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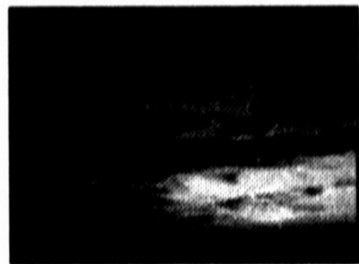
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Today's weather OUTLOOK

Clear skies

Tonight, clear with a low 30 to 35, southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday, mostly sunny with a high in the upper 60s, southwest wind 10 to 20 mph becoming northwest during the afternoon.



Extended forecast

Thursday, mostly clear, low in the upper 30s, high around 70.

Friday and Saturday, partly cloudy, lows in the lower 40s, highs in the upper 70s.

Hereford weather

Monday's high, 65; low, 33; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

Cold front moves in

The Associated Press

A cold front that penetrated deep into Texas was expected to push mid-week low temperatures to below freezing in parts of the state.

The frontal boundary stretched today across the Coastal Plains, with skies behind the system mostly clear.

Gusty north winds followed the front as cool, dry air surged southward across the Great Plains. Wind speeds ranged from near 10 mph in West and South Texas to near 15 mph with gusts exceeding 25 mph in the north. At Guadalupe Pass, the reported speed was 40 mph.

Early-morning temperatures dipped into the 20s in the Panhandle and upper 40s in parts of North Texas, with 50s to the south. It was 25 degrees at Dalhart, 47 at Junction, 58 at Dryden and 59 at Harlingen.

Highs will warm into the 70s over the northern half of the state and the 80s in deep South Texas, with 50s and 60s elsewhere.

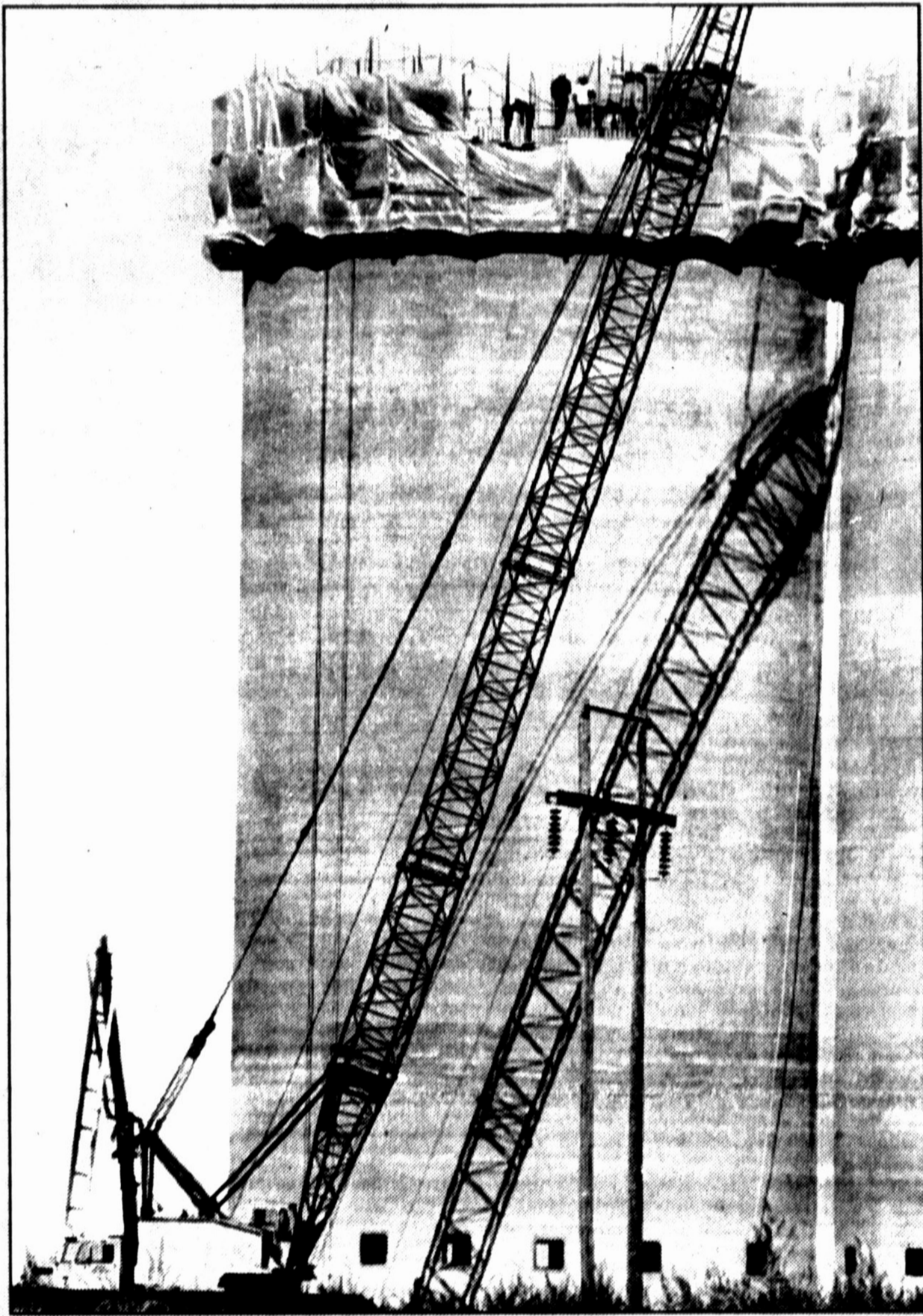
With mostly clear skies tonight, temperatures should cool into the 30s with a few 20s in the Southwest Texas mountains and 50s elsewhere.

Skies will be mostly clear through Wednesday, when highs will range from the 60s and 70s area-wide.



■ Bush slightly injured when struck by a vehicle while jogging. — Page A12

COMING UP



The first of at least four grain elevators is taking shape at the site of a planned Archer Daniels Midland grain complex. When completed, the facility will also include a rail spur designed to handle the loading and unloading of more than 100 cars of grain within 15 hours. The complex is estimated to cost about \$6 million to construct.

City eyes permit for a landfill

■ Nolen gets go-ahead to begin the lengthy application process

After facing a packed house at their last meeting, Hereford city commissioners were left pretty much to themselves Monday night as they took up a non-controversial agenda.

At the Oct. 18 meeting, the commissioners had a full house, as they heard complaints and suggestions about the city's problem with trash in alleys.

There was nothing of similar community interest on Monday night's agenda, as the commissioners authorized Chester Nolen to begin the application process for a Type I AE landfill on city-owned property.

In a letter to the commissioners, Nolen noted the city decided in 1994 to close its Type I landfill because of costs associated with the federal Clean Water Act.

"The city would have had the expense of lining the landfill with clay or a polyvinyl material in addition to a leachate collection system and monitoring wells. The cost of the compliance ... would have exceeded \$400,000 annually, just for the landfill," Nolen wrote.

The total budget for the city Health Department is \$678,000, which includes \$155,000 in tipping fees and \$80,000 for fuel and maintenance. The city administration contends about \$205,000 per year is saved by hauling waste to the commercial landfill at Canyon.

However, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation

Commission (TNRCC) eased the rules regarding landfills in arid areas.

Under the TNRCC's revision, a city would be allowed to operate a Type I arid exempt (AE) landfill in addition to other landfills that aren't required to comply with all of the more stringent regulations governing the non-exempt landfills.

"This means that a significant cost factor (i.e. leachate collection, ground water monitoring, methane gas monitoring and ply or insitu liner) is thus eliminated, making the operation of a Type I landfill feasible," Nolen wrote.

"I have begun exploring the possibility of locating a Type I AE Landfill on city owned property and thus avoiding the cost of hauling 20 tons per day to a commercial landfill. This cost savings amounts to about \$130,000 annually if we are successful in obtaining a new permit," he continued.

Nolen said the permit process could take six months to two years, depending on complications associated with geotechnical surveys and/or protests from adjacent property owners.

The commissioners agreed with Nolen's recommendation, and authorized Oller Engineering to prepare the necessary documents to launch the application process.

The commissioners also approved a standard contract with Oller Engineering Inc. for the preparation of a wastewater treatment facility plan.

The plan is required by the Texas Water Development Board for funding.

The company's fee for the project is \$40,000.

The project will include pay

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Texans going to the polls

Staff and wire reports

Seventeen proposed constitutional amendments were on the ballot today as voters went to the polls in what state officials predicted would be a low-turnout election.

Polls will close at 7 p.m. today.

Deaf Smith County's constitutional election turnout is not something to brag about. By mid-morning, Precinct 3 had reported the largest turnout, with 25 voters. Precincts 4, 5, 6 and 9 fell in last place with just seven voters making to the polls.

As Precinct 2 Alternate Judge Betty Cicero said, "It's not the most popular election." Similar sentiments were expressed from each other precinct.

Ben and Vendell Plummer, of Precinct 3, turned out for the election.

"We usually vote at every election," Ben said.

"I think the amendments we are voting on are very important," Vendell added.

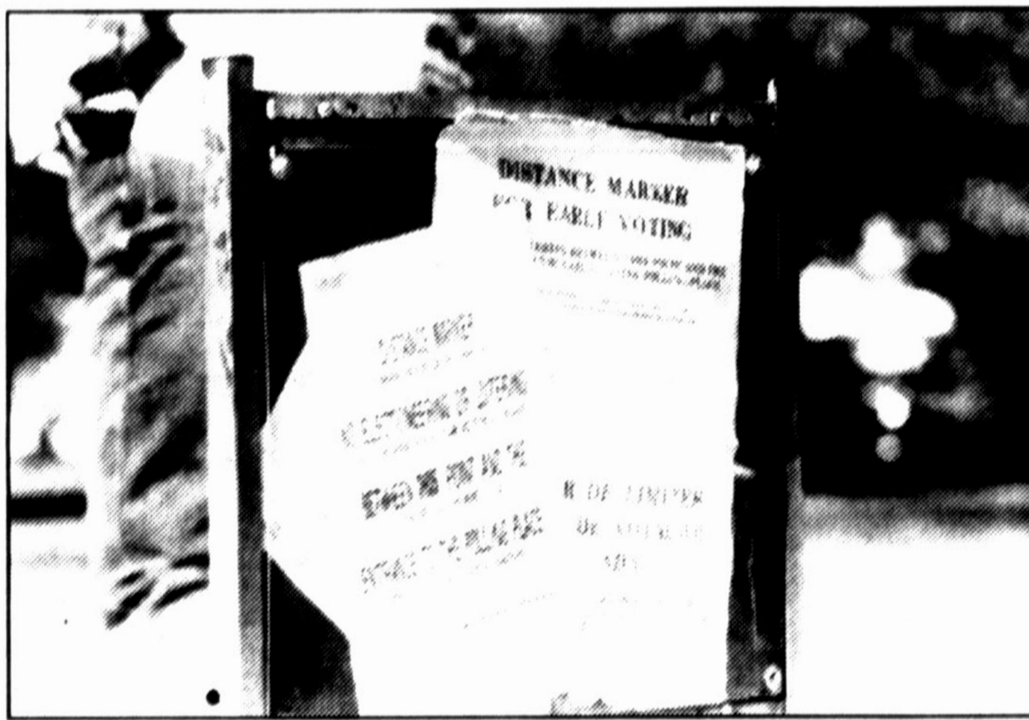
The most voters were expected in Houston and San Antonio, where the ballots included local races and refer-

endums that could help bring both cities new basketball arenas.

This year's amendment election is the latest in a long series of changes proposed to the Texas Constitution, which has been amended 377 times since its adoption in 1876.

Secretary of State Elton Bomer, the state's chief election officer, estimates only 7.2 percent — or about 820,000 — of Texas' 11.4 million registered voters will cast ballots.

"Voter registration continues to hover near all-time record highs, while turnout for this particular election will be relatively low," Bomer said. It's a trend that has devel-



A notice outside polling place warns about electioneering.

oped over the past several amendment elections.

"I think the reason for low turnout is people get tired of hearing about it," Deaf Smith County Precinct 6 Alternate Judge Maudette Smith said speaking mainly of the presi-

dential election.

Turnout was 7.86 percent for the November 1995 constitutional amendment election; 6.94 percent for a property tax reduction vote in August

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Green 'Bucks' are out

No more green. The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce is not redeeming the green "Hereford Bucks."

In January 1999, the chamber changed the program, issuing "Hereford Bucks" in serial number order and with an expiration date. At the same time, the color of the "Hereford Bucks" was changed to purple, replacing the green "Bucks" that had been in use.

However, some merchants continued to accept the green "Bucks."

In a letter to local merchants, chamber Retail Business Committee co-chairs Renee Huckert and David Jorgenson wrote the chamber will no longer redeem the green "Bucks."

Also, "we ask you to inform all of your employees ... to be sure and check the expiration date on all 'Hereford Bucks' ... We also will not redeem expired 'Hereford Bucks' at the chamber," they wrote.

The chamber also has suggested merchants place a notice on counters or cash registers that expired "Hereford Bucks" will not be accepted.

Clinton pledges to veto education spending bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — With President Clinton already poised to veto one last, huge spending bill, White House officials have a new reason to oppose it, saying it would allow federal funds to be used as vouchers for private

schools.

The Senate planned to vote today on a \$314 billion measure financing education, labor and health programs for fiscal 2000. Republican leaders were expecting a close vote that would ship the mea-

sure to Clinton, completing initial congressional work on the last of the 13 annual spending bills for the new fiscal year.

The president had long threatened to veto the bill because instead of providing

\$1.4 billion he wants for hiring teachers exclusively, it has \$1.2 billion that states could use for teachers or other educational purposes. Clinton also opposes its inclusion of a 0.97 percent across-the-board cut in all 13 spending bills.

In an Education Department memo, officials said they believe the measure would let the money be used for vouchers, a concept the White House, most Democrats and some moderate Republicans oppose.

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LIFESTYLES

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Girl Scouts attend camp near Amarillo

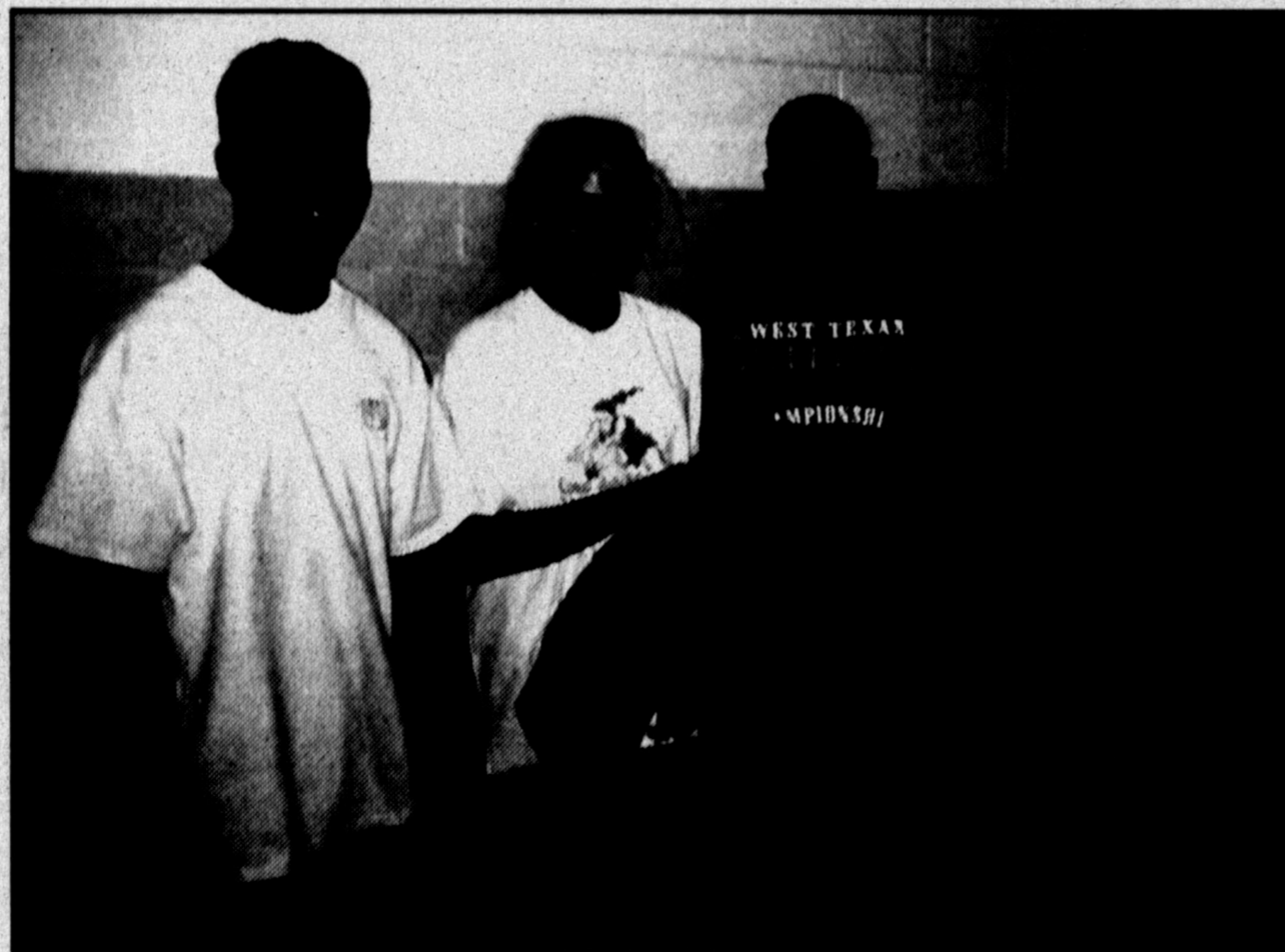
Hereford Girl Scouts and their leaders recently attended a fall campout event at Camp Kiwanis near Amarillo.

The Girl Scouts stayed overnight in the Great Hall where they had an opportunity to make new friends from other troops.

They participated in singing around the campfire, making s'mores, roasting hot dogs, creating edible necklaces, doing yarn crafts, putting on skits and hiking around the camp.

The troops returned to Hereford Saturday evening and they agreed to make plans for a spring campout in April.

Girls and adults are invited to join Girl Scouts any time during the year. The registration fee is \$7 per person. Financial assistance is available. Call 364-2248 for more information.



Training classes set for volunteers

The Women's and Children's Crisis Center, in conjunction with Hereford Regional Medical Center, will be conducting training classes for volunteers to assist victims of domestic violence and/or sexual assault.

Training begins Nov. 15 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. and will continue every Monday for 10 to 12 weeks.

Interested persons are asked to call 806-363-8727 or 1-888-235-2990 for applications. Class size is limited.

Gold Stars meet

The Gold Star 4-H Club studied place settings and table manners during its meeting Oct. 18 in Hereford Community Center.

Leader Brenda Campbell also led the discussion about the upcoming food show and workshop.

Madison Urbanczyk opened the meeting and Chelsea Campbell read the minutes.

The next meeting will be Nov. 8.

Service project - Junior and senior youth groups at St. Anthony's Catholic Church represented by, from left, Jonathon Soto, Janae Schlabs, Ashley Fangman and Shyla Martin, are continuing to collect coats as a service project. The coats will be distributed locally as needed and others will be donated to the Evelyn Rivers Project. Coats should be in good condition with no broken zippers, rips or stains and may be left at St. Anthony's Church.

PCS receives housing award

AMARILLO - Panhandle Community Services was among the winners of the Excellence in Achievement Awards presented Monday during the fifth annual Housing Conference in Austin, co-sponsored by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) and the Texas Apartment Association.

Panhandle Community Services was the recipient of the Management Innovations award. "The awards ceremony is just one small way that we can recognize the remarkable achievements of the individuals and organizations that provide affordable housing opportunities for low-to moderate-income Texans," Daisy Stiner, TDHCA executive director, said.

Following is a list of winners:

- Special Recognition: Miguel

Teran, County Commissioner, El Paso County, El Paso

- Friend of Affordable Housing, Non-Profit (NP): Texas Affiliation of Affordable Housing Providers, TAAHP (Edwina Carrington), Austin

- Friend of Affordable Housing, For-Profit (FP): Gandara Realtors (Manuel Gandara), El Paso
- Special Needs Housing (NP): Pineywoods HOME Team Affordable Housing, Inc. (Doug Dowler), Lufkin

- Special Needs Housing (FP): Heritage at Dartmouth (Paul Blake), College Station

- Rental Housing (NP): Guadalupe Neighborhood Development Corporation (Mary Helen Lopes), Austin

- Rental Housing (FP): Springtown Spring Gardens Apartment (A.B. Swan),

Springtown

- Management Innovations (NP): Panhandle Community Services (Terry Burns), Amarillo
- Homeownership (NP): Community Development Corporation of Brownsville (Don Currie), Brownsville

- Homeownership (FP): Gateway Home Builders (Jim Howe), Temple
- Creative Partnership (NP): Texas Department of Criminal Justice (Sharon Keilin), Huntsville

- Creative Partnership (FP): Allstate Insurance Company (Kim Whitaker), Irving

- Community Development (NP): Ector County (Don W. Bonifay), Odessa

- Community Development (FP): Community Development Solutions, Inc. (Katherine Gonzalez), Austin

La Madre Mia Club members take part in sealed bid auction

Members of La Madre Study Club participated in a "Sealed Bid Auction" during a meeting Thursday night in the home of Marlene Watson.

All members brought gift items or baked goods to be auctioned. Proceeds will be used for a worthy cause in the community.

During the business meeting which followed the auction, members answered roll call by revealing what items they had brought for the auction.

The project chairman reminded everyone that they are to bring new toys to the Christmas party

to be donated to the Empty Stocking Fund.

The next meeting will be held Nov. 11 at the Nazarene Children's Church.

Halloween refreshments were served by Susan Hicks to Carolyn Baxter, Ruth Black, Francine Bromlow, Linda Cumpton, Lajean Henry, Kay Hall, Mary Herring, Betty Lady, Glenda Marcum, Gladys Merritt, Lavon Nieman, June Owens, Nancy Paetzold, Susan Robbins, Tricia Sims, Mysedia Smith, Tommie Stevens, Betty Taylor, Judy Williams and Watson.



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Dear Ann Landers: Quit telling people how to live their lives. I'm speaking on behalf of all the smokers out there. The way smokers

are treated today is outrageous! We are law-abiding citizens who make an honest living and pay our taxes, but in this country, if you smoke, you are made to feel like a criminal.

What gives YOU the right to say, "Smokers stink"? In the building where I work, we are forced to smoke outdoors in freezing weather. Is pneumonia better than lung cancer? Your answer to all of this is, "Well, just quit." Well, I don't WANT to quit. I enjoy it. If I want to smoke, I'll smoke. I'm not breaking any laws. It's legal. And please don't read me the riot act about what it's doing to my health. That's MY business, not yours. Our society has created more psychological damage to smokers than second-hand smoke could possibly do to your health. And you, Ann Landers, have been the cheerleader. You owe me and all the smokers of the world an apology. — Disgusted in Cleveland

Dear Cleveland: OK. I apologize — for trying to save you smokers billions of dollars in medical bills, burned buildings and the agony of emphysema and lung cancer. I gladly accept the title of cheerleader against this killer addiction. I cannot think of a higher compliment.

Dear Ann Landers: As a longtime wearer of hearing aids, I would like to say I have developed a rather keen sense of humor about my deficiency.

People with normal hearing do not realize that the hearing-impaired often hear something totally different than what is actually said to them. This is best illustrated by a story I heard, which may or may not have actually happened. Either way, it amused me.

Three elderly men, all wearing hearing aids in both ears, were sitting on the back steps of a nursing home. They were quite silent, when suddenly, one gentleman, wanting to make small talk, said, "Boy, it sure is windy today." One of the other gentlemen replied, "No, I don't think it's Wednesday. I'm pretty sure it's Thursday." The third man started to get out of his

chair and said, "Yes, I'm thirsty, too. Let's go get a drink."

This is a good example of how we often hear, incorrectly, what is said to us. I hope you will share it with your readers. — Woodrow in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Dear Woodrow: I have heard several funny stories about hearing-impaired folks and how they have misheard something or other. I especially like yours, however, because I didn't have to clean it up to print it. Thank you.

Dear Ann Landers: My 72-year-old mother has been married for 35 years to my stepfather, "Myron." According to Mom, the first few years of

their marriage were happy and loving. But the closeness changed soon after, and they have been living at opposite ends of their duplex for most of their marriage.

Ann, my mother always had a number of cats running around in her home, but over the last few years, she has begun taking in every stray that comes along. At one point, we removed 23 cats from her bedroom. Her house smells so terrible that many family members do not visit. They say, "You can't breathe in there." Also, my mother is always sick with "colds."

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King's Manor had its annual Halloween party Friday with residents and employees of Westgate and King's Manor, day care children and Satellite Center clients. Winners pictured are, left to right, Lois Nichols-Best Costume; Polly Abney-Best Carved Pumpkin; Horace Hays-Best Painted Pumpkin; and Billie Brown-Best Costume. Not pictured are June Hubbard-Best Staff Costume; and Brendon Entz-Best Children's Costume.

Looking Back

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 2, the 306th day of 1999. There are 59 days left in the year. This is Election Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 2, 1948, President Truman surprised the experts, narrowly winning reelection over Republican challenger Thomas E. Dewey.

On this date:

In 1783, Gen. George Washington issued his "Farewell Address to the Army" near Princeton, N.J.

In 1795, James Knox Polk, 11th president of the United States, was born in Mecklenburg County, N.C.

In 1865, Warren Gamaliel Harding, the 29th U.S. president, was born near Corsica, Ohio.

In 1889, North Dakota and South Dakota became the 39th and 40th states.

In 1920, radio station KDKA in Pittsburgh broadcast returns from the Harding-Cox presidential election.

In 1930, Haile Selassie was crowned emperor of Ethiopia.

In 1959, game show contest

Charles Van Doren admitted to a House subcommittee that he'd been given questions and answers prior to appearances on the NBC TV program "Twenty-One."

In 1963, South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem was assassinated in a military coup.

In 1979, black militant Joanne Chesimard escaped from a New Jersey prison, where she was serving a life sentence for the 1973 slaying of a New Jersey state trooper. Chesimard now lives in Cuba as Assata Shakur.

In 1984, Velma Barfield, convicted of the fatal poisoning of her boyfriend, was put to death by injection in Raleigh, N.C.; she was the first woman executed in the United States since 1962.

Ten years ago: President Bush and congressional Republicans dropped their Capitol Hill quest for a cut in the capital gains tax.

Five years ago: In Durunka, Egypt, more than 475 people were killed when fuel carried by floodwaters ignited. A jury in Pensacola, Fla., convicted Paul Hill of murder for

the shotgun slayings of an abortion provider and his bodyguard; Hill was sentenced to death.

One year ago: Central American officials estimated more than 7,000 people had died in floods and mudslides triggered by Hurricane Mitch. Microsoft chairman Bill Gates took center stage at his company's antitrust trial, appearing on videotape inside a federal courtroom in Washington.

Today's Birthdays: Country singer Charlie Walker is 73. Rhythm-and-blues singer Earl "Speedo" Carroll (The Cadillac; The Coasters) is 62. Political commentator and presidential candidate Patrick J. Buchanan is 61. Actress Stefanie Powers is 57. Author Shere Hite is 57. Rock musician Keith Emerson (Emerson, Lake and Palmer) is 55. Singer-songwriter k.d. lang is 38. Rock musician Bobby Dall (Poison) is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Alvin Chea (Take 6) is 32.

Thought for Today: "The harder I work, the luckier I get." — George Allen, Washington Redskins football coach, (1922-1990).

Cramer speaks for Toastmasters

"Are You Sleep Deprived?" was the topic of the presentation by Sharon Cramer during the Thursday morning meeting of Hereford Toastmasters. Dan Hall served as evaluator. Margaret Del Toro presided

during the business meeting. Toastmaster was Jeannine Zimmerman, grammarian was Jigger Rowland, general evaluator was Wayne Winget and table topic master was David Castillo. Table topic speakers were

Rowland, Cramer and Winget with the vote for best topic speaker resulting in a tie between Rowland and Cramer.

Guests at the meeting were Adolfo Del Toro and Lisa Rose.

Women of distinction to be honored

AMARILLO — Texas Plains Girl Scout Council will present five area women with its fifth annual "Woman of Distinction" awards tonight at the Woman of Distinction Banquet in the Radisson Inn in Amarillo.

Winners — who have been

involved in Girl Scouting either as a girl or an adult — are Mary Tom Crain, Socorro "Coco" Medina, Pearlene Grayson Martin, Pattilou Dawkin and Eveline Rivers, all of Amarillo.

They are being honored for

their leadership, influence and achievements through service to their communities and the lives of young women.

Carol Keeton Ryland, Texas Comptroller, will be keynote speaker for the event.

Ann

From Page B3

Myron has confided that he is getting fed up with the cats being the center of Mom's life. Please tell us what to do. — Homewrecking Cats in Renton, Wash.

Dear Renton: Sometimes, we have to be cruel to be kind. This is one of those times. Call the Board of Health and report those appalling conditions. The authorities will come out and

remove all but a few cats. Your mother may be upset, but she'll get over it, and you will have done your duty.

P.S.: Has your mother seen a doctor lately?

Do you have questions about sex, but no one to talk to? Ann Landers' booklet, "Sex and the Teenager," is frank and to the point. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and

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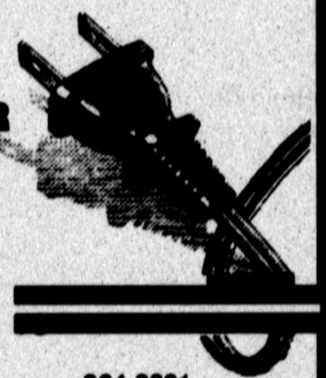
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Need help to pick All-Millennium teams

The 21st century is just a couple of months away and everyone is scrambling over the Y2K problems that may happen once midnight strikes on Jan. 1, 2000.



YURI SOTO

I say let the new year come, just like it has every other 1,999 years in this century.

But as the new millennium comes around, I would like the help of the Hereford community to recognize the best athletes that have come and gone throughout Hereford High School.

If anybody is interested, I would like for you, Hereford fans of all ages, to help me to build the All-Millennium teams for football, basketball, baseball, cross country, tennis, golf and track and field. This can also include the coaches that have given more to the success of Hereford High athletics.

This decision is in your hands.

For football, Hereford has the chance to have fun with it. You get to choose from the following:

- Two quarterbacks.
- Four running backs.
- Four wide receivers.
- Eight offensive linemen.
- Four defensive linemen.
- Four linebackers.
- Six defensive backs.
- One kicker and one punter.

For volleyball, Herd fans may choose:

- Four hitters.
- Five defensive specialists.

For basketball, choose:

- Three posts or centers.
- Five guards.
- Five forwards.

For track and field, choose:

- Best male and female long jumper.
- Best male and female high jumper.
- Best male and female throwers.
- Best male and female sprinters.
- Best male and female hurdlers.

Best male and female middle-distance runners (400, 800 meters).

Best male and female distance runners (1,600, 3,200 meters).

In these categories, select two each from each event and each sex.

In tennis, select two from the following:

- Best male singles player.
- Best female singles player.
- Best male doubles team.
- Best female doubles team.

In cross-country and golf, select four athletes in each sport, two boys and two girls.

In baseball, select from the following:

- Five pitchers.
- Ten infielders.
- Six outfielders.
- Three catchers.

From these lists, all you have to do is select the number of athletes you think were the best of the century.

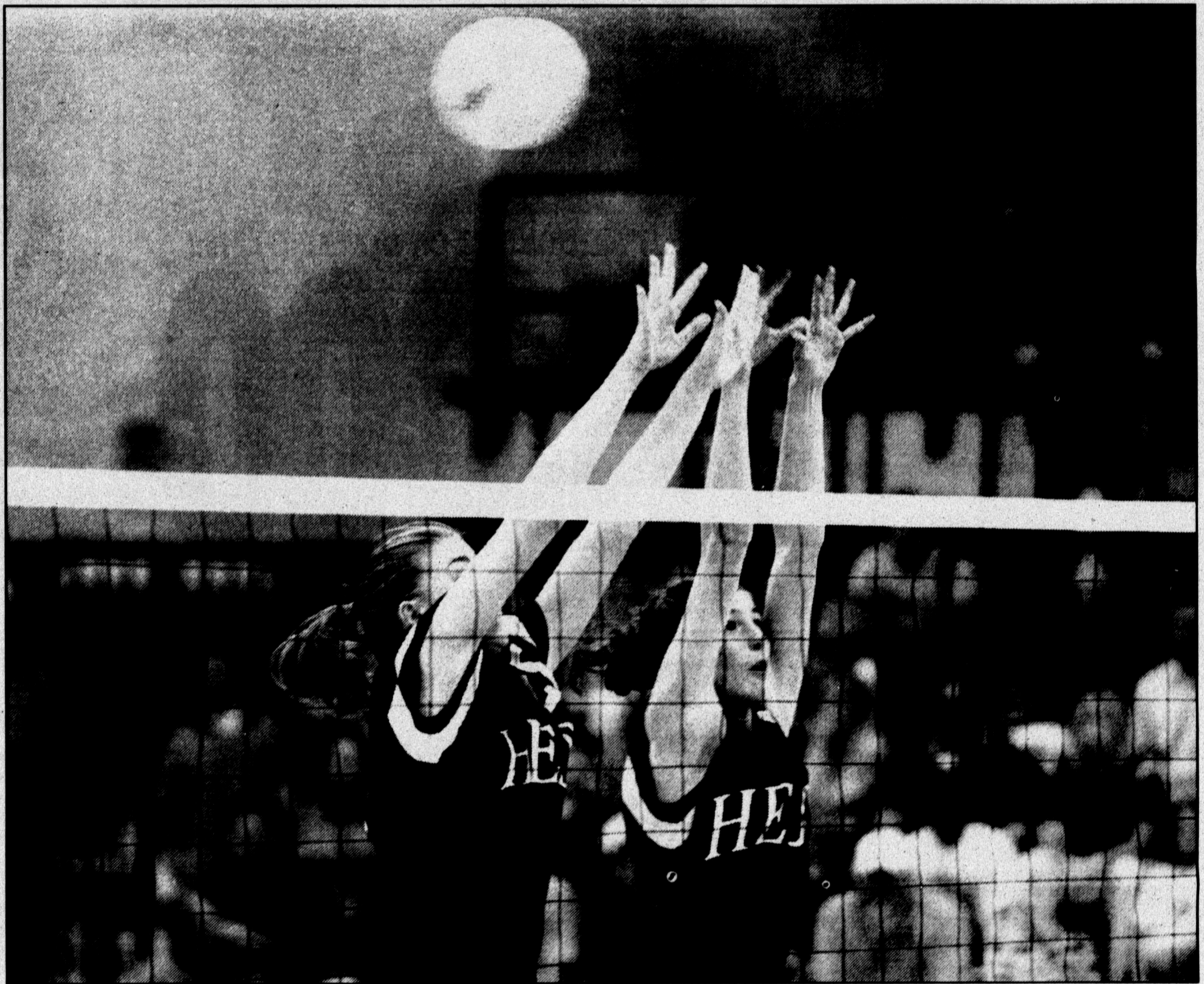
It could be your father, uncle, neighbor, daughter, son, husband, wife, mother, aunt, old classmate, co-worker, someone who has already passed away but still made a huge impact back in the day. Well you get the point.

All you have to do is send your nominees to Sports Editor Yuri Soto, Hereford Brand at 313 N. Lee, Hereford, Texas, 79045.

You can call them in at (806) 364-2030 and e-mail at hbnews@hotmail.com.

This is your chance, Hereford, to recognize a piece of history. Those you nominate may be already well known, and others may have been forgotten through time. But they will have a great place in history.

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Middle hitters Ashley Fangman (left) and Sarah Griffin (right) will be a big key part on the net for Hereford if they hope to make a long playoff run. Griffin, Fangman and the Lady Whitefaces will face the Lady Eagles of Pecos tonight at 7 p.m. at Seminole High School in Seminole. The winner of this match will face the winner of the Pampa-El Paso Bowie match today, which is scheduled for 7 p.m. tonight at Ector Junior High in Odessa.

'Sweetness' Payton dies at 45

By Nancy Armour
The Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) — The running back they called "Sweetness" wasn't the strongest or the fastest or the biggest.

What Walter Payton had was a huge heart, and it was big enough to make up for any qualities he lacked.

"I wish there was another word I could think of other than greatness," former Chicago Bears linebacker Mike Singletary said. "That's what comes to mind. Greatness."

Payton, the NFL's leading career rusher, died Monday of bile duct cancer that was discovered earlier this year during treatment for a rare liver disease. He was 45.

Payton rushed for 16,726 yards in his 13-year career, one of sport's most awesome records. Barry Sanders ensured it would be one of the most enduring, too, retiring in July despite being just 1,458 yards shy of breaking the mark.

"I want to set the record so high that the next person who tries for it, it's going to bust his heart," Payton once said.

Payton disclosed in February that he was suffering from primary sclerosing cholangitis and needed a liver transplant. His physician, Dr. Greg Gores of the Mayo Clinic, said Payton was subsequently diagnosed with cancer of the bile duct, a vessel that carries digestive fluids from the liver to the small intestine.

"The malignancy was very advanced and progressed very rapidly," Gores said. Because the cancer had spread so rapidly outside his liver, a transplant "was no longer tenable," the doctor said.

Other doctors said transplants are never attempted

when a patient has liver cancer.

"It's a big shock because he was the strongest man I met in my entire life," said Jim McMahon, Payton's teammate from 1982-87 and quarterback of the 1985 Super Bowl champions.

Greatness wasn't preordained when Payton arrived in the NFL in 1975. A two-time Little All-American at Jackson State, he drew immediate comparisons to Bears Hall of Fame running back Gayle Sayers, who'd retired four years earlier.

But Payton steadfastly rejected the comparison, insisting, "I'm no Gale Sayers."

He wasn't. While Sayers danced around defenders, Payton was more apt to run them over. His nickname, "Sweetness," was a tribute to his personality more than his running style. He took on tacklers with an aggressive, stiff-armed style that belied his size.

"He gave me a new respect for running backs," Singletary said. "He was the first running back I had ever seen who could've really been a great defensive player."

At just 5-foot-10 and 202 pounds, he was smaller than typical power running backs. But he played much bigger.

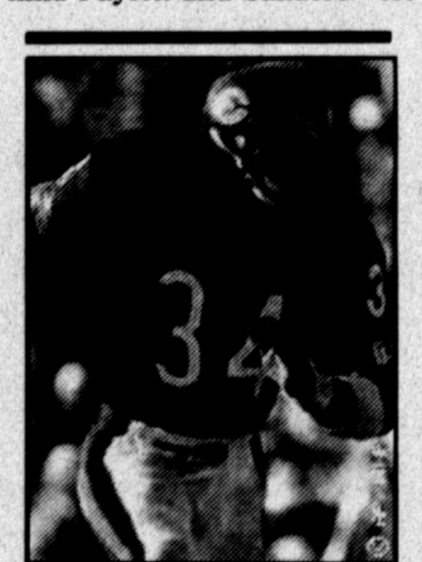
He rushed for 679 yards and seven touchdowns in his rookie season, and the next year had the first of what would be 10 1,000-yard seasons, rushing for 1,390 yards and 13 touchdowns.

In 1977, just his third year in the NFL, Payton won the first of two MVP awards with the most productive season of his career. He rushed for 1,852 yards and 14 touchdowns, both career highs. His 5.5 yards

per carry also was the best of his career.

Against Minnesota, he ran for 275 yards, an NFL single-game record that still stands. And in 1984, he broke Jim Brown's longstanding rushing record of 12,312 yards.

In tribute to Payton, Lambeau Field in Green Bay fell silent before Monday night's game between the Packers and Seattle Seahawks. "He was a guy of small stature but gigantic heart," said Eric Dickerson, third on the NFL's career rushing list behind Payton and Sanders. "He



Walter Payton 1954-1999

was an icon to all the guys who played that position. ... I loved to watch him play."

Even his teammates were amazed by him.

"The guy didn't want to lose, didn't want to be tackled, didn't want to miss a game," McMahon said. "To miss one game in his career was phenomenal. I couldn't figure out

how he could do it week after week."

After carrying mediocre Chicago teams for most of his career, Payton saw the Bears finally make it to the Super Bowl in 1985. He rushed for 1,551 yards and nine touchdowns as the Bears went 15-1 in the regular season, and also caught 49 passes for 483 yards receiving and two TDs.

Chicago beat New England 46-10 in the Super Bowl, but Payton didn't score in the game.

Widely celebrated in Chicago, he was the city's highest-profile athlete in the years after Cubs Hall of Famer Ernie Banks retired and before Bulls superstar Michael Jordan emerged.

"Walter was a Chicago icon long before I arrived there," Jordan said. "He was a great man off the field, and his on-the-field accomplishments speak for themselves. I spent a lot of time with Walter, and I truly feel that we have lost a great man."

Part of Payton's greatness was his selflessness off the field. As word of his death spread, sports radio talk shows in Chicago were flooded with stories of his kindness and generosity. One woman told of how Payton put her mother at ease at a charity dinner, asking to see photos of her family.

A well-known prankster, he set off firecrackers in the rookie locker room at the start of training camp. He occasionally would answer the phone at the Bears' reception desk.

The jokes continued even as he was dying. Last week, he purposely sent former Bears running back Matt Suhey to wrong addresses on a trip to Singletary's house, and then

had him hide a hamburger and a malt in Singletary's garage.

"It was his duty to bring humor and light in any situation," Singletary said. "The Bears had had some tough years, and Walter was always the guy who, no matter how tough it was, would always make you feel great about playing the game and playing for the Bears."

"As a person, he was a bright spot for any darkness that appeared."

Which is why it was unfathomable to see Payton looking so gaunt and frail at the emotional news conference in February when he disclosed his liver disease.

"Am I scared? Hell yeah, I'm scared. Wouldn't you be scared?" he asked. "But it's not in my hands anymore. It's in God's hands."

He made few public appearances after that. Though he knew in recent weeks he was dying, he didn't talk about it. Instead, he spent as much time as he could with his family and close friends.

On Wednesday night, his son, Jarrett, who plays for the University of Miami, was called home.

"From the day in February when my dad told the world of his liver disease, the outpouring of love, support and prayers from around the world astounded even him," Jarrett Payton said, holding back tears as he read a statement at the Bears' headquarters in Lake Forest, Ill.

Born July 25, 1954, at Columbia, Miss., Payton played college football at Jackson State, where he set nine school records, scored 66

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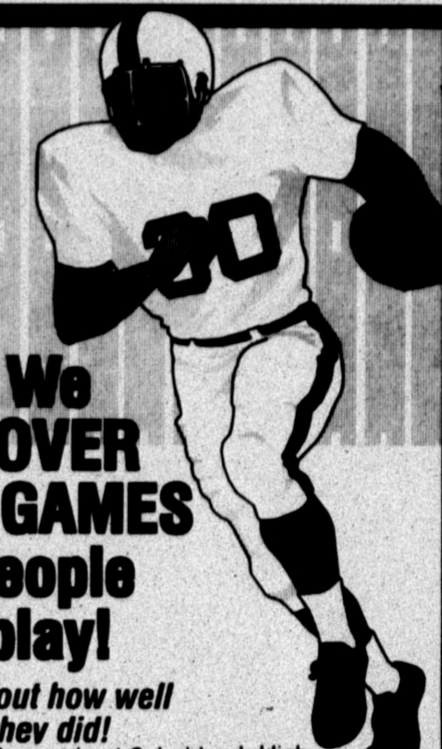
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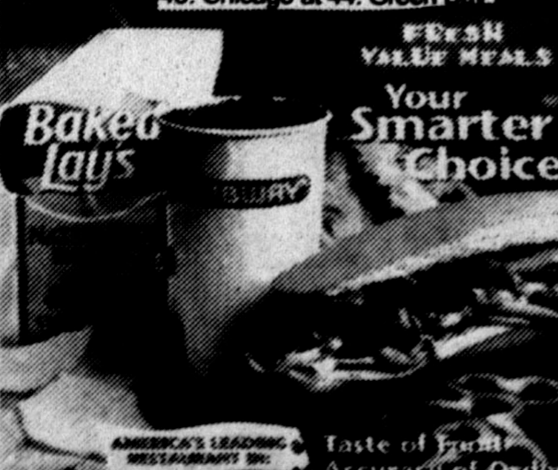
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McNaney wins football contest

Jim McNaney of Hereford won week nine of the Hereford Brand's weekly football contest. McNaney missed two games with a total tie-breaker score of 41. He wins a cash prize of \$35. The total tie-breaker score was 33 thanks to the Whitefaces 30-3 victory against Borger on Friday, Oct. 29. Gracie A. Manning got second place thanks to a tie-breaking score of 54. She missed two games. She wins a cash prize of \$25. Third place went to Dan Odell, who also missed two games, got a total tie-breaking score of 59. He wins a cash prize of \$10. There were a total of 125 participants in this week's contest. Bryan Bartels also missed two games, but had a tie-breaking score of 65. Eight people missed three games. The top three winners this week will be eligible for the Grand Prize of \$1,000 at the end of the year.

Cubs hire Baylor as new manager

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Cubs announce Don Baylor as their new manager for next season. The Atlanta Braves hitting coach replaces Jim Riggleman, who was fired last month. Baylor is the Cubs' 46th manager and the first black to lead the team. Baylor, who managed Colorado from 1993-98 and led the Rockies to their only postseason berth, was mentioned for virtually every opening in baseball. He also had an offer from the Milwaukee Brewers, but he was the Cubs' choice all along. Cubs Hall of Famer Billy Williams and Minnesota Twins third-base coach Ron Gardenhire also were interviewed by the Cubs. Baylor's deal is said to be worth \$5.2 million for four years. Baylor inherits a team that went from the 1998 NL wild card to last in the NL Central. Despite a \$60 million payroll, the Cubs went 67-95 in 1999, third-worst in baseball ahead of only the Florida Marlins (64-98) and Minnesota Twins (63-97). And history isn't on Chicago's side, either. The Cubs haven't won a World Series since 1908 and have made the playoffs only three times since 1945, their last World Series appearance.

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Seattle shocks Packers

Holmgren's new charges force seven turnovers on his old ones

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — During his seven years in Green Bay, Mike Holmgren helped make Brett Favre a superstar. In Holmgren's first trip back, his Seattle defense made Favre look less than ordinary.

Led by Cortez Kennedy and Shawn Springs, Holmgren's Seahawks forced seven turnovers, six by Favre, as they beat the Packers 27-7 Monday night.

Jon Kitna chipped in with touchdown passes to Derrick Mayes and Shawn Dawkins. Ricky Watters ran for 125 yards in 30 carries, and Springs returned a blocked punt 61 yards for a touchdown.

Green Bay, which lost for only the second time in 35 games at Lambeau Field, also contributed to its own demise with 10 penalties for 103 yards. That included two personal fouls on one play against offensive tackle Earl Dotson, who was so frustrated trying to block Kennedy that he got thrown out of the

game for shoving him twice. But the defense did the real work for Seattle (5-2), which has won five of its last six and moved into a tie with Kansas City for the lead in

Monday Night Football Seattle 27, Green Bay 7

the AFC West.

In addition to his return of a kick blocked by Lamar King, Springs intercepted two passes, the first in his own end zone the play after teammate Charlie Rogers had fumbled a punt on his own 20 just five minutes into the game. Kennedy had three sacks and forced a fumble that stopped a Packers drive. Favre had an abysmal game.

He finished 14-of-35 for 180 yards and threw four inter-

ceptions for just the second time in his career — the first came in 1994, when Holmgren was still trying to transform him into an erratic prospect with a strong arm into the quarterback who became a three-time league MVP and led the Packers to a victory in the 1997 Super Bowl.

That translated into the fewest points the Packers (4-3) have scored in a game since a 21-6 loss in Dallas in 1996. If that's any consolation, that was the season they won the Super Bowl.

Holmgren's decision to decline a penalty that would have taken the Packers out of field goal range led to Seattle's first touchdown. So Ryan Longwell tried a 50-yarder, King blocked it and Springs took it back 61 yards for the game's first score.

The Packers tied it five minutes into the second quarter when Favre hit Corey Bradford on a 10-yard slant.

Seattle went ahead after an exchange of fumbles typical of the game. One play after Tyrone Wil-

liams had grabbed a Reggie Brown fumble for Green Bay, Bellamy wrested the ball from Dorsey Levens and Darrin Smith recovered. That set up a six-play, 52-yard drive capped by Kitna's 10-yard TD pass to former Packer Derrick Mayes, who on the previous plays had an 11-yard catch.

Seattle made it 21-7 on the opening drive of the second half, going 73 yards in nine plays capped by a 2-yard TD pass from Kitna to Sean Dawkins. Watters had seven carries for 39 yards in the drive, which was helped by a 21-yard pass interference call against Green Bay's Williams.

The Packers drove to the Seattle 7 late in the third quarter.

But on third and goal, Kennedy sacked Favre, stripped him of the ball and Michael Sinclair picked it up and took it out to the 35 to end the threat.

From then on, the Seattle defense just kept squeezing and the Packers kept giving up the ball.

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 Stephenville def. Lake View 12-15, 15-11, 15-13.
 Fort Worth Brewer (19-12).
 Springtown def. Wichita Falls Rider 15-9, 15-9.
 Cleburne (25-6), bye.
 Pecos def. El Paso High 13-15, 15-11, 15-7.
 Hereford (25-7), bye.
 Pampa def. Canyon High 17-19, 15-7, 16-14.
 El Paso Bowie, bye.
 Burleson def. Fort Stockton 15-10, 15-2.
 Denton High (19-13), bye.
 Saginaw Boswell def. Wichita Falls High 15-4, 15-8.
 Snyder (20-10), bye.

AREA
 El Paso Burges (23-10) vs. Canyon Randall (26-6), 7:30 p.m. Today, Odessa High School.
 Dumas (26-12) vs. Clint (19-3), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews.
 Springtown (21-12) vs. Cleburne (26-6), 7:30 p.m. Today, Haltom City.
Pecos (20-10) vs. Hereford (25-7), 7 p.m. Today, Seminole.
 Stephenville (23-10) vs. Fort Worth Brewer (20-12), 7:30 p.m. Today, Weatherford High School.
 Pampa (14-16) vs. El Paso Bowie (18-7), 7:30 p.m. Today, Ector Junior High, Odessa.
 Burleson (21-8) vs. Denton (20-13), Keller.
 Saginaw Boswell (32-8) vs. Snyder (20-10), 7:30 p.m. Today, Albany.

Payton

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 touchdowns and rushed for 3,563 yards. He once scored 46 points in one game. He led the nation in scoring in 1973 with 160 points, and his 464 career points was an NCAA record. He finished fourth in voting for the Heisman Trophy in 1974, and was drafted fourth overall by the Bears. He retired after the 1987 season, and the Bears immediately retired No. 34. He was elected to the Hall of

Fame in 1993, his first year of eligibility. "After Brian Piccolo died, my husband and I promised ourselves we wouldn't be so personally involved with the players," said an emotional Virginia McCaskey, daughter of Bears' founder George Halas. "We were able to follow that resolve until Walter Payton came into our lives." Besides his son, Payton is survived by his wife, Connie, and daughter Brittney.

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Bush outlining education plan

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Allowing teachers to reasonably enforce discipline and providing more character education for students would improve safety at America's schools, Gov. George W. Bush said today.

"When children and teen-agers go to school afraid of being bullied or beaten or worse, it is the ultimate betrayal of adult responsibility," Bush said in a draft of a speech to be given today in Gorham, N.H.

He said states and districts should have to provide children the option of transferring out of schools that remain unsafe. Under his program, Bush said, "No parent in America — no matter their income — would be forced to send their children to a school where violence reigns."

The Texas governor was in New Hampshire to deliver his third major speech on education at a time that he needs to defend his front-runner status for the Republican presidential nomination and raise

his profile in the state that holds the nation's first presidential primary Feb. 1.

Sen. John McCain of Arizona has been gaining ground on Bush in New Hampshire, with recent polls showing McCain with the support of roughly 25 percent and Bush with support in the low 40s.

In recent weeks, Bush skipped two candidate forums in New Hampshire because of schedule conflicts. But a close call when a truck-trailer overturned near his jogging path in Austin, Texas Monday didn't keep him away this time. Bush suffered minor injuries to his right leg and hip.

In his education safety plan, Bush proposed a law that would protect school officials from federal lawsuits when trying to enforce discipline reasonably.

"The real problem comes not when children challenge the rules, but when adults don't defend the rules," he said.

"Many schools, intimidated by the threat of lawsuits, have

watered down their standards of behavior," he said. "In many cases, adults are in authority, but not in control."

In earlier education speeches, Bush called for making schools more accountable for poor performance and for giving parents more information on school performance and then offering them alternatives such as charter schools.

He said his education proposals are "bound by a thread of principle."

"The federal government must be humble enough to stay out of the day-to-day operation of local schools," he said. "It must be wise enough to give states and school districts more authority and freedom. And it must be strong enough to require proven performance in return."

Bush's emphasis on character education, abstinence education and "zero tolerance" for disruptive students echo themes that have been prominent in the governor's efforts to reform schools in Texas.

GOP front-runner hurt jogging

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush, the Republican presidential front-runner, sustained minor injuries to his right leg and hip Monday when he dived to avoid a truck trailer that overturned near his jogging path.

Bush was treated at the scene and later traveled to New Hampshire for a scheduled campaign swing, said Linda Edwards, Bush's press secretary.

Bush said he felt fine. "If I needed to I could go out and run three miles," he said after arriving at the Berlin Airport in Milan, N.H.

Staff Sgt. Roscoe Hughey, a 39-year-old Texas Department of Public Safety agent who was accompanying Bush on a bicycle, received bruises to his left side, DPS spokeswoman Tela Mange said. He was treated at the Brackenridge Hospital emergency room and released about four hours later,

said hospital spokeswoman Stephanie Elsea.

Bush was running on the hike-and-bike trail around Town Lake in downtown Austin when the accident occurred about 12:06 p.m., according to Ms. Edwards and the Austin Police Department.

A truck pulling a dumpster-like trailer was traveling on the street that parallels the jogging trail when the trailer overturned. Debris — including chunks of concrete and wood — were dumped across the jogging path.

"I was at the end of a three-mile run when I heard the noise, looked back, saw it start to tip and my instincts were to dive," Bush said by telephone from New Hampshire.

He said he scraped his right leg and hip when he dived behind a bridge support, but was not struck by debris from the truck.

"I've got a significant strawberry," Bush said.

He said he was pleased to learn that Hughey was not seriously injured.

"I'm very lucky and so is the DPS agent. I was very concerned about him," Bush said.

A witness, Ernest Bedford, 50, a pipeline inspector for the city who was working nearby, said he didn't hear any brakes squeal, just "a big, loud bang."

Bedford said he saw Bush in the clear but "the other guy was reaching his hand up out of the debris."

Bush used Hughey's cellular telephone to call DPS officials at the Governor's Mansion, and they called 911, Ms. Edwards said. "The governor stayed with Roscoe until he was in the ambulance," she said.

Hughey is a member of Bush's security detail.

County grand jury indicts 14

The Deaf Smith County Grand Jury returned 14 indictments on Oct. 28 against the following individuals:

- Eloy Cano, 55, 204 Ave. I, charged with felony DWI; released on \$1,000 bond.
- Robert Rosenberry, 21, 722 W. Cleveland, Dimmitt, Texas, charged with theft by check over \$15,000, under \$20,000; released on \$7,500 bond.
- Jonathan Robert Montgomery, 18, Rt. 5, Box 157 A, charged with false report; re-

leased on \$5,000 bond.

- Juan Alberto Rodriguez, 29, 1400 E. 1st, Apt. 16, charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon; released on \$3,000 bond.
- Hector Castillo, 31, 411 W. 4th, charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon; released on \$5,000 bond.
- Elias Rivera, 21, 721 Thunderbird, charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon; released on \$5,000

bond.

- Sidney Ward, 31, 208 6th Ave., charged with assault with a deadly weapon; remains in custody.
- Jereme Lee Escobedo, 20, 303 N. McKinley, charged with sexual assault; remains in custody.
- Johnny Joe Beltran, 18, 428 Ave. I, charged with five counts of forgery; released on \$2,500 bond; and one count of forgery; released on \$7,500 bond.

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WTAMU conference set to see student research

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CANYON — College and university students from seven states will present results of their academic research during the 6th Annual Student Research Conference, which will be Friday at West Texas A&M University.

About 110 graduate and undergraduate students from 21 colleges and universities in Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Ohio, Maryland and Illinois will participate in the conference, which will include 15- to 20-minute oral presentations of the students' work.

The conference features 10 categories in which students can compete: agriculture, business and management, communication, computer science, education, fine arts, literature and languages, social and behavioral sciences, and natural and physical sciences.

The conference will be sponsored by WTAMU, Amarillo

Natural Resource Center for Plutonium, Plains National Bank and Killgore Research Center.

"The support of undergraduate research at the university by these sponsors greatly enhances the development of future researchers that will contribute to our ever-increasing world of knowledge," said Dr. Terri Giddens, chairman of the Student Research Conference Committee and associate professor of computer information systems. "The exponential growth of scientific knowledge has created many opportunities for research efforts."

The public is invited to attend the presentations, which are grouped in 90-minute periods beginning at 9 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center and the Classroom Center.

Presentations will be judged

and winners in each of the categories will receive cash prizes of \$200, first place; \$100, second place; and \$50, third place. Winners will be announced at an awards banquet Friday evening.

Dr. J.G. "Jerry" Hunt will deliver the keynote address at the banquet. Hunt is a Paul Whitfield Horn professor of management, professor of health organization, management, and director of the Institute for Leadership Research at Texas Tech University, as well as author of various published articles, papers and book chapters.

The conference attracted 67 students representing 21 colleges and universities from four states in 1994.

For more information, contact Giddens at 651-2439.

The tentative conference program can be accessed at <http://www.wtamu.edu/research/cfpapers>

Tyson Foods slates a recall of 129,000 pounds of fajitas

WASHINGTON (AP) — Concerned that people with dairy allergies might be harmed by its chicken fajitas, Tyson Foods Inc. is recalling 129,000 pounds of the product distributed nationwide.

The poultry company discovered that some of its fajitas contain the milk product whey, a known allergen, but the packaging does not list the ingredient, the Agriculture Department said Monday.

"Because of the potential hazard for people with milk allergies, we urge consumers to check their refrigerators and freezers," said Thomas J. Billy, an administrator with the USDA's food safety service. "If they find the recalled

products, consumers should not eat them and should return them to the point of purchase."

The recalled products are Tyson's "Restaurant Favorites Chicken Breast Fajitas" and Kirkwood's "Chicken Fajita Kit" in 26.6-ounce packages. Both products have "Est. P13137" on the end of their labels.

The date numbers printed on the recalled Tyson kits begin with 265, 267, 268 and 270. On the Kirkwood product, the numbers begin with 273, 279 and 280.

While no illnesses have been reported, people allergic or sensitive to milk products might have a moderate to severe reaction if they eat the fajitas. Tyson produced the kits at

its Fayetteville, Ark., plant and distributed them nationwide.

The USDA advises anyone concerned about an illness or allergic reaction to contact a doctor immediately.

Consumers should return the products to store where they bought them. For more information, consumers can call USDA's meat and poultry hot line at 1-800-535-4555. The hot line is staffed from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST Monday through Friday.

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