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HAPPY

Turkey

THANKSGIVING: It's a growth industry

By Donald Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor In addition to being one of the United States' oldest holidays, Thanksgiving is a growth industry, according to the U.S. Census Bureau

> Just consider some of these facts:

• The 273 million turkeys the nation's farmers produced in 1999 weighed 6.9 billion pounds. The weight was up 15 percent from 1990.

• The typical American gobbled up 14 pounds of turkey in 1998 — no doubt much of this at Thanksgiving time. Per-capita turkey consumption was about 3 percent higher than in 1990, but was 75 percent higher than in 1980.

The \$2.7 billion the nation's farmers earned in 1998 from turkey sales was up 11 percent from 1990. That exceeds the amount they made from growing either lettuce (\$1.6 billion), rice (\$1.7 billion), apples (\$1.4 billion), peanuts (\$1 billion), potatoes (\$2.5 billion) or oranges (\$2 billion).

• The nation's poultry processors shipped \$3.8 billion worth of turkeys in 1997, up from \$2.9 billion in 1992. North Carolina led the way, with \$624.4 million in shipments, followed by California (\$365.2 million and Missouri (\$341.3 million). These businesses operated out of 39 establishments, employing more than 27,000 workers.

Turkey also is an economical dish. Last December, the cost of a frozen. whole turkey was 98 cents per pound paid for a t-bone steak.

· North Carolina and Minnesota are the nation's leading turkey-producing states with 1.1 billion pounds each in 1999. Other large turkeyproducing states are Missouri (616 million pounds), Virginia (526 million pounds), Arkansas (491 million pounds), California (429 million pounds). Indiana (377 million pounds), South Carolina (326 million pounds), Iowa (233 million pounds) and Pennsylvania (222 million pounds). Combined, these 10 states account for more than three-quarters of U.S. turkey production.

· The nation's farmers produced 639 million pounds of cranberries in 1999. Wisconsin, Massachusetts and New Jersey led the U.S. in produc-

pound. far less than the \$6.71 per tion. Farmers also produced 599,000 short tons of sweet potatoes in 1999. North Carolina, Louisiana and California are leading states in sweetpotato production.

However, that Thanksgiving feast isn't produced entirely in the U.S. In 1999. The U.S. imported \$12 million worth of live turkeys - all from Canada. The Canadians also accounted for all of the \$19.8 million worth of cranberries the U.S. imported, while the Dominican Republic shipped \$4.9 million worth of sweet potatoes to this country.

However, in 1999, the U.S. exported \$8.8 million worth of live turkeys, \$10.5 million worth of cranberries and \$10.5 million worth of sweet potatoes.



All federal, state, county and municipal offices will be closed Thursday to allow their employees to observe the Thanksgiving holiday. City of Hereford and Deaf Smith County offices also will be closed Friday.

All financial institutions will be closed Thursday for the holiday, as will all post offices. There will be no residential or business mail delivery, although special delivery mail will be delivered. Financial institutions and the U.S. Postal Service will resume normal operations on Friday.

The Hereford Brand will be closed Thursday. The newspaper office will reopen at 8 a.m. Friday.

There will be no classes in Hereford Independent School District Thursday or Friday, with classes resuming at the normal hours on Monday.



Board seeks longer terms for directors

By Donald Cooper Hereford Brand Managing Editor

If the Texas Legislature goes along, future Deaf Smith County Hospital District directors will serve longer terms.

The directors voted Tuesday night to ask the 77th Legislature, which convenes in January 2001, to amend the enabling legislation that established the hospital district to provide for staggered three-year terms. Under existing law, directors serve staggered two-year terms

If the amendments make it into law, they would become effective with the May 2002 election. In that election, three directors would be chosen for three years. The following year, four positions would be on the ballot. Under the amendment, the two candidates receiving the highest total votes would serve three years, while the two receiving the next highest total votes would serve for one year. After that election, all terms would be three years. Another amendment requested by the board would expand the district's authority to enter into agreements to recruit medical personnel, including paying tuition and other expenses of medical students who contract to work in the hospital district. In her financial report, financial director Janie Arnold noted that Hereford Regional Medical Center showed a \$65,258 net loss for October, the first month of Fiscal 2001. The hospital had total operating revenue of \$945,119 and non-operating income of \$4,022, with expenses of \$1,014,377 Part of the loss could be attributed to decreases in admissions and total patient days from last year. Arnold said the administration believes addition of a physician would result in increased admissions and patient days. She noted that outpatient visits, laboratory tests and mammography, cat scans and MRI procedures increased over last year. "October's net patient service revenue, as compared to October's budgeted ... revenue, reflected a decrease of \$111,061, or 12 percent," she said. "October's operating expenses ... were \$53,254 or 5 percent less than the October budgeted expenses ... All of October's actual expense categories were less than the amounts budgeted," she reported. Arnold also reported the Hereford Health Clinic reported a net loss of \$1,475, which was a marked improvement over October 1999, when the clinic showed a loss of \$8,129. She said gross patient revenue at the clinic was below budget, which was attributed to fewer visits during the month. However, operating expenses for October were \$12,226 below budget. In other business, the directors recognized Ida Gibson of the nursing department as the hospital Employee of the Month, and were introduced to Daphne Walker, who has been named interim nursing director.

Today's weather OUTLOOK

Mostly cloudy skies

Tonight: Mostly cloudy, lows in the lower 30s, south winds 5 to 15 mph.

Thanksgiving: Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of rain, highs around 40, north winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday night: Cloudy with a 20 percent chance of freezing rain or snow, lows in the upper 20s.

Extended forecast

Friday: A slight chance of snow early, otherwise becoming partly cloudy, highs in the lower 50s.

Saturday: Cloudy with a chance of snow, lows in the upper 20s, highs in the upper 30s.

Sunday: Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of snow early, lows in the mid-20s, highs in the lower 40s.

Monday: Decreasing clouds, lows around 20, highs around 50. Tuesday: Partly cloudy, lows in the lower 20s, highs in lower 40s.

Hereford weather

Tuesday's high, 60; low, 32; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

Rain chances up •

Clouds were moving into parts of Texas early Wednesday, bringing an increasing chance of rain and possibly a wet beginning to Thanksgiving, forecasters said.

High clouds moved into North Texas where southwest winds were at 10-15 mph. Lower high temperatures in the 50s are expected for many areas Wednesday. In West Texas and the Pan-

handle, a weak cold front began to move in early Wednesday, as clouds began to increase. The forecast for the region calls for highs peaking into the upper 50s to lower 60s.

In South Texas, skies were mostly cloudy. At 4 a.m. today temperatures ranged from 39 at Junction to 66 at Brownsville.

Highs should range from the mid-60s on the upper coast to the low 70s in deep South Texas. A cold front is expected to remain over the region until Fri-day, forecasters said. BRAND/Dianna F Dandridge

Blowing for good — Lupe Castillo took the opportunity Tuesday to participate in a lung and breathing booth set up at the Rural Adult Health Promotion & Prevention Fair. According to Ray Holt, manager of the Hereford Regional Medical Center's respiratory therapy department, Castillo has very good lung capacity and doesn't show any signs of complications.

START YOUR ENGINES! Busiest travel period gets under way

your engines.

The heaviest travel period of the year has gotten under way with the first wave of Thanksgiving travelers streaming onto highways and into the skies toward their holiday turkey dinners.

A record 38.9 million Americans plan to trek at least 100 miles from home this Thanksgiving, according to the American Automobile Association. That's up 4 percent from last year.

Four out of five people - 31.6 million travelers — will journey by car, the AAA said. Another 7.3 million will travel by airplane, train or bus.

The increase in travel plans comes despite the average cost of gasoline up by more than 25 cents a gallon from a year ago and airfares up an average of 13 percent.

The jump also comes as wintry weather returns to many parts of the East. A storm dumped 2 feet of snow on Buffalo, N.Y., this week, and flurries were in the forecast Wednesday for elsewhere in the Great Lakes region.

Airline and airport officials had one eye on the weather and the other on labor disputes

DALLAS (AP) - Ladies and gentlemen, start that threatened to cause holiday travel delays or cancellations.

United Airlines, plagued by delays this summer, and Northwest Airlines blamed some delays on their mechanics. The workers are seeking new labor contracts, but no strike is anticipated before next year at the earliest.

Delta Air Lines also expects slowdowns and cancellations through Thanksgiving week because pilots seeking a new contract have stopped requesting voluntary overtime.

Lines at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport security gates and baggage-check counters moved steadily Tuesday, but empty seats were hard to find in the terminal.

Liz Board of DeKalb, Ill., traveling from O'Hare with her three children, packed extra snacks and hoped her United flight would take off as planned.

"If they botch it up this time, I think that they realize that their name is going to be bad for a long time," she said.

Mary Tolin of Hammond, Ind., was less lucky. Waiting out a 2-hour delay for her United flight to Los Angeles, she was fuming: The airline told her the flight was on time.

GOP protests as recount accelerates

By David Espo

AP Political Writer Democrats forced a speedup in the counting of disputed ballots in Miami-Dade County on Wednesday in hopes of boosting Al Gore's vote totals in Florida's contested presidential election, triggering a furi-ous protest by George W. Bush's supporters.

The furor broke out as Bush's running mate Dick Cheney was hospitalized in Washington for chest pains.

The developments occurred against the backdrop of a Florida Supreme Court ruling late Tuesday night that said manual recounts could continue until Sunday in the state that stands to pick the next president.

William Daley, Gore's campaign manager, said on NBC's "Today" show



that the court's ruling meant "we are on the road to finality on this."

Republicans, stung by the court's unanimous decision and a change of course in the recounts, spoke angrily.

"This is something if it were not so tragic - if we were not witnessof a presidential election it would be laughable," said whose district includes part of Miami-Dade County.

Bush was to speak publicly later in the day, and a Republican official said the Texas governor planned to announce he would go to state court to challenge the decision by county boards to reject many overseas ab-

sentee ballots, some of which came from military posts.

Bush holds a 930-vote lead in Florida, not counting the results of the manual recounts Gore has initiated in Miami-Dade, Palm Beach and Broward counties.

Those recounts had been proceed-

ing, in effect, the stealing ing precinct-by-precinct, with only modest gains for Gore. But members of the Democratic-controlled Miami-Rep. Lincoln Diaz-Balart, Dade canvassing board abruptly switched plans on Wednesday morning and announced they would turn their attention exclusively to an estimated 10,000 ballots that were not punched through cleanly on Election Day.

> Both sides are operating under the assumption that those ballots will boost Gore's totals, and possibly allow him to overtake Bush's lead in the state that now means everything in the battle for the White House.

> Republicans responded with a protest and sit-in in the lobby of the county Elections Division. "Let us see the ballots," they shouted, and "Bush won twice," a reference to

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HEREFORD BRAND Local roundup

Water district tree sales

The Tierra Blanca Soil and Water Conservation District office is continuing to take orders for windbreak saplings. Deciduous and evergreen varieties are available. Trees have been grown specifically for this area and will be delivered in March. For more information, or to place an order, please contact the TBSWCD at 364-0530, ext 3.

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School news

Science Fair projects

Students will bring completed Science Fair projects to the Hereford Independent School District administration building, 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue, between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Nov. 27.

Private judging will be Nov. 28.

Students interview with judges on Nov. 29.

Awards presentation at 9:15 a.m. Science Fair is open for public viewing until 6 p.m.

All projects must be picked up between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Dec. 1



School board excellence -- School board member Carolyn Waters, right, visited with Dr. John Horn, Mesquite ISD Superintendent, recently during the second of five Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) leadership program meetings, held in Dallas. Waters was among the 35 school board members chosen from across the state to participate in the program. The goal of the leadership program is to help develop plans which will lead their school districts in the pursuit of excellence and equity. Participants discussed pertinent issues such as continuing growth, teacher tetention, student achievement, parental involvement and governance that confronts districts of all sizes

Working out the kinks



Massage break — Forget coffe breaks! Deaf Smith County Agriculture Extension Agent, Beverly Harder, took advantage of a lull in business Tuesday to do what she seldom has time for -- relaxx in the hands of a registered massage therapist. Sandy Crawford spent just a few minutes working out the knots in Harder's back, then began with some other finger magic designed to make her clients relax. Harder was most compliant and allowed Crawford to work her magic.

New Yorkers battle effects of third highest snowstorm

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Buffalo was moving again as tow truck drivers, police officers and snow plows worked through the night to clear roads blanketed by a 25-inch snowstorm.

moved, stuck schoolchildren were reunited with their parents, and a 65-mile section of the New York State Thruway reopened on Wednesday morning. The city also lifted its driving ban on Wednesday morning. Mayor Anthony Masiello said no injuries or serious accidents resulted from the storm in the western New York city, and the approximately 2,500 youngsters who spent Monday night away from home were all safe and sound by Tuesday evening. "What a difference a day makes," Masiello said. Even so, government buildings in Buffalo and area schools will be closed Wednesday, and Masiello warned that the effects could linger. "We

still have a lot of work to do," he said.

Gov. George Pataki declared a state of emergency fkr Buffalo and Erie, Chautauqua and Cattaraugus counties, making state resources available for Abandoned cars were the cleanup. The state has

and in their cars.

Busloads of schoolchildren found themselves sitting in traffic for as long as four hours before taking refuge in public buildings and private businesses.

"Every single child found a place to be warm, a place to

New law allows disabled citizenship

LOS ANGELES (AP) -When Vijai Rajan's parents sought U.S. citizenship for her six years ago, they believed it would just be a formality. After all, they were citizens and so was their other child.

But their daughter's application was denied because she suffers from cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, seizures and other ailments that made it impossible for her to take the oath of allegiance.

The Rajans went to court; they knocked on politicians' doors.

On Tuesday, after a sixyear battle, Ms. Rajan became the first person granted American citizenship under a new law that waives the oath for immigrants whose disabilities prevent them from reciting it but who otherwise qualify for citizenship.

"We're very pleased to be able to welcome Ms. Rajan as a citizen," Thomas J. Schiltgen, director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service district office, said at a private ceremony Tuesday.

Ms. Rajan, who cannot speak and has the comprehension of a 2-year-old, clutched a small American flag and her parents accepted a certificate on her behalf.

"Now, you are an Ameri-can," said her father, Sunder Rajan of Anaheim, a scientist and engineer.

The 25-year-old woman, who requires 24-hour care, was born in India but has lived in the United States since she was an infant. Her parents are naturalized citizens and her sister was born in Ohio.

"We have always treated her equally, believing she was entitled to the same things that we have," her father said. "But she wasn't treated the same by others. She didn't have the same rights we did." The family spent years pressing for a change in law so that she could become a citizen despite being unable to take the oath. Their plight gained national attention when they filed a discrimination lawsuit this year to try to force the INS to grant citizenship. "Few Americans have to fight so hard for their citizenship, and I thank the Rajan family for never losing hope," said Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., who sponsored the legislation. President Clinton earlier this month signed the law, which each year will give citizenship to about 1,000 immigrants with disabilities. Rajan's mother, Shakunthala, and her sister, Induh Rajan, 29, clutched her hands through Tuesday's ceremony. "If you push her over in bed, she gets back up. She will fight you. She will never cry. She has taught us that to fight," her mother said. "We fought for her because she taught us that." Asked if he believes people in the United States take citizenship for granted, the father said: "In my language ... we have a saying, Sometimes you have to stand in the sun to appreciate the shade."

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Tax holiday saves \$37 million

AUSTIN (AP) - Families saved an estimated \$37 million during Texas' second-annual sales tax holiday in August, the state comptroller's office said Tuesday.

The savings include \$29.2 million in state sales tax and \$7.8 million in local sale taxes. During the 1999 sales tax holiday, shoppers saved about \$32.6 million in taxes.

During the sales tax holiday, no state or local sales taxes are charged on most clothing and footwear priced at less than \$100. The August event is timed to give families a financial break during the back-to-school shopping period.

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander estimates shoppers purchased about \$467 million in tax-free clothes and shoes during the three-day shopping spree Aug. 4-6.

Rylander said she has asked her staff to study the impact of extending the sales tax holiday for more than three days and adding more items to the tax-exempt list.

I want to make the sales tax holiday as beneficial to Texas families as possible," Rylander said. "The tax burden on working families is too high and the state sales tax holiday provides Texans with some much-needed relief."

Judge spares thief

DALLAS (AP) - A judge has sentenced a thief of Elvis Presley memorabilia to four years' deferred probation and fined him \$350 after he pleaded guilty to stealing more than \$100.000

State District Judge Mark Nancarrow sentenced Kirk Sanders. 33, after he admitted to trying to help sell Presley's leather motorcycle jacket, which authorities say was stolen by Robert Louis Rodgers in February 1998 from a museum near Graceland in Memphis, Tenn.

Rodgers, the alleged mastermind of the theft, recruited Sanders to help sell the jacket in Dallas, court records say.

Elsewhere:

RARE SURGERY: A New York woman said she was happy to be alive after undergoing rare surgery last week in which her heart was removed from her body. Three tumors were cut out of the organ, and it was put back in her chest. Doctors who operated on Joanne Minnich said at a Houston news conference she is making excellent progress in her BELO-CUBAN LAWSUIT: Belo Corp. has sued recovery. ... Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban, alleging he reneged on a binding agreement to buy the company's minority stake in the team and the American Airlines Center.

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Abandoned baby released to foster care

newborn left in a water-filled toilet was released to foster care from a San Antonio hospital Tuesday.

The baby, called Christopher by authorities, weighed 4 pounds, 6 ounces. Authorities believe he was born about one month premature. Authorities with Child Protective Services say he'll stay in foster care until his tate is determined.

The baby's mother remains



New licenses -- Seven employees of Messer Construction recently participated in crane operation training and received certificates for the 40-hour classroom training and an additional 16 hours of crane seat-work before being certified by the Crane Inspection and Certification Bureau LLC of Lousiana. The training included safety, skills and operations of various cranes. Receiving certificates were (back row, from left): Daniel King, David Gregory, Gordon Ker, Vernon Clinkenbeard, Jason Messer. Front row, Loyd Jasper, and Ronald Kirby.

committed almost 700 people to the effort, the state Emergency Management Office said.

"We think Buffalo will get back to normal relatively quickly, but clearly today is going to be a day where people .. should try to stay home if they can," Pataki told CNN on Wednesday morning.

Perhaps the worst news Tuesday was that the snow may not end. Forecasters reported that, while the city should remain relatively clear, areas of parts of Buffalo and communities south of the city could get as much as 5 inches of new snow Wednesday.

The storm rolled in Monday morning and didn't stop until the wee hours of Tuesday. It stranded hundreds of people at their places of work

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A in Bexar County Jail in lieu of \$75,000 bond.

> Police said they are investigating the case and believe the mother may have ingested a toxic substance.

The infant was found by paramedics who rushed to an apartment complex last week after being told a woman was in labor. They said they suspected something was wrong when the 22-year-old woman refused to open her bathroom door.

be safe and a place to be cared for," Superintendent Marion Canedo said. "This shows what a great city this is and what wonderful, caring people we have here.'

Jay Pereira agreed. He spent the night in his Federal Express truck and was visited by people who offered him food, coffee and the use of their cellular phones.

"A lot of people turned out to be really decent folks," he said.

Prison inmates were enlisted to dig out fire hydrants. street corners and sidewalks. National Guardsmen used Humvees and other fourwheel-drive vehicles to deliver blankets, water and food.

The snowfall was Buffalo's third-highest total for any 24hour period, and it brought the amount so far this month to more than 40 inches.

"We hope this is a most thankful Thanksgiving because all of our children are safe and they're going to have a wonderful holiday with their families," Canedo said.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Nov. 21, 2000, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Incidents

 An assault was reported in the 400 block of Avenue J.

- A 28-year-old woman reported being assaulted in the 700 block of Union. No serious injuries were reported.

- An unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 900 block of Sioux.

Minor accidents were reported at Fourth and Sampson and North 25 Mile Avenue and 15th Street. No injuries. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Arrests

- A 19-year-old man was arrested and charged with criminal mischief.

- A 24-year-old man was arrested and charged with two counts of violation of probation.

Incidents

Child abuse was reported. A deadly weapon in a penal facility was reported.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS **Texas lottery**

Cash Five The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

11-20-22-23-28

Pick 3 The winning Pick 3 num-bers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

> The staff at the Hereford Brand wishes a safe and happy Thanksgiving to all it's readers.

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ESTYLES

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Special presentations were made Monday during the open house at the Hereford Planned Parenthood Clinic as part of the celebration of the clinic's 30th anniversary. Plaques were presented by Claudia Stravato (left), Planned Parenthood Chief Executive, to L'Allegra Study Club as a founding partner, accepted by current president Melissa Clarke; to Julia Wagner, in memory of her mother Margaret London, for her founding support; and to Dr. Gerald Payne as the founding medical director, accepted by his wife Karen Payne. The Hereford Clinic is one of the oldest in the Panhandle. On its first day of operation, there were 18 patients. The clinic now averages 1,000 patients a year.

CREATORS SYNDICATE

Ann Landers



This lovely prayer appeared in your column on Thanksgiv-

years ago. I Ann recite it every anders Thanksgiving

when I say grace at the table.

today. Of those to whom much is given, much is required. May we and our children remember this. Amen.

Dear Ann Landers: After four years together, my partner and I are calling it quits. The breakup has been friendly, but I wonder if his reasons are legitimate.

"Phil" has two male friends

AT THE CENTER Senior Citizens

MENUS

THURSDAY-Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday. FRIDAY-Closed for Thanks-

giving Holiday. MONDAY-Italian spaghetti, Italian green beans, tossed salad, peaches and cookies.

TUESDAY-Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, California blend vegetables, pickled beets and onion salad, Hawaiian

Blood center sets hours for holiday

In an effort to maintain an adequate blood supply during the holiday season, Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be open during regular hours on Friday and Saturday following Thanksgiving. Blood donation is traditionally down during the holidays due to busy, hectic schedules; however, the need for blood does not take a holiday.

The blood center will be open from 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at 1915 Coulter Dr., Amarillo. Donors will receive a free T-shirt during the holiday weekend.

For more information, contact Judy Neill, development and communications director, at 358-4563

Bippus Club projects are discussed

were on the way, and the The Bippus Extension Educadrive should have taken about 45 minutes. I cannot rememtion Club met for a joint meeting with the Ford and Wyche clubs to ber a dinner when they arhear a presentation by Beverly Harder of "Christmas Shared 2000. Following the program and refreshments, the Bippus Club held a business meeting with Kate Bradley, president, presiding.

dessert.

WEDNESDAY-Pork ribs, hash brown potatoes, baked beans, sliced onions, cherry pepper, pickles and tomato wedges, fruited cherry Jello.

ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday. FRIDAY-Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday.

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MONDAY- Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class noon-4 p.m.

TUESDAY-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., Beltone 10 a.m.noon, Golden K Kiwanis 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., ceramics noon-4 p.m.

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Please print it again for others to enjoy. - Ann in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Dear Scottsdale: With pleasure. Here it is:

Thanksgiving Prayer

We come to this table today, O Lord, humble and thankful and glad.

We thank Thee first for the great miracle of life, for the exaltation of being human, for the capacity to love.

We thank Thee for joys both great and simple -

For wonder, dreams and hope;

For the newness of each

day; For laughter and song and a merry heart;

For compassion waiting within to be kindled;

For the forbearance of friends and the smile of a stranger;

For the arching of the earth and trees and heavens and the fruit of all three;

For the wisdom of the old; For the courage of the

young; For the promise of the child; For the strength that comes

when needed; For this family united here

that he is quite close to. I've always gotten along fine with them, but Phil used to invite them to join us every time we went out. I told him it would be nice if just the two of us could have an evening alone occasionally

Phil said he is breaking off our relationship because I don't care for his friends the way he does. I have never kept Phil from seeing his friends, nor would I. It would not occur to me to force him to love my friends or even my family. I do not understand why his friends take precedence over his life with me.

Do you think Phil had an ulterior motive for breaking up with me, or do you think his friends put the kibosh on our relationship? - Dumbfounded in Minneapolis

Dear Dumbfounded: You went with Phil for four years and think perhaps his friends ruined the relationship? If that's the case, it must not have been very solid. I hope you will forget about Phil and develop another relationship one where the fellow does not visit the Creators Syndicate web put his pals ahead of you. You are better off without him.

Terry's Floral & Designs

rived on time.

I was taught that being late for dinner without a reasonable excuse was rude and an insult to the hostess. My mother-in-law says I should wait for him and reheat the food, even if it ruins the din ner. I say we should wait 15 minutes, and if he doesn't show up, start without him. What do YOU say? - Out of Sorts **Out West**

Dear Ann Landers: How

long should I wait for an in-

vited dinner guest to show

up? The last time I invited my

son and his family to dinner.

they arrived two hours late.

He even called before leaving

his house to let me know they

Dear Out of Sorts: I say, put the dinner on hold for 20 minutes at the most. When Mr. "Sorry I'm Late" arrives, stick his dinner in the microwave, and make no apologies.

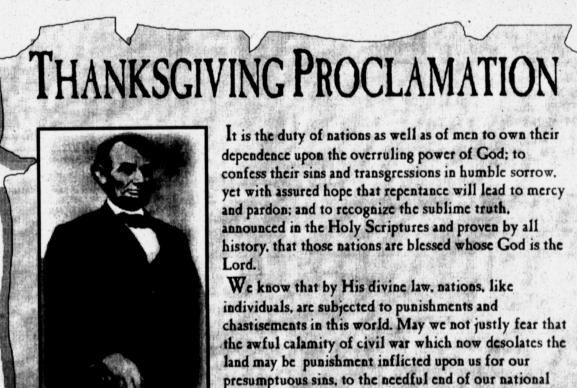
Planning a wedding? What's right? What's wrong? "The Ann Landers Guide for Brides" will relieve your anxiety. Send a self-addressed, long, businesssize envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and hundling) to: Brides, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.55.)

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A club project and a Christmas project were discussed. Members were encouraged to attend the next Council meeting.

Those attending were Sue Thweatt, Mariellen Homfeld, Alta Mae Higgins and Bradley.

Holiday Hours Mon.-Fri. 10:00a.m. - 5:30p.m. Sat. 10:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.



We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown.

reformation as a whole people?

But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States. and also who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens.

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Project Christmas Card displays, like the one being placed at the Hereford Brand by Melissa Clarke, were placed in numerous area businesses on Monday. The annual fund-raiser is sponsored by L'Allegra Study Club and the proceeds will be used to purchase two recovery beds for Hereford Regional Medical Center. Individuals are invited to contribute the amount they would spend on Christmas cards and names of all contributors will be printed in a full page Christmas greeting to the entire community in the Christmas Eve edition of the Hereford Brand.

LOOKING BACK

Today in History

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By The Associated Press Today is Wednesday, Nov. 22. the 327th day of 2000. There are 39 days left in the vear

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 22, 1963, President Kennedy was shot to death while riding in a motorcade in Dallas. Texas Gov. John B. Connally, in the same limousine as Kennedy, was seriously wounded. Lee Harvey Oswald, suspected of assassinating the president, was arrested.

Europe on the supersonic Concorde began on a trial ba-

In 1980, death claimed actress Mae West at her Hollywood residence at age 87 and former House Speaker John W. McCormack in Dedham, Mass., at age 88.

Ten years ago: President Bush. his wife, Barbara, and top congressional leaders shared Thanksgiving dinner with U.S. troops in Saudi Arabia. British Prime Minister. Margaret Thatcher, having failed to win re-election of the

Events center on trains, balls

LIFESTYLES

AMARILLO

The Amarillo Railroad Museum will hold its annual "Magic of Christmas Past" Train Show in Western Plaza again this year.

The show will be open Friday, Saturday and Sunday of Thanksgiving weekend from noon to 8 p.m. each day. In December, the trains will be available for viewing on Fridays from 5-8 p.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays from noon-8 p.m. The display will be open the entire week of Dec. 25-31 from noon-8 p.m.

The model train layout includes five scale miles of track, including a multitude of scenes, steam and diesel locomotives. and passenger and freight trains.

There will be a drawing for a 4'x8' HO-scale model railroad at 4 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

All proceeds benefit the Amarillo Railroad Museum, Inc., a



tion.

The Muscular Dystrophy Association is getting ready for its annual holiday bowling event on Dec. 9 from noon-4 p.m. at Western Bowl. This year's theme is "Beach Bowl 2000."

A sponsorship fee of \$75 is requested for each team member; teams are comprised of 4-5

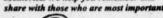
not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organiza- bowlers. The entry fee includes three games of bowling, lunch, drinks, T-shirt, beach ball, chances for door prizes and trophies.

All money raised from "Beach Bowl 2000" will be used to fund local services for more than 230 children and adults within the Great Amarillo Area.

For more information on forming a team, call Emily Kleine at 359-3141.



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On this date:

In 1718, English pirate Edward Teach - better known as "Blackbeard" - was killed during a battle off the Virginia coast

In 1890, French President Charles de Gaulle was born in Lille, France

In 1906, the "SOS" distress signal was adopted at the International Radio Telegraphic Convention in Berlin.

In 1928, "Bolero" by Maurice Ravel made its debut in Paris.

In 1943, President Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Chinese leader Chiang Kai-shek met in Cairo to discuss measures for defeating Japan.

In 1943, lyricist Lorenz Hart died in New York at age 48.

In 1965, the musical "Man of La Mancha" opened in New York.

In 1975, Juan Carlos was proclaimed King of Spain.

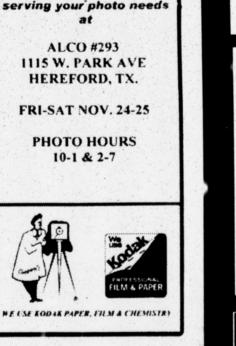
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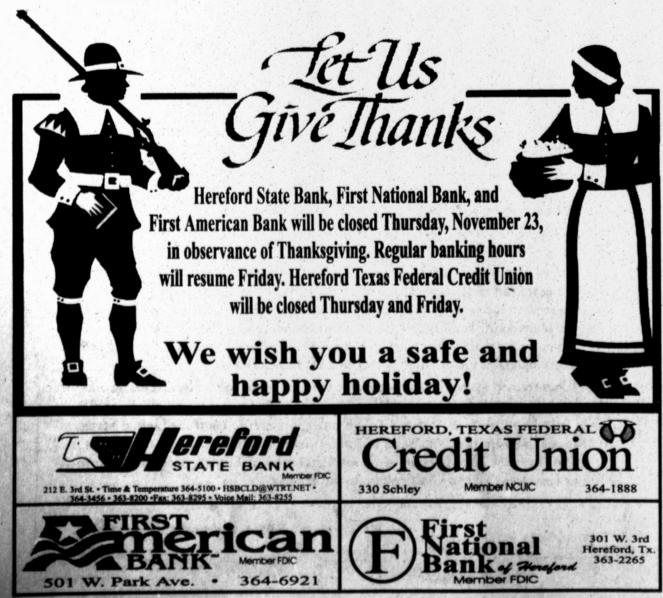
Conservative Party leadership on the first ballot, announced her resignation.

Five years ago: Acting swiftly to boost the Balkan peace accord, the U.N. Security Council suspended economic sanctions against Serbia and eased the arms embargo against the states of the former Yugoslavia. The Commerce Department . reported the U.S. trade deficit had narrowed to its lowest level in nine months.

One year ago: During a visit to the former communist country of Bulgaria, President Clinton promised tens of thousands of cheering Bulgarians in Sofia that "you too shall overcome" in their difficult struggle for democracy and prosperity.

Thought for Today: "In youth we feel richer for every new illusion; in maturer years, for every one we lose." Anne Sophie Swetchine, Russian-French author (1782-1857).







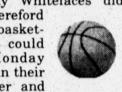
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BREAKAWAY!



Ladies dispose of LHS, 66-38

Lady Whitefaces move to 2-1 after winning



tremely pleased with how the combination of Mercer and Griffin performed against Lubbock High while sharing time at the one position. He said play can catch a team off

pushing the ball up the court

helped by the Lady Westerners' poor showing. Lubbock connected on only one of nine shots during the period, which





SPORTS

College hoops take hold of US universities G

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LOS ANGELES (AP) - Cal State Northridge let the basketball world in on its secret.

Jeff Parris scored a careerhigh 27 points and confident Northridge confused UCLA with a variety of defenses to pull off a 78-74 upset Tuesday night.

Northridge coach Bobby Braswell and his players were the only ones who believed they could beat No. 15 UCLA. The Bruins walked off the court stunned.

"We knew we were going to win this the whole time," said center Brian Heinle, who had 13 points and six of Northridge's 19 turnovers. "When you say LA, you think of UCLA. This will put us more on a national level."

In other games involving Top 25 teams, No. 9 Tennessee defeated Wisconsin 66-56, No. 10 Seton Hall edged Clemson 79-78, No. 16 Cincinnati outlasted Marshall 79-75, No. 20 USC beat San Diego 78-67 and No. 22 Kentucky routed Jacksonville St.91-48.

In games involving Top 25 teams at the Maui Invitational, No. 1 Arizona beat Dayton 76-59 and No. 8 Illinois defeated No. 6 Maryland 90-80 in semifinal games. In the consolation round, No. 12 Connecticut beat Chaminade 77-61.

On Tuesday, Northridge re-

previous game against UCLA to overcome any nervousness.

We played UCLA two years ago. This time we had no fear, no intimidation," said Parris, one of three seniors in Northridge's veteran starting lineup. "We looked at UCLA as another Pac-10 team. The coach reminded us that UCLA is a very young team."

The Matadors used a 19-9 run over the end of the first half and start of the second

to erase most of

a 13-point defi-

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UCLA 21-5, in-



cluding 13 unanswered points, for a 59-48 lead with 7:35 remaining.

UCLA (1-2) self-destructed with poor shooting down the stretch, while the Matadors (2-0) calmly put together a run when their double-digit lead shrank to two with 3:28 remaining.

Parris steadied the Matadors with a wide-open basket, then Markus Carr hit a 3-pointer to stretch their lead to 67-60 with 2:27 left. UCLA never got that close the rest of the game.

"This is a big win. We kicked off a Pac-10 team," lied on its experience from a Parris said. "We want to open

some eyes." No. 1 Arizona 76, Dayton 59

In Lahaina, Hawaii, Arizona advanced to the championship game of the Maui Invitational for the third time in as many appearances.

The Wildcats (2-0) will face No. 8 Illinois. Arizona lost the other title games, to Kentucky in 1993 and Duke in 1997.

The Wildcats played their second game

without season America center Loren Woods, who was suspended for six games for undisclosed NCAA

rules violations.

Michael Wright, who set a tournament record with 19 rebounds in the opening round, had 18 points and 13 rebounds, while Gilbert Arenas also had 18 points. Both scored 14 points in the second half as Arizona pulled away from a 37-28 halftime lead.

Tony Stanley led Dayton (1-1) with 13 points. No. 8 Illinois 90, No. 6 **Maryland 80**

Marcus Griffin had all but two of his 19 points in the second half and Illinois' front line dominated in the semifinal round game of the Maui

Invitational in Lahaina, Hawaii.

Illinois advanced to Wednesday's championship game against the No. 1 Arizona, a 76-59 winner over Davton.

Sophomore guard Frank Williams added 21 points for Illinois (3-0), which prevailed in the season's first matchup between Top 10 teams.

Lonny Baxter had 17 points for Maryland (1-1).

No. 9 Tennessee 66, No. 18 Wisconsin 56

Tony Harris hit six 3-pointers and scored 22 points as Tennessee improved to 3-0 with its 31st straight nonconference home victory. Andy Kowske had 21 points

for Wisconsin, which opened the season against a Top 10team for the first time since coach Dick Bennett's first game in 1995.

No. 10 Seton Hall 79, **Clemson** 78

In Clemson, S.C., Andre Barrett made a free throw with 5.2 seconds left and fellow freshman Eddie Griffin blocked Clemson's final shot. Darius Lane, Seton Hall's only senior starter, led the Pirates (2-0) with 29 points and made a career-best seven 3-pointers. Griffin had 22 points and 13 rebounds, and Barrett had 12 points.

Will Solomon led Clemson (1-1) with 31 points.

No. 12 Connecticut 77, **Chaminade 61**

Johnnie Selvie had 18 points and nine rebounds as Connecticut rebounded from its first-round loss in the Maui Invitational.

The Huskies (2-1) will play Louisville game for fifth place on Wednesday. Louisville beat UNLV 86-85 in overtime.

Albert Mouring scored 20 points for Connecticut, which lost to Dayton 80-66 in the first round and played its final game without starters Caron Butler and Souleymane Wane. Both were suspended for three games for NCAA violations and will return

Wednesday. Robert Watson had 20 points for Chaminade (0-2). No. 16 Cincinnati 79, Marshall 75

Leonard Stokes hit four free throws in the final 31 seconds and forced Tamar Slay into a decisive turnover for the host Bearcats.

Donald Little led Cincinnati (2-0) with 18 points and Stokes added 15 as the Bearcats overcame an offnight by point guard Kenny Satterfield, who was only 4for-18 for 12 points.

Slay scored 28 points - 20 in the first half. No. 20 USC 78, San Diego

67 Sam Clancy scored 22

points to lead host Southern

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will be OK down the road,"

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Shallowater at 6 p.m. on

Thanksgiving Day. A victory

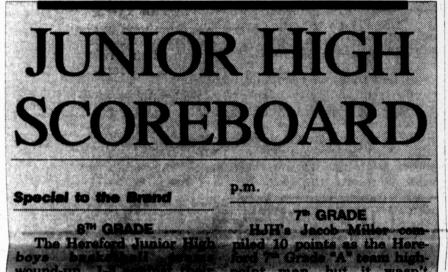
will send them into a match

up with the winner of the

Plainview-Vega contest.

The Lady Herd will step

Harrison.



Opener

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allowed the Lady Herd to to put people so they can be jump out and never look back. "It felt really good going from losing by almost 40 to

winning by 30," junior post Becky Bailey said. "It helps to get the first home game over with." Bailey also said she thinks

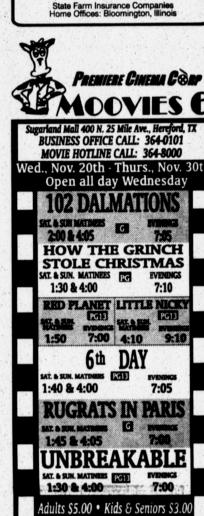
the team has already begun to gel while the team's attiis unheat

successful," Harrison said. "I think we are getting better and better."

One area Harrison wants his team to concentrate on is defense. The Lady Herd only allowed 38 points Tuesday night, but he said he feels his team could use some speed.

"Our footwork is not where needs to be just vet, but

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California (2-0) to the comeback victory.

David Bluthenthal, who set a Pac-10 record for consecutive free throws, scored eight of his 10 points during a 14-0 run with just under eight minutes remaining.

Bluthenthal made his first four free throws to stretch his conference-record total to 41 straight. The old mark of 40 was shared by Oregon's John Grieg (1981-82) and Stanford's Todd Lichti (1989). Bluthenthal's streak ended at 41 when he missed his next attempt.

Andre Laws scored 16 points for San Diego (1-1).

The ONE to see:

wound-up 1-5 against their Canyon opponents in season openers earlier this week. The HJH 8th grade "A" team endured a 65-36 loss to Canyon, falling behind 15-3 early and never really catching its breath. Ryan Bullard led Hereford scor-ers with nine points, while John Griffen netted seven, Beau Harmon six and Chris Kerr claimed four points. Kurt Metcalf hammered in nine total points to lead the Herd "B" team in nar-row 28-23 loss to Canyon.

row 28-23 loss to Canyon. The squad claimed an 8-6 lead in the first quarter, but was outscored 22-15 in the final three stanzas.

Both teams will meet Valleyview here Thursday, Nov. 30. The "B" team game is set for 5:45 p.m. and the "A" team will follow at 6:45

point man, but it wasn't nearly enough as Canyon rolled to a 40-20 victory. Hereford cagers Josh Lucio and Dewayne Hinderman each took four points in the contest to fol-low in the Whiteface scor-

ing. In the "B' team game, Roger Rocha lead the White-faces to a 37-22 win over Canyon after he tallied 15

points. Fellow cagers Blake Yosten, Jesus Salazar and Cody Matsler helped in the winning effort with six points apiece. Eric Cervantes added four, and Russell Eicke and Russell Artho each netted two in the performance. Both 7th grade teams will pair off against Westover in their next scheduled out-ings.

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"We have a ways to go still, but it (the team's attitude) is pretty good for right now," Bailey said.

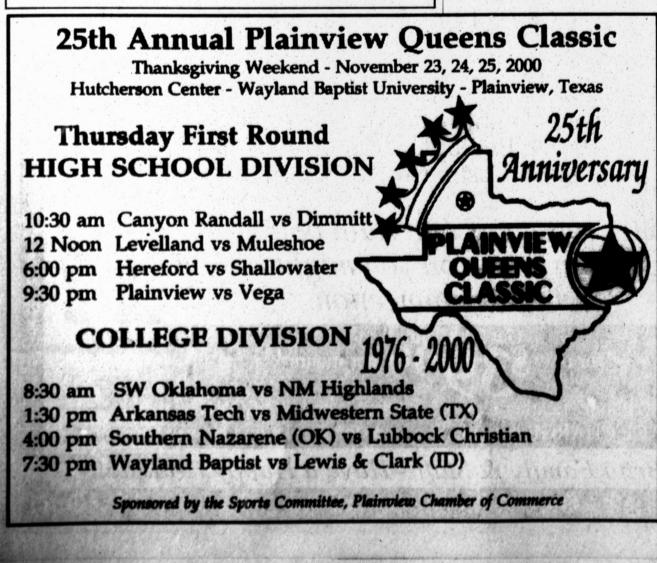
Harrison said the win gives the girls a much-needed confidence boost after Friday's loss, a lift they need heading into Thursday's

Plainview Queens Classic, where they will meet up with Shallowater and the state's top-ranked squad, the

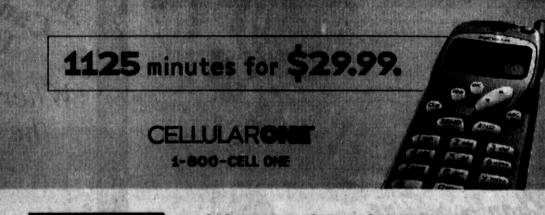
Plainview Lady Bulldogs. "It was good for our self-confidence," Harrison said. "You hope you get better and better with each game, and I think we took a step in the right direction tonight."

The season is still new for the Lady Herd, which improved to 2-1. Harrison said the team is experimenting with different lineups to see what works before going into district competition.

"Right now we're experimenting to see where we need



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Florida

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Election Day totals and a recount conducted in the first few days after Nov. 7.

Protesters yelled for police to arrest a Democratic attorney, Joe Geller, accusing him of walking out of the tabulation room with a ballot in his back pocket.

More than a dozen police officers surrounded Geller and led him inside the building to safety. He said later he had a "training ballot" used to show people how to count votes.

"It is clearly marked 'training ballot.' I wouldn't have taken something from elections officials that I wasn't supposed to have in front of a room full of screaming Republicans," he said.

The chaotic situation in Miami stood in contrast to Palm Beach County, where local elections officials went to court to seek a ruling on whether

to count ballots that were dimpled - but not punched through - by voters on Election Day.

"We would follow whatever your honor says, but we're trying to be at least consistent in how we're reviewing this," said **George W.** Bush's Charles Burton, chair- representative,

The state Supreme court's decision.

Court ruling was a pivotal event in the postelection campaign, buoying the Gore team and infuriating the Bush

campaign. Montana Gov. Marc Racicot,

speaking for Bush, said Wednesday that Republicans were exploring a number of "extraordinary possibilities" in response to the court ruling mandating that hand recounts be added to the state's vote totals as long they are finished by 5 p.m. Sunday.

These possibilities could include having the Republicanled Florida Legislature "engaged in the Electoral College process," he said on CBS' "The



Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore (left), joined by running mate Joseph Lieberman, speaks to reporters after the Florida Supreme Court's ruling.

Early Show," although he stressed he had no information that such a course might be taken.

"I don't know whether Governor Bush or I will prevail," Gore said late Tuesday night, shortly after the court ruled. We do know that our democracy is the winner tonight."

A short while later, in a statement of barely concealed rage, man of the county can-vassing board. James Baker, was state James Baker, enraged by the representing Bush, representing Bush,

said the court "has changed the rules and has invented a new system for counting the election results." Baker kept open the possi-

bility of an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court, but also suggested the GOP-controlled Legislature might intervene.

Baker did not say so, but federal law permits the Legislature to appoint electors the men and women who actually cast the ballots that select the president.

The court hearing opened in Palm Beach County on one possibly crucial question whether ballots set aside in the county because they were

merely dimpled, instead of perforated, by the voting machine, could be counted.

Democrats are pushing to have them counted.

A senior Bush adviser, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Republicans were likely to sue to reinstate rejected absentee ballots from members of the armed forces overseas. They were rejected after Democrats protested last week about lack of postmarks, but the Gore camp has since expressed a willingness to reconsider.

By midmorning Wednesday, the situation looked like this in the three counties:

 In Broward County, with all 609 precincts recounted, plus more than 26,400 absentee ballots, Gore had gained 78 votes.

· In Palm Beach County, with 103 of 531 precincts re-counted, Gore had gained three votes.

 In Miami-Dade County with 135 of 614 precincts recounted, Gore gained 157.

In its 43-page ruling, the court rejected Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris' insistence the law prevented her from accepting amended returns after Nov. 14.

CHENEY

3 Texas voters seek to block election of Bush, claim running mate is Texan

Texas voters have sued to block Gov. George W. Bush's election as president by challenging running mate Dick Cheney's status as a Wyoming resident. The lawsuit was filed hours after a similar lawsuit was dismissed in Florida.

The suit filed in federal court Monday claims Cheney is a resident of Texas and that he and Bush, therefore, shouldn't be awarded the state's 32 electoral votes. The lawsuit cites the 12th Amendment, which prohibits the president and vice president from living in the same state.

"Someone cannot be a resident of two states simultaneously," said Bill Berenson, the Fort Worth attorney representing three Dallas County residents who are suing Bush and Cheney. "If Mr. Cheney wanted to run for political office in Wyoming he would be prohibited from doing so. Some of Wyoming's statutes state that."

The 12th Amendment dictates how electors cast their ballots for president and vice

DALLAS (AP) - Three president. Electors cast separate ballots for president and vice president, "one of whom, at least, should not be an inhabitant of the same state with themselves."

Cheney lived in Dallas while he was chairman of Halliburton Co. until he changed his voting registration to Teton County, Wyo., on July 21. He or his wife has owned a home in Dallas since 1993. Cheney also has a home in McLean, Va. He was a congressman for Wyoming from 1978-89 before becoming defense secretary under President George Bush from 1989-93.

Last week, Cheney put his Highland Park home on the market for \$3.1 million, Berenson said.

"He had always intended to put his home on the market after the election," said Cheney's press secretary Juleanna Glover Weiss.

Cheney and his wife have concluded their residence in Texas, Weiss said. They have re-established their home in Wyoming, where they have

had a house for the last 25 years, she said.

"Assertions otherwise are just nonsense," she said. "The lawsuits that have been filed are frivolous and clearly one already has been dismissed out of hand."

A lawsuit filed last week in Florida that made similar claims about Cheney was dismissed on Monday. Berenson said the Dallas County lawsuit was filed because the merit of the basic claim must be sought by residents in the county where Cheney resides.

The suit claims that Cheney holds a Texas driver's license listing his work address and that, on Feb. 22, he changed his personal records at the Texas Department of Public Safety to reflect that.

The DPS was contacted by Wyoming officials notifying them that Cheney had a Wyoming driver's license. Texas law prohibits having a driver's license in two states, so Cheney's license in Texas is no longer active, DPS spokesman Tom Vinger said.

Graham's son heads ministry

The son of the Rev. Billy Graham has replaced his father as chief executive officer of the ministry empire the evangelist founded 50 years ago.

"I'm not retiring," Billy Graham said. "But now I want to turn over the administrative and management burden of running the organization to my son.

The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association last week tapped Franklin Graham, 48.

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ASHEVILLE, N.C. (AP) - His father, who founded the BGEA in 1950, will remain chairman of the board.

The elder Graham, who turned 82 earlier this month and lives near Asheville, has had health problems for several years. He has Parkinson's disease and spent three months earlier this year at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. While hospitalized, his son stood in for him at an international conference in Amsterdam that the elder Gra-

ham had organized.

Franklin Graham will conpinue to serve as first vice chairman of the board. It was announced in 1995 that he would be his father's successor.

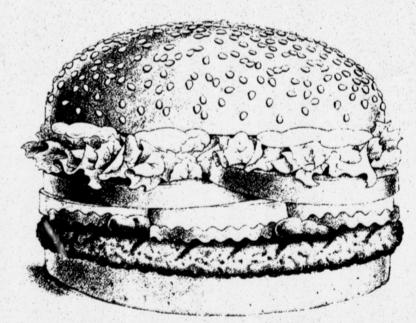
"I'm doing this for my father, because I love him," Franklin Graham said Tuesday. ""He just wants to be, I think, free from the burden of a lot of this responsibility." On the Net: http://

www.billygraham.org/home



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Train, bus firms give alternatives

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News digest

NEW YORK - Train and bus companies say that more people are letting them do the holiday driving, thanks in part to higher gas prices and soaring airline tickets. Amtrak is adding 65,000 additional seats nationwide to keep up with the 580,000 passengers expected to travel by train this week, while Greyhound Lines Inc. is expected to carry close to a million this year. Greyhound's already bused in 60 extra drivers from across the country to help out in the Northeast. In Washington alone, they expected to add more than 100 extra buses today.

China vows not to aid foreign missile programs

BEIJING - China has promised not to sell missiles or components to countries developing nuclear weapons, easing tensions with Washington over long-suspected Chinese assistance to Pakistan, Iran and North Korea. A statement, released by the Chinese Foreign Ministry, was China's most explicit pledge to date on refraining from spreading missile technology. China also has lifted some of the secrecy shrouding its am-bitions in space. On Wednesday, it released a policy paper that calls for boosting commercial launch services with more powerful rockets - and putting a man in orbit by the decade's end.

Israel takes a one-two diplomatic punch

JERUSALEM - Egypt and Jordan delivered a one-two

diplomatic punch to Israel, leaving the Jewish state without Arab ambassadors as a protest against its punishing rocket attack on the Gaza Strip. The violence continues. Four Palestinians were reported killed by Israeli troops near a Jewish settlement Wednesday in southern Gaza. The circumstances were unclear.

Opposition victory in Peru turns tables on Fujimori

LIMA, Peru- The last time Peru had an opposition-led Congress, President Alberto Fujimori locked the doors, posted tanks out front and put rifle-toting soldiers in the halls to keep lawmakers from returning. That was in 1992, in a coup of Fujimori's own making. Eight years later, Fujimori's congressional foes turned the tables, declaring him morally unfit for office rather than accept a resignation he had sent from Japan. It was raw democracy at work as more than 12 hours of congressional debate culminated late Tuesday with an opposition victory - something seldom seen during Fujimori's hardline rule. Bosnia vote split between

nationalists, moderates

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - Hard-line nationalists won a sizable bloc of support among Bosnia's Serbs and Croats in Bosnia's election this month, according to final results released Tuesday. In the complex Nov. 11 balloting, voters in Bosnia's two ministates — the Bosnian Serb Republic and the Muslim-Croat Federation elected members of a federal parliament. Votes in the Muslim-Croat Federation also chose regional officials and a federation parliament. Bosnian Serbs voted for a president and vice president of their state and members of their own local parliament.



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Explaining Red Cross — The Tri County Chapter of the American Red Cross sponsored a booth Tuesday at the Rural Adult Health Promotion & Prevention Fair, which was held at the Hereford Community Center. Part of their duties was to explain how the Red Cross helps in an emergency, emergency first aid and some of the classes offered. Sally Walker (left), who has worked as a volunteer for a number of years, was on hand to assist as new executive director Cynthia Welty explain the courses to a Helen Caraway.

FWS says environmentalists' lawsuits keep species off list

WASHINGTON (AP) - Endangered species lawsuits.from environmentalists are keeping the Fish and Wildlife Service from adding any more wildlife to the endangered species list, the agency says.

Employees last week were told to stop working on studies about adding species to the endangered and threatened list and focus instead on completing court-ordered work on labeling habitat for species already on the list, Fish and Wildlife spokesman Hugh Vickery said.

The decision means that about 25 species being considered for the endangered list will have to wait past the end

of this fiscal year on Sept. 30, has filed several lawsuits to 2001, Vickery said. The agency force the service to designate will make exceptions for spe- critical habitat. cies in imminent danger of becoming extinct.

"We just don't have the staff endangered species work duror the funding necessary to do ing fiscal 2001, up from about anything that isn't ordered by \$6.2 million last year but less a court," Vickery said Tuesday. He said the agency expects to dent Clinton requested. The decide on 57 critical habitat areas for about 300 species this year.

Environmentalists are crying foul.

"Fish and Wildlife is playing serious politics, and the loser is America's endangered wildlife," said David Hogan of the Center for Biological Diversity. The Tucson, Ariz.-based group

Congress approved almost \$6.4 million for the agency's than the \$7.2 million Presiagency had expected to add about 30 species this year.

The federal Endangered Species Act gives the Fish and Wildlife Service the responsibility of determining which creatures should be protected and outlining for other agencies what is necessary to protect the listed species from extinction.

ECONOMY

Jobless claims rise, indication tight labor market is cooling off

WASHINGTON (AP) -New claims for state unemployment benefits rose last week, leaving claims at a level indicating that the red-hot labor market may be cooling a bit.

The number of Americans filing new claims for jobless benefits increased by 7,000 to a seasonally adjusted 336,000 for the week ending Nov. 18, the Labor Department said Wednesday. That was the highest level since the beginning of the month.

On Wall Street, stocks opened lower as investors were mired in uncertainty about corporate earnings and the slowing economy. The deadlock in the presidential election only added to the market's own stalemate. The Dow Jones Industrial average lost about 50 points in morning trading.

Even with the increase, the nation's labor market remains tight, meaning businesses are struggling to find qualified workers to fill openings.

The more stable four-week moving average of jobless claims, which smoothes out week-to-week volatility, rose to 330,500, the highest point since Jan. 16, 1999, when claims were at 342,000.

While a tight labor market is good for workers, economists are always watchful for signs that the tight labor market will trigger wage and price inflation.

They worry that wages and benefits could rise too sharply as employers struggle to recruit and retain workers. That has not happened vet.

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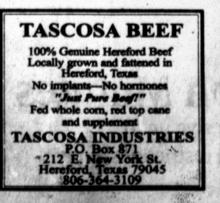
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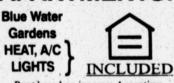
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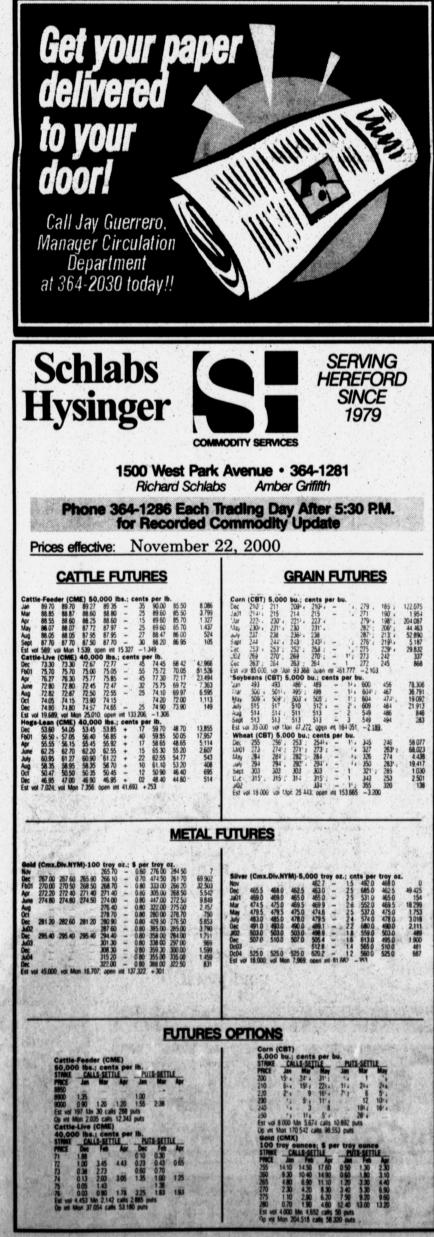
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Political science professor gives perspective on continuing drama of 2000 presidential vote

ANALYZING THE ELECTION

What does a poli-sci prof think about this historic presidential election?

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In part, I'm thankful. This has become a form of job security for political science professors; this is our "O.J. trial." We can walk into a classroom with no prepared lecture and easily fill 50 minutes merely fielding questions from eager, passionately interested students.

But it also poses problems. For instance, in trying to organize my observations into an article, I've faced three daunting problems:

- Where do I start?
- Where do I stop?

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When do I begin writing? 3.

On the third question, I'm writing on Monday morning, as late as possible — and things will yet again change before this is published.

With that, I'm offering up the following observations:

It's extraordinarily ironic that this election may be ultimately decided by the courts. The hard right and left both know that this election is about the courts, particularly the U.S. Supreme Court. The winner of this election will swing the balance of the entire federal court system in either a liberal or conservative direction, impacting everything from Boy Scouts to partial-birth abortions to gay marriages to school prayer. The courts are the battlefield of the culture war. The court issue is the giant elephant sitting in the living room that each side is staring at, but is keeping quiet about. How ironic that the court system may turn out to be the most important player in deciding this election.

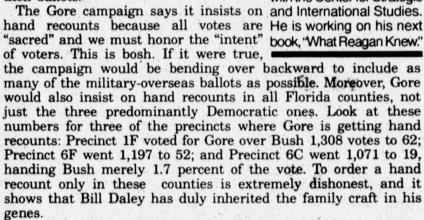
Speaking of the U.S. Supreme Court, if Bush prevails and becomes president, all of the efforts of the left to find a clever way to win this for Gore over the last couple of weeks will explode when Bush makes his first nominee to the court, particularly if that appointee is a strict constructionist rumored to be pro-life. This poor sap will be portrayed as a gargoyle - a hatefull vicious Neanderthal of a human being. This person will be "Borked" in a way even Robert Bork or Clarence Thomas thought impossible.

Another astonishing irony: Campaign rhetoric aside, Gov. Bush does in fact have a deep reputation among Democrats (and all) in his state as a "unifer." How fitting that, if Bush wins this contest, the country will need a president for whom unification is possibly his most redeeming quality. Bush will get the ultimate test if he assumes the presidency. His first question in his first press conference will be: "Mr. Bush, do you feel guilty for winning a presidential election that some are calling "illegitimate?" His response ought to be that he feels no less legitimate than a President Gore would, or than John F. Kennedy, who may have stolen the 1960 presidency, and yet was canonized by an adoring media. But instead he'll stress that now is the time to "unify the country."

A terrible argument is this: The mess in Florida illustrates that the Electoral College is a joke, and ought to be abolished. This argument was made by Christopher Hitchens, among others. This is a bad argument.

Imagine a system that instead awarded victory to a president strictly on the basis of the popular vote, with no Electoral College. Like Florida, imagine that such a system requires a recount if there's only a 0.5 percent difference in votes between the two candidates- as is the case in this election and the 1960 election. Or, even without such a requirement, imagine that an Al Gore loses the popular vote by only 2,000 or 20,000 or whatever, and demands a recount. This would mean a repeat of the Florida mess throughout the nation - Florida times 50. Paradoxically, the Florida mess demonstrates a heretofore largely unconsidered strength of the Electoral College system. Hillary Rodham Clinton, the newest senator from New York, says she will now support legislation to abolish the Electoral system. I suggest this cautionary point: Our founding fathers had infinitely more wisdom and were much more deliberative than teday's politicians and media elite. We ought to be careful before we change their system. The media bias toward Gore during the recount is unmistakable. The bias will never be as bad as it was in favoring JFK in 1960 — an insurmountable standard — but it's still awful. The bias is evident in what the media ignores or chooses to emphasize. The latest example is the quick death of the fact that some 1,400 (nearly 40 percent) of the overseas-absentee ballots have been discarded in Florida. Even the Clinton Defense Department protested. These ballots, mainly from military personnel, were likely 2 to 1 in favor of Bush, as indicated by the 2,200 that were accepted. The Bush campaign, via the governor of Montana, employed the most incendiary rhetoric possible - asserting that the Gore campaign, in supporting the rejection of these ballots, had

declared "war" on the armed forces - in order to make this issue. That was Saturday afternoon. As of Sunday, it was largely a dead story. At the least, it received nowhere near the focus of the West Palm Beach episode, where a small percentage of Gore voters improperly voted for Pat Buchanan. Why not? Dis- Paul Kengor, an associate carding those overseas-military ballots professor of political was far more unfair than anything that science at Grove City happened in West Palm Beach. In West College in Pennsylvania. Palm Beach, a few voters voted improp- Kengor, a graduate of the erly on ballots that are not at all confus- University of Pittsburgh and ing. They could have asked for help and American University, is the even submitted new corrected ballots - author of "Wreath Layer or many did. The military ballots, however, Policy Player: The Vice were rejected out of no fault whatso- President's Role in Foreign ever by those troops who properly cast Policy." He has does work their ballots.



For this reason, Bush would be a fool — a dummy — to accept a final vote tally that gave Florida to Gore because (if) Gore picked up enough votes from those three Democratic counties. It is unfair and partisan for Gore supporters to assert that Bush is unfair and partisan because he is rejecting hand recounts in these three Democratic counties.

Two other strikes against the media. First, where was the press' usual skepticism when the first recount went entirely in Gore's favor?

Statistically, this is mathematically impossible, as shown by the calculations of a UNLV professor, whose numbers were publicized only by the Las Vegas Sun and Rush Limbaugh. Second, because of honest but stupid mistakes, the media killed Bush by declaring Gore the winner in Florida and Michigan too early. (Lucky for the press, Michigan did go Gore's way.)

This, along with Gore's win in Pennsylvania, sent home Bush supporters in the Florida panhandle, New Mexico, Wisconsin, and California. Pollster John Zogby, who polls for MSNBC/Reuters, had California dead even on Tuesday morning, and yet Gore took it overwhelmingly. What explains the difference?

Possibly the early declaration for Gore in Michigan and Florida. On the overall popular vote, here are some interesting exit-poll numbers on cultural and religious issues. Unusually for a Democrat, Gore barely won among Catholics, 50 to 47 percent. He lost among white Catholics, 52 to 45. Bush won among white Protestants 63 to 34 percent. For those who attend church "more than weekly," Bush won 63 to 36 percent. Gore swept the atheist vote, including those who attend church "never," winning 61 to 32 percent. Those identifying themselves as members of the "white religious right" went for Bush 80 to 18 percent. Those who said abortion "should always be legal" voted for Gore 70 to 25 percent, whereas those who said it should always be illegal went Bush 74 to 23 percent.

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Those who considered honesty and trustworthiness as most important voted for Bush 80 to 15 percent. Contrary to the never-dying myth created by Democrats and the press, the "Upper Class," voted for the Democrat, favoring Gore over-whelmingly 56 to 39 percent.

The biggest story in this election, once Florida subsides, is that every single polling group in the country was wrong in saying Bush would win the popular vote, by anywhere from 3 percent to 9 percent. Only Zogby properly called it for Gore. I assure that aside from George Bush and his campaign manager, Karl Rove, the person most surprised by the inaccuracy of the polls was Al Gore — a desperate, almost sad figure in the waning hours of the campaign.

With that in mind, Gore ought to be happy that he did as well as he did, and got a recount in Florida. He should throw in the towel before he ruins his chances in 2004. Then again, he'll only ruin his chances if Democrats and his own supporters hold him accountable.

Washington voters also wait on results

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) -- While an agonizingly slow tally stretches out in Florida, voters across the continent in Washington are waiting to find out who won the nation's last undecided Senate race.

The battle between Democrat Maria Cantwell and Republican incumbent Slade Gorton for the Washington Senate seat appears headed toward an automatic recount.

On Tuesday, two weeks after the election, Cantwell took her first lead on the strength of returns from King County, which includes heavily Democratic Seattle. With more than 2.4 million

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votes counted, the 42-year-old dot-com millionaire led the threeterm incumbent by 1,780 votes.

"Obviously we're feeling better, as good as possible under the circumstances after waiting for two weeks," Cantwell spokesman Ellis Conklin said. "It has been a long ordeal, pacing and numbercrunching and going through this seesaw, roller-coaster." About 9,700 ballots remained to be counted Wednesday, the

deadline for the state's 39 counties to complete their counts and certify the results. Secretary of State Ralph Munro indicated he would order a machine recount next Monday, as required whenever a margin is less than 0.5 percent.

"We have another day of waiting. As much as we're tired of waiting, that's what we have to do," Gorton spokeswoman Cynthia Bergman said.

A victory by Gorton would preserve the Republican majority in the Senate, regardless of the outcome of the presidential election and the political fate of Sen. Joseph Lieberman, the Democratic vice presidential candidate.

A new term for Gorton would assure Republicans of 51 votes in the new Senate, while Democrats have 49.

A Cantwell win would create an unusual 50-50 tie in the Senate between the two parties, pending the outcome of the presidential election. If Lieberman becomes vice president, Connecticut Gov. John Rowland would appoint a Republican to fill the vacated seat, leaving the GOP with a narrow 51-49 majority.

If Texas Gov. George W. Bush wins the White House and Dick Cheney becomes vice president, Republicans would still maintain nominal control of the Senate. But a protracted negotiation would likely ensue before the two parties came to terms on the allocation of committee seats as well as staff funding.

Gorton, the patrician 72-year-old incumbent, has endured defeat and narrow victories in a political career that has spanned more than 40 years. His latest opponent was born the same year he won his first legislative race, 1958.

Cantwell, who lost a U.S. House re-election bid in 1994, used \$10 million of her high-tech wealth to fund her campaign.

The latest tally was 1,191,644 votes for Cantwell and 1,189,864 for Gorton with 99 percent of the vote counted.

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WASHINGTON (AP) -Republican vice presidential candidate Dick Cheney was hospitalized Wednesday morning with chest pains and was undergoing tests, the Bush campaign said.

Cheney, 59, suffered three heart attacks more than a decade ago. Doctors had given him a clean bill of health when he became George W. Bush's running mate.

"My understanding is that Secretary Cheney had some chest pains early this morning, and as a precaution, he went to George Washington Hospital where he is undergoing tests," spokeswoman Karen Hughes said.

She said she was notified at 6:08 a.m. that Cheney had been admitted. When Bush selected Cheney as his running mate,

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pains in addition to the chest pains. She said EKG tests showed no abnormal-

Cheney had three heart attacks and quadruple cardiac bypass surgery before turning 50, but recently said he now leads an "extraordinarily vigorous lifestyle." Cheney says he quit smoking, exercises regularly and takes medicine to lower his cholesterol

Dr. Jonathan S. Reiner, a George Washington University cardiologist, said earlier in the presidential campaign that cardiac stress tests "have been stable and unchanged

for the past several years." Cheney had a cold in the

CHENEY'S HEALTH HISTORY

The Associated Press

Republican vice presidential nominee Dick Cheney, 59, had mild heart attacks in 1978, 1984 and 1988. In August of 1988, Cheney underwent a quadruple cardiac bypass because of arterial blockages.

Since then, Cheney has quit smoking, regularly exercises for 30 minutes on a treadmill and through such activities as hunting. Cheney takes medication to lower his cholesterol.

Cheney also has a small spot of skin cancer removed from his face and surgery on his right knee to repair an old football injury, as well as episodes of gout in his foot.

Dr. Gary Malakoff, director of internal medicine at George Washington University Hospital and Cheney's personal doctor since 1995, said in a letter earlier this year the candidate is in "excellent health."

Cheney himself reinforced that message earlier this year.

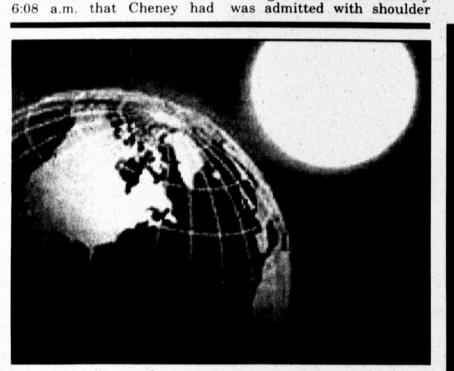
"I'd remind my friends out there that, after I underwent the bypass surgery, I then took on the assignment of secretary of defense, supervised the Gulf War. I can't think of a more stressful situation than that," he said.

final weeks before the election but otherwise was in good health throughout a strenuous fall campaign. Reporters covering him repeatedly inquired about his health be-

cause of persistent Internet rumors that Cheney had been hospitalized for health ailments. Cheney would laugh off the rumors and said he was in good health.

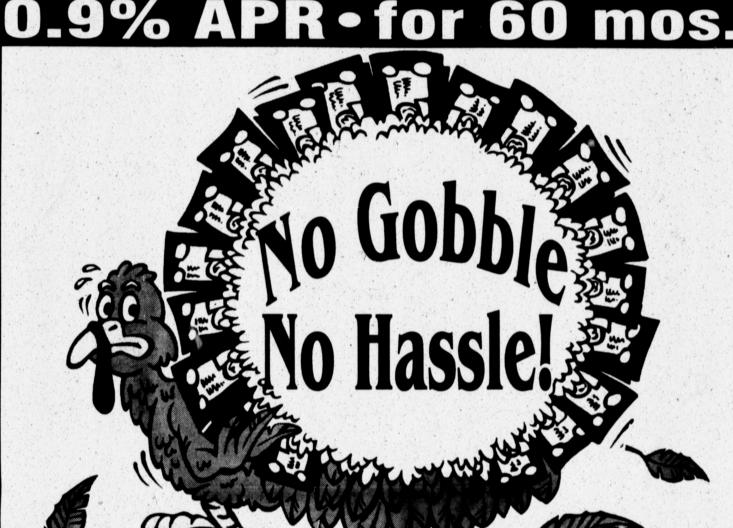
cal records, but the Cheney staff always declined.





GLOBAL WARMING Negotiators struggle for accord on rules for heat-trapping gases

THE HAGUE, Netherlands gases, primarily carbon diox-(AP) - With the clock ticking ide from fossil fuels, by a down on a major global warm- total of 5.2 percent from 1990



ing conference, negotiators worked through the night to try and reach an elusive compromise on the rules governing heat-trapping gases.

The weeklong conference ends Friday, and the sheer volume of disagreement was daunting.

Delegates said just one section of a draft agreement, the part dealing with aid and investment in developing countries, had more than 500 brackets enclosing words, phrases or clauses that were in contention.

"We are now entering the difficult and bewildering phase of these negotiations," said Frank Loy, head of the U.S. delegation. "You can expect the situation will remain fluid and difficult to understand" until the conference reaches its climax Friday.

"The most difficult issues are all still before us," Loy told a news conference Tuesday.

At the urging of conference chairman Jan Pronk, blocs of nations appointed delegates to negotiate key issues in small groups. Pronk called that simple procedural decision a breakthrough that cleared the way for the conference to focus on the substance in dispute.

With only days left to agree on issues that defied resolution for three years, even the optimistic chairman of the U.N. conference on global warming said the chances of success were a toss-up.

Negotiators worked late into the night Tuesday to begin the serious haggling over the rules governing the monitoring and accounting of greenhouse gases, and what steps should be taken against countries that fail to curb their emissions.

The conference aims to decide the rules for countries to meet targets laid down in the 1997 Kyoto Protocol to curb emissions of heat-trapping

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levels, during the period 2008-2012.

Many of the disputed issues under discussion in the Hague were outlined in the Kyoto agreement, with the details left to be filled in later.

As if to spur on the delegates, new projections were released on the consequences of global warming. The World Meteorological Organization predicted deaths from heat waves would double in the next 20 years. Earlier, the U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change said changing weather patterns would displace tens of millions of people, as sea levels rise and worldwide agricultural conditions shift.

The most public dispute, and the first to be tackled in intense negotiation, was over the accounting of credits for maintaining forests and farmlands that absorb carbon from the atmosphere.

The United States, Canada and Japan want to apply the credit against their commitment to reduce emissions. The United States, for example, would claim credit for 125 million tons of carbon soaked up by its forests and farms, about one-quarter of its emissions reduction.

The Europeans and many environmentalists slammed the proposal, saying existing forests should not be credited, only new ones.

Michael Oppenheimer of the Environmental Defense said the U.S. proposal "makes these mechanisms look like a scam because it proposes to get credit for doing nothing." But Loy called on other delegations to compromise. "The United States has demonstrated real flexibility

across a range of issues," he said. "We stand ready to make reasonable compromises. We are waiting for others to do so as well. And time is growing short."



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