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## Today's weather OUTLOOK

### Mostly clear skies

Tonight: Mostly clear, low 60 to 65, northwest wind 5 to 15 mph, becoming northeast.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy and cooler with a 20 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms, high in the mid-80s, northeast to east wind 10 to 20 mph.

Wednesday night: Mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, low 55 to 60.



### Extended forecast

Thursday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms, high in the mid-80s.

Friday: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms, low around 60, high in the mid-80s.

Saturday: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, low 55 to 60, high 80 to 85.

### Hereford weather

Monday's high, 95; low, 60; no precipitation.

## CHINA

■ Both sides step up lobbying blitz on eve of debate over trade package

WASHINGTON (AP) — Both sides were stepping up a lobbying blitz on the eve of House debate over whether to liberalize trade ties with China. Supporters cautiously predicted victory, while labor unions and other opponents insisted the battle was not over.

With 218 votes needed for passage, the Clinton administration and its allies in Congress were believed to be eight to 10 votes short.

"We feel it's working our way," Rep. Robert Matsui, D-Calif., the administration's point man among Democrats, said late Monday.

Attention shifts today to the House Rules Committee, which will frame the terms and length of Wednesday's debate. Rep. David Dreier, R-Calif., the committee chairman, said he hopes for a final vote on Wednesday as well.

Both Democratic and Republican vote counters said the outcome may not be known until the final House roll call is actually under way. Both sides flashed in a dwindling pool of undecided members.

China trade advocates — which includes much of corporate America — suggested they would prevail if they could just obtain the support of at least half the remaining fence sitters. But no one suggested the vote would be anything other than extremely close.

## Information on contest omitted

Photographs of recent award-winning members of the Hereford Volunteer Fire Department were published in the May 20 issue of the *Hereford Brand*. The paper inadvertently omitted information about local participants' awards earned at the 109th Annual Panhandle Firemen and Fire Marshals Association fire team competition held May 13 in Amarillo.

In addition to those awards pictured, recently retired Hereford Fire Marshal Jay Spain was recognized as Fireman of the Year.

The newspaper regrets the omission.

# PARADE OF CHAMPIONS



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'Season of the Century' — A remarkable year of athletic accomplishments was recognized Monday afternoon with a parade that wound from Hereford High School to Whiteface Stadium, where a variety of awards were presented to athletes for the 1999-2000 seasons. The parade featured a group of Hereford motorcycle riders who escorted the boys basketball team to the playoffs and the Mighty Maroon Marching Band. See more photos, **Page A6**.

## CHAMPION COACHES GARNER BULL CHIPS

## Hereford launched salute at breakfast

Hereford began saluting its champions early Monday morning when County Judge Tom Simons, on behalf of the Deaf Smith Chamber of Commerce, presented freshly made and certified copies of the Hereford Bull Chip to Hereford High School varsity coaches Ray Baca (track), Randy Dean (boys basketball), Craig Yenzler (football) and Brenda Kitten (volleyball) during the chamber's Spring Fun Breakfast at the Hereford Community Center.

Kitten's plaque was distinguished as a Bull Chip of the Decade.

The prestigious chamber Bull Chip awards were precursors for Monday afternoon's Parade of Champions, where Hereford coaches and players were to be further recognized for their contributions to the 1999-2000 sports year — a record-breaking season for Hereford athletes.

The fun breakfast, which was attended by more than 100, was co-sponsored by Guardian Self Storage, Hereford Janitor Supply and Don Tardy Real Estate Co.

In addition to drawings for a wide variety of unique gifts, ranging from a "12-pack of fresh rolls" (toilet paper) to Hereford Bucks, the early-morning audience was also treated to a fast-paced toilet roll hand-off game that challenged competing teams to pass the roll from one team member to the next without the use of their hands.

Truman Thurston, president of the Hereford Senior Citizens Center Association, announced the center's plans to hold a pancake supper 4:30-8 p.m. Friday at the center; the center's Town and Country Jubilee Quilt Show scheduled June 10; and

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'Fresh rolls' and Bull Chips — George Ochs (at right, top) and Ginger Wallace try to pass a "fresh roll" (toilet paper) without the use of hands while Mike Schueler and Kayle Dean watch during a game at the Spring Fun Breakfast, held Monday at the Hereford Community Center. Volleyball coach Brenda Kitten, who has coached the Hereford Lady Whitefaces to three state titles, accepted a Bull Chip of the Decade award from County Judge Tom Simons (above, right), while other honorees (from left) track coach Ray Baca, boys basketball coach Randy Dean and football coach Craig Yenzler watch.

## Auditor begins budget

■ Warrick to draft 2001 plans with no raise, 3% raise for county workers

By Donald M. Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

It's that time of the year. Deaf Smith County Auditor Dan Warrick told members of the county commission on Monday he has begun the initial work on drafting a preliminary Fiscal 2001 budget.

Before he can proceed with the first draft, which Warrick expects to present to the commissioners at their June 12 meeting, the auditor said he needed to know about possible pay raises for county employees.

After short discussion, the commissioners directed Warrick to prepare a budget containing no pay raise and another with a 3 percent raise. Warrick noted county employees have received no pay raise since October 1998.

Warrick also said he does not have any final projections yet on fund balances; however, he said health insurance costs are improving, while the juvenile probation department costs have risen.

The budget now under development will go into effect Oct. 1, 2000.

The commissioners also approved contracting with Allison, Bass & Associates to redraw boundary lines for commissioner precincts. The reapportionment is part of the U.S. Census.

County Clerk David Ruland said the lines will have to be redrawn because voter registrations show the county's population is "skewing away from the other precincts into Precinct 3." Precinct 3 encompasses most of the city of Hereford.

The county will pay \$12,000 on or before Jan. 1, 2001 for the first assessment of county population, with the final \$8,000 to be paid on or before Jan. 1, 2002, when the new boundaries would go into effect.

In other business, the commissioners approved the purchase of a motorgrader from West Texas Equipment Co. of Amarillo.

The company submitted the only bid for the equipment.

The company's bid of \$158,200 was for a Caterpillar Model 140H grader with rear ripper. It accepted

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# LIFESTYLES

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**Greeting guests** at a bridal shower in honor of Callie Combest, second from right, bride-elect of Jason Walterscheid, were, from left, Inetha Combest and Selma Milligan, grandmothers of the bride-elect; Debbie Combest, mother of the bride-elect; and Lani Long, mother of the prospective groom.

## Smith home site of shower

Callie Combest, bride-elect of Jason Walterscheid, was held Sunday in the home of Debbie Smith.

The wedding is planned for June 17.

Greeting guests with the honoree were Debbie Combest, mother of the bride-elect; Lani Long, mother of the prospective groom; and Inetha Combest and Selma Milligan,

grandmothers of the bride-elect.

Jennifer Stidhan presided at the guest registry.

Refreshments of red velvet cake, coconut cake, strawberry cheesecake, fresh fruit, nuts, mints, punch and coffee were served by Debra Walterscheid, Kristin Will and Jennifer Stidhan.

Decorations reflected the bride-elect's chosen colors of

red and white. The centerpiece was an arrangement of red and white tulips in a large Grecian urn. Appointments were in brass and crystal.

A microwave was the gift from hostesses Pat Confer, Karen Smith, Bernadette Kalka, Lois Hillwig, Joyce Wartes, Brenda Busby, Caryn Davis, Cindy Burns, Jackie James, Connie Backus, Kathy Allison and Debbie Smith.

ribbon in a white porcelain basket weave planter. Appointments were in crystal and silver.

A Kitchen Aid mixer was the gift from hostesses Karen Abney, Bera Boyd, Jayne Euler, Judy Myers, Gayle Binder, Michelle Brisendine, Connie Gilbert, Ginger Olson, Treva Blair, Brenda Campbell, Susan Hicks, Susan Perrin, Sharon Bodner, Nan Coneway, Billee Landrum and Judy Williams.

## Carlson bride-elect honored

A bridal shower in honor of Amy Flusche, bride-elect of Jeffery Carlson, was held Saturday in the home of Treva Blair.

The couple will exchange vows on July 8.

Special guests, in addition to the prospective bride and groom, were Kathy Flusche, mother of the bride-elect; Shirley Carlson, mother of the future groom; Lauren Flusche, sister of the bride-elect; Betty Jo Carlson and Kathryn Vine-

yard, grandmothers of the future groom; Julie Carlson, his sister-in-law; Phyllis Scott, his aunt; Cheri Claxton, his cousin and her daughter Jaci.

Refreshments of fresh fruit, sweet breads, tortilla roll-ups, bacon crisps, cheese blintz, punch and coffee were served by Chelsea Campbell.

The table was covered with a champagne-colored tablecloth with ecru lace overlay and centered with an English ivy topiary draped in ecru tulle



**Bridal shower** -- Amy Flusche and Jeffery Carlson, center, were feted with a shower Saturday in the home of Treva Blair. Special guests were, from left, Julie Carlson, sister-in-law of the future groom; Betty Jo Carlson, his grandmother; Lauren Flusche, sister of the bride-elect; Kathy Flusche, her mother; Shirley Carlson, mother of the future groom; Kathryn Vineyard, his grandmother; Phyllis Scott, his aunt; and Cheri Claxton, his cousin and her daughter, Jaci.

## This is final week to register for Miss Hereford, Little Miss

This is the final week for registrations for those interested in competing in the Little Miss Hereford and the Miss Hereford pageants, according to a spokesperson for the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce.

This year's pageants will be held June 17 in conjunction with the Town and Country Jubilee.

Registration forms are available at the Chamber of Commerce office, 701 N. Main, and completed forms must be turned in to that office by 5 p.m. Friday.

Age divisions for the Little Miss Hereford pageant are Cutest Miss-preschool and kindergarten; Miss Petite-first, second and third graders; Little Princess-fourth, fifth and sixth graders; and Junior Miss-seventh, eighth and ninth graders.

Young ladies ages 16-21 are eligible to compete in the Miss Hereford scholarship pageant. Contestants vie for scholarships and prizes as they compete in casual wear, formal wear, interview and talent categories.

For more information, contact Kim Leohard at 364-8760.



**Emily Fry**  
...Reigning Miss Hereford

## Winget speaker for Toastmasters

Margaret Del Toro presided at the Thursday morning meeting of Hereford Toastmasters in the Ranch House Restaurant.

Sharon Cramer gave the invocation and Daniel Morriset served as toastmaster.

Paula Edwards was timer, Dan Hall was AH counter and

Tronica Owens was wordmaster. She introduced the word "umbrage."

Topicmaster was Don Tardy and topic speakers and their topics were: Ryan Norworthy-Biotech Seeds; Clark Andrews-'99 Farm Bill; Jigger Rowland-George W. Bush; Del Toro-Al Gore; and Edwards-Raising

Children in Deaf Smith County.

Edwards and Rowland tied for best topic speaker.

Wayne Winget was the speaker and his topic was "Donation Time." Cramer was evaluator.

One guest, Adolfo Del Toro, was also present.

## Veleda has installation

Veleda Study Club members traveled to Olton for lunch at the Wild Plum Bed and Breakfast.

Members answered roll call by naming their favorite program of the year.

Out going president Juanita Brown installed new officers using a "Survival Kit" theme. Items in the kit were a toothpick, rubber band, band aid, pencil, eraser, chewing gum, mint, candy kiss and a tea bag. She told what roll each of these played and gave a

Bible verse for each article.

Newly installed president Margaret Zinser named her committees for the coming year.

Present for the meeting were Marcella Bradley, Bettie Dickson, Della Hutto, Joyce Ritter, Norma Walden, Brown and Zinser.

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**Newly installed officers** of L'Allegra Study Club are, front from left, Mary Janet Bricker, treasurer; Judy Wall, parliamentarian; back from left, Melissa Clarke, president; Jody Skiles, vice president; Shelley Menke, assistant treasurer; Jan Weishaar, historian; and Suzanne Smith, corresponding secretary. Not pictured is Sylvia Khuri, recording secretary.

## L'Allegra installs new officers

L'Allegra Study Club's installation of officers was held recently at Hereford Country Club.

Officers for the coming year are Melissa Clarke, president; Jody Skiles, vice president; Mary Janet Bricker, treasurer; Shelley Menke, assistant treasurer;

Sylvia Khuri, recording secretary; Suzanne Smith, corresponding secretary; Jan Weishaar, historian; and Judy Wall, parliamentarian.

A luncheon of chicken salad stuffed tomatoes, fresh fruit, croissants, lemon tarts and mimosas was served to members Diana Griffin, Barbara Kerr,

Shelly Moss, Hilda Perales, Kitty Gault, Clarke, Skiles, Bricker, Menke, Smith, Weishaar and Wall.

Each member received favors of flowers in terra cotta pots made by Gault and flower-shaped frames from out going president Wall.

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## Ann Landers



**Ann Landers**

**Dear Ann Landers:** Some time ago, you printed a story called "A Dog Named Sex." I never laughed so hard in my life. Could you please run it again for anyone who may have missed it? — E.G. in Buffalo, N.Y.

**Dear E.G.:** The piece you want to see again is one of the most frequently requested in the history of this column. Here it is again — for the umpteenth time.

#### A Dog Named Sex

By Morty Storm

Everybody who has a dog calls him "Rover" or "Boy." I call mine "Sex." He's a great pal, but he has caused me a great deal of embarrassment.

When I went to city hall to renew his dog license, I told the clerk I would like a license for Sex. He said, "I'd like one, too!"

Then, I said, "But this is a dog." He said he didn't care what she looked like. Then, I said, "You don't understand, I've had Sex since I was 9 years old." He winked and said, "You must have been quite a kid."

When I married and went on my honeymoon, I took the dog with me. I told the motel clerk that I wanted a room for my wife and me and a special room for Sex.

He said, "You don't need a special room. As long as you pay your bill, we don't care what you do." I said, "Look, you don't seem to understand.

Sex keeps me awake at night." The clerk said, "Funny — I have the same problem."

One day, I entered Sex in a contest, but before the competition began, the dog ran away. Another contestant asked me why I was just standing there, looking disappointed. I told him I had planned to have Sex in the contest. He told me I should have sold my own tickets. "But you don't understand," I said, "I had hoped to have Sex on TV." He said, "Now that cable is all over the place, it's no big deal anymore."

When my wife and I separated, we went to court to fight for custody of the dog. I said, "Your honor, I had Sex before I was married." The judge said, "The courtroom isn't a confessional. Stick to the case, please."

Then, I told him that after I was married, Sex left me. He said, "Me, too."

Last night, Sex ran off again. I spent hours looking all over town for him. A cop came over to me and asked, "What are you doing in this alley at 4 o'clock in the morning?" I told him that I was looking for Sex. My case comes up Friday.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I hope you will answer this letter, because our problem has caused a major family dispute. My 32-year-old daughter has a little girl who is 9 years old. When my daughter goes out of town on business, she leaves "Cindy Lou" alone to get herself off to school. There is a baby sitter in the house when Cindy Lou comes home in the afternoon, but I don't

think that's enough. I say my granddaughter is too young to be left alone at all.

My husband and I live an hour away, and we both work. Cindy Lou called us recently, crying and frightened to be alone, so I brought her to my house. I was furious with my daughter, and told her so. She claims Cindy Lou is old enough to manage this on her own, and made all kinds of excuses for not having a caregiver in the house in the morning. What do you say, Ann? — Upset Grandparents in Indiana

**Dear Grandparents:** I can see why you are upset. A 9-year-old should not be left alone in the manner in which you describe. This constitutes child endangerment or child neglect. Your daughter better make more responsible arrangements, or she will be answering to the authorities. Please inform her.

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## The Salvation Army will sponsor Camp Hoblitzelle again this year

A week of camping fun is planned for 25-33 children from the Hereford area from June 19-24 at The Salvation Army's Camp Hoblitzelle, located in Midlothian.

"This camp packs into one week fun, exercise, nature study, spiritual and character building programs which are often the local point for a positive, life-changing experience," Judy Baker, Service Unit camp chairperson for The Salvation Army in Hereford, said.

"Because of the public's generosity, we are able to send kids who would not otherwise have the opportunity to go to summer camp," Baker said.

The Salvation Army's Camp Hoblitzelle covers 500 acres approximately 40 miles south of the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex and provides opportunities for horseback riding, swimming, soccer, volleyball, miniature golf, archery, crafts and more.

"It will not cost the children a cent to attend the camp, but

it does cost the local Service Unit committee to get the children there and The Salvation Army to provide this camping experience," Baker said.

Anyone wishing to help with this program can mail donations to the Salvation Army Treasurer at Room 201, Deaf Smith County Courthouse, 235 E. Third, Hereford.

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# SPORTS

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## Five named to All-District baseball teams

### Castillo, Lacey named to first team in district 3-4A

By Jeff Blackmon  
Hereford Brand Sports Editor

Five Hereford High School varsity baseball players received district honors for their performances over the 2000 season.

Only two Hereford players received first team honors for district 3-4A. Senior pitcher George Castillo made the first team after posting a 9-6 record for the Whitefaces. Castillo also totaled two saves, four complete games and a 4.52 ERA. Castillo led the Whitefaces in strikeouts with a season total of 103. Castillo also was the starting flanker for the HHS football team.

Junior Eddie Lacey also was named to the first team as a designated hitter. Lacey hit for an average of .351 in 57 plate appearances, and he totaled 20 hits and 12 RBIs for the year. Lacey also performed as a pitcher for the Whitefaces this spring.

The second team All-District included three other Hereford players on its list. The first was senior Whiteface short stop Andrew Ramirez. Ramirez had an average of .403 for the season in 72 plate appearances. Ramirez had 29 hits including two home runs and 18 RBIs. Ramirez also totaled five stolen bases for the year. In the fall, Ramirez was the starting cornerback for the HHS football team. Ramirez started 35 games in his career for Herd football.

Senior third baseman L.J. Vallejo was also named to the second team All-District. Vallejo hit .274 for the season in 73 appearances with three homers and 13 RBIs. Vallejo plans to attend West Texas A&M University where he signed to play football. Vallejo played tailback, strong safety and special teams for the Whitefaces during their successful 1999 season.

The final member of the Whiteface baseball team to receive honors was junior outfielder J.P. Holman. Holman hit for an average of .352 in 54 plate appearances, and he also had 19 hits for the season including two home runs and 11 RBIs. Holman played in later part of the season for the Whitefaces.

Receiving "Player of the Year" honors for district 3-4A was senior Pampa infielder Greg Lindsey.

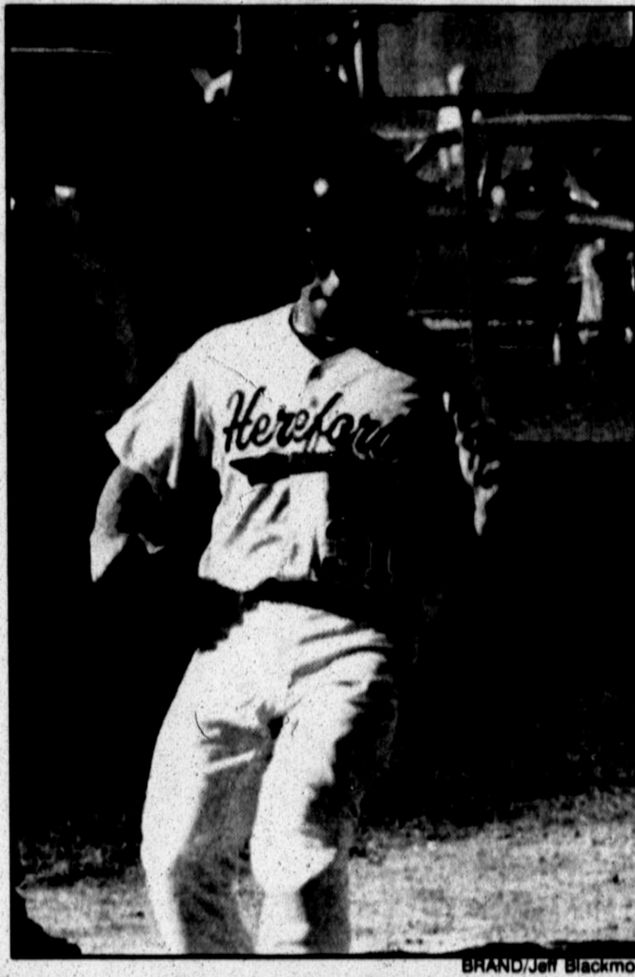
Pampa also led the list in the number of players named to the first team with a total of six. The Harvesters almost went undefeated for the season in district play, but the Herd spoiled their hopes of perfection beating them on their home turf 6-5 in April.

Pampa's season ended on Saturday when they lost in three games to El Paso River-side.

The "Coach of the Year" award went to Gerald Nipp of Caprock High School.

Caprock also had one player make the first team All-District. Senior pitcher Kenny Baldwin was one of three hurlers named to the first team.

Caprock outfielders Tanner Craven and Rickey Valdez were named to the second team.



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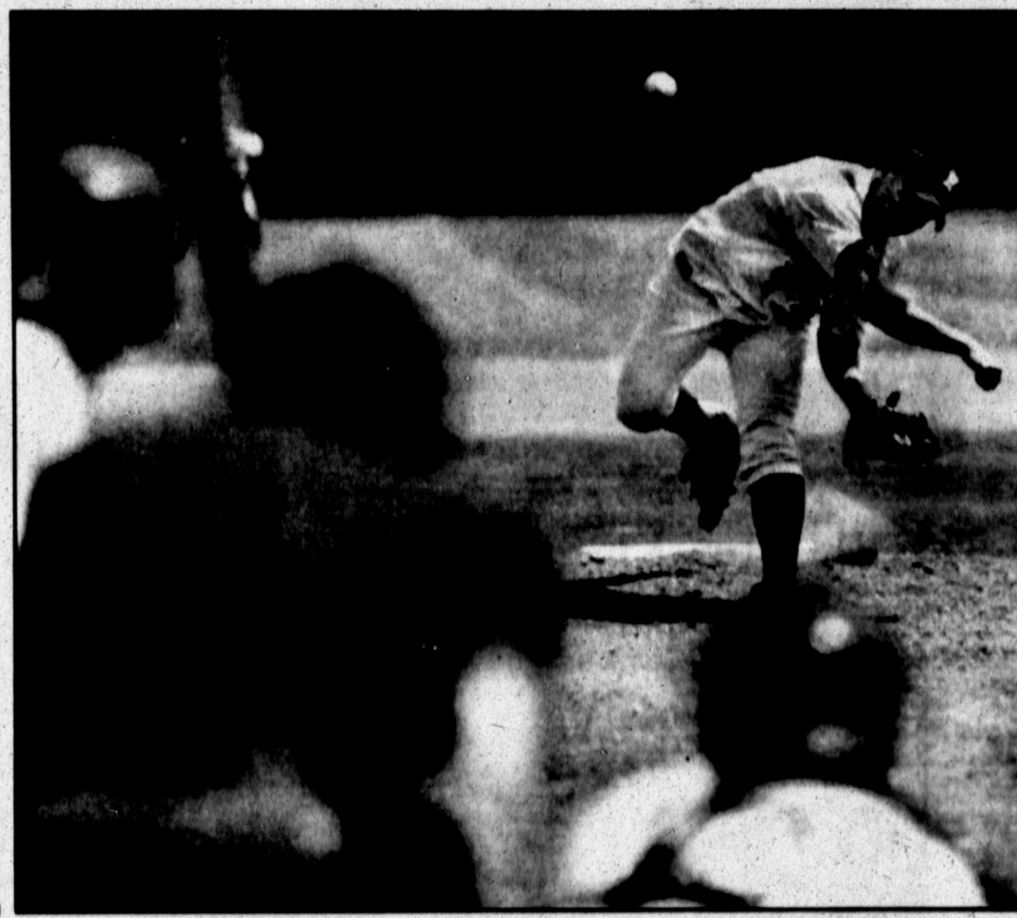
Seniors Andrew Ramirez (top right), L.J. Vallejo (top) and George Castillo (right) were named to the All-District teams this past week. Castillo was named to the first

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team while Vallejo and Ramirez were each named to the second team All-District 3-4A. Castillo compiled a 9-6 record and struck out 103. Ramirez hit for an average of .403, and Vallejo averaged .274.



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## Athletes honored at ceremony

### Eicke, Vallejo receive top honors

By Jeff Blackmon  
Hereford Brand Sports Editor

The Hereford High School Whitefaces and Lady Herd concluded their "Season of the Century" Monday evening by honoring Hereford's athletes and coaches at an awards ceremony held at Whiteface Field.

The festivities included remarks from Linda Lowe, Hereford High School Principal, Bob Josserand, Mayor of Hereford and Elizabeth Abernethy, HISD superintendent.

After each of these notable remarks, Tom Simons, County Judge, and Don Cumpston, Executive Director of Hereford Economic Development Corporation, recapped the entire 1999-2000 athletic season.

The coaches began their tribute to the HHS student athletes after the Mighty Maroon Band played the fight song.

In baseball, head varsity coach David DePriest awarded the Media Sports Award to senior short stop Andrew Ramirez. The Media Sports Award in girls' basketball went to senior Valerie Guzman. The same award in boys' basketball was given to senior Eric McNutt while Janet Blakely, Brionne Yosten and Hector Gonzalez won the awards for cross country.

The Media Sports Award for football was given by Boys Athletic Director Craig Yenzer

to three players for their contributions to the team. On defense, seniors Daniel Fangman and Vernon Adams were given awards along with senior Joseph Gonzales.

In golf, head coach James Salinas awarded juniors Heather Stokes and Peyton Ward with awards.

In softball, Lady Whiteface coach Penny Summers awarded the Media Sports Award to senior center fielder Janae Schlabs.

Head tennis coach Amanda Nimitz gave her Media Sports Awards to seniors Nelson Beville and Kimberly Scott.

In girls track, head coach Ray Baca presented the Media Sports Award to the varsity girls mile relay team consisting of junior Brionne Yosten, Tiffany Koenig and seniors Tony Eicke and Audra Witkowski.

Senior discus competitor Kurtis Flood took home honors in boys' track while senior Tori Walker won the media award for volleyball pre-

sented by Girls Athletic Director Brenda Kitten.

In wrestling, head coach Mike Dominguez handed senior Seth Pietsek and Rachel Rodriguez media awards.

The Casey Memorial Awards were given to seniors Scott and Flood for their efforts in tennis (Scott) and track (Flood).

The Fighting Heart Award was given to senior basketball standout Guzman and baseball standout Ramirez.

The boy and girl named Athletes of the Year went to track senior Tony Eicke and HHS football standout L.J. Vallejo.



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Fighting Heart winners — Seniors Andrew Ramirez (left) and Valerie Guzman (right) were named the Fighting Heart Award winners Monday Evening.

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A special award was also given to three men who devoted their time and culinary expertise to HHS and its fans before each game. Steve Hodges, Bob Beville and Jim Marsh were each given cooking utensils with engravings that read, "Season of the Century: The Chefs."

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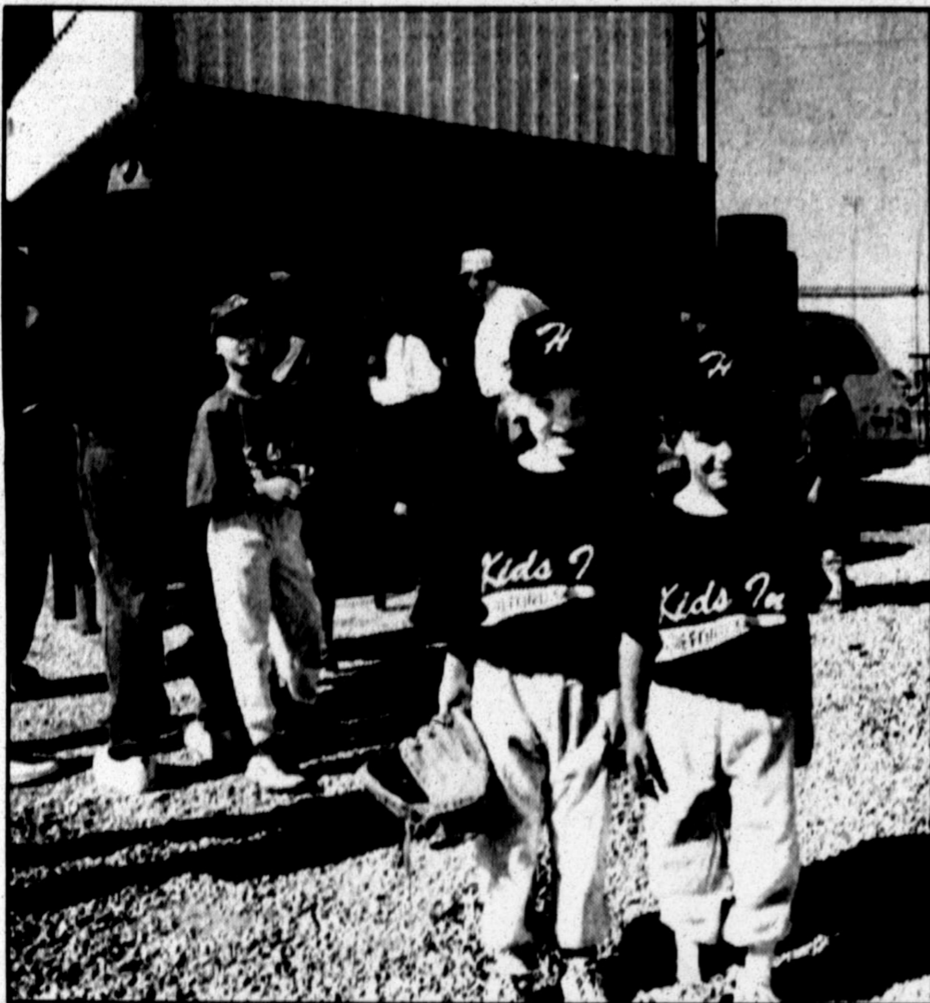
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# Opening DAY

# PLAY

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**Tee Ball Buddies** — Berkley Lassiter (left) and Jessica Crenshaw (right) pose before Saturday's tee ball action.



**First pitch** — L.J. Vallejo throws out the first pitch of the season to kick off opening ceremonies on Saturday.

**PHOTOS**  
by  
Julius Bodner  
and Jeff Blackmon



**Kids Inc. Board** — The board members take a break from a busy opening day.



**Flag presenters** — The Boy Scouts present the colors during Saturday's national anthem.



**Watching the pitch** — A baseball player eyes a pitch as it heads toward home plate while the catcher and umpire look on. The Kids Inc. season will last until July the Fourth.

# Television/Comics

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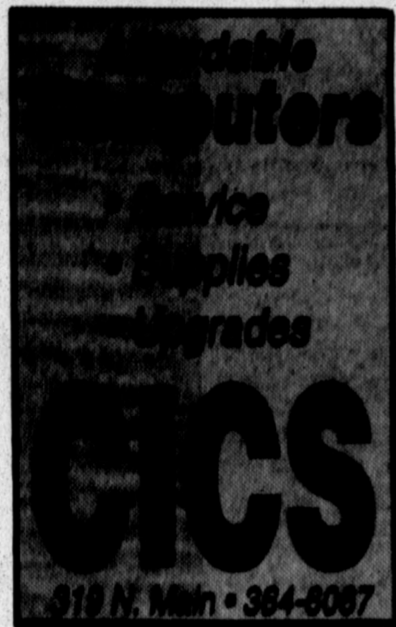
DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

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Fun

From Page A1 an invitation for local residents to attend an enchilada supper Thursday which this week will replace the center's traditional Mexican Stack meal.

Deaf Smith Chamber of Commerce Executive Vice President Sid Shaw reviewed plans for the June 10-17 Hereford Town and Country Jubilee and presented the audience with jubilee posters advertising the town-wide celebration's calendar of events.

The audience also received an invitation from Whiteface Booster Club President Wallace Hill to attend the Parade of Champions, in addition to post-parade recognitions and additional activities planned by the booster club during the evening; and heard a report from Jim Holston, Crown of Texas Hospice Director, about the foundation's third annual "Lost Mourner's Camp" which serves the emotional needs of a continually growing list of children who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

County

From Page A1 a Model 140G Caterpillar grader as a trade-in, giving \$102,000.

The total out-of-pocket expense to the county will be \$58,116, which will be financed for five years at 5.9 percent.



Retrospective of Kramer's work — The work of long-time Amarillo artist Stefan Kramer is on display at Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, on the campus of West Texas A&M University in Canyon. The exhibition examines Kramer's career from his early days in the upper Midwest through the beginning of the new millennium and will feature works in several media, including his favorite, watercolors.

Bush pledges to cut back nuclear arsenal

WASHINGTON (AP) — George W. Bush said today that he would reduce America's nuclear arsenal to its "lowest possible number" without compromising U.S. national security, if elected president.

The likely Republican nominee made his announcement at a news conference with retired Gen. Colin Powell and other foreign policy officials from previous GOP administrations.

"We should not keep weapons that our military planners do not need," Bush declared. "These unneeded weapons are expensive relics of dead conflicts. ... America should lead by example."

Bush said he wanted to bring America's nuclear arsenal below the levels in the START II treaty with Russia, which calls for each side to reduce warheads from 6,000 to between 3,000 and 3,500. The United States and Russia are now negotiating a START III treaty that could cut warheads by an additional 1,000.

Bush's chief foreign affairs adviser, Condoleezza Rice, said afterward that the United States

would make its missile cuts whether or not Russia agrees to the reductions.

Rice also seemed to link the reductions to the development of an anti-ballistic missile system, which could be years in the making.

She said Bush would determine the nuclear arsenal level after a review of the nation's security needs and capabilities, including the feasibility of a missile defense system.

Asked if the reductions would be contingent on such a system, Rice said, "It's difficult to answer. I think he would hope those would proceed in parallel."

The Texas governor said he also wants to remove as many nuclear weapons as possible that are on high-alert status.

"Preparation for quick launch, within minutes after warning of attack, was the rule during an era of superpower rivalry," he said. "But today, for two nations at peace, keeping so many weapons at high alert, may create unacceptable risks of accidental or unauthorized launch."

Bush said he still wants to develop a national missile defense system despite Russian objections. "START III should not be an excuse to limit our ability to build a missile defense system," he said.

On reducing weapons, Powell said, "We can go down further. I believe, with the proper political guidance given to our military leaders and the kind of assessment that Governor Bush has called for and he would assign to his secretary of defense."

Besides Powell, Bush was joined by Henry Kissinger and George Shultz, secretaries of state in the Nixon and Reagan administrations, Brent Scowcroft, who was President Bush's national security adviser and Donald Rumsfeld, secretary of defense under President Ford.

Powell, the Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman during the Gulf War, is a possible candidate for vice president or a Cabinet post, though he has said he isn't interested in being Bush's running mate. Bush's father, the former president, also was in town Monday.

BINT JBEIL, Lebanon (AP) — Jubilant Lebanese guerrillas and their civilian sympathizers swept through most of what was once the Israeli security zone in southern Lebanon today as Israel's allied militia in the area was on the verge of collapsing.

Everywhere in the western sector of south Lebanon, joyful people returned home and residents celebrated the liberation of their villages and reunions with loved ones. Fighters and civilians alike waved the flags of the main Shiite guerrilla groups Hezbollah and Amal and shouted pro-Hezbollah slogans. "The nightmare is over," said

Abdul Latif Ghaith, 60, a villager. "Good riddance."

Israel, which invaded Lebanon in 1978 and created a security zone in the occupied area in 1985, is expected to end its occupation in the next few days. It abandoned a major base in the zone, and thousands of people swarmed to reclaim their villages and capture war booty abandoned by retreating pro-Israeli militiamen. In the east, crowds opened up a notorious prison camp to set free about 140 prisoners.

Dozens of villages in the occupied zone have been captured by guerrillas and sympathizers since Sunday without a fight.

reducing the area controlled by the South Lebanon Army militiamen and the remaining Israeli troops to about one-third its original 440-square-mile size and putting guerrillas on much of Israel's border with Lebanon.

Despite the retreat, fighting continued today. Israeli warplanes staged six raids on guerrilla areas. Lebanese security officials said, and witnesses in northern Israel said an Israeli tank firing from the border hit a Hezbollah convoy. Guerrillas were firing at a number of Israeli outposts, they said.

At the Fatima Gate border

post, Israeli troops exchanged fire with gunmen in Lebanon, trapping hundreds of fleeing refugees in the cross fire.

In northern Israel, people emerging from bomb shelters where they had spent Monday night were ordered back again today in fear of possible cross-border guerrilla rocket strikes.

The Israeli army abandoned its last major base in the western part of the zone in the town of Bint Jbeil overnight. The second-largest community in the zone, Bint Jbeil was the biggest Shiite Muslim town held by the Israelis and their SLA militia allies.

NOW: Fox is 'network of shame'

NEW YORK (AP) — In its first study of how television portrayed women, the National Organization for Women took aim at the network that aired "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire."

NOW declared Fox the "network of shame" on Monday, even though it had praise for some of its best-known shows, like "The Simpsons" and "Ally McBeal."

Among the four largest broadcast networks, NBC got the highest marks from NOW.

Fox ranked at the bottom for the number of women it depicted in its lineup, the sexual exploitation of women and the amount of socially responsible programming, said NOW President Patricia Ireland.

"It's a heads-up to Fox but really all of the networks that we're watching," Ireland said.

Fox had no comment on the report.

NOW ranked ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox, using its own subjective criteria and its own volunteers, based on all the programs shown during the February ratings sweeps period. It did not rank UPN or the WB, networks that appeal primarily to young men and women.

NBC received a B-plus on NOW's prime-time report card. CBS had a C-plus, ABC was given a C and Fox had a D-plus.

The study coincided with Fox's ill-fated "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire" special with 50 women competing to marry a wealthy stranger. That show just missed being ranked at the bottom of NOW's list; the group found CBS's movie on JonBenet Ramsey, "Perfect Murder. Perfect Town,"

to be the worst.

Fox was also criticized for shows like "Cops" and its airing of the movies "Independence Day" and "The Nutty Professor."

NBC's dramas scored particularly high, and Ireland praised "The West Wing" and the press secretary character played by Allison Janney.

CBS's "Family Law" received the top score.

NOW had praise for many of network television's dramas but said that in comedy, women were too often used as the targets for sexual comments and advances. Many NOW analysts noted "the abundance of young, beautiful, thin, white women" in comedy, the report said.

Ireland said she hoped to set up meetings with advertisers to let them know the type of material NOW considered objec-

tionable.

She also criticized ABC's "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" for a lack of women and minority contestants and suggested that its producers use some form of affirmative action to make the show more representative of the public at large.

Meanwhile, the National Hispanic Foundation for the Arts on Monday criticized the major television networks for including few Hispanic characters on programs set for the fall schedule.

On the Net: http://www.now.org/issues/media/watchout/report/

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## Clinton disbarment advised

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### News digest

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Citing "serious misconduct," an Arkansas disciplinary panel has recommended that President Clinton be disbarred for giving misleading testimony about his relationship with Monica Lewinsky — an unprecedented and stinging rebuke of a sitting president.

The decision by the Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Professional Conduct is the first step toward stripping Clinton of his law license and another embarrassment stemming from the Paula Jones sexual harassment case. Clinton was impeached by the House and acquitted at a Senate trial, and he also has been fined for contempt of court.

A judge must decide whether to accept Monday's recommendation. If it is accepted, the president can appeal to the state Supreme Court — and he said that's exactly what will happen.

Clinton said the committee — five lawyers in private practice and a retired school teacher — was responding too harshly to testimony that he has labeled as "legally accurate."

"The only reason I agreed even to an appeal of this is, my lawyers looked at all the precedents and they said, 'There's no way in the world if they just treat you like everybody else has been treated, that this is even close to that kind of case,'" he said on "NBC Nightly News."

"We're going to give the judge a chance to do what we believe is right, and I think that's the right thing to do," said Clinton, who will not personally defend himself be-

cause it would interfere with his duties as president.

Clinton has been a licensed lawyer since Sept. 7, 1973, was attorney general of Arkansas from 1977-79 and once taught at the University of Arkansas law school. He has not practiced law since the early 1980s, between his first and second terms as Arkansas governor.

#### Chinese dissidents split over trade vote

BEIJING — China's far-flung dissident community may agree on their desire for democratic reforms in their homeland, but when it comes to how to achieve that goal, they tend to part company.

The debate in the U.S. Congress over whether to grant China permanent normal trade relations, or PNTR, has brought those differences to the fore, with even the most prominent of the exiled dissidents — former student protest leader Wang Dan and veteran dissident Wei Jingsheng — at odds over the issue.

Chinese supporters of the legislation, part of a trade deal for Beijing's entry into the World Trade Organization, argue that the resulting increase in trade and other exchanges will help force China's communist leaders into gradually accepting political reforms.

Their ranks include many among China's educated elite as well as some of the country's harshest critics.

"If you really want China to change, then you should approve PNTR. If you want to isolate China and see it get worse, then it will get worse and worse," said Ren Wandong, a longtime dissident in Beijing.

"Giving China PNTR will help political reform and human rights by accelerating changes in Chinese society," said Ren, who has kept a low profile since his release from prison in 1996 and the end of his parole last year.

Extending to China on a permanent basis the same low-

tariff trade treatment given to other trading partners would end an annual debate that has given members of Congress a platform to criticize Beijing's human rights record, its threats over Taiwan, suspicions of nuclear espionage and other issues.

#### Clinton, Hastert agree on development plan

WASHINGTON — Six months after pledging to work together to help impoverished areas, President Clinton and House Speaker Dennis Hastert are ready to unveil their handiwork, a multibillion-dollar package of tax breaks and other incentives.

"Working together, the Congress and the president can accomplish good things for the American people," Hastert, R-Ill., said in a statement Monday night as an agreement was reached.

At the White House, Clinton's top economics adviser, Gene Sperling, said, "This will be one of the most important pieces of legislation for bringing into low-income areas that has been passed in decades."

Sperling said aides were still calculating the total cost of the proposed legislation to be trumpeted at today's White House ceremony. He put the initial estimate at \$5 billion to \$7 billion over five years.

The agreement is a blend of Clinton's proposed "new markets" initiative and Hastert's call for 40 renewal communities.

Certain capital gains taxes would be eliminated in these areas, to be called "Renewal Communities," and businesses would be eligible for a credit on some wages as well as certain expenses related to environmental cleanup, officials said.

Officials said an existing program of empowerment zones, also designed to help economically distressed areas, would be expanded in size and in scope.



Senior banquet — Junior server Chayse Rives takes orders from the Class of 2000 during Friday night's senior class banquet, which was held at the Hereford Independent School District administration building.

## Ads hammering Bush's record on environment

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Sierra Club will air about \$250,000 worth of ads over the next three weeks criticizing Gov. George W. Bush for his environmental record in Texas.

The ad is ostensibly about legislation pending before Congress, but it will air in states key to the presidential race and its target is the Republican nominee-in-waiting. It follows Sierra Club ads during the primaries in New Hampshire, Michigan and California that also slammed Bush's record.

In the latest TV spot, a pair of Texans complain that their state is polluted and that Bush has done little to help.

"All of our lakes all have water quality problems," angler Ed Parten says, standing in front of a peaceful lake.

*In the latest TV spot, a pair of Texans complain that their state is polluted and that Bush has done little to help.*

"We've contacted George Bush's office and he had the attitude he's not interested."

"We're in a crisis situation," says Tamara Maschino, who lives in Seabrook, Texas.

With scenes of pollution billowing out of smokestacks, a narrator says that Texas leads the nation in factories violating clean water standards and has the most industrial air pollution.

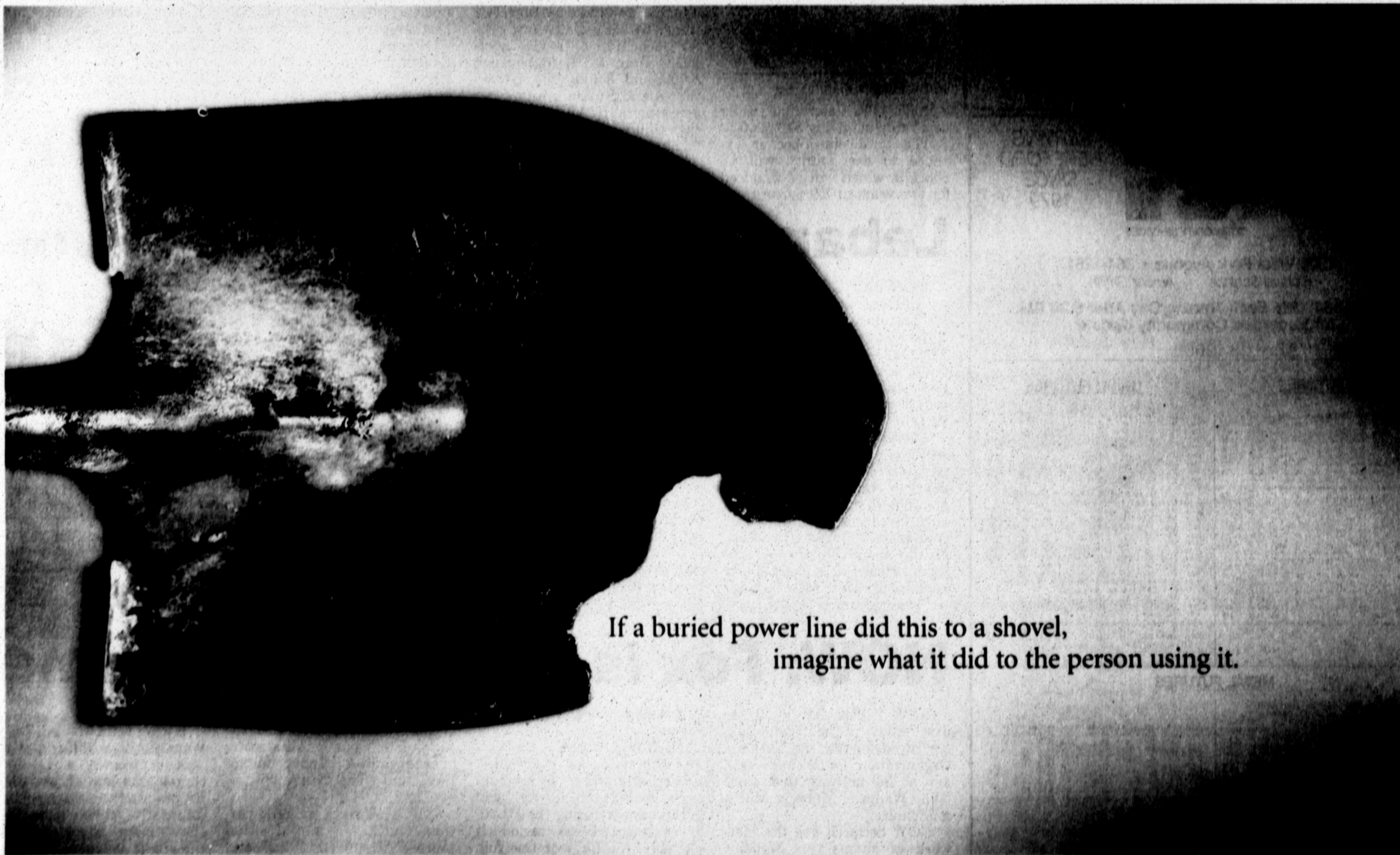
The ad began airing Monday in St. Louis, Milwaukee,

Detroit and Lansing, Mich., big cities in swing states. Next week, it will run in Ohio.

The ad is part of an \$8 million election-year effort to help candidates running for Congress and the White House, said Sierra Club political director Dan Weiss. With just one exception so far, the campaign is helping Democrats.

Ads that overtly attempt to influence the presidential election could be considered illegal donations to Democrat Al Gore's campaign. This ad ends by encouraging voters to call Bush and ask him to oppose anti-environmental legislation.

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