HUSTLIN' HEREFORD Sami Sciumbato
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OUTLOOK
Partly cloudy skies; chance of showers

 wind 51015 monh ${ }^{\text {Thurscay: Partly sunny with a }}$ 20 percent chance of attermoon
thunderstorms, high in the upper thunderstorms, high in the upper
80 s , south to southeast wind 10 to 20 mph Thursday night: Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance ot thun-

## Extended forecast

Friday: Partly cloudy with a
sight chance of thunderstorms late, high 90 to 05 .
Saturday and Sunday: Partiy cloudy with a slight chance of
attermoon and atternoon and nightme thunder-
storms. ows in in the mid-606s, , ighs Hereford weather precipitation; year-to-date rainfall, 6.58 inches, according to KPAN
Radio

## President inks farm aid plan

WASHINGTON (AP) - President farmers Tuesday, signing a $\$ 15$ bil lion package of cash payments and insurance subsidies that represents
the third big bailout of the agricultural economy in as many years. The legislation ignored his
administration's proposals to overhaul the market-oriented farm protrolled Congress in 1996.
The bill includes $\$ 8.2$ billion to
expand and cut the cost of federal expand and cut the cost of federal
crop insurance over the next five years and $\$ 5.5$ billion for payments An additional $\$ 1.6$ billion is ear-
marked for other farmers and lawmakers' special projects.
Agriculture Secretary "wan
Sat Glickman said the bailout "was a
clear admission" that the 1996 farm law "fails to provide an effective
safety net for American farmers." The money is supposed to com
pensate growers for depressed com modity prices as well as to encour age farmers to protect themselves in
future years by buying higher levels of crop insurance popular level of insurance will in crease to 59 of insurance will in-
percent, and up foverage will be 42 percent, and coverage will be ex-
panded to cr ps for which it isn't currently avalable. The expansion of
the insurance system should lessen the need for Congress to pass emergency assistance in coming years,
USDA officials said. The changes will USDA officials said. The changes will
take effect for crops planted this fall. "Farmers will have more security
to plant. And taxpayers will have

## Hospital directors consolidate panels <br> By Donald M. Cooper

## Hereford Brand Manaquing Editor Deaf Smith County Hospital Dis.

 trict directors tried to eliminate some duplication of effort Tuesday nightas they amended the district bylaws, as they amended the district bylaws, mittees.
At the May meeting, the directors
discussed the overlapping resper discussed the overlapping responsibilities of the committees and agreed
that some committees should be consolidated: however, they had to wait until the June meeting to put the item on the agenda.
After amending the bylaws, board After amending the bylaws, board president Erhest Flood appointed
committee
members. The commit-

tee structure is: $\quad$ Executive - Flood, Dean<br>Executive - Flood, Dean Crofford and Karen Solomon.

## Crofford and Solomon are board vice a new director'at the July meeting

 president and secretary, respectively;Finance - Crofford Conny Martin, Bobby Owen and Jesse Rincones;
Byla and Solomon; and Solomon; Joint Conference - Crofford Flood, Solomon; and tin, Rincones and Re Planning In another matter involving the structure of the board, the directors accepted the resignation of Mark
Collier from the board. Flood Collier from the board. Flood asked the board members to give names of
prospective replacements to hospital administrative assistant Carolan Garza. Interviews will be arranged with the most likely candidates, with
Flood indicating he hopes to appoint


50 An Annlversary observed - This year marks the $50^{\text {n }}$ anniversary of the start of the Korean War. Los Ciboleros Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution is spearheading the observance in the
Hereford area. As June 25 marks the actual Hereford area. As June 25 marks the actual
anniversary of the start of the war, a Korean War Commemorative Flag was presented to Deaf Smith County and will be flown at the courthouse Saturday and Sunday. Jean Beene, vice regent of Los Ciboleros Chapter and co-chairman of the commemorative committee, presents the flag to County Commissioner Troy Don Moore (above). Observing are (trom left)
Patricia Robinson, regent of Los Ciboleros Patricia Robinson, regent of Los Ciboleros
Chapter, and Korean veterans Robert B Chapter, and Korean veterans Robert B
Murray, former Navy Petty Office $2^{\text {nc }}$ Class Murray, former Navy Petty Office $2^{\text {nd }}$ Class,
aviation machinist mate; Richard B. "Dick" aviation machinist mate; Richard B. "Dick
Montgomery, Army 1st lieutenant, armor Montgomery, Army ist lieutenant, Brookhart, staff sergeant and tank commander, Army 2nd Division. The flag is raised (at left) at the courthouse.

## FTC opening formal probe into surging price of gas <br> An interim report is expected within 30-45 days,

## Trade Commission inquiry found nothing to explain why drivers in Chicago and Milwaukee are paying

 as much as 65 cents more for a gallon of gas than other parts of the country, prompting the agency toopen a formal investigation that will involve subopen a formal investige
poenaing oil companies.
FTC Chairman Robert Pitofsky told some mem bers of the Illinois congressional delegation Tuesday that the sudden price spikes are "sufficiently questionable" to warrant formal inv
possible price gouging and collusion. possible price gouging and collusion.
The agency will begin issuing subpoenas by the end of the week, according to the lawmakers wh attended the meeting Meanwhile, ministers from the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Nations were meeting Wednesday in Vienna, Austria, and it was widely
believed that some increases in crude oil production would be approved. The Clinton administra-
tion has been quietly trying to move OPEC in that direction.
But analysts were anticipating only modest increases that likely would do little to drive down
gasoline pri. that have reached as high as $\$ 2.33$ gasoline pri. that have reached as hig a gallon for "egular crade in Chicago.


ERNEST FLOOD

## Board president appoints members to

 five committeesmonth for medical and dental cover In other business, the board: Rod Approved credentials for Drs. Hamous and Ravi George; - Appointed Carol Jackson as cor Please see HOSPITAL, Page A9

## HISD

■ School trustees begin tedious effort of drafting a budget

## By Dlanna F. Dandridge

Preliminary budget work began Tuesday night as the Hereford Independent School District trustees be-
gan the time-consuming process of organizing income and expenses for the district. HISD business manager Rand
McDowell presented "a very prelimi nary rough draft" of possible figures
which will be used to calculate the which will be use
district's income
district sincome.
"We will be much farther along by the July board meeting," Super intendent Elizabeth Abernethy said. Working around the preliminary
budget numbers, board members ad budget numbers, board members ad
dressed a number bid proposals dressed a number bid proposals
which will in some way affect the 2000-2001 budget.
Of primary importance to school
district personnel was the change in district personnel was the change in
insurance policies. The board elected to devise a
two-part insurance program to meet two-part insurance program to meet
both the needs of personnel who
want want more benefits and who can
afford to pay for them while still providing adequate coverage for the
personnel who cannot afford the personnel who canno
higher-priced policies.
bid proposals, many of which ha been cut from last year's budget. excellent job down,"Abernethy said. Leading the list of bid proposals
was the necessary work on the high was the necessary work on the high
school roof. The district receive three bids on the job, but low bidde -C\&M Roofing out of Hereford failed to provide required bond infor mation. The roofing job was awarded Roofing, for a total of $\$ 42,688$. Board members also opted to needed repairs done on the track and have band lockers installed in the new band hall. Both items had
been cut from the 1999-2000 budget been cut from the $1999-2000$ budge
Terry Russell, assistant superin Terry Russell, assistant superin-
tendent for support services, said
the band lockers are part of the the band lockers are part of the
acoustic design of the building, while
the the track the the track has needed to be resurfaced for several years because foundation material. The board accepted bids for junior
high software which will provide high software which will provide
hands-on introduction to numerous hands-on introduction to numerous
technologies and also bids on a pizza technologies and also bids on a pizza
supplier for the coming year and supplier for the coming year an
numerous contracts with Region XVI Many of the contracts with Region XVI allow the district participate in
cooperative effort and so purchase items at a reduced rate.
Abernethy announced the resigAbernethy announced the resig-
nations of Lynda Brown, Jannette nations of Lynda Brown, Jannette
Coronado, David DePriest, Karen Haffner, Sarah Lawson, Donna and Corky Lockmiller.
She also announced the hiring of
Cynthia Chavez and Pam Perrin.


## HEREFORD BRAND

## Local roundup

## Industrial tech blankote

 Students who used blankets to wrap Induatrial Arts projects for transppretation to Waco competition, but fililed too redinim the blankets, should check with Carolyn Everr at at 364 -4739.is currenty bolding several unclaimed packing blankets.

## LaComb benofit day

 The Hereford Eliks Lodge will be hosting a benefft day forlocal truck driver and eance patient Jimmy Lacomb on
Saturday, June 24at the Eliss Lodge. The benefit day will include food games, an auction and a
dance. Food will be served beginning at 4 p.m., followed by the auce. Foon at p.m and the dance at 9 p.m. p.m., folowed by the
Items to be auctioned will include a 25 inch color TV , a boom Items to be auutioned will include a 25 inch color TV, a boom
box, and a saddee slicker. R.D. Holmes will DJ the dance. Cost box, and a sadale sinker.
is 85 for the dance and 85 for the meal
All proceeds will go to help Jimmy LaComb with living and Ald proceeds $w i l$
medical expenses.

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS <br> News digest

## Judge bars FBI testimony

WACO, Texas (AP) - A judge hearing the $\$ 675$ million wrongful death case against the government over the deadly
1993 Waco aiege has excluded testimony from throe FB negotiators who said tanks should not have been used to end the standofft
Plaintiffs
Plaintiffs' attorneys, who considered the evidence important
to their case, said the ruling by U.S. District Judge Walter Lo their case, said the ruling by U.S. District Judge Walter -We will have to shif gears and bring other witnesses,
atterney James Brannon after the trial opened Tuesday. attorney James Brannon after the trial opened Tuesday,
TTe jury will consider whether the government used exces. sive force in the April 19 , 1993 raid on the Branch Davidian
compound. Cult leader David Koresh and about 80 of his followers died, some in the blaze that destroyed their com. pound, others in in qunfire. The government contends that cult
members started the fire and that no federal agents fired guns. In his ruling, Smith agreed with government lawyers who say the negotiators' testimony and communications fell under a privilege that shields the federal government from liability
even if its agents'

## Union mombers lean towards Bush

 DEARBORN, Mich. (AP) - Another blue-collar shif under his belt, union plumber Mark Evans strolls through RougeSteel's revolving gates, a mugshot of President Clinton taped to his identifcation badge.
Smiling, he calls the
Smiling, he calls the image a spoof, not an endorsement of Democrats or their presumptive presidential nominoe, Vice
President Al Gore. Truth be told, the United Auto Workera member says he'll probably vote for Gore's Republican rival George Wush in in November
$\stackrel{\text { one." }}{\text { Labor }}$ unions are a traditional Democratic constituency, but Evans represents a split among rank-and ffle members over which candidate would best represent the working class.
While the 13 -million-member AFL.CIO While the 13-million-member AFL.CIO endorsed Gore las Cand some major unions are hording out and Bush and other
candidates are seeking votes from members willing to break ranks

## Ellis request hearing

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - A state senator who halted an execution as acting governor and has suggested offering in
mates access to post-conviction DNA testing has asked the Texas parole board to hold a public hearing on the fate of Gary
Graham. In a letter obtained by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Sen
Rodney Elis Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, for a rare full hearing of the 18 -member board to rule on Graham's case.
"Serious concerns have been raised about the Gary Graham case." Ellis wrote. "I believe that these concerna warrant a the board makes a recommendation to the governor
As president pro tem of the Texas Senate. Ellis has served Perry were out of state.
hearing for Graham scheduled that chances of holding a public hearing for Graham, scheduled to oe executed Thursday for the
181 shoteting death of Bobby Lambert outside a Houston

## ELSEWHERE

CHILD POVERTY: Texas' child poverty rate continues to rank near the bottom of an annual report that studuies the well
being of the nation's children. Texas ranked 44 hh, or the sixth worst, among all states in the category of child poverty, a position that remains unchanged from last year's Kids Count
FUNERAL HOME. FINE. A tort. eport. i. FUNERAL HOME.FINE: A state agency Tuesday
denied an appeal by a Lubbock funeral home director who had been fined appeal boo for unprofessional conduct and refusing to
been release a body to another funeral home. In a closed.door
session, the Texas Funeral Service Commission affrmed its session, the Texas Funeral Service Commission affrmed its
earlier decision to impose the amdministrative penalties on Onsie Curry, owner of Ossie Curry Funeral Home. ... TIMBER TIFF han 85.000 to a man who claimed in a civil lawsuit that she had timber cut off his property.

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## Auditors <br> WASHINGTON (AP) - The

 Agriculure Department needs sanitation standards in meat and poultry plants and require processors to do more testing said Wednesday.Uald Wednesday
USDA's switch
based ingpection to astem four years ajo io in inproving meat
safty, bat the agency reduced its overaight beyond what was prudent and necessary for the procection of the consumer, according to report by the
department's inspector general. The new inspection system requires companies to identify potential hazards in slaughter houses and processing plants
and implement controls for
Study shows chickenpox may be preventable

LIve-year ANGELELES (AP) - A five-year study of a chickenpox
vacine found that inoculations can reduce cases by 80 per cent, suggesting the itchy rite
of childhood can be prevented just like the mumps and just like
measles.
The on
The ongoing study by Los Angeles County health officials ease Control and Prevention was conducted in the Antelope
Valley, about 70 miles north of Valley, about 70 miles north of
Los Angeles. Los Angeles.
Chickenpox cases in the re-
gion dropped from 2,934 in gion dropped from 2,934 in
1995 , when the vaccine was ntroduced, to 587 by 1999 The rates declined in all age
groups, but were most dra mroups, but were most dra through 4 years old.
The amount of complications from the disease, such fell. "The bottom line is, the vaccine works," said Dr Laurene Mascola, a researcher and chief of the county's acute
communicable disease control branch. "You can prevent chickenpox."
The virus often strikes chil. dren before the age of 10 and
sickens its victims for 10 day with itchy rashes, fevers and fatigue. The highly contagious disease, which is often spread by touch or airborne droplets, nects as many as 4 million
people each year in the United people
States.
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The Antelope Valley, with about 300,000 residents, is one of three areas chosen by the
CDC for the study. The other two are in west Philadelphia
and Travis County, Texas. The


ETHEL VINNIE PIIEY June 17, 2000 Services for Ethel Vinnie
Riley, 88, of Hereford wer Monday in the Rose Chapel of Gillilland-Watson Funeral
Home with Rev. Dean Home with Rev. Dean
MoNamara, Vista Care Family Hospice chaplain officiating Burial was in Restlawn Memo ial Park Cemetery. Mrs. Riley died Saturday a
Hereford Care Center She was born May 7, 1912, in Wellington to J.B. Wellborn and Arlie Mae Parson. She married Roy Debs Riley in
1938 in Hollis, Okla., and they came to Deaf Smith County in 1949.

Survivors include one daugh er, Bobbie Lou Clark o
Friona; four sons, Billy Jo Evans of Dumas, Roy Alfred Evans and Bernie Riley, both of Hereford, Weldon E. Riley Reeves of Weimar, Calif.; 17 Reeves of Weimar, Calif.; 17
grandchildren; great-grandchil grandchindren; great-grandchil
dren; and 9 great-great-grand children.
She was
She was preceded in death The family surg 1965.
rials be made to the home-
ailment at 12 to 18 months. California, with one of the mighest infection rates, will
make chickenpox vaccinations mandatory next year for children entering its schools or
day-care facilities. Half the day-care facilities. Half the
states in the country have
made chickenpox vaccinations and
tates in the country have
drop

## HEREFORD BRAND

## Emergency services

ency services personnel fo une 20, 2000 include the fo POULICE DEPARTMENT Arrests
A taken into custody in the wa block of Avenue $F$ ind the 20 block of Aven
with assault.

- A 31-year-old woman wa West Second the 600 block of warrant and charged with a war
County
$-A$
- A 23 -year-old woman was

Lee and charged with an out-
standing Department of Public

- A 21 -year-old man wa
arrested in the 100 block of
Avenue E and charged with
domestic assault.
A 50 -year-old woman and
26-year-old
a 26 -year-old woman got into
a verbal argument that led to
mutual physical assault. No
charges were filed.
of an abandoned house in the
of an abandoned ho
300 block of Miller.
- An assault was report
- A runaway was reported
in the 1000 block of Grand.


## mandatory.

 The vaccine also diaplayed Chickenpox victims and thoir caretakers in the Antelope Val ey missed 14,842 days of workand school in 1995, which 999 .
ropped 82 percent to 2,718 in of a house in the broken out Avenue E.
SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT - Two thefts and one forg ery were reported.
FIRE DEPARTMIENT - 1:51 p.m. Firefighter sponded to a grasefire at Road $I$ and $F M 1058$.
$-5: 23$ p.m. Firefighters re sponded to a grassfire at Roado
$H$ and $K$. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Texas lottory
$\qquad$ The winning Cash Five num-
Tuesday by the

1-12-15-20-87
The Pick 88 ninning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the
Texas Lottery, in order:

# LIFESTXLES 

## CREATORS SYNDICATE Ann Landers

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Ceta Canyon Methodist
marriage retreats, Emmaus
20 room facility that can acCamp and Retreat Center cel-. walks, business and school re- commodate 1 the new Garrison Retreat Architect Pat Tunnel de- bunkhouses. Lodge on Juar 10.
Garrison Retreat Lodge was Garrison 16,000 square foot Tetreat Lodge. heated and air conditioned with made possible by gifts of $\mathbf{M r}$. and Mrs. S.L. Garrirunning water and bathroom
located in each room son and Johnny
Trotter of Trotter of
Hereford
and a
 Area
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tion.
The new lodge will allow Ceta
parking it
To reserve the Garrison Re cuatomers on many more customers on a year round Therman James, Inc. was the treat Lodge at C
basis, including summer camp, construction manager for the call $806-488-2268$.

## AT THE CENTER

## Senior Citizens

THURSDAYMUS
THURSDAY-Chicken fajitas Spanish rice, pinto beans, salad sliced ham. FRIDAY-Tuna salad, potato salad, garden salad, sliced to-
matoes, fresh fruit, cookie; or matoes, fre
ham salad.
MONDAY-Chicken breast, sweet sour sauce, rice pilaf, Oriental vegetables, pineapple
chunks, ranger cookie; or Polish sausage, diabetic cookie.
ish sausage diabetic cookie.
TUESDAY-Roast reef with
Correction
In a previous edition of the Hereford Brand ther colloge that Cithy Higgins will be attending. Higrins will attend Texas The Brand regrets the error.

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gravy, mashed potatoes, sea- FRIDAY-Pool classes, quiltsoned green beans, tossed ing $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .-3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$., line dance
green salad, fruit cheese cake; $10-11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} ., \mathrm{Thrift}$ Store open or pork ribs, mixed fruit.
WEDNESDAY-Wieners and
9 a.m.- 5 p.m.
MONDAY-Pool classes, quilt sauerkraut, hash brown pota- ing 9 a.m.-3, m, line dance
 late swirl pudding; or
loaf, buttered carrots.
 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { quilting } 9 \text { a.m. }-3 \\ \text { p.m., exer. } \\ \text { Keltone } 10 \text { Kiwanis nom. } & \text { noon, Golden }\end{array}$ painting 9.11 a.m., Thrift Store quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., ceram ics noon-4 $\mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.



A performance by the Blackwood Brothers Quartet is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday in Hereford High School auditorium. Members of the group are, front for
Chris Blackwood; back, Steve Warren, Eric Winston and Rick Price.

## Saturday performance planned

 by Blackwood Bros. QuartetThe Blackwood Brothers, ing the years, but Cecil they helped make famous.
 Saturday in the Hereford High years and continues to carry "Old Country Church," "I Love School auditorium. Sponsor of on the legendary quartet. the concert is the Hereford Other members are Steve Ministerial Alliance. Warren, tenor singer; Eric
The quartet was formed Winston, low bass; Rick Price more than 65 years ago by lead singer; and Chris in Cbrothers and a nephew Blackwood. There is no reserve seating Membership has changed dur- and it will be filled with songs tions-only basis.

## Latino museum curator sees his role as linking art to its audience <br> SAN ANTONIO - As a art, Estrada thought he should Hired in February as cura-

 teen growing up in Corpus be an artist. Over the years, tor of the Alameda NationalChristi, Henry Canales he discovered that was not Center for Latino Arts and Estrada had two idols: Luis his calling. Jimenez and Andy Warhol, "I always knew I was in "I really loved Luis love with art, but it took me
Jimenez's sculpture," Estrada a while to figure out what my Jimenez' Asculpture,' Estrada a while to figure out what my
recalls. "And I loved the glam. role would be, and that role is recalls. And loved the glam- role would be, and that role is
our of the art word, that to bring artists to their audt,
Andy Warhol epitomized." ences and audiences to art," Since he was interested in he says.


AMBUC of the Year award was presented recently to Becky as second vy ougoing prest for the past yer. The award is determined by secret ballot of club members.
lite, the board of Centro Alameda Inc. is counting on
him to do just that. Though the museum which will be housed in the Centro de Artes building in Market Square when renovations are
complete isn't set to open uncomplete isn't set to open un-
til 2002 , Estrada isn't waiting. It'll be within the cityscape, it'll be within the cityscape,
so I'll have a larger gallery to so Ill have a larger gallery to
work with," Estrada, nattily work with, Estrada, nattily
dressed in a vintage pale blue dressed in a vintage pale blue
jacket, says over a breakfast of bacon and eggs at Mi Tierra
Cafe \& Bakery.
Care \& Bakery.
For the fall, Estrada is planning several public art
projects, including placing works by Tejano sculptors in the vicinity of Market Square.
In June, he will be in Wash. ington, D.C., to discuss borrowing work from the
Smithsonian Institution's collections.
He also is negotiating with the Hirshhorn Museum and
Sculpture Garden Smithsonian, to borrow a piece of billboard art by Cu-
ban-American artist Felix Gonzalez-Torres.


LOOKING BACK

## Today in History

By The Acocooletod Prose
 ${ }^{21}$ 21 thene 1973 rrd day dof 2000 . There are 193 days left in the
year. Teday's Mighillght In History, On June 21, 1788, the U.S.
Constitution went into effect Constitution went Nampshire became
as New Hame
the ninth atate to ratify it. as New hinth state to ratify it. On thls dato
In 1834, Cyrus Hall In 1834, Cyrus for his reaping machine. Schmeling lost a title fight by decision to Jack Sharkey, prompting Schmeling's man-
ager, Joe Jacobs, to exclaim:
"We, wae "We was robbed!" In 1945, during World War II, American soldiers on Okinawa found the body of
the Japanese commander, Lt. the Japanese commander, Lt.
Gen. Mitsuru Ushijima, who had committed suicide. In 1948, the Republican na-
tional convention tional conve
In 1963, Cardinal Giovanni Battista Montini was chosen to succeed the late Pope John XXIII; the new pope took the
name Paul VI. In 1964 , civil rights work-
ers Michael H. Schwerner, Aners Michael H. Schwerner, Andrew Goodman and James E. Chaney disappeared in Philawere found buried in an earthen dam six weeks later. In 1973, the Supreme Court ruled that states may ban according to local standards. In 1982, a jury in Washington, D.C., found John Hinckley Jr. innocent by reason of in-
sanity in the shootings of sanity in the shootings of
President Reagan and three other men.
In 1985,
In 1985, scientists announced that skeletal remains exhumed in Brazil were those
of Nazi war criminal Josef Mengele.
In 1989, the Supreme Court In 1989, the Supreme Court
ruled that burning the American flag as a form of political
protest is protected by the First Amendment. Ton yaars agos Some 50,000 Iranians were killed in a major earthquake Henry Foster lost agos Dr. Senry Foster lost a crucial come surgeon general to be57 senators voted to cut off debate, three short of the 60 needed. (One last vote the next day also fell short.)
One year agoi President One yoar agos President
Clinton visited Slovenia, for-



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## SPORTS

## FIGHIIN' AND BIIN'

## Snakes strike Rangers, 6-3

Fightin' and bitin'-The Hereford Diamondbacks began the official start of summer on the right foot with their 6-3 drubbing throw made by the Rangers' catcher sales wide of home plate. The team has a record of 7-6-1 for the year and will take on Canyon Thursday.

## Dodgers top Houston in 10,9-6

- Vizcaino ends time in Los Angeles on winning note
HOUSTON (AP) - Jose vizcaino ended his stint with
the Los Angeles Dodgers on a high note.
Moments before he was kees, Vizcaino hit a pinch-hit RBI single in the 10th inning that helped Los Angeles beat the Houston Astros 9-6 on
Tuesday night. "You've got to feel good to get a hit to win the game," said Vizcaino, who was traded to New York for Jim Leyritz. But I will do my job wherever I am.". Vizcaino, who hit . 204 in 40
games for the Dis games see the bright side of the sudden trade. "That's baseball," he said. "Ill have a lot of chances to win over chere. more playing time over havere.n With the score tied 5-5, Chad Kreuter led off the 10th (1-4), and pinch-runner Paul LoDuca scored the go-ahead run on Vizcaino's single. Vizcaino said. "I was frying to got the run in from third any way I could. He gave me a tough pitch but I got the hit." After Todd Hollandsworth singled and Mark Grudzielanek
struck out, Gary Sheffield hit a three-run homer, making it
Slusarkj job is to get zeros," do it. The pitch to Sheffield was a stupid fastball."
Matt Herges (4-0) picked up the win with one perfect inning of relief. Jeff Shaw blew ties this season, giving up Jeff Bagwell's 17 th homer leading off the ninth
Chris Truby had an RBI groundout in the bottom of
the 10th. Kevin Brown ended a string of three straight complete games, allowing four runs on
nine hits and a walk, with five nine hits and a walk, with five
strikeouts in seven innings. In was only the second time In nine career starts against Houston that Brown allowed more than one earned run.
He allowed three earned runs in a no-decision July 26, 1998, pitching for San Diego.
it could have been
spirational win for us with all pecially hurt."
the young kids going
Marc Valdes, who relieved
Kevin Brown like that," mant ager Larry Dierker said, "But starter Chris Holt in the sevthe eighth inning really hurt run in the eighth. With two us. It seemed we couldn't get outs, Alex Cora reached on anyone out and the walks es- shortstop Tim Bogar's throw-
ing error. and allowed a single to pinchhitter Kevin the bases.

[^0]- Team improves to five runs in the firto off five
 $\begin{array}{cl}\text { The Diamondbacks may } & \text { Zambrano, outfielder J. } \\ \text { Holman, Marcus Smith in }\end{array}$ have been rained out Satur- Braanon robed of a home run in came out swinging on Tues- the first win he knocked a
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${ }^{2)}$ Rhyne allowed three runs for the second. ning except in Rhyne allowed three runs for the second. in the second giving the Rang- The Diamondbacks travel to
ers their only runs in the Canyon Thursday for two
game. game. Dimondbacks came out games and play host to Tascosa of the gate quickly scoring
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> Veterans Park Board called meeting Thursday, June 22nd at the V.FW Hall in Veterans Park beginning at 7:30 pm

## All members of V.RW. \#4918 and American Leglon Post \#192 are urged to attend.

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## Rogers and the Rangers nip Minnesota, 5-2

$\square$ Texas begins importnat home stand with a win ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) Once Kenny Rogers got ad
justed, the Texas Rangers f jully had something positive to talk about.
After Minnesota scored in
the second, Rogers set the the second, Rogers set the
Twins down in order in five of the next six innings. He also retired 13 in a row before the ninth as the Rangers bea
Twins $5-2$ Tuesday night. "Kenny got going rea Kenny got going really
good. We knew that we were in trouble when he got in a groove, Minnes
Tom Kelly said.
Tom Kelly said.
Rogers $(6-5)$ hits before giving way to John Wetteland with two on in the ninth as the Rangers returned
home with a win after their home with a win aner their
worst road trip in 14 years. During the 1.8 road trip, in which Rogers had no-decisions in two of the Texas losses, the
two-time defending AL West


Texas man-
His streak of 13 outs in a loaded in the second when abor
Johnny
O row ended when he walked
Matt Lawton to start the ninth and then allowed a double to
Butch Huskey Wetteland Butch Huskey. Wetteland came
on for his 17 th save on for his 17th save in 21
opportunities. He allowed an
RBI groundout to Denny HockRBI groundout to Denny Hock-
ing that scored Lawton. "With Kenny Rogers out there,
dence,",
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of 13 road games in 13 days,
lost for the eighth time in 10 lost for the eighth time in 10
games. The Twins won five
of the first six games of the first six games
this season against the this season against the
Rangers after losing all
12 in the series a year
ago.
Minnesota starter Mark
Redman $(4-3)$ lost his third Palmeiro struck out after three
sion replays showed Hocking's
leg touching the plate before under 500 and


## HANGING TOUGH

Ropers Purcella and Gomez hang on to their spots in the top 20


Billy", said general manager
Gerry Husicker Gerry Hunsicker. "This cer'
tainly explains a lot. This isn't an injury to be taken lightly".
Wagner hoped that rest durWagner hoped that rest dur-
ing the offseason would mate ing the offseason would make pain began to reappear early phis season. Not wanting to
blame his poor performance blame his poor performance on the injury, Wagner said he
withstood the pain until it was apparent it wasn't going to go away,
pitched, but what every time I son comes up with an excuserhe said. "But the good thing about it is I get eight months
to heal this. I want to be healthy and be able to play want to be the Bily Wagner
that everybody expects me to
Should Wagner undergo sur-
gery, he would face a rehabiligery, he would face a rehabili-
tation period lasting about four months.
That means that he would
enter next season in the final enter next season in the final
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reer threatening, but when you're main pitch is a fastball,
of course $\Gamma^{\prime} \mathrm{m}$ concerned, ${ }^{\text {n }}$ said Wagner, who is scheduled to earn $\$ 5$ million next year. and prove myself all over Astros manager Larry
Dierker said the team will rely on a closer by committee system, utilizing pitchers Doug
Henry, Brian Powell and Joe Henry, Brian Powell and
Slusarski in Wagner's absence. "We're going to try to hold
the fort in (Wagner's) absence,"
he said.
Wagn
Wagner's injury is the lat-
est in a string of medical est in a string of medical
problems that have plagued the last-place Astros in the past week.
Third Third baseman Ken
Caminiti
underwent surgery Monday to repair the ruptured tendon sheath in his right
wrist. He will be out $\mathbf{8 - 1 2}$

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Jeff Bidamon
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weeks.
Outfielder Richard Hidalgo sprained his right knee in Sunday's game against San Francisco. He was to undergo
an MRI exam on Wednesday The Astros are in the midst The Astros are in the midst
of a series against the Los
Angeles Dodgers in Houston. Angeles Dodgers in Houston.
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to regain their dominating co regain their dominating
form of the late 90 's.




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manager in Fort Worth, in recognition of more than 40 years of service.

## Comics

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By Dean Young \& Stan Drake.


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14.1 percent increase over the $\$ 25,523$ loss in May 1999 .
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## Farmers

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more confidence that their dollars are being well spent," said Ken Ackerman, administrator of USDA's Risk Management Agency. The $\$ 5.5$ billion in direct payments that farmers will get in
September will mean an additional $\$ 16,000$ this year for a 500 . September will mean an additional $\$ 16,000$ this year for a 500
acre corn farm or an extra $\$ 12,000$ for a farmer who grows 300 acres of cotton.
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Glickman directed his criticism at the way the payments are being made. Because they go to participants in the 1996 farm
program, some of the money will go to growers who didn't plant prog tham, somer, Glickman said.
Glickman had wanted Congress to set up a new subsidy program that would have targeted assistance to small to medium
scale farms, but his idea found little support among producer organizations. The legislation also included $\$ 500$ million for payments
farmers who grow soybeans and other oilseeds: $\$ 340$ million in payments to tobacco farmers, to compensate them for falling
cigarette sales; and $\$ 200$ million for the government to buy surplus fruit and vegetables.
slawmakers also tucked in money for projects that would benefit their districts, including a plant genetics research facility in Santa Fe, N.M., and $\$ 14$ million to complete construction of an

## General excelence Panhandle Press Association

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## Gas prices

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The Energy Department's weekly survey showed the cost of
asoline nationally increased 5 cents a gallon from last week to $\$ 1.68$, a record high for a fourth week in a row. "There is gouging on the part of the large oil companies," He and Rep. Dick Gephardt of Missouri, the top Democrat in the House, met with President Clinton last week to emphasize "the ness of the matter," Daschle said.
Republicans have lost no time in trying to tar the administration, the Environmental Protection Agency's cleaner gasoline attack because of security problems at the Los Alamas under weapons lab in New Mexico - for the gasoline price surge. weapons lab in New Mexico - for the gasoline price surge.
"This is the kind of thing people get mad about, and they wan action," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.
At the request of the Clinton administration and members of Congress, the FTC has for the past week been conducting an nformal inquiry into the steep gasoline prices. Until now the subpoenas.
Durbin said Pitofsky told him and other Ilinois lawmakers that the agency's stepped-up probe could result in anything from bution and sale of gasoline to "disgorgement" or the payment any illegal profits to the federal treasury. Any potential criminal acts would be referred to the Justice Department for prosecution. Gore, citing reports of huge profits by the oil companies this year, told a group of reporters "the circumstances clearly warran
a broadened investigation to see if there is collusion." However indications were the FTC was confining its investigation to the hardest-hit Chicago-Milwaukee corridor.
Pitofsky was unavailable for comment. FTC offices were closed for the day,
uestioned whitzgerald, R-Ill., who also met with Pitofaky ormal investigation the agency has enough evidence to start He said the administration appears to be looking for ways to
blame the oil companies.

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WASHINGTON (AP) - The Austria and Japan round out United States spends more the top-10. per person on health care That doesn't mean the than any other country, yet in French and Italians are the overall quality its care ranks

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wan actually won that distinc37th in the world, says a
World Health Organization analysis. It concluded that France provides the globe's
best health care. The WHO report basically
best health care. Italy ranked No. 2, says
the World Health Report, being published Wednesday. Tiny countries with few pa-
tients to care for tients to care for - San
Marino, Andorra Malta crowd onto the World Health Organization's surprising best list. Singapore, Spain, Oman when each country's mea-

LOS ANGELES (AP) Death penalty protesters are
greeting George W. Bush with greeting George
angry chants everywhere he's gone in vote-rich California,
but the Texas governor has stuck to his script of educa-
tion reform by day and rais. tion reform by day and rais-
ing money by night. "Don't execute an innocent man!" two protester, nattily disguised as high-dollar do-
nors, burst out shooting as nors, burst out shouting as
Bush was introduced Tuesday night at a $\$ 2$ million fundraiser here.
"Bush says death row; we say hell no!," shouted several
dozen picketers outside the Century Plaza Hotel.
Like others who disrupted Like others who disrupted
a smaller fund-raiser the night before, the two inside the ballroom were quickly re-
moved to the applause of real Bush supporters. But outside both events, protesters pick-
eted and shouted slogans that underscored how the schedunderscored how the schedham Thursday distracted

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AL GORE
Vice president looks to sharpen differences with
George W. Bush
Veep's back on the road
WASHINGTON (AP) - Vice President Al Gore looked to sharpen differences with Texas
Gov. George W. Bush as he resumed his "progress and resumed his "progress and
prosperity" tour with a trip to one of the Midwestern battlegrounds that will likely settle
the presidential election. Fresh from spelling out a
plan to augment Social Secuplan to augment Secial Secu-
rity, the Democratic presidenrity, the Democratic presiden-
tial contender vowed to un-
derscore differences he thinks derscore differenc
can be exploited.
"I'll be giving a speech on
Social Security and what I Social Security and what I
propose to protect propose to protect Social Se-
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of Social Security and empty of Social Security and empty
the trust fund," Gore told rethe trust fund," Gore told re-
porters aboard his airplane Tuesday.
Gore
Gore was headed Wednes-
day to Iowa to draw those contrasts in a state with a lot of elderly voters that also has
voted Democratic in the last three presidential elections. three presidential elections.
He has been loath to mention Bush by name, but that could change. Asked whether he planned to name Bush,
Gore said: "Sure, but I will Gore said: never launch a personal, negative attack on him."
Also Wednesday, Gore was
scheduled to propose a tarscheduled to propose a tar-
geted reduction in estate taxes a plan costing $\$ 7$ billion over 10 years, according to Democrats familiar with the pro-
surements were added to- fessor at London University's
gether, even study co-author Dr. Christopher Murray, a previous studies have been
Harvard health economist and highly critical of Italy Harvard health economist and
the health organization's chief the health organization's chief of health policy evidence, was
surprised. He had expected Scandinavian countries or Canada to be the world's best,
because they're always prebecause they're always pre-
sented as models. Norway hit No. 11, Canada
30 . 30. Britain came in 18th.
"Any set of puts Finland at 31 and Italy puts Finland at 31 and Italy
at 2, or even France at No. 1, at 2, or even France at No. 1 ,
raises questions," said Nick ghly critical of Italy. "They are obviously getting,
an olive oil effect," he added, an oive oil effect, he added,
referring to the famed Medierranean diet.
Italians themselves have ex-
pressed dissatisfaction with health care, said a surprised E. Richard Brown, director of the University of California, Los Angeles, Center for Health
Policy Research. It's losearch.

## Death penalty issue dogging Bush



Americans amid a patchwork zation won wide praise for diferent quality private ingrams.
While good at expensive, heroic care, Americans are very poor at the low-cost preventive care that keeps Europeans healthy, said Princeton Uwe Reinhardt. Take prenatal care, vital to a healthy start in life. Reinhardt called France many poor Americans never
get prenatal care.
Regardless of debate over Regardless of debate over rankings and what criteria to
use, the World Health Organi
establishing a way countries mprovement, or worsening, can be measured. The United States spends a stunning $\$ 3,724$ per person on health each year. Measur-
ing how long people liver ing how long people live in good health the Japanese beat
Americans by $41 / 2$ years, and Americans by $41 / 2$ years, and
the French lived three more healthy years. Japan spends just $\$ 1,750$ per person on
health and France $\$ 2100$ "That's a pretty big gap," noted Murray. "For the money noted Murray,
we're spending, we should be able to do a lot better."




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