marie	Maury	Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC News				
Amazing	101Dalmats	Goof Troop	Timon	Aladdin	Off the Wall	Mad Libs	Dinosaurus	GrowPains	B. Witchd-Five	
Hunter	Movie: Day of the Evil Gun	(1968) Glenn Ford	**'s 'G'	Mama	Mama	Full House	Full House	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	
Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Rosie O'Donnell	Brown	Judge Judy	News	ABC News			
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Sally	Hollywood	Edition	News	CBS News			
Secret I.D.	Beast Wars	Jumanji	PinkyBrain	Histeria!	Batman	Batman	Jenny Jones	Love	Change	
Angel	Forgive or Forget	Little House on the Prairie	Spider-Man	Hercules	Rangers	Knights	Nanny	Grace Under		
Tennis: ATP Monte Carlo Open	Senior PGA Golf Home Depot Invitational	First Round	Sr. PGA	Invitational	First Round	Sr. PGA	Invitational	First Round	Sr. PGA	Invitational
Movie: Monster in a Box	Spalding Gray	Movie: Calendar Girl	Jason	Theresty	**'s 'G'	Movie: Little Man Tate	Jodie Foster	PG	Movie: Devil's Arith	
(12-15) Movie: ** Mannequin	PG	Movie: Trojan War	Will Friedle	PG-13	Movie: Pretty in Pink	Molly Ringwald	(15) Movie: Hot Pursuit			
Movie: Head	Mad City	(1997) John Travolta, Dustin Hoffman	Movie: The Saint	(1997) Val Kilmer, Elisabeth Shue	**'s 'G'	Movie: Splash	(1984) PG			
(-45) Movie: Fort Apache	(1948) John Wayne, Henry Fonda	***'s 'G'	Movie: The Mate Animal	(1942) Henry Fonda	***'s 'G'	Movie: It's Always				
Home	Design	Interior Motives	Great Chefs	Epicurious	Gimme Shelter	News House	Fix-It-Line			
Movie: ** The Whereabouts of Jenny	Intimate Portrait	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Ellen					
Ultimate	Muscleport USA	Formula 1	Big 12 Show	PGA Golf Greater Greensboro Classic	Second Round	NBA Action				
(12:00) Movie: Escape From El Diablo	Kung Fu: Legend	Babylon 5	L.A. Heat	Due South						
Maisy	Doug	Doug	Garfield	Garfield	Rocko's Life	Rocko's Life	Catdog	Figure It Out	All That	Alex Mack
(11:00) Movie: Scent of a Woman	(1992) Al Pacino, Michelle Pfeiffer	**'s 'G'	Baywatch	Saved-Bell	USA High	Hercules-Jrmys				
Pais	La Mujer de Mi Vida	Gordo	El Blablazo	Cristina	Primer Impacto	Que Crees	Noticiero			
Newsreels	20th Century	World War I: The Death of Glory	War Years	Newsreel-News						
GoodTaste	Carol Duvall	Sew Perfect	At Home	HomeWise	Decorating	Kitchen	Garden	Grow It!	House Dr	Fix It Up!
Time Trax	Sightings	Movie: Videodrome	(1983) James Woods	**'s 'G'	Poltergeist: The Legacy	Quantum Leap				
News	Hawaii Five-0	(-10) Major League Baseball	New York Mets at Chicago Cubs	Tenth Inning	Full House					

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News	Ent. Tonight	Providence	Dateline	Law & Order	News	(-35) Tonight Show				
Movie: Kids of the Round Table	'R'	(-35) Movie: Can of Worms	(-15) Famous Jett Jackson	Walt Disney Presents	Zorro					
Major League Baseball	Atlanta Braves at Florida Marlins	Movie: Dracula: Dead and Loving It	(1995) **'s 'G'	Movie:						
News	Fortune	Sabrina	Boy-World	Two Guys	Brothers	20/20	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
News	Home Imp.	Kids Say	Candice C.	Turks	Nash Bridges	News	(-35) Late Show			
Friends	Friends	Mortal Kombat: Conquest	Conan	Rosie O'Donnell	Love	Change	Missing P			
Mad	Simpsons	Guinness World Records	Millennium	Simpsons	M*A*S*H	Frasier	Cops	Real TV		
Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs	Conference Quarterfinal Game 2	Teams To Be Announced	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Baseball
Movie: Devil's Arith	Movie: Palmetto	Woody Harrelson	**'s 'G'	Stargate	(-45) Total Recall	2070	Outer Limits	Dead Man's		
(5-15) Movie: Hot Pursuit	Movie: Private Parts	Howard Stern	***'s 'G'	Movie: Double Take	Craig Sheffer	**'s 'G'	Dennis M	Movie:		
(5:00) Movie: Splash	PG	Movie: Judas Kiss	Simon Baker-Denny	(-45) Movie: The Devil's Advocate	(1997) Keanu Reeves, Al Pacino	**'s 'G'	Movie: Erotic			
Movie: It's Always	Movie: Double Identity	(1940) Dennis Morgan	**'s 'G'	Movie: Kisses for Breakfast	(1941) Dennis Morgan	**'s 'G'	Movie: Five			
Wild Discovery	Mafia Women	News	Inferno	Storm Warning!	Mafia Women	News				
Oh Baby	Maggie	Chicago Hope	Movie: Devil	(1992) Bryan Brown, Roma Downey	**'s 'G'	Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls		
Sports	Last Word	Rush Hour	PGA Golf Greater Greensboro Classic	Second Round	FOX Sports News	Sports				
ER	NBA Basketball	Charlotte Hornets at New York Knicks	NBA Basketball	Portland Trail Blazers at Utah Jazz						
Doug	Rugrats	Kablarn!	Cartoons	Brady	Wonder Yrs.	Jeffersons	Laverne	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	Brady
Xena: Warrior Princess	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: Frankie and Johnny	(1991) Al Pacino, Michelle Pfeiffer	**'s 'G'	Movie: K-9	(1989) **'s 'G'				
Gotita	Preciosa	La Usurpadora	Imgenes de Impacto	Movie: Dabech	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Major-Ritmo			
20th Century	Mound Builders	Century: America's Time	Lincoln: The Untold Stories	Builders						
Old House	Workshop	Landscapes	Garden	Interiors	Small Space	Home Front	By Design	Landscape	Garden	Interiors
Poltergeist: The Legacy	Farscape	Sliders	First Wave	Poltergeist: The Legacy	Farscape					
Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Movie: Newsies	(1991) Christian Bale	**'s 'G'	MacGyver	News	HoneyMnr	Heat		

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4-22 CRYPTOQUOTE

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Analysis

Clinton juggles war, summitry

By Terence Hunt

The Associated Press

Leading a bombing campaign in Europe and a NATO summit in Washington, President Clinton is trying to refurbish his impeachment-stained legacy with images of his role as commander in chief and global statesman at a moment of world crisis.

Since airstrikes began in Yugoslavia four weeks ago, the president has been pictured against a backdrop of fighter jets and long-range bombers. He has listened to war stories from pilots and talked with families of refugees.

Today, world leaders will pour into Washington for a NATO 50th anniversary summit presided over by Clinton. He will orchestrate three days of wartime talks and stand at center stage when presidents and prime ministers pose for their traditional class picture.

It will be a visible testament to the president's success so far in preserving the unity and resolve of allies who often bristle when Washington takes the lead. Now, however, they are standing with the president to bring Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic to heel.

The country indulged itself in a spasm of scandal and impeachment for one long year because the world was relatively quiescent and the economy was pumping," said Thomas E. Mann, director of governmental studies at the Brookings Institution. "Now, the real world has intruded and Clinton and our country have no choice other than for him to respond and to act and to lead."

The war gives Americans a different picture of Clinton than as the troubled co-star of the Monica Lewinsky soap opera.

"They see the president dealing with presidential issues rather than an investigation of his private life," said pollster Andrew Kohut of the Pew Research Center. "While he may have a few more critics, he is seen as a president rather than as a defendant. There are some downsides: the responsibilities for policy issues rest with the president."

Already, there are signs of concern among Americans about costs, potential casualties and the eventual success or failure of the allies' campaign.

Clinton's job approval rating, which stayed above 60 percent throughout the long impeachment ordeal, has slipped to 56 percent in re-

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Andrew Kohut, pollster, Pew Research Center

cent days. The approval rating for his handling of foreign policy has dipped from 56 percent to 51 percent.

"These don't represent sea changes in public opinion but they might represent the possibility of real change if people continue to worry more, or if people think things are going poorly," Kohut said. "There is more worry, and people are pessimistic about it. There is a little bit of deteriorating in attitudes."

He added, "There's not enough public support here for a lot of casualties."

The NATO summit is expected to underscore the allies' determination to force Milosevic's troops from Kosovo, allow the return of hundreds of thousands of refugees and permit the deployment of an international peacekeeping force. Clinton also is calling on his partners to approve preliminary plans for the reconstruction of the war-torn Balkans.

On a broader scale, the allies will approve a revised "strategic concept" for the alliance — a so-called vision statement of new roles and challenges NATO will undertake in a new century absent the threat of a Soviet Bloc.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright points to Kosovo as a prime example of the type of new mission NATO should undertake, far beyond its traditional role of collective defense against an attack on any member nation.

Some fear that the alliance's new assignments and its inclusion of new members will stretch NATO too thin, producing a less secure Europe or a less effective NATO.

"My view of the summit," said Michael Mandelbaum of the Council on Foreign Relations, "is this is a funeral disguised as a wedding. The best thing Clinton can do is hope to get through it. The new NATO is dead on arrival. All the celebrants will pretend not to notice that."

Terence Hunt has covered the Reagan, Bush and Clinton administrations for The Associated Press.

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Apr 24	1.10	-0.01	1.11	1.09	1.10
Apr 25	1.09	-0.01	1.10	1.08	1.09
Apr 26	1.08	-0.01	1.09	1.07	1.08
Apr 27	1.07	-0.01	1.08	1.06	1.07
Apr 28	1.06	-0.01	1.07	1.05	1.06
Apr 29	1.05	-0.01	1.06	1.04	1.05
Apr 30	1.04	-0.01	1.05	1.03	1.04
Apr 31	1.03	-0.01	1.04	1.02	1.03
Apr 32	1.02	-0.01	1.03	1.01	1.02
Apr 33	1.01	-0.01	1.02	1.00	1.01
Apr 34	1.00	-0.01	1.01		

Worsening Drought

Water shortages, fire risks widespread; no end in sight

"When we get into a drought, we don't know how long it will last. That's because we don't have a good handle on why drought occurs. You can't predict something well if you don't know why it happens."

Kelly Redmond, climatologist

By Joseph B. Verrongia
The Associated Press

You know it's dry when Sunbelt retirees start watering the cactus.

When mountain lions and other skittish wildlife emerge from the pinion scrub of the Sonora Desert to lap greedily from chlorinated swimming pools and fountains.

When a wall of wildfire 10 miles wide blackens a swath of Nebraska prairie the size of Rhode Island, stampeding cattle and forcing the midnight evacuation of a ranching town.

When Catholic priests and Baptist preachers hold prayer

vigils in withered cotton fields and cracked, sage-choked reservoir basins, raising their arms to beseech the same clear blue heavens for a drop of rain.

And this was supposed to be an easy year.

After all, the record El Nino of 1998 is long gone. However, scientists say 1999 is shaping up to be another year of unpredictable, destructive, weather conditions.

Portions of the South and Midwest are being strangled by a spotty but tenacious drought that has been gripping parts of the nation for several months.

In Texas, Gov. George W. Bush has declared a state of emergency in 170 of the state's 254 counties. His order comes nine months after a 1998 drought cost his state \$10.4 billion in farm losses.

Not to be outdone, his brother, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, declared his own drought emergency on April 13 and ordered the National Guard to help combat red-alert wildfire conditions for the second consecutive year.

"It's all or nothing," said Mark Svoboda, a forecaster with the National Drought Mitigation Center in Lincoln, Neb.

No one is certain how much worse the drought will get.

It's been so dry that recent blizzards and thunderstorms have not been enough to slake the drought in many areas. Long-range forecasts by several federal agencies agree that dry conditions could persist with a vengeance throughout the Sunbelt and portions of the Midwest until July.

"When we get into a drought, we don't know how long it will last," said climatologist Kelly Redmond of the Desert Research Institute of Reno, Nev. "That's because we don't have a good handle

on why drought occurs. You can't predict something well if you don't know why it happens."

Part of the problem lies in forecasters' difficulty in analyzing what isn't happening in the atmosphere.

Meteorologists can spot thunderstorms, blizzards and tornadoes snarling on the electronic horizon of their Double Doppler radars.

But drought is the consequence of an accumulation of nonevents — the absence of storms, a lack of rainfall. A standard definition is a 30 percent drop in precipitation for three consecutive weeks.

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Gov. George W. Bush

Bush: Schools are safe

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush, voicing his sympathy for victims and relatives of the Colorado school massacre, says he believes Texas schools remain safe.

"It's hard to fathom a mentality like that," Bush said of the two teen-agers who entered the Littleton, Colo., school and opened fire, killing 15. "Our hearts and prayers are with the families, classmates, friends ... of the people who lost their lives."

Bush said he believes school officials in Texas are "on heightened awareness now" and that classrooms remain safe.

"You bet parents can send their children to Texas schools without fear," he said Wednesday.

The Republican governor and potential presidential candidate said it's difficult to know what government could do to prevent such a tragedy.

"It's very difficult to pass a bill that would have prevented two deranged citizens from walking into the classroom with the intent of destroying as many people as they could," he said.

"We can punish ... hatred and deeds like these, but all of us must double our efforts — mothers and dads, good neighbors and caring folks — to weed out prejudice and hatred."

"Hopefully, over time, we will be smart enough in our classrooms to detect, to figure out signs of weird cults that spring up occasionally in our society that become very dangerous," he said. "I think the key is for principals, as-



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Gov. George W. Bush says Texas school officials are "on heightened awareness now" and classrooms remain safe.

sistant principals and faculty to be aware of aberrant behavior and be ready to intercede."

Bush said he supports a variety of measures, including instant background checks on gun purchasers, strict enforcement of laws prohibiting children from having weapons, and allowing school boards to establish uniforms for students.

Calling it "a society that has romanticized violence," Bush said he also favors computer filters to allow parents to screen what their children view over the Internet and television chips to allow more parental control over violent programs.

Bush has proposed legislation, now working its way through the Texas Legislature, that would jail juveniles caught illegally carrying a weapon until a judge had an opportunity to review their case.

Under current Texas law, courts may detain children taken into custody prior to a detention hearing for several reasons — including lack of suitable adult supervision or if they previously have been found to be a delinquent — but not for alleged conduct involving a firearm.

"This requires that all juveniles caught illegally carrying a weapon must stay in jail until a judge has an opportunity to review the case," said Karen Hughes, Bush's spokeswoman.

"We're sending a signal that we don't want kids illegally carrying guns, and if they do they're going to jail. It's very serious."

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, sponsor of the Senate version of the bill, said the idea is to make certain a child be held for at least 24 hours "for a better understanding of all people involved. We need to know more about why the child had the gun."

She said that currently, children often may be automatically released, sometimes without their parents.

"The statement that we need to make in Texas and I think across this country is weapons and children do not mix," she said.

Ms. Hughes noted that Bush signed two related bills during earlier legislative sessions — one to create a 300-foot "weapons free zone" around schools, and one to toughen penalties for adults to sell or give guns to minors.

Investigators trying to find out motives

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — Schools across Jefferson County reopen today for the first time since Tuesday's bloodbath, but Columbine High School is a complicated crime scene that could take weeks to canvass and clean up.

Columbine's students are victims, witnesses and potential suspects; some may never return to the suburban Denver campus.

With the bodies of the 15 victims finally removed from the school, investigators turned their attention to the community, interviewing acquaintances, classmates and relatives of the gunmen to find out why they did it — and who else might be involved.

Eric Harris, 18, and Dylan Klebold, 17, killed themselves in a second-story library after roaming the halls of their high school with sawed-off shotguns, a semiautomatic rifle, pistol and homemade bombs stuffed with nails and shotgun shells. They left behind such a pile of ammunition and explosives that authorities wondered whether

"We've got to get the guns out of the hands of young people. We've got to make sure they have the counseling, the support to help them come to grips with the anger of their life when it occurs."

Attorney General Janet Reno

they had help.

"That's a lot for two boys to carry," said Sheriff John Stone, who said it's possible there were others involved in making the bombs or bringing them to school.

"It was at least a conspiracy between two people. How much broader than that I do not know," said District Attorney Dave Thomas.

U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno arrived in Denver on Wednesday to talk about how to avert the next school shooting.

"We've got to get the guns out of the hands of young people," Reno said before leaving for Colorado. "We've got to make sure they have

the counseling, the support to help them come to grips with the anger of their life when it occurs."

Authorities still aren't sure — or aren't saying — where the boys obtained their guns; they made the bombs from materials that could have been bought at most hardware stores.

It was already clear, however, that the string of school shootings in Kentucky, Oregon and elsewhere will be tough to stop.

This week's attack inspired a copycat act by teen-agers on Wednesday, although there were no weapons involved. Four teens were charged with trespassing in Colorado Springs after arriving at a school in trench coats and masks.

"The suspects were mocking yesterday's events," a police statement said.

Other schools in Jefferson County are reopening today with tightened security. Officers and school staff plan "sweeps" and greater security at entrances and exits, Stone said.

Jobless claims drop by 5,000

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of Americans filing applications for unemployment checks declined last week from a three-month high the week before.

A seasonally adjusted 314,000 unemployed people claimed benefits, down from a revised 319,000 the previous week, the Labor Department said today.

It was the third consecutive week of claims higher than 300,000 and followed a nine-week stretch of weekly numbers below that mark, the longest since 1973.

A four-week moving average of claims, which smoothes fluctuations in the volatile data series, rose by 4,750 to an 11-week high of 306,250.



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The seminar for employers will begin at 8 a.m. Friday at the Amarillo College of Business, 1314 S. Polk. The \$60 registration fee includes the cost of lunch and materials.

Co-sponsors of the seminar are West Texas A&M University Small Business Development Center, Amarillo Chamber of Commerce and the Amarillo College Workforce Development Center.

The seminar for employees will begin at 8

a.m. Saturday at Carpenters Hall, 702 S. Madison.

Co-sponsors of the seminar are the Texas AFL-CIO, Amarillo Central Labor Council and the United Food & Commercial Workers Union Local No. 546.

The seminars will cover a broad range of topics, including a general overview of the workers compensation system, a report on changes in laws, benefits and eligibility rules.

For more information or to register for the employer seminar, call Sylvia Frisbie at the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, 373-7800.

For more information or to register for the employee seminar, contact Jim Brookes at Carpenters Hall, 373-7666.

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