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Danny Jones

## The Taxmen waiteth

### Today's weather OUTLOOK

#### Mostly cloudy skies; chance of showers

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms, low in the lower 60s.

Friday: Partly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms, high in the lower 90s, low in the lower 60s.

#### Extended forecast

Saturday: Partly cloudy with a chance of evening thunderstorms, highs 90 to 95, lows in lower to mid-60s.

Sunday and Monday: Partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms, lows in the lower 60s, highs 90 to 95.

#### Hereford weather

Wednesday's high, 74; low, 62; precipitation, 0.08 inches; year-to-date rainfall, 11.19 inches, according to KPAN Radio.

By Donald M. Cooper  
Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Five taxing entities are waiting for the revised figures from the Deaf Smith County Appraisal District as they begin putting together their budgets for the next fiscal year.

Although the district presented its annual appraisals to the county, City of Hereford, Hereford Independent School District, Deaf Smith County Hospital District and Walcott School District last month, property owners who contested the tax value placed on their properties had an opportunity on Tuesday to present their arguments to the county's Appraisal Review Board.

Chief Appraiser Danny Jones said the reviews generally result in some lowered appraisals of properties, which would reduce the tax base available for the taxing entities.

The appraisal review board (ARB)

### Review board hears challenges to property appraisals, changes in tax valuations may be on way

is an independent panel of residents responsible for hearing and settling protests for property owners who disagree with some action by the appraisal district. The notice includes instructions on how and when to file a protest and a protest form.

The Deaf Smith County Appraisal District mailed 4,100 letters last month to county property owners showing their proposed appraised value for 2000. When the appraisals were sent out, Jones said two years of drought during the latter part of

the 1990s had an adverse effect on the Deaf Smith County tax base as the value of agricultural land fell by about \$6 million last year. Within the Hereford Independent School District, the value of agricultural land fell by about \$7 million.

In determining the value of agricultural land, the appraisal district includes a five-year average of crop value.

Crop yields (and value) were down in 1997 and 1998 because of drought, but when the appraisers begin work

on the 2001 valuations, the 1999 crop year will be the base — and the yields higher than 1997 and 1998.

Tax abatements also cost the county and school district about \$3 million each.

Archer-Daniels-Midland, built a grain-handling complex near the junction of U.S. Highway 60 and County Road 1, and Bimbo Cereal Foods Inc.'s masa mill near Dawn, received 50 percent, five-year tax abatements.

Because of the abatement, both companies will be taxed on half of the value of their properties. The taxable value of ADM is \$1,889,500; Bimbo's taxable value is \$4,301,960.

When the district completed its reappraisal of residential property, it had determined an increased value of about \$9 million within the county.

The residential increase within HISD was pegged at \$8 million, with

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## DEATH PENALTY

More questions are raised about justice system in the state

LIVINGSTON (AP) — A Northwestern University journalism professor whose students have helped exonerate death row inmates in Illinois is now hoping to do the same for a Texas inmate.

Henry Watkins Skinner, 38, was convicted in 1995 of bludgeoning his girlfriend, Twila Jean Busby, 40, with an ax handle and then fatally stabbing her two mentally impaired sons at their Texas Panhandle home in 1993.

Mark Protes, the professor investigating the case, says Skinner's trial defense was inadequate and forensic testing was incomplete.

"It's a textbook case of a miscarriage of justice where you have the lethal recipe of police and prosecutorial misconduct, defense ineptitude and judicial indifference," he said.

Texas, which leads all other states in executions, has become the national focus of the death penalty debate, in part because of Gov. George W. Bush's presidential campaign. About a dozen executions are scheduled between now and the Nov. 7 election.

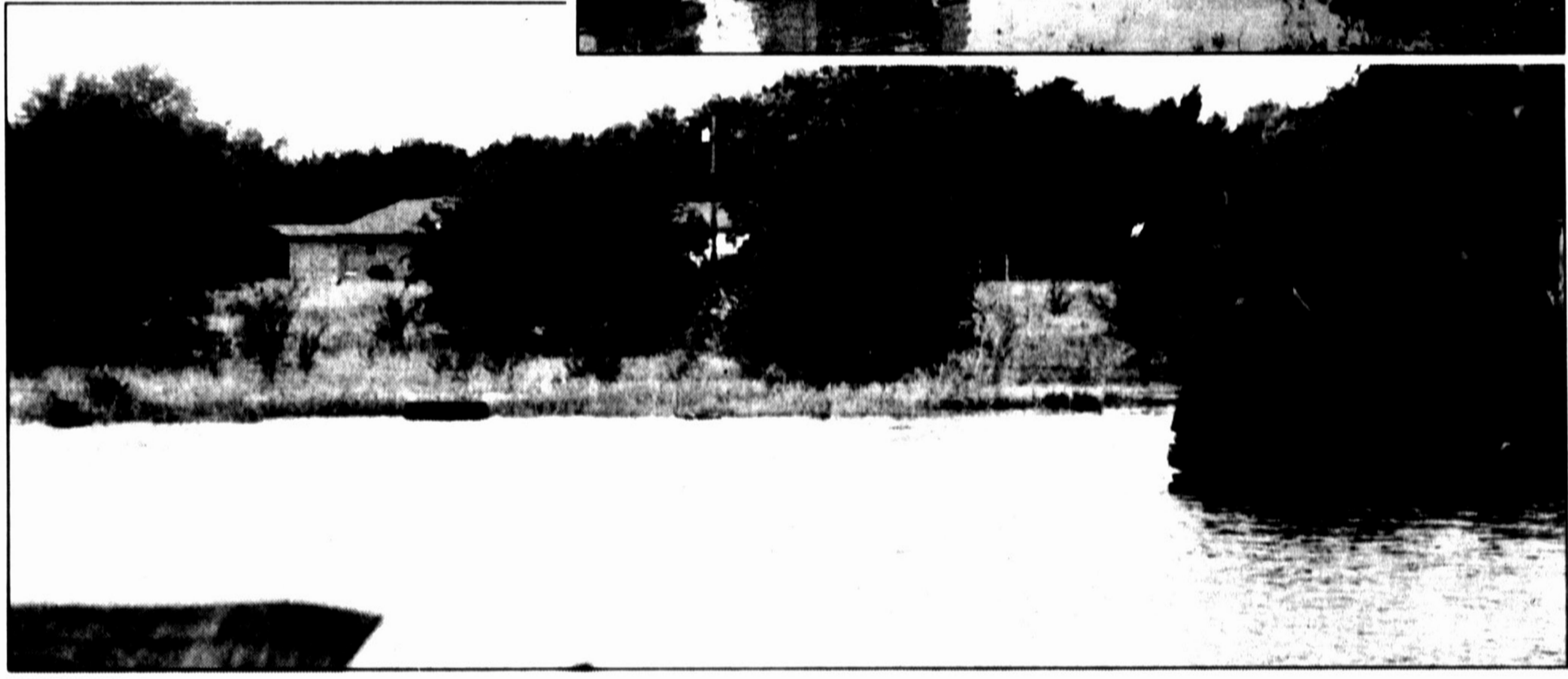
Skinner maintains his innocence. His case is under federal appeal and an execution date has not been

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## LAKE HEREFORD?

Owners of the property just outside city limits on North Avenue K say they are about ready to ask Deaf Smith County to stock what they are calling "Lake Hereford" with fish so people could at least enjoy the water and they could actually claim they own lakefront property. The low-lying field floods every time the area gets a heavy rain. Also, when the City of Hereford starts to drain the excess off the Hereford Aquatic Center pond, it only adds to the problem because when the city drains the pond, the water drains straight into the field. The owner, Kearl Austin, claimed the Deaf Smith County Commissioners Court has not replied to his questions regarding an adequate drainage pipe.

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## U.S. economy surges 5.5% in first quarter

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy, buoyed by hardy consumer spending, grew at a robust 5.5 percent annual rate in the first three months of 2000, but a key inflation gauge posted the biggest gain in more than five years.

The January-through-March increase in the gross domestic product, the nation's total output of goods and services, showed the economy growing slightly faster than the 5.4 percent rate of the government's two previous estimates, the Commerce Department said Thursday.

Many analysts had expected the final reading on first-quarter GDP growth — which is based on more data — to remain at the 5.4 percent rate. In the fourth quarter, the economy grew at a sizzling 7.3 percent rate.

An inflation gauge tied to the GDP and closely watched by Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan rose at an annual rate of 3.5 percent in the first quarter. That was the biggest increase since 3.5 percent in the third quarter of 1994. The 3.5 percent first-quarter increase has not been exceeded since a 3.6 percent gain in the first quarter of 1992.

The inflation figure was slightly higher than the government estimated one month ago and significantly above the 2.5 percent of the fourth quarter. Surging energy prices accounted for most of the gain.

"It's not good news, but I don't think it's alarming," said William Cheney, an economist with John Hancock. That's because excluding energy and food, the inflation measure rose just 2.2 percent, suggesting most other prices were in check, he said.

The Federal Reserve has raised interest rates six times over the past 12 months in an effort to slow the economy and keep inflation from escalating. The Fed, amid signs of a slowing, decided Wednesday not to boost rates for a seventh time.

## WORLD'S RICH AND ITS POOR

GENEVA (AP) — Dragged down by the AIDS epidemic and by wars, Africa maintained its monopoly on the bottom places in a quality-of-life rating released Thursday by the United Nations.

Sierra Leone was ranked last in the 174-country Human Development Index that takes into account income, education, life expectancy and health care. The bottom 24 countries were all in sub-Saharan Africa.

Haiti, placed 150th, was the worst-performing nation in the Americas. Of Middle Eastern countries, Yemen was bottom at 148th. In Asia, Bangladesh was 146th.

Canada topped the list for the seventh year running, followed as last year by Norway and the United States.

But the report also said the United States has the highest level of "human poverty" — covering life expectancy, illiteracy and unemployment — among industrialized nations, closely followed by Ireland and Britain. Norway

and Sweden had the best ratings.

In Britain, the United States and Ireland more than one in five adults are functionally illiterate, defined as unable to read at a fifth-grade level, the report said. More than 17 percent of people in the United States were classified as "income-poor," with less than 50 percent of the median disposable household income.

Of 101 nations tracked since 1975, all but Zambia have improved their score in the index, the U.N. Development Program said. Twenty-two more, mostly in Africa and East Europe, have seen their human development rating diminish since 1990, mostly due to the AIDS epidemic, economic stagnation and conflict.

Indonesia, Egypt and Nepal registered the greatest advances among developing countries since 1975.

The annual U.N. Human Development Report coincides with a special U.N. session in Geneva where governments are trying to agree on a

U.N. survey finds the AIDS epidemic, civil wars keeping African nations on bottom of quality of life standings

statement of targets to eradicate poverty, aiming to halve the number of people living in extreme poverty by 2015.

The agency said more respect for human rights and a commitment to genuine democracy are needed for nations to succeed in lifting the 1.2 billion who live in absolute poverty — on less than a dollar a day.

"You can't have human rights without human development and you can't have human development without human rights," said Mark Malloch Brown, administrator of the U.N. Development Program. "They're a virtuous circle."

The report urged more attention by governments to the impact of World Trade Organization negotiations on human rights.

But it questioned the inclusion of labor standards in future global trade agreements, saying that it "is far from likely to be a panacea for

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HEREFORD BRAND

Local roundup

Drill team car wash

The Hereford High School drill team has scheduled two weekend fund raising activities to defray costs associated with a four-day drill team camp the team will host here beginning July 11. On Saturday, the team will offer a garage sale 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at 401 Centre, and a car wash 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday at St. Anthony's Church parking lot.

Suttle named Canyon High principal

Gene Suttle, a 1972 Hereford High School graduate, was recently named principal of Canyon High School after serving since 1999 as the assistant principal at Canyon Junior High. Canyon Independent School District board of trustees approved Suttle's appointment to the post last week. Suttle had served as junior high principal for more than two years in Denver City ISD prior to his move to Canyon. His tenure in education also includes a 16-year stint as a history teacher and coach. He received a bachelor of science degree from Texas Tech University and a master's degree from Sul Ross State University. Suttle and his wife, Lisa who is the Coordinator for Student Services at CISD, have two children: Dustin, a CHS freshman; and Chelsea, a seventh grade student at CJHS.



Rainy day naps -- A mama duck and her brood of nine ducklings decided to nap on the banks of the swollen Aquatic Center pond Wednesday. The ducklings are the first brood to

survive in a number of years and took off quacking when people approached. With more rain in the forecast the ducks may find it harder to find a dry napping spot.



Duck, duck, goose -- Monique Padilla and her little sister Zoey take an opportunity Wednesday evening to get some fresh air and feed the ducks and geese at the Aquatic Center pond. The fowl were easily attracted by the offerings of stale bread, but little Zoey was somewhat intimidated by the long necked honkers.

Professor develops kudzu killer

RUSTON, La. (AP) — A Louisiana Tech professor has patented a fungus that kills kudzu as well as other weeds. "A lot of chemical pesticides are being taken off the market," said Lynn Walker, whose research has been coordinated with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. "Others are being restricted, and we're looking for alternative ways to control pests, particularly weeds." The patent covers a microbe that will kill kudzu and other weeds like sicklepod, which assaults soybeans and peanuts. If used on sicklepods, Walker said, the fungus can safely be applied beneath the crop's canopy. Walker and two of his graduate students obtained the initial patent in 1998. Now, with USDA help, Walker is pursuing another patent that centers solely on kudzu. The result will be a joint patent between Tech and the USDA, but will still fall under the umbrella of Walker's original patent. Kudzu, native to eastern Asia, was introduced into the United States in the 1876 Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia. The government origi-

nally promoted it for erosion control and as an inexpensive forage for livestock. It now covers 7 million acres from Florida to New York and Texas, with heavy infestations in Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi. According to USDA statistics, kudzu spreads about 120,000 acres a year and potential losses are estimated at \$336 million annually; forested areas especially suffer. The problem has grown so big that the government declared kudzu a noxious weed in 1998, which means its movement over state boundaries is restricted. Walker is seeking to treat the problem through nature itself. His method of controlling kudzu centers on the fungus *Myrothecium verrucaria*. "Normally, this fungus is not a pathogen," Walker said. "It grows naturally on dead organic matter in soil and on decaying wood products." When applied to unwanted weeds, the fungus was found to effectively control up to 100

percent of kudzu growth. Both greenhouse and field studies were conducted over two years in conjunction with C. Douglas Boyette and Hamed K. Abbas of the USDA's Agricultural Research Service in Stoneville, Miss. Walker said the patent covers the use of the fungus with a wetting agent, which causes spores to go into the kudzu plant and produce enzymes that destroy cells. Even the roots are killed. The plants often die within four to seven days, Walker said, with no

repeat growth. Current chemical treatment can require repeat sprayings for several years for complete control. Burning and grazing may also be used but are impractical in most heavily infested areas. Walker said the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency must approve the combination of the fungus and wetting agent as a pesticide. In addition, a company must become involved — to license the rights to the product from Louisiana Tech and to develop it commercially. Walker estimated it will take three to five years to develop.

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS News digest

**Archbishop released unhurt**  
SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The 40-year-old unemployed immigrant was extremely frustrated at not being able to access documents related to his possible deportation. So, police say, he let the world know by taking hostage an outspoken advocate for immigrants' rights. Law enforcement officials and Catholic leaders were at a loss to explain why the man chose Archbishop Patrick Flores, who is known as a friend to immigrants and the poor. "I don't think he really knew what he wanted," Police Chief Al Philippus said of the man accused in Wednesday's nine-hour standoff at the archbishop's chancery. Nelson Antonio Escobero, an immigrant from El Salvador who has been living in the United States legally for many years but is not a citizen, was in police custody early Thursday. Flores, the state's top-ranking Catholic clergyman, was released unharmed around 7 p.m. Wednesday.

**Elsewhere:**  
DEATH ROW APPEAL: Lawyers for a Texas death row inmate set to be executed Thursday are saying the penalty phase of their client's trial was tainted with racial stereotypes promoted by both prosecutors and a court appointed defense attorney. The attorneys are asking that Jessy Carlos San Miguel be resentenced. But the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and the state parole board have turned down his lawyers' attempts to stop the execution. ...CONFEDERATE FLAG: Confederate heritage groups upset over the removal of two plaques from the state Supreme Court building take their protest to the state General Services Commission. The groups have already filed a lawsuit and were expected to attend the agency's monthly board meeting on Wednesday. ...LATINO LOTTO SCAM: The Texas Lottery Commission warned Wednesday about a scam aimed at elderly Hispanics and perpetrated by thieves claiming they want to exchange a winning lottery ticket for money to travel back to their home country. The scheme has taken place in at least eight Texas cities and has resulted in \$139,000 in losses, officials said.

HEREFORD BRAND Obituaries



**CARLOS ERNEST GONZALES**  
June 28, 2000  
Services for Carlos Ernest Gonzales, 59, of Hereford will be 3 p.m. Friday at San Jose Catholic Church with Fr. Nicklaus Perez officiating. Burial will be in St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery under the direction of Parkside Chapel Funeral Home. Rosary will be recited 7 p.m. today at San Jose Catholic Church. Mr. Gonzales died Wednesday at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo. Mr. Gonzales was born in Trujillo, N.M. and had lived in Hereford for 34 years. He had worked at Keeling Feedyards for several years. He married Patsy Andrada on Dec. 27, 1958, in Tucumcari, N.M. Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Carla Moya and Olivia Castaneda, both of Hereford; three sons, Michael Gonzales of Roswell, N.M., Ernie and Richard Gonzales, both of Hereford; six sisters,

Alice Estrada of Hereford, Evangeline Gonzales, Mary Baca, Theresa Chavez, Darlene Padilla, and Nora Gonzales, all of New Mexico; four brothers, Fred, Anselmo, Domingo, and Anthony Gonzales, all of New Mexico. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister.  
*Hereford Brand June 29, 2000*

**JOAN RITA HARBISON**  
June 27, 2000  
NAZARETH — Services for Joan Rita Harbison, 62, of Nazareth will be 10 a.m. Friday at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth with Fr. Fern Couture of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt officiating. Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. today at the CCD building. Burial will be in the Holy Family Cemetery in Nazareth, under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home. Mrs. Harbison died Tuesday at Plains Memorial Hospital. She was born Nov. 12, 1937, in Tulia. She lived most of her life in Nazareth. She was a member of the Holy Family Catholic Church. Survivors include one daughter, Denise Brown of Happy; three sons, Kevin and David Harbison of Hereford and B.J. Harbison of Nazareth; three sisters, Grace Chism and Veronica Brown of Amarillo, and Mary Lou Birkenfeld of Nazareth; three brothers, Jerry Lange of Nazareth, Tom Lange of Hereford, and Bill Lange of Gainesville; four grandchildren.  
*Hereford Brand, June 29, 2000*

Texas schedules another execution

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — The carnage inside the walk-in freezer at a Dallas-area Taco Bell was so overwhelming, the police officer who discovered the four bodies fainted. And there was so much blood on the floor, authorities had to use a squeegee to locate the spent cartridges from the murder weapon. "It was just a cold-blooded methodical execution of four people," Toby Shook, an assistant district attorney in Dallas County who prosecuted the case, said of the January 1991 shooting deaths during a robbery of the Irving restaurant. Jessy Carlos San Miguel,

28, a 10th-grade dropout with a history of mayhem, was set for execution Thursday evening for the shooting spree that left the assistant manager of the fast-food place dead along with two employees and a friend of one of the workers. San Miguel's punishment was attracting none of the fanfare that a week ago accompanied the lethal injection of convicted killer Gary Graham, whose claims of innocence drew hundreds of protesters and media to Huntsville and put Gov. George W. Bush's support of the death penalty under intense national scrutiny.

HEREFORD BRAND Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for June 28, 2000 include the following:  
**POLICE DEPARTMENT Incidents**  
- A 19-year-old man was assaulted in the 500 block of North Avenue K. Suspects have been named.  
- Theft of cash was reported in the 100 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.  
- An individual was reported to be fraudulently using a social security card.  
- A sexual assault was reported in the 200 block of Fir.  
- Emergency crews responded to a child not breathing in the 100 block of Fuller. The child had a high fever and a seizure, but was breathing on her own when paramedics arrived.  
- A fight was reported in the 100 block of Avenue H. The victim reported the suspect was attempting to entice them into a fight. The suspect left the scene before officers could arrive.  
- The theft of a watch, wallet, and contents, valued at \$350, was reported stolen from the 100 block of Avenue H.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
- 7:02 a.m. Firefighters responded to a wreck rescue one mile east on Highway 60. A car hit standing water and went into the bar ditch. No injuries were reported.

Texas Press Association winner 2000

HEREFORD BRAND Texas lottery

**Lotto Texas**  
One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The ticket was worth an estimated 21 million. The ticket was sold in Irving, Texas. The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 13-22-24-34-45-47 Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated 4 million.  
**Pick 3**  
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-6-3

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# LIFESTYLES

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## List of 'failures' offers hope for 'losers'

**Dear Ann Landers:** I read the letter from "A Mom from New Hyde Park, N.Y.," who told of the unlikely jobs held by Albert Einstein, Philip Glass and Charles Ives. I am enclosing "The Failure List," which has been distributed to players for many years by former basketball coaches Don Meyer and David Lipscomb. I hope you will print it in your column. It could give hope to readers who lack confidence. — Alex in Horton, Ala.

**Dear Alex:** Thank you for an item that could help a great many young people (and older ones, as well) regain faith in themselves after being told that they don't have what it takes to succeed. Here it is: **Failure List**

Einstein was 4 years old before he could speak.

Isaac Newton did poorly in grade school and was considered "unpromising."

Beethoven's music teacher once said of him, "As a composer, he is hopeless."

When Thomas Edison was a youngster, his teacher told him he was too stupid to learn anything. He was counseled to go into a field where he might

succeed by virtue of his pleasant personality.

**F. W. Woolworth** got a job in a dry goods store when he was

21, but his employer would not permit him to wait on customers because he "didn't have enough sense to close a sale."

Michael Jordan was cut from his high school basketball team. Boston Celtics Hall of Famer Bob Cousy suffered the same fate.

A newspaper editor fired Walt Disney because he "lacked imagination and had no good ideas."

Winston Churchill failed the sixth grade and had to repeat it because he did not complete the tests that were required for promotion.

Babe Ruth struck out 1,300 times — a major league record. He was also the most notorious womanizer in the sports world.

A person may make mistakes, but isn't a failure until he (or she) starts blaming



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someone else. We must believe in ourselves, and somewhere along the road of life, we must meet someone who

sees greatness in us, expects it from us, and lets us know it. It is the golden key to success.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I have never seen this question in your column, so I am hoping you will print my letter and give me an answer.

When attending a sporting event, am I supposed to tip the vendors who walk around selling beer, soda, peanuts, popcorn, and so on? I find the prices outrageous to begin with, and don't want to put out any more. I was recently at a baseball game with some friends, and we bought several beers and tipped the leftover change, which was 50 cents. The vendor seemed upset, and let us know it.

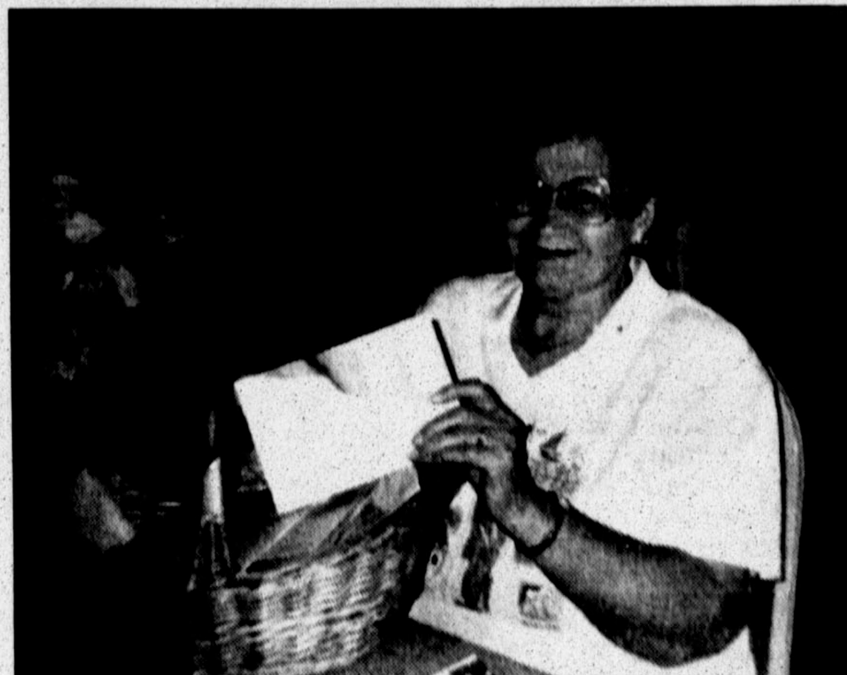
Is there a specific amount customers are supposed to tip? If we tip for beer, should we also tip for soda, peanuts and

cotton candy? Don't these people get a commission on what they sell? Please tell me what to do. — St. Louis Reader

**Dear St. Louis:** While most vendors make a small commission on what they sell, they still depend on tips to get by. Since hard-working vendors carry heavy loads of food and beverages directly to your seat, you should indeed tip them.

*That first kiss, that first embrace ... Remember all those things that brought you and your loved one together? Ann Landers' new booklet, "How We Met," is now available. This collection of sentimental love stories will make a terrific gift for that special someone. For a copy, please send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.50 (this includes postage and handling) to: How We Met, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, IL 60611-0562 (in Canada, \$6.50).*

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Frances Crume was the honoree at a surprise birthday party given "in the dark" Tuesday due to the power outage.

## Surprise givers get surprise of their own

In spite of a power outage due to a thunderstorm which passed through the area early Tuesday morning, a surprise birthday luncheon was held Tuesday at J.J.'s in the Atrium for Frances Crume.

Guests, members of the Adult 6 Bible study department at First Baptist Church, dined by natural light from the open windows and took in stride the surprise they received upon arriving and finding there was no electricity.

A gift basket of cards and money was presented to Crume for an upcoming trip to Washington state.

Hostesses were Pat Montgomery and Joy Dones. Others attending, in addition to the honoree, were Lavon Nieman,

Georgia Sparks, Joan Womble, Juanita Coker, Della DeHart, Betty Mercer, Billie Boren, Marian Kreig, Sue Cosper, Gail Golden, Virginia Jackson, Mary Herring, Betty Quillen, Pat Scott, Mary Thomas, Betty Lady, Cynthia Streun, Joyce Wartes and Bobbie Kitchens.

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### WHAT'S HAPPENING

## Area Events

#### NAZARETH

The 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Nazareth German Festival held in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus "Suds 'n' Sounds" will be Saturday, July 8.

Activities begin at 10 a.m. with an arts and crafts show in the school cafeteria, sponsored by the Nazareth Art Club.

A German sausage meal, including German sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes, beans, salad and fruit, bread, apple crisp and German chocolate cake will be served from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Community Hall. Tickets for the meal are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. Frozen sausage will be available at two pounds for \$5.

Activities on the grounds of the Community Hall beginning at 11 a.m. include a children's barrel train ride, tractor pull, face painting, high speed baseball throw, kids games and a basket-

ball shootout with prizes.

At 5 p.m. the gates open at the Nazareth Community Center Ballpark, east of town, for Suds 'n' Sounds, an outdoor concert that will kick off with local bands performing. Admission is \$15. Bring your lawn chairs, shades and coolers with your favorite beverage. No glass containers, please.

Performing bands include Insufficient Funds, Prairie Dogs and Southern Thunder. This year the headline band will be The Great Divide.

A concession stand will feature German sausage sandwiches and more.

Proceeds benefit the Knights of Columbus charities and the Nazareth Community Hall.

#### AMARILLO

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will have a pre-Fourth of July Blood Drive at the 1915 Coulter

location on Saturday, July 1 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Monday, July 3 from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

All donors will receive a T-shirt, hot dog and soft drink.

For more information, call Linda Guthrie at 358-4563.

Three new art exhibits will open at the Amarillo Museum of Art at 1 p.m. on Sunday, July 8. "Dixie Friend Gay: Treescapes," "Richard Petri: Vignettes of Early Texas Life" and Hecho en Tejas: Gaspar Enriquez" will be on view through Sunday, Aug. 27 at 5 p.m.

"Treescapes" is an exhibition of paintings and sculptural objects by noted Houston artist Dixie Friend Gay which explore aspects of ritual and myth grounded in nature.

The exhibition of "Vignettes" is being guest-curated by Lisa and Harry Half of San Antonio. Artist Richard Petri came to Texas from Germany in 1851. After his

untimely death at the age of 33, he left behind a legacy of drawings and watercolors that captured life on the Texas frontier in the mid-19th century.

"Hecho en Tejas" is an exhibition of work by contemporary El Paso artist Gaspar Enriquez. His current body of work focuses on the Chicano lifestyle in large, airbrushed portraits.

These exhibits will be open to the public free of charge during regular museum hours, Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. It is located at 2200 S. Van Buren.

BSA Hospice is offering a Grief Education and Support Group for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one.

Groups begin Tuesday, July 11. Afternoon group meets from 1:30-3 while evening group meets from 7-8:30.

Each group will meet for six consecutive weeks in the Den at the BSA Hospice Building, 600 N. Tyler.

There is no fee for attending. To pre-register, call 212-8777.

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## CITY OF HEREFORD Park Facility Reservations

Week of June 29 - July 5, 2000

<b>AQUATIC PAVILION</b> Saturday, July 1 Still Available	<b>NW CORNER DAMERON PARK W/V-Ball</b> Saturday, July 1 • 3:00 to 11:00 Isabel Luna
<b>NW CORNER DAMERON PARK W/V-Ball</b> Sunday, July 2 • 9:00-9:00 Olga Casarez	<b>NW CORNER DAMERON PARK W/V-Ball</b> Monday, July 3 • 7:00-9:00 First Baptist Church

Reservations are taken for a special park location on a first come, first served basis. Reservations must be made in person at the City Hall.

CITY OF HEREFORD



**Invent the Future** is the theme for the 2000 Summer Reading Club at the Deaf Smith County Library. Activities have included making time capsules which they proudly display in the photo above. Four-year-olds up to sixth grade level participants have designed and painted their own time capsule and have set their own date for opening the treasures they wished to save. Summer Reading Club continues through July 11 with the children earning prizes by playing READO and doing other creative activities based on this year's theme.

# JJ's Diner

DINE-IN and CARRY-OUT AVAILABLE  
call 364-5120 or come by  
426 N. Main Street  
(located in the Atrium)

Breakfast Burrito **99¢**  
Your choice of bacon, sausage, potato, or chorizo with egg.

Chicken Fried Steak Dinner **\$4.99**

HURRY IN SPECIAL  
END Friday, July 7

## HSB Advantage Account

# Red, White & Blue Day

Come in on Friday, June 30th to see our employees showing their patronage. While you're here why not consider opening a NEW HSB Advantage Account.

### A Retirement Reception

will be held on  
**Friday, June 30th**  
11:00 am  
until 1:00 pm  
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## Wanda Burdine

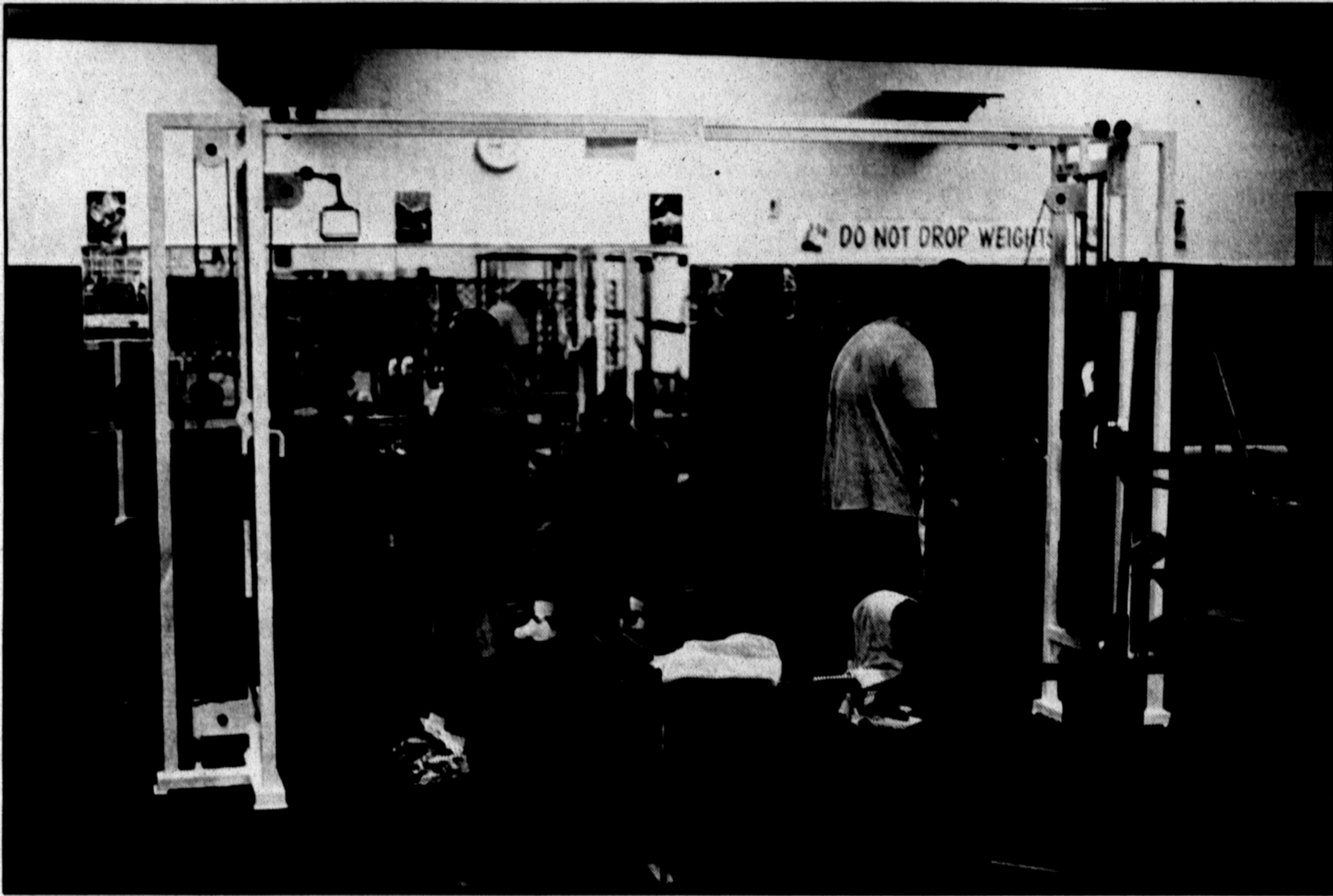
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# SPORTS

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## WORKING OUT



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**Working out**—The YMCA introduced its members to a brand new cross over weight machine on June 22. The machine is big enough to allow up to two people to work out on it at a time. Benny Valdez and Jeff Torbert (pictured above) try out the new machine during its first week of use at the YMCA. For more information about the new machine or to join the YMCA call Weldon Knabe at 364-6990.

## Rangers back on track

■ **Wetteland says lack of consistency destroying season**

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — David Segui delivered the key hit and Mike Venafro delivered the key pitch. Combined they ended the Texas Rangers' road woes.

Segui's two-run double highlighted a five-run fifth inning and Rick Helling snapped a six-game losing streak as the Rangers beat the Oakland Athletics 5-3 Wednesday night.

Venafro pitched out of a bases-loaded jam to preserve the lead.

Ivan Rodriguez, Rafael Palmeiro and Dave Martinez each had two hits and an RBI for the Rangers, who won for just the second time in 11 road games. Texas still has the second-worst road record in the AL at 13-22.

"It was certainly a great inning to catch up and take the lead," Texas manager

Johnny Oates said. "Venafro was throwing. Helling was sloppy, but effective."

Helling (8-7) allowed three runs on five hits and six walks in 5 2-3 innings, winning for the first time since May 23 at Kansas City. John Wetteland got the final two outs for his 19th save in 23 opportunities.

"We all feel we can play like this every day and not every other day," Wetteland said. "The lack of consistency is costing us the season."

A's starter Kevin Appier (8-4) went seven innings, allowing five runs on eight hits. Appier, 5-0 in his last seven starts, lost for the first time since May 13 against Seattle.

"They did a good job of hitting," Appier said. "I had good location, but I didn't have the stuff to close them down. I wasn't able to hold them."

The Rangers batted around in the fifth, scoring five times, all with two outs, to turn a three-run deficit into a 5-3 advantage.

## Mavs bolster frontcourt and scoring ability

■ **2000 NBA Draft makes Dallas look great on paper**

DALLAS (AP) — If the Dallas Mavericks fail to improve next season, it won't be for a lack of trying.

In the first draft under the braintrust of owner Mark Cuban and coach-general manager Don Nelson, Dallas beefed up its shaky frontcourt with three rookies and a veteran and added a sensation scorer. The Mavs also acquired a backup veteran point guard.

"Whoosh! If it's like this every year, I'll be one happy camper," Cuban said.

The newcomers are power forward Etan Thomas of Syracuse, shooting guard Corey Alexander of Fresno State and forwards Donnell Harvey of Florida and Eduardo Najera of Oklahoma.

Also joining the crew are John Wallace from the New York Knicks and Eric Murdock from the Los Angeles Clippers.

"We're overloaded," said Nelson, the architect behind all the madness. "I don't know how all this will work out. There will be some good players who don't make our roster."

Dallas went 40-42 last season, its best finish in 10 years. The Mavericks went 9-1 in April and hope they finally are headed in the right direction after one of the worst decades in pro sports history.

Cuban arrived on the scene in January and sparked immediate change — and lots of it. His infectious attitude and desire to win has no bounds. Neither does his dot.com-stuffed wallet.

His off-the-wall approach mixed with Nelson's non-conformity led to expectations that Wednesday night might be wacky — and it was.

But the Mavs also felt like they came out way ahead. Cuban and Nelson were most excited about Alexander, who led the nation in scoring at 24.8 points per game last season.

Alexander had been told he'd be picked "everywhere from three to 10." He went 13th to Orlando as part of a pre-arranged deal that sent him to Dallas for the Mavs' top pick next year, a second-rounder and \$3 million in cash.

"If we could've gotten to five, six, we would've taken the same guy," Cuban said. "We never realized we didn't have to. We just realize we got real lucky and he fell to us."

Said Alexander: "I slid a little bit, but what can you do? I'm truly happy to be

in the position I'm in now.

"I'm a gifted basketball player. What I've tried to do is hone that talent properly. I do hope to be a star in this league."

There is one problem with him — he plays the same position as Dallas' best player, All-Star Michael Finley.

Nelson, though, likes to play three guards and his point guard and center will often be guys who won't do much scoring.

One of those non-scorers could be Thomas, whom Dallas picked at No. 12. The 6-foot-9, 256-pounder from Syracuse excels in the areas the Mavericks need the most help: rebounding and shot blocking.

"That's definitely something I've been known for," said Thomas, the Big East defender of the year the last two seasons. "I really go out and try to work hard at it."

Dallas' second big trade was sending guard Erick Strickland



ETAN THOMAS

and the 58th pick to New York for Harvey, taken 22nd by the Knicks, and Wallace.

The 6-foot-8, 216-pound Harvey helped Florida reach the championship in his only college season. He was among the nation's best high school

player in 1999.

Then the Mavs sent backup center Rooks to the Clippers for Murdock.

Finally, Dallas sent the 31st pick to Houston for the 38th pick and a second-rounder next season.

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This week's Wednesday night scramble was canceled due to rain. Results for next Wednesday's game will be in Thursday, July 6th ad.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 1&2 ..... Hereford Open  
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Sports

# Rodeo ropers each in top ten

Hereford team roper Steve Purcella and former Hereford resident Mickey Gomez are in the top ten in rodeo money winnings.

The two ropers are members of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association and compete across the country on PRCA rodeo circuit.

Purcella competes in team roping (heeling) and is currently third in his category with \$37,083. Purcella has made a significant climb this season in winnings.

Gomez currently calls the Amarillo area home and ranks ninth in the team roping (heeling) category with \$21,074. Gomez continues to move up after falling out of the top 20.

### From staff and wire reports

**ALL-AROUND**  
 1. Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas, \$67,856  
 2. Cash Myers, Athens, Texas, \$60,836  
 3. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, \$59,244  
 4. Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas, \$56,991  
 5. Joe Beaver, Huntsville, Texas, \$46,121  
 6. Cody Ohi, Orchard, Texas, \$45,565  
 7. Guy Allen, Lovington, N.M., \$42,765  
 8. Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D., \$42,462  
 9. Garrett Nokes, McCook, Neb., \$41,285  
 10. Curtis Cassidy, Donalds, Alberta, \$39,384  
 11. Kyle Lockett, Ivanhoe, Calif., \$39,157  
 12. J.D. Crouse, Canon City, Colo., \$36,814  
 13. Tee Woolum, Liano, Texas, \$31,716  
 14. Robert Bowers, Brooks, Alberta, \$28,710  
 15. Roy Cooper, Childress, Texas, \$27,567  
 16. Kurt Goulding, Duncan, Okla., \$27,352  
 17. Herbert Theriot, Poplarville, Miss., \$25,422  
 18. Dan Erickson, La Junta, Colo., \$25,317  
 19. Rod Warren, Valley View, Alberta, \$24,778  
 20. Jason Evans, Huntsville, Texas, \$22,819

**BARREBACK RIDING**  
 1. Mark Gomez, Nickerson, Kan., \$42,280  
 2. Darren Clarke, Weatherford, Texas, \$39,588  
 3. Larry Sandwick, Kaycee, Wyo., \$35,633  
 4. James Boudreau, Cuero, Texas, \$34,438  
 5. Jeffrey Collins, Redfield, Kan., \$33,267  
 6. Mark Garrett, Nisland, S.D., \$30,726  
 7. Sean Culver, Grandview, Wash., \$28,235  
 8. Kelly Wardell, Bellevue, Idaho, \$26,156  
 9. Lan Lajuness, Morgan, Utah, \$25,225  
 10. Jon Brockway, Mansfield, Texas, \$24,177  
 11. William Pittman II, Florence, Miss., \$23,976  
 12. Pete Hawkins, Weatherford, Texas, \$23,796  
 13. Eric Mouton, Weatherford, Okla., \$20,038  
 14. Jason Jeter, Fort Worth, Texas, \$19,819  
 15. Marvin Garrett, Belle Fourche, S.D., \$19,230  
 16. Davey Shields Jr., Hanna, Alberta, \$17,832  
 17. Ken Lensegraver, Kyle, S.D., \$16,687  
 18. Danny McLanahan, Canan, Okla., \$16,585  
 19. Jason Wylie, Stanchfield, Minn., \$16,422  
 20. Chris Harris, Arlington, Texas, \$16,261

**STEER ROPING**

1. Byron Walker, Ennis, Texas, \$41,772  
 2. Cash Myers, Athens, Texas, \$36,361  
 3. Frank Thompson, Cheyenne, Wyo., \$31,006  
 4. Rod Lyman, Victor, Mont., \$30,627  
 5. Rope Myers, Van, Texas, \$30,285  
 6. Chad Biesemer, Stephenville, Texas, \$28,921  
 7. Bryan Fields, Conroe, Texas, \$27,097  
 8. Garrett Nokes, McCook, Neb., \$26,517  
 9. Marvin Dubose, Lampasas, Texas, \$25,992  
 10. Teddy Johnson, Checotah, Okla., \$25,628  
 11. Mickey Gae, Wichita Falls, Texas, \$25,034  
 12. Birch Negard, Buffalo, S.D., \$24,735  
 13. Tommy Cook, Heber City, Utah, \$22,734  
 14. J.D. Crouse, Canon City, Colo., \$22,679  
 15. Luke Branquino, Los Alamos, Calif., \$22,309  
 16. Lloyd Gilbert, Buffalo, S.D., \$21,849  
 17. One Barry, Checotah, Okla., \$21,596  
 18. T.W. Parker, Wendell, Idaho, \$21,083  
 19. Sid Steiner, Austin, Texas, \$20,613  
 20. Todd Sunh, Northglenn, Colo., \$20,210

**SADDLE BRONC RIDING**  
 1. Billy Eibaer, Rea Heights, S.D., \$72,483  
 2. Dan Mortensen, Manhattan, Mont., \$52,392  
 3. Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas, \$49,973  
 4. Rod May, Wildwood, Alberta, \$49,175  
 5. Tom Reeves, Eagle Butte, S.D., \$39,461  
 6. Cliff Norris, Glazier, Texas, \$36,474  
 7. T.C. Holloway, Eagle Butte, S.D., \$33,061  
 8. Robert Eibaer, Goodwell, Okla., \$30,478  
 9. Ryan Mapston, Geyser, Mont., \$29,002  
 10. Steve Dillertide, Wikieup, Ariz., \$28,078  
 11. Red Lemm, Mud Butte, S.D., \$27,171  
 12. Bret Franks, Goodwell, Okla., \$25,601  
 13. Chance Dixon, Elensburg, Wash., \$23,926  
 14. Rance Bray, Durma, Texas, \$21,462  
 15. Guy Shapiro, Aix, Alberta, \$20,930  
 16. Rod Warren, Valley View, Alberta, \$20,439  
 17. Todd Hipsag, Firth, Neb., \$20,415  
 18. Bobby Griswold, Moore, Okla., \$19,370  
 19. Glen O'Neil, Water Valley, Alberta, \$17,818  
 20. Dan Erickson, La Junta, Colo., \$16,013

**CALF ROPING**  
 1. Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas, \$64,217  
 2. T. Hays, Weatherford, Okla., \$56,578  
 3. Blair Burk, Durant, Okla., \$39,896  
 4. Justin Maas, Giddings, Texas, \$36,332  
 5. Brent Lewis, Pinon, N.M., \$33,959  
 6. Cody Ohi, Orchard, Texas, \$32,404  
 7. Joe Beaver, Huntsville, Texas, \$30,686  
 8. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, \$30,114  
 9. Clay Cerny, Eagle Lake, Texas, \$28,513  
 10. Shawn Franklin, Wetumka, Okla., \$25,407  
 11. Trent Walls, Stephenville, Texas, \$24,149  
 12. Stran Smith, Tall, Texas, \$23,057  
 13. Roy Cooper, Childress, Texas, \$22,890  
 14. Curtis Cassidy, Donalds, Alberta, \$22,813  
 15. Jim Bob Mayes, Elgin, Texas, \$22,139  
 16. Justin Nulisch, Huntsville, Texas, \$21,504  
 17. Tim Pharr, Resaca, Ga., \$20,890  
 18. Johnny Emmons, Grandview, Texas, \$20,560  
 19. Jeff Chapman, Athens, Texas, \$20,216  
 20. Todd Gould, Livingston, Ala., \$20,141

**TEAM ROPING (HEADING)**  
 1. Speed Williams, Jacksonville, Fla., \$58,751  
 2. Daniel Green, Oakdale, Calif., \$38,401  
 3. Matt Tyler, Weatherford, Texas, \$37,504  
 4. Steve Purcella, Hereford, Texas, \$37,083  
 5. Wade Wheatley, Stephenville, Texas, \$34,117  
 6. Bobby Hurley, Ceres, Calif., \$28,029  
 7. Kevin Stewart, Glen Rose, Texas, \$27,231  
 8. Jason Stewart, Royal City, Wash., \$25,592  
 9. David Moten, Fresno, Calif., \$23,704  
 10. Tee Woolum, Liano, Texas, \$20,109  
 11. Johnnie Phillip, Washington, Texas, \$18,372  
 12. Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., \$18,142  
 13. Chance Kelton, Mayer,

Ariz., \$16,812  
 14. George Aros, Picocho, Ariz., \$16,194  
 15. Doyle Gelleman, Nampa, Idaho, \$15,817  
 16. David Key, Ledbetter, Texas, \$15,499  
 17. John Phillip, Washington, Texas, \$15,492  
 18. Joe Beesley, Huntsville, Texas, \$15,435  
 19. Cody Cowden, Marced, Calif., \$15,320  
 20. Turtie Powell, Alpine, Texas, \$14,302

**TEAM ROPING (HEELING)**  
 1. Rich Skelton, Liano, Texas, \$68,761  
 2. Clay O'Brien Cooper, Glen Rose, Texas, \$37,504  
 3. Kory Koonitz, Sudan, Texas, \$37,083  
 4. Allen Bach, Valley Home, Calif., \$34,260  
 5. Kyle Lockett, Ivanhoe, Calif., \$34,117  
 6. Morley Joe Petka, Turlock, Calif., \$28,029  
 7. Martin Lucero, Stephenville, Texas, \$27,231  
 8. Tyler Magnus, Liano, Texas, \$25,294  
 9. Mickey Gomez, Amarillo, Texas, \$21,074  
 10. John Paul Lucero, Villanueva, N.M., \$19,837  
 11. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, \$18,738  
 12. Nick Rowland, Antlers, Okla., \$18,372  
 13. Britt Bockius, Claremore, Okla., \$18,142  
 14. Brent Lockett, Ivanhoe, Calif., \$17,882  
 15. Bret Gould, Polok, Texas, \$15,435  
 16. Bucky Campbell, Stagecoach, Neb., \$14,623  
 17. Mike Bears, Powell Butte, Ore., \$14,549  
 18. Matt Zancanella, Rock Springs, Wyo., \$14,272  
 19. Aries Pearce, Washington, Texas, \$14,213  
 20. Steve Sherwood, Snowflake, Ariz., \$13,906

**BARREL RACING**  
 1. Charmayne James, Gustine, Texas, \$38,766  
 2. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz., \$33,681  
 3. Kelly Yates, Pueblo, Colo., \$32,074  
 4. Kristie Paterson, Elbert, Colo., \$29,843  
 5. Janet Stover, Rush, Texas, \$29,580  
 6. Tona Wright, Moriarty, N.M., \$26,846  
 7. Gloria Freeman, Calhoun, Ga., \$24,094  
 8. Amy Dale, Graham, Wash., \$23,767  
 9. Ruth Hassig, Acampo, Calif., \$22,990  
 10. Tam Fontenot, Ethel, La., \$21,868  
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 16. Denise Adams, Lufkin, Texas, \$15,956  
 17. Deb Meredith, Casa Grande, Ariz., \$14,879  
 18. Darlene Kasper, Von Ormy, Texas, \$14,481  
 19. Jamie Richards, Bastrop, Texas, \$14,384  
 20. Danyelle Campbell, Washington, Utah, \$14,351

**BULL RIDING**  
 1. Shane Drury, Weatherford, Okla., \$48,432  
 2. Tyler Fowler, Theodore, Ala., \$48,432  
 3. Jesse Bice, Camp Crook, S.D., \$34,904  
 4. Daniel Tipton, Spencer, Okla., \$33,878  
 5. Kagan Birett, Bozeman, Mont., \$32,506  
 6. Rocky McDonald, El Paso, Texas, \$30,548  
 7. Dan Wolfe, Redmond, Ore.,

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 8. Mike Moore, Wellington, Colo., \$24,857  
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 10. Fred Boettcher, Rice Lake, Wis., \$23,906  
 11. Come Bouwer, Empress, Alberta, \$23,502  
 12. Josh O'Byrne, Glen Rose, Texas, \$23,368  
 13. Jason Legier, Loveland, Colo., \$21,917  
 14. Rob Bell, Water Valley, Alberta, \$21,752  
 15. Robert Bowers, Brooks, Alberta, \$21,697  
 16. Garth Oldfield, Minn, Alberta, \$21,528  
 17. Cody Hancock, Taylor, Ariz., \$21,131  
 18. Kelly Armstrong, Big Valley, Alberta, \$21,045  
 19. Justin Daugherty, College Station, Texas, \$20,736  
 20. Karson Legault, Val-marie, Saskatchewan, \$20,283

**STEER ROPING**  
 1. Guy Allen, Lovington, N.M., \$32,339  
 2. Rocky Patterson, Pratt, Kan., \$23,811  
 3. Cody Ohi, Orchard, Texas, \$12,451  
 4. Rod Hartness, Pawhuska, Okla., \$12,135  
 5. Tee Woolum, Liano, Texas, \$11,607  
 6. Buster Record Jr., Buffalo, Okla., \$11,607  
 7. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, \$10,392  
 8. Dan Fisher, Andrews, Texas, \$9,611  
 9. Kelly Casebolt, Newkirk, Okla., \$9,271  
 10. J.B. Whalley, Gardendale, Texas, \$8,362  
 11. Jay Sellers, Buffalo, Okla., \$8,112  
 12. J.D. Yates, Pueblo, Colo., \$7,966  
 13. Grady Potter, Winfield, Kan., \$7,552  
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 15. Jason Evans, Huntsville, Texas, \$6,848  
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Tax value

From Page A1 most of the increase showing in the northwest section of Hereford. The total appraised values of property for 2000, before the ARB reviews, are: • Hereford, \$284,850,696, up \$11 million; • Deaf Smith County, \$584,592,775, up \$27 million; • Deaf Smith County Hospital District, \$583,031,943, up \$27 million; • Hereford Independent School District, \$480,825,944, up \$24 million; and • Walcott School District, \$29,966,049, down \$824,888.

Report

From Page A1 protecting labor rights." The United States and European countries back the idea. Developing nations fiercely oppose it. Any resulting trade sanctions could be counterproductive for small countries and would be unlikely to root out the worst abuses, the report said. The 290-page study also said discrimination against minorities is "the Achilles heel" of democracies including Canada and India, and noted that not all of the more than 100 multiparty democracies established in the past 20 years are of good quality. "An election every few years is important but not sufficient to secure the kind of participatory governance which will successfully contribute to human development and the reduction of poverty," said Malloch Brown.

British, U.S. jets hit Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. and British warplanes bombed sites in southern Iraq on Thursday, killing one person and injuring another, the official Iraqi News Agency said. The U.S. and British armed forces confirmed they attacked Iraqi military positions, but said they had no word on casualties. The Iraqi report said the attack took place in North Rumaila, the site of Iraq's most productive oil field. Its wells account for about half of Iraq's production of nearly 3 million barrels a day.

The agency did not give the target of the strike and it was not immediately known whether any oil installations were hit. Oil Ministry officials were not available for comment. U.S. F-16 and British Tornado fighter-bombers attacked a missile battery at Qal'at Sukkar, 130 miles southeast of Baghdad, and two anti-aircraft gun sites at Rumaila, 225 miles southeast of Baghdad, at about 7:20 a.m. Iraqi time, said Maj. Joe LaMarca, a spokesman for the U.S. Central Command. "These strikes were in response to violations of the no-fly zone, specifically against anti-aircraft artillery fire against coalition aircraft on Wednesday," LaMarca said. "We don't target civilian populations or infrastructure and we seek to avoid injuries to civilians," he said of the Iraqi reports of casualties. A British Defense Ministry spokesman said the targets were chosen because they had fired at allied planes. The United States and Britain have been enforcing no-fly zones in northern and southern Iraq since the end of the Gulf War in 1991.

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Death

From Page A1 scheduled. Protes and his students have uncovered evidence leading to the exoneration of seven men convicted of murder in Illinois, including three on death row. Gov. George Ryan suspended all Illinois executions in January pending a task force study. "Here is a case where the physical evidence begs to be tested, to find out whether Hank Skinner deserves to be on death row or a free man," Protes said. Police found Skinner three hours after the killings in Pampa at a nearby home, his right hand cut and his clothes dotted with the blood of Busby and one of her sons, 22-year-old Elwin Caler. That evidence, and three bloody palm prints found at the scene, was enough to tie Skinner to the crime, Gray County District Attorney John Mann said. "Once we had enough to convince a grand jury and a trial jury of his guilt, that was enough to go with and I went with it," Mann said. Skinner disputed that theory in a recent interview. "If I had hit her in the head 14 times with an ax handle, wouldn't you think I would have

been covered in blood instead of just a few spots?" he said. He said Caler's blood got on his clothes when the mortally wounded man tried to roust him from the living room couch. A review of court documents and trial testimony shows: • The prosecution's star witness, Andrea Reed, recanted her testimony that Skinner threatened to kill her at her home after the killings. In an affidavit, Reed said police pressured her and prosecutors gave her prepared testimony. No court has yet considered the recantation. • Skinner's court-appointed defense attorney, Harold Comer, had successfully prosecuted him for assault and car theft as a district attorney. That prevented Comer from objecting during the punishment phase when those convictions were presented as proof Skinner would pose a danger to society. • The prosecution failed to test three possible murder weapons — two knives and an ax handle covered in blood. It did not order DNA tests for flesh found under Busby's fingernails, several hairs found on her body, and a rape kit containing sperm. The Texas

Court of Criminal Appeals denied Skinner's 1997 motion requesting more testing. • Police never investigated Busby's uncle, Robert Donnell, despite being told by at least two witnesses that he had stalked Busby an hour before her death. The Northwestern University investigation uncovered a new witness who saw Donnell, who died in 1997, tear the flooring out of his car and paint over the interior shortly after the killings. Texas Department of Public Safety criminalist Gary Stallings has acknowledged much of the physical evidence wasn't tested. "Everything that would point in Skinner's direction was examined and things that pointed away from him were ignored," said Skinner's attorney, Douglas Robinson. Although Comer pointed out the lack of testing, the defense attorney never requested the tests even though Skinner himself asked Comer to do so in a letter dated June 25, 1994. "Our theory was that it wasn't our obligation. It should have been tested by the state, because they have an obligation to exclude as well as convict," Comer said.

SECRET MONEY Legislation would force groups to say who pays for campaign spots

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress sent President Clinton legislation forcing secretive groups to say who is paying for campaign-style TV ads, radio spots and phone calls that are being used to influence elections across the country. The overwhelming 92-6 vote in the Senate Thursday followed resounding passage two days ago in the House. It gives the president the opportunity to sign the first significant campaign finance measure in two decades. Clinton, who has called passing the bill "a big deal," appears eager to sign it. The legislation would affect groups that have seized on a once-obscure section of the tax code to conduct unlimited political activity without reporting anything about themselves to the public. It would require these newly popular, tax-exempt groups to report most donors and spending to the Internal Revenue Service. "It is not an attempt to si-

lence anyone. It is an attempt to give the American people information," said Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis. Backers vowed to build on the overwhelming vote to pass other campaign finance legislation. "Today is only the first step," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who built a presidential bid around his campaign for finance reform. "It is indeed a great day for democracy." Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., who leads the Senate's opposition to campaign finance overhaul, was one of a handful of senators to vote against the disclosure bill. He said that while the legislation would not put Republicans at a disadvantage in the fall elections, it is "arguably unconstitutional" because it requires disclosure of donors who pay for "issue ads," which stop short of telling people who to vote for, though they look just like regular campaign commercials. Many interest groups that

are not covered by the legislation run these types of ads as well, and they, too, do not disclose their donors. "Nevertheless, I'd say to my Republican colleagues, particularly those up for re-election, that's pretty hard to explain," McConnell said. "I do not think this is a spear worth falling on four months before an election." He suggested groups affected by the bill will either disband or fight the measure in court. McCain, Feingold and allies hope to translate this week's action into more substantial campaign finance reform. Larger reforms would limit the amount of money that flows into campaigns and how it is used. This bill simply forces the same sort of disclosure rules on some independent groups that already apply to candidates and parties. The legislation would require tax-exempt groups that register under the newly popular section 527 of the tax code to say who is paying for their political activities.