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## OUTLOOK

Mostly clear skles Tonight: Mostly clear with a low
in the lower 60 s, south wind 10 to 15 mph
Thursday: Partly sunny with a
high around 90 , southwest to south high around 90 , southwest to south
wind 15 to 20 mph and wind 15 to 20 mph and gusty.
Thursday night: Partly with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, low in the lower 60s. Extended forecast Friday: Partly cloudy with a
chance of thunderstorms late, high around 90 . Saturday and Sunday: Partly
cloudy with a chance of afternoon cloudy with a chance of afternoon
and nighttime thunderstorms, lows and nighttime thunderstorms, Iows
in the lower 60s, highs around 90 . Hereford weather Tuesday's high, 87; low, 65; precipitation, trace inches; year-
to-date rainall, 5.99 inches, according to KPAN Radio.

Clinton plans expansion of Medicare

NEW YORK - Medicare will soon
begin covering most costs associated with clinical tests of new drugs medical treatments for millions of York Times reported today. President Clinton was expected to made the order today in an execu-
tive memorandum, the newspaper reported.
reported
Under the order, the Department of Health and Human Services will
revise the program to pay for tests revise the program to pay for tests
related to Medicare-covered services. Medicare also will immediately begin to reimburse "routine patient
care costs and costs due to medical care costs and costs due to medical
complications associated with participation in a clinical trial," according to a draft of the Clinton directive.
Medicare covers 39 million elderly Medicare covers 39 million elderly
and disabled Americans. Many and disabled Americans. Many pri-
vate insurers follow its example in deciding what to cover.
The Medicare statute has been interpreted to bar reimbursement for outine medical care needed when
beneficiaries participate in clinical benefi
trials.

## HUNG JURY

Federal jury unable to determine sentence for Hereford residents
By Dianna F. Dandridge

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|  | guilty March 17, 1999, in federal court |
| A Chicago federal jury was dismissed | and agreed to testify against the other |
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## Stage Stores CEO says $\mathbf{7 5 - 1 0 0}$ stores to close

erim chief executive says the clothing retailer might close 75 to 100 stores to and emerge from bankruptcy protection. Jack Wiesner said he wants the com. pany to play to its strength: its base of stores in the Southwest, especially Texas Oklahoma, Louisiana and New Mexico "That's where the lion's sliare of our business is," said Wiesner, uno replaced the fired Carl Tooker in Fc iruary. "We have a very good franchise in that are

The Houston-based company currently has more than 600 stores in 33 states,
including the Palais Royal and Bealls chains. A Bealls store operates in chains. A Bealls store operates
Hereford's North Gate Shopping Center.
Despite the challenge of emerging frot Despite the challenge of emerging from
bankruptcy and mending ties with cred bankruptcy and mending ties with credi
tors and suppliers, Wiesner said he wa tors and suppliers, Wiesner said he w
optimistic about the company's future "We have a large core of stores that We have a large core of stores tha
are profitable. Once we get back our Please see STORES, Page A7

## DinR <br> Town \&zCountry JUBILEE

## FRIDAY-SATURDAY Jubilee of the Arts Hereford Community Cente $4-6$ p.m. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. - June 10

## Saturday

Senior Citizens Center
Quilting Show
9 a.m. 4 p.m.
Hereford Senior CCitizen's Cente
Greg Black Memoria 10-K Run
$\stackrel{8}{8 . m}$.

## Jubilee Parade

 Starting at Hereford High Schoo
## Jubilee Junction diately following the parade

## Spirit Wind Concert

First United Methodist Church

## Individual Jubilee

Class Reunions
Class Reunions REUNIINN
Hereford Community Center Jubilee on Stage

Sunday Citywide Church

June 14
Lions Club Carnival
Ed Burlingames' "Pride of Texas Shows"
Deaf Smith County Bull Barn

## June 17

Citywide Garage Sale
Miss Hereford and Little Miss Pageant 6 p.m.
High Auditorium

Hereford Lions Club Golf Tourney Pitman Municipal Golf Course
oworks Celebration Veterans Park

## HEREFORD BRAND <br> Local roundup

Fit for kids offers inspections Children's vehicle safety is everybody's business and now inspection service, Fit For Kids, to every child and every driver in the Amarillo area.

Sudies show vehicle crashes are the leading killer of young improperly used.
Participating DaimlerChrysler employees will be attending special training courses to check and perform car safety sea
inspections These certified inspectors will then make neces inspec adjus.
sary adise in positioning or give opinions about safety of a car seat.
A recent survey suggests only 96 percent of car seat users
are somewhat comfortable that they always use and install are sild mewhat con child seats properly. In reaiity only about 20 percent of children
in car seats are properly buckled in. Inspections are by appointment only and take 20-30 minutes. Individuals wishing to schedule an appointment should call the Amarillo Chrysler dealership or wwwfitforakidorg

## Juvenile board meets

Deaf Smith County Juvenile Board will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in the county courthouse
Items on the agenda include an update on progress for the detention facility; approval of employee
reports and minutes of previous meetings.

## Reallty seminars offered

Planned Parenthood of Amaillo and the Texas Panhandle will offer special classes June 8, July 13 and August 10 from 2 3:30 p.m., at 110 N. 25 Mile Avenue. Participants will have
chance to win cool door prizes. For
at $364-5641$.

## Acker medical fund

A medical fund to defray hospital costs for Castro County Bank through Phillie Garza. Acker is the son of Deaf Smith Electric Co-op director Anthony Acker.

## Grazing blds being taken

 UMBARGER - The Buffalo Lake National Wildilif Refuge south of Umbarger, is seeking bids for the 2000 grazing season.Current livestock operators with livestock operations located within a 30 mile radius of the refuge are eligible to bid. Bids will be accepted until 1 p .m. June 12 . A total of 811 AUM's must be bid with a minimum acceptable bid of $\$ 8.30$ per AUM A 50 percent deposit must be included with the bid. Grazing alloso apply.
Bid forms may be obtained by visiting or calling the refuge Bid forms may be obt
headquarters at 499-3382

Mighty Maroon seeks players The Mighty Maroon Band is seeking Hereford High School Jubilee Parade on June 10. Participants will rehearse from 7-8 p.m. June 9 at the High chool Band Hall. Percussion will practice at 6 p.m. Brticipate
Those needing horns or planning to participate should cal Gary Owens at $363-7620$.

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## News digest

## Activist withdraws bounty

 MCALLEN, Texas AP A. H0,000 bounty for killing U.S. Border Patrol agents hawithdrawn the offer after officials on both sides of the borde opened criminal investigations.
Carlos Ibarra Perez, a spokesman for an advocacy group
called the Citizen Defense Committee, told a San Diego, Calif radio show Tuesday he had changed his mind because he di
not want to see more border violence, The (McAllen) Monito reported today after obtaining an audiotape of the interview.
urtm saying a different thing now" tbarra told radio station KFMB saying a different thing now." "barra told radio station
"I'm saying we're not supporting this situation of sending
peoople to kill people. Im saying we leave the leaders of the countries to fix this," he said.
Ibarra, 60 , said in a news conference Monday he was making the offer because too many illegal immigrants were being slain
by federal agents and private landowners while making their way into the United States.
Officials from the Thamaulipas state attorney general's office and the FBI, said they would continue their investigations
despite Ibarra's retraction

## ELSEWHERE

TRIBES MEET: Efforts by Texas Gov. George W. Bush and his brother, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, to block American Indians
from operating casinos on reservations in those states mean ealth care, education and housing is worse for Texas and
lorida Indians than many other states where gambling is legal, leaders of United South and Eastern Tribes Inc., said Tuesday. The group, representing 21 tribes in 24 states, is
meeting this week in Houston. meeting this week in Houston.

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## Junior Varsity cheerleaders



HHS Junlor varsity cheerleadors -- The 2000- left, Ashley Martinez, Ashly Gallardo, Sayra Apodaca,
2001 Hereford junior varsity cheerleaders will be, from the Shantel Delgado, Roberta Estrada and Melissa Romero.

## Turn off the TV, kids need exercise

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) chyois need more mandatory parents need to unplug TVs and video games, say researchers who concluded that most young Americans, particularly
blacks and females, are far oo sedentary.
The nationwide study of adolescent physical activity was conducted by researchers at
the University of North Caroina and published in the June issue of Pediatrics. Lead author Penny Gordon Larsen blamed the problems
on the decline in comprehen n the decine in comprehen
sive physical education cur ricula in U.S. schools and ha bitual TV viewing and video ame playing among young "Even though it's a particu ar problem for minorities, it's problem for all kids," saic Gordon-Larsen, a postdoctoral ina Population Center. Youngsters who don't get nough exercise could be at greater risk for problems such heart disease.
Gordon-Larsen and her col-
eagues analyzed data on mor leagues analyzed data on more
than 17,700 middle school and high school students from

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Emergency services
Activities reported by emer-
gency services personnel for
June 6, 2000, include the fol-
lowing: Arrest

- A 19-year-old man was South 25 Mile Avenue and charged with driving while in Incidents - A burglary of a building in
the 600 block of Columbia was eported. Three instruments valued at $\$ 250$, were reporte
missing. missing.
assaulted by two other women in the 100 block of Avenue $H$. - A resident reported some

Based on self-reported data of activity grouped by lev Activity was charcterized by fre
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haracterized by the number of hours spent each week watching tele
vision or videos and playin ision or videos and playing
video and computer games. Researchers also studied en vironmental and demographic variables, finding that involvement in physical education
classes and use of conmmunity recreation center were key to Overall, youngsters who had PE class five times a week were more than twice as likely
to be highly active. The rate was just 44 percent for those who had PE once a week.
"The fact that PE a dramatic impact was a big lation of probation on a tam-
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records charge, ecords charge,

- A 34 -yar-old man was
rrested and charged with arrested and charge
criminal non-support.
Incidents


## - A 14 -year-old runaway was

FIRE DEPARTMENT - 1:05 p.m. Firefighters re
sponded to a wreck rescue sponded to a wreck rescue
one mile south on FM 2943 . - 7:13 p.m. Firefighters r sponded to a wreck rescue at
Fourth and Withers ourth and Witherspoon.
$-8: 23$ p.m. Firefighters ponded to a grassfire on FM 2298 and Parmer County Road A. Parmer County firefighters
were on the scene. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Texas lottery

The winning Cash Five num The winning Cash Five num Texas Lottery: Tuesday by the

5-11-17-33-39 The winning Pick The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the
Texas Lottery, in order:
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Inactivity was characterized by the number of hours spent each week watching television or videos and playing video and computer games. recreation centers, but were found to be less active. "It's a little confusing; w "It's a little confusing; we
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## n a PE class, and 15 percent ad PE five times a week had PE five times a week. Middle school students were more likely than high school students to take PE, and males Michael Goran females. ute of Prevention ${ }^{\circ}$ Research at the University of Southern quantify factors thought to be associated with inactivity. "I think that we've known that children are less active," he said. "I think this may be shows this can be partially explained by environmental constraints or environmental actors." seemingly contradic- In a ory finding, blacks were more <br> HEREFORD BRAND <br> Obituaries

## LORENCE A. CARPENTER

DIMMITT - Services for Florence A. Carpenter, 88, of Dimmitt, were today in FoskeyRev. Howard Rhodes pastor of Rev. Howard Rhodes, pastor of
First Baptist Church, officiat ing. Burial will be in Castro Memorial Gardens
Mrs. Carpenter died Monday.
She was born in Anson moved to Castro County from Jones County in 1953. She was a homemaker, a member of First Baptist Church,
Women's Missionary Union and Sunday school teacher. She married J.O. Carpenter, in 1934, in Jones County. He died in 1986.
Survivors
Survivors include three
daughters, Claudie Preston of daughters, Claudie Preston of
Abilene, Darlene Dowell of Granbury and Kay O'Briant of Lubbock; one brother, Woodrow Dutton of Hereford;
two sisters, Marie Austin of Midland and Eunice Burton of Kress; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.
The family suggests memo-
rials be made to the Firs Hereford Brand, June 7, 2000 SHERRY RAE KENDALL Servicune 6, 2000 Ra Kendall, 56, of Herry Rae be 2 p.m. Thursday at the Terry Cosby officiating. Burial etery under the direction of Gililland-Watson Funera Miss Kendall died Tuesda Center. She was born Sept. 22, 1943, n Hereford to Ernest $R$ Danforth.
She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Here
ford and had worked as retail sales clerk.
Survivors include her Hereford; two brothers Kendall of Skiatook Dava and Kyle Kendall of Stanton one aunt; and
and nephews.
tive, based on viewing habits:
Russell Pate Russell Pate of the Univer-
sity of South Carolina's School of Public Health said the trend toward fewer PE requirements in high schools, as outlined in surgeon general, is only one "I actor in childhood inactivity. problem is nearly solving this saying, 'Let's get kids in PE classes more frequently," he Educators must ensure that tudents enrolled in PE actuearn the physical and behav ogemeills, including time man agement and goal-setting, they
will need later, Pate said,

## LIFESTYLES

Tice feted with shower in Barton home
 Honoree at a bridal shower was Jennifer Tice, center, bride-elect of Jeff Wiedrich. Also pictured
are, from left, Wanda Tice, grandmother of the bride-elect; Misti Tice, her sister; Donna Tice, her mother; and Virginia Hix, her grandmother.
Spirit Wind 2000 to give performance at FUMC
Spirit Wind 2000, the North- Amanda Fellers, Justin Kerr, At 7 p.m. Saturday, Spirit
 mer tour with a performance sor, and Bethany Solomon of Hereford.
outh performing with Spirit Vega. Saturday morning the group are Sunday Juncerts in this area ind 2000 are Seth Laing, will sing at 10:30 during the Paul United Methodist Church Holly Coneway, Taylor Charest, Northwest Texas Annual Con- in Amarillo at 8:30 a.m. and
Matt Langehennig, Cathy ference ceremonies at First $10: 50$ a.m., and Monday, June



Bride-elect of Stanley Friemel, Kelly Hamil, center, was honored with a bridal shower Sunday位
"Hamil honored with bridal shower
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { The E.B. Black House was and coffee. } & \text { Karen Artho, Melody Betzen, } \\ \text { The site of a bridal shower } & \text { The table was centered with }\end{array}$ the site of a bridal shower The table was centered with Susie Dolle, Gertrud Grotegut,
held Sunday afternoon to a bouquet of spring flowers. Judith Grotegut, Lesann honor Kelly Hamil, bride-elect Appointments were in crystal Hartman, Suzy Hicks, Helen of Stanley Friemel. The couple is planning a July 1 wedding. Greeting guests with the
honoree were Judy Smith of Canyon, her mother and Mary Theresa Friemel of Umbarger,
her future mother-in-law. her future mother-in-law.
Refreshments were fresh fruit, assorted cookies, punch


A gift certificate to Kem's Kleuskens, Gladys Meyer, SuA gift certificate to Kem's
Ban Miller, Carol Sanford
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from hostesses Evelyn Adams, and Letha Wieck. Invest Today For Your Future

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AT THE CENTER

## Senior Citizens

Jennifer Tice, bride-elect of
Jeff Wiedrich, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Violet Barton.
The couple plans to be marThe couple plans to be mar
ried June 10. Joinin greeting guests were Donna Tice, her mother; and Wanda greendmothers. grandmothers.
Vicki Malone presided at the guest registry.
Refreshments consisted of
sausage cheese balls, fresh sausage cheese bails, fresh
fruit, eclairs, yoplait pie gar fruit, eclairs, yoppait pie gar
nished with fruit and punch. Serving refreshments were Misti Tice, sister of the bride
elect, and Lisa Riley. elect, and Lisa Riley
The table was covered with
a white lace cloth and yellow a white lace cloth and yellow
underlay, centered with a floral arrangement and accented
with a milk glass punch bowl and serving pieces.
A Mikasa canister set was
the gift from hostesses June Rudd, Violet Barton, Lana
Pinnell, Wanda Burney Ameri Pinnell, Wanda Burney, Ameris
Criner, Sandy Tieman and Criner, Sandy T
Vaavia Edwards.

Other corer Other concert stops will in-
clude local Methodist churches in Midland, Abilene, Big Spring, Dumas, Earth, Muleshoe, Perryton, Shamrock, Stinnett and Wellington.
This group of more than 160 United Methodist senior high school youth from West Texas and Panhandle communities represents 45 conference congregations of all sizes.
Under the direction of Bert Bostic, minister of programs and music for St. Luke's Methodist Church in Midland, and Kris Ridgley, assistant direc-
tor and senior at McMurry University, Spirit Wind is in its $19^{\text {th }}$ year of presenting con-
certs of sacred music.


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Hury, offer ends June 30.
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Britiney Binder, center right, was the honoree at a bridal shower held recently in the home of Brandi Parker and Brek Horn, her sisters; Ruby Ellison, her maternal grandmother; and Gayle Binder, her mother.

## Bridal shower honors Binder

Brittney Binder, bride-elect of
PhilipGarcia, was Philip Garcia, was honored with a bridal shower held recently in
the home of Carolyn Fry. The couple will be married June 10 .
Guests were greeted by the
honoree: Gel honoree, Gayle Binder, her Horn, her sisters; and Dorthy Binder and Ruby Ellison, her
grandmothers.
Refreshments were a comforter and sheet set bacon
punch.
The serving table was covered with an ivory lace tablecloth and
centered with a spring floral arrangement in an antique vase. Appointments were in crystal.
breads, tresh fruit mini-quiche Fry, Camille Beville, Ann were gifts from hostesses Carolyn
Fry, Camille Beville, Ann Cummings, Charlene Sanders,
Karen Abney, Sue Powell Karen Abney, Sue Powell,
Sharon Hodges, Jan Dudley Stacy Lea, Jo Lee, Brend Barrett, Betty Wilcoo, Maureen
Self, Leota Kelso, Sheri Kerr Denna Parker Judy Myeri Kerr, Fuston and Linda Minchew, Joan

## College Report

Kate Denison, daughter of Jack and Naricy Denison, has at West T T where she University President's List for accomplish ing a 4.0 grade point average for this semester.
She was named to the Dean's List for the College of Account-
ing for this year accomplishing ing for this year accomp.
a 3.89 GPA for the year.
Hereford students receiving degrees from Texas Tech
University during spring commencement exercises were Wade Leslie Backus, Bachelor
of Business Administration in of Business Administration in Holmes, Cum Laude, Bachelor of General Studies; and Amanda Ruth Sims, Bachelor of Science in Food and Nutrition

Ten Hereford students were
among the more than 3,800 Texas Tech University students who qualified for academic
honors lists at the end of the spring semester.
Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or
more semester hours. Students more semester hours. Students with a GPA of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.
Named to the President's
List were Mary Alice Brorman List were Mary Alice Brorma
and Heather Shalyn Hodges. On whe Dean's List were Melissa Lynn-Brorman, Misti Michelle Davison, Cindy Lynn Cynthia Ann Perrin, Jessica Dawn Salazar, David Christopher Watkins and Cory Michael Schumacher.

Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene announces that two Hereford residents have made the honor roll for the spring
2000 semester. Rachel Wilks was named to the President's List, which honors students who completed 12 arfect grade point average of a perrect grade point
4.0 for that semester
Scott Shaw was named to the
Honor Roll, which Honor Roll, which honors students who have completed
12 or more hours with a GPA of

The Hereford Brand welcomes news of friends, relatives, grandchildren. Send news items
to the Hereford Brand, Box 673 or to the Herefor
call $364-2030$.

## Trust.

A child shows it instinctively with its
first faltering steps. Over the years Arst thiecong a precious gifit given
toust tecomes only to special friends.

### 3.60 or higher

 K Konnis Daniel, daughter of Ronnie and Mary Helen Daniel, was named to the Dean's Honor Oklahoma State the semester a She is a se University. She is a senior, majoring in speech and language pathology.She is a member of the Arts and Sciences Student Council, the


Helpers - Waiting to help with preparations of ice cream crepes are Ben and Trent Paetzold. The crepes will be featured for sale 5:30 Toujours Amis Study Club Town and Country Jubilee.


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problems maintaining an erec-
tion. I have seen several urologists, and heen several urologists, and have tried all
us, Ohio, Dispatch. So far,
aed between four and eight two dogs, which shed all over. This is extremely stressful for home. (By the way my my band does not consider this
"working.") likes home-cooked meals, so eating out is not an and tells me what he likes and what he doesn't like. Inci dentally, my husband ha but he never goes to see hem. Our place is where he ated nated hostess.
Should I try uss this with my hus to disand deal with my mouth shut very hith 1 am having and am open to with this, tions you might have. - Dis
ime you issued a Dt is high Independence Declaration ounseling to put you need in your spine, please get it A marriage license should not mean a lifetime of servitude. Wake up, and smell the coffee. You do not have to live like this. Insist on eating ou twice a week when Dad visits,
and stick to it. Dear Ann Landors: I am a male in my late 40 s who
was raised by a single mother. was circumcised at birth and now have considerable Ruth, age 69, survived by her dogs, Bud and Spike Carroll, age 53, survived b
her dogs, Champ and Dawson her dogs, Champ and Dawson, age 86, also, mourned by his dog, Trixie, and cat, Spunky
Elmer, age 71 , survived by hi pecial seeing-eye dog com pecian, Beeling-eye Larry, age 65, eft behind his dog, Misty John, age 80, survived by hi
devoted Pomeranian, Abe; an Robert, age 82, survived by is little do 2 , survived by And I thought Coley. was a cow town. - Alice B Grove City, Ohio cow town? No way. Some of my savviest mail comes from Columbus readers. Death noor by the family can mentio names of pets. However, editorial obituaries, which are written by reporters, do not
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## Best defense is good offense

- Indiana pins hopes onits offensive prowess to stop the inevitable Shaq attack

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Rik Smits wasn't afraid to say what be thinking.
"I'd much prefer to play Not that the Trail Blazers aren't a great team but it would make my job a lot easier."
Smits' job, which he shares stopping Shaquille O'Neal. With his mix of size, speed and Strength, the Los Angeles Lakers MVP center shreds
most conventional defensive schemes and generally makes players like Smits wonder why they took up basketball in the In the NBA Finals, beginning tonight at Staples Center, the Pacers undertake the task at whish the enlire league failed Blazers tried everything from pre-emptive fouls to constant, oppressive double-teams in an effort to slow Shaq. They still finals in seven games.
To hear the Pacers, the series sometimes seems like a matchup of Goliath vs. 12
Davids. Such is the truly massive presence O'Neal has taken on during this season, when he finally acquired a Los Angeles to the league's best record.
You know
"You know Shaq is going to get his points no matter what
you do, because he's the MVP you do, because he's the MVP,
Indiana guard Jalen Rose said. "The key to the series is going

## Twins end 8-game losing streak, clip Astros

game losing streak doesn't other teams don't say anything seem to be wearing Jose Lima Lima took a two-hitter into the eighth inning, then lost his eighth consecutive decision as the Minnesota Twins rallied for three runs to beat the
Houston Astros $3-1$ on Tuesday
night. Lima didn't pout or duck out on post-game, interviews.
" $\mathrm{I} m$ still cocky, $\mathrm{I}^{\prime} \mathrm{m}$ still doing


AP Fiel Photo
quille O'Neal. No man is an island - Unless, that is, you are talking about Shaquille O'Neal. The Indiana Pacers will try to contain the Laker's indomitable force in the NBA Finals,
beginning tonight in Staples Center. beginning tonight in Staples Center.

Shaq gets the ball down low ference playoff opponente and he's looking to pass it out, found out he can still unleash we have to prevent people barrage of jumpers
from getting open shots. That's anyone in the game. all you can really do." . If that's the case, the series said Miller, who led Indiana to could depend on which team's its first NBA Finals by burying outside shooters perform bet- the New York Knicks uncer
ter. Los Angeles assistant wave of 3 -pointers in the coach Tex Winter noted that conference finals. without Shaq, the series is "We're not coming here to essentially a matchup of two lay down. We're coming in hers
jump-shooting teams who pre- to shock the world. jump-shooting teams who pre-
fer the perimeter game to post Alay, therein might lie body gives the Pacers any chance to stop O'Neal, but Indiana is a team capable of outscoring anyone. With the
right mix of an aggressive right mix of an aggressive
offense, judicious fouls on O'Neal and strong defense against his Lakers teammates, the Pacers think they'll have a
shot at outshooting Los Ange-
les.
"People don't remember we're a pretty good team on offense," said. "I didn't get all those assists this year by throwing the ball in the stands. We hit our shots, and we think we can
shoot with anybody. shoot with anybody.
Reggie Miller, Indiana's sharpshooting veteran guard chasing what might be his last chance at a title, will be
particularly important. Miller made his reputation on fre-
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## By JIM LITKEE

Payback is, well, let's just say that every once in a while it fits the crime. hinghn Rocker forgot what a good thing he had. It was easy to do. He was healthy, strong, still throwing the
ball hard, still only 25 and on the verge of being set for life. He was used to winning. Now he's about to see the flip side. here Rocker is going the bus rides are longer, the meal money doesn't go
as far, the beds aren't as soft, and his teammates will be too busy watching their backs to worry about his. leading to the Atlanta clubhouse Rocker threatened the same Sports Illustrated reporter who used thumbscrews to make him talk during December. To their credit, the Braves didn't wait to find out whether Rocker was better at throwing punches than between those assembled by Mike
Remlinger and Kerry Ligtenberg, the two guys now dividing the closer's duties.
The real difference between Rocker and the rest of the Braves pitchers is pregame buffet. That was supposed to end when the teammates.he ridiculed forgave him and the manager he forget.
But Rocker, defiantly, refused to do
the same. Maybe he needs the attention. Maybe he didn't believe the
coaches and the older guys on the staff coaches and the onder guys on the staff
when they told him to shut up, to keep in mind what a humbling game it was. Maybe he still doesn't. Maybe that's
why nobody in the organization offered why nobody in the organization offered
Rocker much encouragement on his
way out. Idin't talk to him when he was here., Chipper Jones said. "Why should
I talk to him when he leaves? The Braves said the demotion was all about pitching, but only because telling the truth would be handing the players union a stick and begging to
be hit.
So know this: If the Braves keep Rocker in the minors more than 20 days, it could cut into his eligibility for salary arbitration, meaning they could
pay him between $\$ 300,000$ and pay him between $\$ 300,000$ and
$\$ 400,000$ next season instead of $\$ 3$ million or more. And if he stays down in Richmond past July 2, the last day of a series at the Mets, the Braves
avert the biggest headache of the year visiting Shea Stadium with Rocker in tow. There were questions when and
where he would surface in Triple-A, where he would surface in Triple-A,
but some people were taking no chances. In Toledo, Ohio, likely Rocker's first stop with the Richmond Braves, extra security was being added and a route devised to get him from
the clubhouse to the field without a the clubhouse to the field witho
normal trip through the stands.

Early on, when he was greeted In spring training and exhibition
games with standing ovations games with standing ovations
Rocker boasted that everybody go Rocker boasted that everybody go
the story wrong. That reception, he said, proved the fans only cared about winning and that the cheer long as he could

That gift is lost for the moment,
misplaced like a mitt thrown under misplaced like a mitt thrown under a corner of the dugout bench in a
moment of anger. The Braves insist that once he finds it, Rocker will ge called back up to the big leagues and things will be back the way they
were. But don't count on it happening soon, if at all.
Closing games is enough of a dodge as it is. The best ones know you don' own the skill so much as borrow it. hocker didn't take direction wel whether it will even be offered this time around. From a distance, the payback seems steep, out of whack
for some words thrown off in a fit of anger. And maybe it isn't fair. But as New Yorkers on the subway, Asians, Indians, immigrants, welfare mothers, people with AIDS or purple intent on trivializing - can tell him life rarely is.

- Sim $^{\text {Lithkis is the national sports columnist tor }}$


## Dodgers rout Rangers, 7-1

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Doderes beat the Ras Dodgers beat the Rangers 7.1
on Tuesday night Gagne had allowed three earned runs or less in six of his first seven starts this season, but was without a
victory in his role as a spot victory in his role as a spot
starter and part-time reliever.
"He just pither "He just pitched a beautiful
game," manager game," manager Davey
Johnson said: "He had to pitch a mings. It was nice to see him get that first win. We wanted work wase sure he got it. His
most important Gagne the ballgame." in six-plus innings for his second major league victory.
He walked thee and struck at seven, including the side "It's always nice to break the ice and get that first win out of the way," said Gagne,
pitching for the first time since
May 30. "Now I'm ready to out for my second. My fastball
was working tonight so I didn't have to throw that much offspeed. It's a lot of weight off
my shoulders.
Johnson and pitching coach
six-plus innings to post second major league career win
Claude Osteen kept reminding Cederstrom. "He got some help Gagne to stay aggressive and got the decision
against the free-swinging corrected." Rangers. Rangers manager Johnny Hee threw only two or three Oates came out of the dugout curves," catcher Paul LoDuca to get an explanation, but he
said. "I kept telling him he did not argue. said. "I kept telling him he
needed to go hard and to kep going after the hitters. He's a feisty pitcher, he gets real hyped up. He wanted his first win real bad."
Green thought he had his Green thought he had his
first career homer in the fifth inst career homer in the fifth field was ruled fair by first base umpire Gary Cederstrom. But Cederstrom was unsure of
his call, asked for help from the rest of the umpiring crew, and the call was correctly changed to a foul ball.
Green had circled the and was in the dugout and was in the dugout teammates whatulions from came out to argue Cederstrom huddled with the other three umpires and the Dodgers retained their $4-0$ tead. Replays showed the ball was about five feet to the right of the foul him," "ve got to tip my hat to Mark Grudzielanek had had lost three of their previous

Rangers starter Mark Clark 3-4) allowed six hits over the first four innings, but the up with the clutch hit until a four-run fifth.
Grudzielanek had an RBI
double and Gary Sheffield
followed with a sacrifice fly followed with a sacrifice fly.
Clark walked the next two Clark walked the next two
batters to load the bases, then batters to load the bases, the
Dave Hansen delivered a twoDave single off reliever
rancisco Corder Francisco Cordero.
Clark allowed four runs and Clark allowed four runs and
seven hits, struck out three seven hits, struck out three
and walked two. In the sixth, Sheffield's,
sacrifice fly and Eric Karros sacrifice fly and Eric Karros
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Green's RBI single in the eighth extended the lead to 7 .

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and Blackburn sold the notes in the Tyler and Dallas areas, respectively. In its complaint, the SEC claims the men
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FDIC insured CD." One of the 'FDIC insured CDs.' One of the defendants reportedly placed ads in the obituary section of
a newspaper.
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ments and return of profits, as well as civil ments and return
monetary penalties.

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## NBA, 'Millionaire' take out Tonys

$\begin{array}{llll}\text { NEW YORK (AP) - Broad- } & \text { interest } & \text { in the show. matchup of the summer's most } \\ \text { O'Donnell's presence after a } \\ \text { intriguing ratings contest: }\end{array}$
 Millionaire."
The Tony Awards telecaet
didn't make much difference. "Millionaire." ABC has sched-
 O'Don viewers, despite Rosie O'Donnell's presence as host,
Nielsen Media Research Nielsen Media Research said
Tuesday. The ratings are the Tuesday. The ratings are the
lowest in the show's history. The previous low came in 1996, the year before O'Donnell was host for the
first time and briefly revived fewer viewers than ABC's tele-
cast of the World Music Awards, competed directly with ABC's "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" and the grip-
ping seventh game of the Los ping seventh game of the Los
Angeles Lakers-Portland TrailAngeles Lakers-Portland Trail-
blazers NBA playoff contest on NBC.
Tonigh

Tonight marks the second for the second week in a row. "Millionaire" won last week, but just barely, as "Survivor"
had a strong debut. ABC's summer animated seABCs summer animated series, Clerks, had a mediocre
showing with 7.3 million view-
ers for its premiere.

## Television

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trade support, which we believe will happen in
the next couple of weeks, we will be headed in the right direction," he said.
Stage's stock peaked at $\$ 53.75$ in June 1998
but dropped 90 percent in the next but dropped 90 percent in the next year, hit by
falling sales and financial losses. Many supplifalling sales and financial losses. Many suppli-
ers refused to extend credit to the cash-starved company, and it filed for bankruptcy protection on June 1. executives have left, including the chief financial officer, and retail analyst Kurt port, said the company lacks a strong management team.
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The former chief executive, Tooker, has filed
a lawsuit claiming he was forced out due to a lawsuit claiming he was forced out due to a
scheme hatched by Wiesner and others. The company claimed Tooker profited from insider deals not approved by the board of directors,
which Tooker denied. which Tooker denied.
Wiesner, who declined to comment on the lawsuit, said he would accept the chief executive's job on a permanent basis if offered by the board.

## Comics

Marvin

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rillo, will be reup

## Forecasters predict more storms this season

DENVER (AP) - The La increased their earlier predic- were announced in December. "Cold water does nothing to ricane season than originally hought, according to one of forecasters. William Gray and his colleagues at Colorado State Uni-
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Colorado, New Mexico, Okla- manager for the Denver Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas.d
Higgins started with SPS in 1976 as a design engineer In 1986, he was named manager of the SPS Plainview
District, a position he held for three years before being named manager of the SPS Strategic Analysis Department. S 1997 merger with Public Service Co. of manager for the Denver reAion. 1971 graduate of Amarillo Tascosa, Higgins attended Amarillo College before earn ing a degree in electrical en
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Industrial Foundation, the Amarillo Aarea YMCA, Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Vehicle Association.
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Connie Braudt-Higgins, have three daughters, Joanna Rachel and Jenny. The proposed merger of New Century Energies and Northern States Power is expected to be completed this summer. The resulting com pany, Xcel Energy, will serve customers in 12 states an
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