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New fire truck

Hereford firefighter and fire department employee Johnny Amaro sits on the fender of the department's newest vehicle, Booster 4, which was donated by the Texas Forest Service to the county last year. At right is the vehicle before it was renovated by volunteer firefighters.



'Sasquatch' newest vehicle in fire department's arsenal

By GARRY WESNER
Managing Editor

When the Hereford Fire Department received its newest truck in September, it was not much to behold -- a tan vehicle with two black tanks tossed in the back.

My what a difference a few months makes.

On Dec. 15, Booster 4 went into service, the latest weapon in the volunteer fire department's battle against fires in the county.

The truck was donated to Deaf Smith County by the Texas Forest Service to be used in the fighting of fires throughout the 1,500 miles of rural Deaf Smith County.

When it arrived in Hereford, the entire vehicle -- including hoses, exposed engine parts and tires -- was painted a "Desert Storm" tan. It had wooden slats along the sides of the bed, a divided windshield and no headlights.

More than 4,000 man-hours later, the volunteers from the department have transformed it into a sleek white

fire truck dubbed "Sasquatch" for its huge black tires and high-riding chassis.

Fire Marshal Jay Spain said the work was done by volunteers in their spare time, although some trustees from the Deaf Smith County Jail worked on sanding the truck and other labor.

The largest expense on the new truck came for the pump unit, which Spain said cost \$3,600. However, none of that expense was charged to the city or the county. Instead, the Texas Forest Service paid for half and the volunteers paid (half) for that.

Another \$500-\$600 was invested from regularly budgeted funds for paint.

All other equipment, including radios and emergency lights, came from surplus supplies already owned by the fire department.

The truck features a large light bar across the top that was originally intended for a police truck.

There are two large flashing red lights on the front bumper and two

strobe-type red lights higher up on the front.

In the back, two flashing red lights are mounted.

A remote spray nozzle was installed under the front bumper, while the main hose and spray nozzle are mounted on the back, behind the 1,000 gallon tank.

Spain said it can reach a top highway speed of 56 mph. Its name is emblazoned on the front of the vehicle in reflective letters, and there is the standard fire department red and gold striping along the sides.

The doors are marked with the Texas Forest Service emblem and the Deaf Smith County emblem.

The truck officially went into service on Dec. 15.

Spain said there are 1,500 square miles of land in Deaf Smith County, including 500,000 acres of grasslands -- divided into 350,000 acres of native grasslands and 150,000 in Conservation Reserve Program lands.

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GOP takes charge of Congress today

By JILL LAWRENCE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Republican revolution has arrived, a landmark congressional takeover that the incoming House and Senate GOP leaders said today will make good on pledges of less government, lower taxes and a reformed Congress.

"It's a different day," said Sen. Bob Dole, the incoming Senate Majority Leader, this morning just hours before the newly elected Republican majorities in both the House and the Senate took their oaths of office.

Rep. Newt Gingrich, the incoming House Speaker, said that he and his Republican colleagues in the House were eager to get off to a quick start.

"We're very excited about it," a visibly excited Gingrich said, adding that he believed he and Dole would work together effectively in the coming two years.

In a series of interviews on the morning TV news shows, both Gingrich and Dole referred often to the fact that the Republicans will be in charge of both houses of Congress for the first time since Dwight D. Eisenhower was the president.

"It's been 40 years; without any disrespect to my Democratic

colleagues, I hope they'll relax and let us enjoy the day," Dole said.

The new House GOP leaders, rushing to exploit their first day at the helm in four decades, put eight reform votes on the opening-day agenda and prepared for a noon-to-midnight marathon.

In the Senate, Republican leaders said they hoped to eliminate at least 100 of 3,600 federal programs and make strides toward a balanced budget and tax cuts.

"It's going to be a historical occasion," said incoming House Speaker Newt Gingrich, the strategist behind the Republican rise to power. He arrived here Tuesday from Atlanta on a "Speaker Express" plane with 200-plus supporters, ready for business and 24-hour round of parties and celebrations.

Incoming House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas predicted today would be "the longest day for an opening day of Congress, probably, in anybody's memory, probably ever."

The first-day votes were stacked high and loaded with symbolism - votes to make Congress abide by the laws it passes, to cut committee staffs and abolish three committees altogether, to end absentee voting, to

require a three-fifths vote to raise income tax rates.

The changes were all outlined in the House Republicans' "Contract With America." The contract, a Gingrich brainchild, is now the governing blueprint for the new House majority.

"We've plowed it and we've hoed it, and we've raked it, and we've got everything ready, and now it's time to plant the seeds," Armey said. "So I have no butterflies. I'm anxious to get on with it."

With the limelight on Republicans, President Clinton didn't plan to return to Washington until late today. On Thursday and Friday, he will meet with Republican and Democratic lawmakers at the White House, deputy press secretary Arthur Jones said.

Senate Republicans were regaining control after an eight-year absence and they didn't want anyone to forget them. "There's been a great deal of attention given to the House and their aggressive agenda," said Sen. Don Nickles, R-Oklahoma. "I'll say that in the Senate that we also have an aggressive agenda."

The Senate's top three priorities are requiring Congress to obey its own laws, curtailing federal ability to impose costly requirements on states and passing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution.

Sen. Pete V. Domenici of New Mexico, incoming chairman of the Budget Committee, said he hoped that within 100 days the Senate would approve a budget blueprint with cuts totaling \$330 billion to \$340 billion over five years.

"Don't worry, we're a part of the revolution," said Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss.

Democrats sniffed at the notion that today was a historic day. Among other things, they noted that the bill applying all laws to Congress was passed last year by the Democratic-controlled House. They also said Republican reforms didn't go far enough - and were offering an alternate package that would prohibit lobbyists' gifts to lawmakers and cap book royalties and outside income.

The new House has 230 Republicans, 204 Democrats and one independent. The GOP edge in the Senate is 53-47 - including 11 freshman Republicans.

One injured seriously in two-vehicle wreck

Four people were injured -- one seriously -- Tuesday night when two cars collided in the 100 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

Police were called to the intersection of North 25 Mile Avenue and Union Avenue at 7:34 p.m. after the accident.

According to preliminary reports, a 1989 Chevrolet pickup driven by Cindy Friemel, 21, of 504 E. Fourth, was traveling north on 25 Mile Avenue. A 1990 Chevrolet Camaro driven by Bobbi Marie Yeager, 33, of Canyon, was traveling south on the same road.

The report said Yeager's car turned east toward Union into the path of Mrs. Friemel's car. The vehicles struck on the left front sides.

The two drivers were transported to Hereford Regional Medical Center by ambulance, as were passengers in either vehicle.

Amanda Butler, 14, of Canyon, was a passenger in Yeager's car, while Ronnie Owens, 20, of Route 1 Box 372, was in Mrs. Friemel's pickup.

As of Wednesday morning, Mrs. Friemel was a patient in the HRMC Intensive Care Unit.

Owens and Butler were listed in stable condition in the hospital, while Yeager was treated and released.

An investigation into the incident is continuing.

Two women indicted here on voting-related charges

By GEORGIA TYLER
Staff Writer

Two Hereford women have been indicted for alleged voter registration and absentee ballot irregularities. Each has posted bond of \$7,500.

A two-count indictment was returned by the Deaf Smith County Grand Jury against Grace Gonzales, 49, of 213 Star.

A three-count indictment also was handed down against Delia Gregg, 39, of 207 Ross.

The sealed indictments against the two women were returned Dec. 15. They reportedly turned themselves in and posted bonds after the indictments were handed down.

Both women were volunteer deputy voter registrars at the time the alleged offenses occurred.

The indictment against Gonzales alleges that she "knowingly made a false entry in a governmental record, a Voter Registration Application, said false entry being that Theresita Vasquez was a naturalized citizen of the United States."

Count two on the indictment alleges a false entry on an application for ballot by mail, the entry "being the signature of Jose Rodriguez."

The indictment accuses Gonzales with "intent to defraud and harm another, namely, David Ruland, County Clerk."

The voter registration irregularity allegedly occurred on or about Aug. 16, 1992 and the ballot by mail, on or about Feb. 22, 1994.

All three counts alleged against Gregg occurred in January 1994.

She is accused of making a false entry on a voter registration application, by listing an erroneous

address of 506 W. Fourth for Raquel Castillo Bella. The date of the offense was on or about Jan. 25, 1994.

Count II alleges a false entry on a voter registration application on Jan. 14, 1994, claiming Gilberto Perez was naturalized in Lubbock and was a U.S. citizen.

A false entry alleged in Count III of the indictment states the residence of Romie Blea was located at 330 W. Second.

Conviction on the charges carries a prison sentence of two to 10 years and a fine up to \$10,000.

The investigation by Deaf Smith County Criminal District Attorney Roland Saul and his staff has been underway for several months. Saul said he does not expect to bring

First snow of 1995 hits area

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - An arctic front solidified its bone-chilling grasp on Texas today with a push toward the coast and broad predictions for snow.

The National Weather Service warned motorists to use caution on slick roads and pet owners to protect their animals from the extreme cold.

Texas' first big storm this winter arrived late Monday with sleet and as much as 8 inches of snow east of Abilene.

Slush clogged some roads Tuesday and made driving treacherous.

"It's really slick out there," said Hemphill County dispatcher Pam Trimble, who was advising callers not to get out around icy Canadian, in the eastern Texas Panhandle, where 2 inches fell.

And more flurries are likely.

charges against others in Deaf Smith County.

"There have been similar problems in other parts of the state, mainly in South Texas," Saul said Tuesday. Incidents here do not appear to be related to any other place, he said.

The women indicted by the Grand Jury were acting as volunteer deputy voter registrars at the time of the alleged offenses, said County Clerk David Ruland, who also serves at Voter Registrar for Deaf Smith County.

State law allows volunteers to assist in voter registration. An appointment as volunteer deputy voter registrar is for a two-year term, extending to the last day of a year ending in an even number.

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Lightsey to consider insurance rules over protests by Gov.-elect

By PAULINE ARRILLAGA
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) - Interim Insurance Commissioner Rebecca Lightsey says she will consider controversial anti-discrimination insurance rules, despite a request by Gov.-elect George W. Bush to postpone action.

A public hearing was scheduled today on the rules, which would prohibit discrimination in the sale or pricing of insurance on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, geographic location, disability, sex or age.

After appointing state Rep. Elton Bomer as his insurance commissioner, Bush on Tuesday called for Ms. Lightsey to postpone the hearing.

"I'm not even sure what the rules are," Bush said. "I would hope that the acting commissioner will hold off and give the Bush administration a chance to implement its policies in the right period of time."

But Ms. Lightsey, whose term expires Feb. 1, said a hearing is needed because the rules have been

pending before the Texas Department of Insurance for some time.

"After the hearing is completed and all the issues have been aired, I will decide whether to make a decision on any or all of the proposed rules," she said.

Democratic Gov. Ann Richards, who appointed Ms. Lightsey, and consumer advocates supported her decision.

"We have been discussing this a couple of years," Richards said. "I told Rebecca when she went in there that I thought it was important for her to look at it, and if she felt she needed to proceed then to go ahead and do so. You can put stuff off only so long."

Mark Kincaid, of the Office of Public Insurance Counsel, said any further delay on the proposals would be unfair to consumers.

"They're good rules regardless of who's in office, regardless of who's commissioner," he said.

Bomer said the fact that he and Bush are from different political parties wasn't a problem. He said he agreed with Bush's philosophy.

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Lifestyles

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Beta Sigma Phi chapter holds meeting in Ruby Sanders' home

"Christmas Cheer" was the program featured at the recent meeting of Xi Epsilon Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Ruby Sanders' home, 107 Westhaven, was site of the event.

Christmas gifts from Secret Sisters were opened by members present: Sanders, Ruby Lee, Brenda Ramey, Gaye Reilly, Melinda Whiffill, Linda Arellano, Sharon Bodner, Deann Harris, Melinda Henson, Carol Kelley, Connie Matthews, Susan Shaw, Dee Hamilton and Dianne Beavers. Billie Brown, the chapter's Adopted Sister, was also presented with a gift as was guest, Denise Hafliger. Everyone present also sampled holiday food items, brought by each member. Beverages were furnished by the social committee.

A brief business meeting was held as President Lee led Opening Ritual.

A thank you note from transferee Sherri Jones was read by Corresponding Secretary Whiffill.

In report from sorority City Council, Lee said that plans need to be made for the upcoming Sweetheart Brunch.

Service committee chairman Shaw said that \$95 was donated to the Christmas Stocking Fund, all of which was collected from members during trivia quizzes held at each meeting.

Social committee Chairman Harris said the Couples Christmas Party held Dec. 9, at Abalos Restaurant was a great success.

Membership chairman Ramey presented pledges with badges.

In new business, members voted to donate the amount budgeted to the State Service Project.

After adjournment, Closing Ritual and Mizpah were repeated.

Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I am several years older than my husband, "Lyle" and I have been married 15 years. Unfortunately, I cannot have children.

Lyle now has decided he wants a family. I told him, "Fine, we can adopt." He said, "No. I want my own."

Behind my back, he has been seeing a young woman. He is giving her money and buying her expensive clothes on a regular basis. This is not just gossip. I've seen the receipts. When I asked Lyle to stop seeing her, he said he can't because the sexual attraction is too strong. He now says he wants her to carry his child. This morning, he told me he is seriously considering divorce. He refuses to see a marriage counselor because "they are too expensive."

I am devastated and hate to think about life without this man. I told him our marriage doesn't stand a chance as long as he keeps seeing this woman. Lyle says he still loves me but we have grown apart. I need your help, Ann. I'm sick at heart and -- Desperate in California

DEAR DESPERATE: I am afraid, dear, that your marriage is over. The O.W. (Other Woman) has all the trump cards. Lyle says marriage counselors are too expensive, but he is giving the O.W. money and buying her expensive clothes? If he has talked to her about "carrying his child," you can bet they've talked about marriage.

Call a lawyer, and get this skunk out of your life. He's smelling up the neighborhood.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: One of the biggest mistakes a widow or a widower can make when a spouse dies is to sell the house.

It's usually the grown children who urge their parent to sell. The kids mean well, but they are mistaken. It sounds good at first — a nice little apartment in a new neighborhood, which is considered safer for an elderly person alone.

People visit for a while, but then they get busy with their own lives, and Mom or Dad end up alone in a strange place with new neighbors. The high point of the day is taking out the garbage or walking to an empty mailbox.

Ann, please tell the seniors if they MUST sell their homes, to rent in the same area if possible. The quality of life is much better when you know your neighbors, the store clerks, the pharmacist and the guys at the hardware store. -- Ruth in N.Y.

DEAR RUTH: Excellent advice. Thanks for the wisdom.

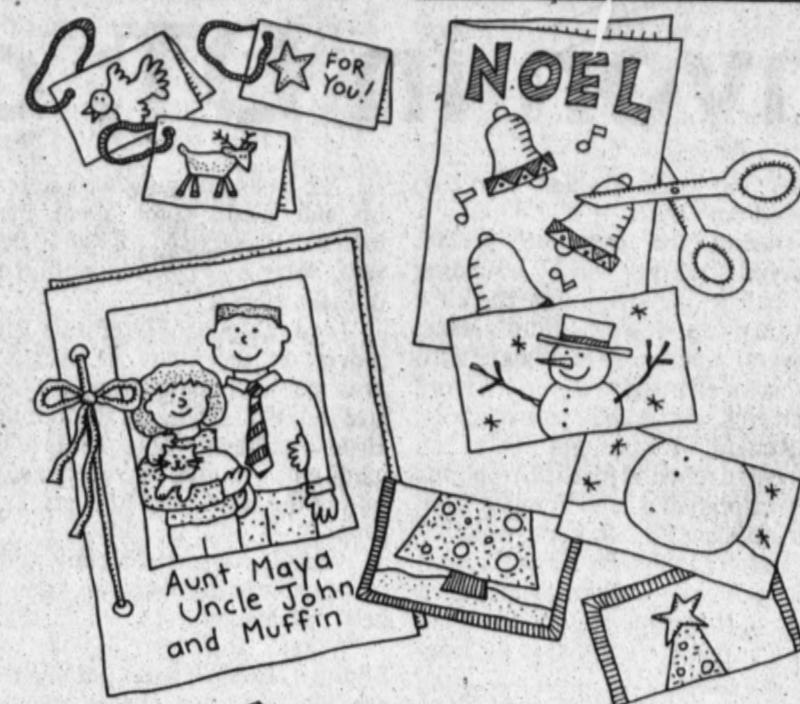
DEAR ANN LANDERS: I am a single mother with two children. I've been buying my clothes at a thrift shop for quite some time because living expenses strain my budget to the limit and I can't afford to buy anything new.

I work in a small office, and people notice when a co-worker wears something they have not seen before. What should my reply be when I am asked, "Is that new?" I hate to lie, but I don't feel that I need to advertise the fact that I buy my clothes in a thrift store. Please tell me how to respond. -- Secondhand Rose

DEAR ROSE: That's a rude thing to ask.

I see no need to give an answer to every clod who questions you.

New or secondhand, it's nobody's business. Simply say, "Thank you. I'm pleased that you like it."



Recycle Holiday Greetings

The ideas I receive from you are proof that parents everywhere are creatively making the time they spend with their children really count. One topic that generated an avalanche of clever ideas last winter was for recycling holiday greeting cards. Here are some resourceful activities the whole family can do on a wintry afternoon or evening.

— Make all-occasion gift tags.

Margaret Johnson of Mora, Minn., suggests making all-occasion gift tags from holiday greeting cards. Cut out unique and interesting designs from the cards such as a flower, bird, house, etc. Some cards have raised designs, which are especially nice. Meanwhile cut index cards into 2 1/2-inch-by-3-inch rectangles. Fold each rectangle in half lengthwise and punch a hole near the top left corner by the fold. Glue a cutout on the front of the gift tag. Thread and knot yarn or embroidery floss through the hole to complete the tag. Store the tags in a box with your gift wrap and use all year long.

— "Publish" a mini book of family friends, using the photo cards you received.

Trim the photos and glue each one on a piece of construction paper that is slightly larger than the photo. Use a marker to print in large letters on the left side of each page. File the pages on top of each other and attach them together with a piece of string or ribbon tied through the two holes. Out-of-town relatives and friends you rarely see will become familiar faces to your children as they enjoy sharing their new book with you.

— Make a matching game.

Let your kids choose several cards. Cut off the front of the card along the fold and then cut each one in half. Mix up the halves and challenge your child to match the pairs.

— Send your family recycling ideas to Donna Erickson, P.O. Box 16188, Minneapolis, MN 55416.

Committee meet set for Class of '75

A 20-year class reunion committee meeting has been announced by the Hereford High School Class of 1975. The meeting has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday at the Hereford State Bank Community Room. All members of the class who are interested in helping with the reunion, which has been scheduled for the Hereford Town and Country Jubilee in August, are invited to attend.



The first semielectronic digital computing device as constructed in 1939 by John V. Atanasoff, an American mathematician and physicist.

Dead battery noise is unpleasant winter sound

Some go "click, click, click." Some go "rare, rare, rare, rare..."

It's a cold morning and with just a twist of the ignition key, you hear one of winter's most unpleasant sounds, the distinctive "dead or dying battery" noise.

Within a few minutes, you're searching for jumper cables or shopping for a new battery. In either case, a little knowledge about batteries can be very helpful.

Race car driver Pat Lazzaro, who serves as an advisor to major tire and service centers, says using "jumper" or "booster" cables can be dangerous if done improperly.

Your car's owner's manual will give instructions on how best to use jumper or booster cables to start your car," Lazzaro says. "No matter what your brother-in-law or best friend says, don't deviate from these instructions."

Lazzaro says many batteries will work again when the temperature warms up.

"Batteries are manufactured to perform in different temperature ranges," Lazzaro says. "When it drops below this level, an older battery may not have enough power to start your engine. Replacement

batteries are available in a variety of power ratings to meet your needs."

Batteries are rated by cold cranking amperage, which is a measurement of the electrical current capable of being sent at cold temperatures, the hardest work your battery does. As batteries age, they lose power and are most likely to fail or not deliver enough power when it is colder.

Car owners can help their batteries by regularly cleaning the connections, called "posts" or "terminals," with a stiff wire brush. If it is not a maintenance-free battery, the level should be checked regularly and topped with distilled water.

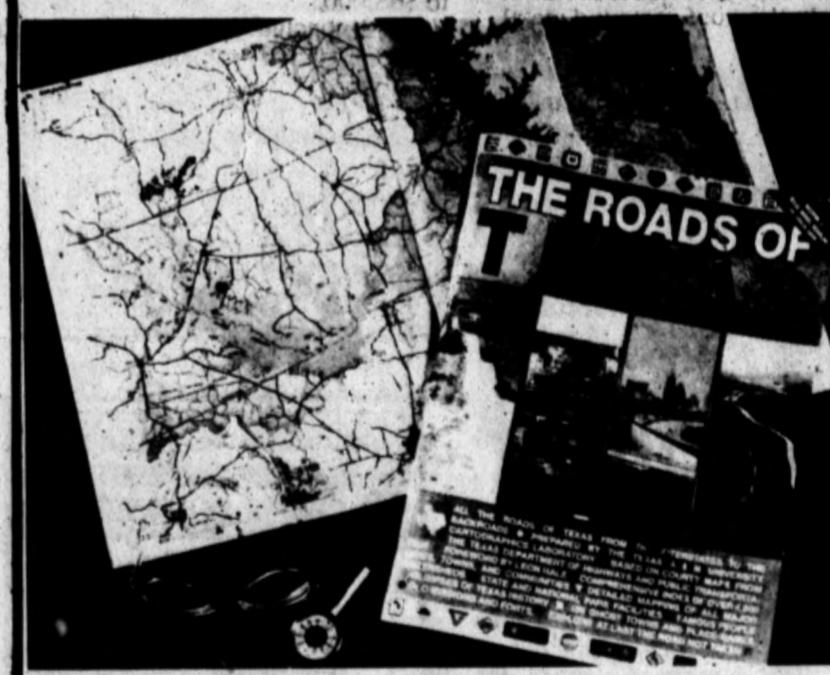
If your battery needs to be replaced, a reputable mechanic can install one in just a few minutes" Lazzaro says. "Higher amp batteries usually cost more, but they may last longer and perform better in colder temperatures. Check your owner's manual to see if a higher amp battery can be installed in your car."

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Sports

Herd tops Canyon in OT; girls fall by 11

By JAY PEDEN

Sports Editor

With 60 percent of the starting lineup on the bench with five fouls, the Hereford Whitefaces got some big contributions from different people Tuesday in Whiteface Gym.

That helped Hereford open District 1-4A play with a 79-78 overtime win over Canyon. The extra period included six lead changes, and the game wasn't decided until a Canyon player missed two free throws with no time remaining on the clock.

In the first game of Tuesday's doubleheader, the Canyon girls hit their free throws at the end and beat

Hereford 59-48. The game was close all the way, but Canyon pulled away from a 51-48 lead with 1:30 left.

In the boys' game, Canyon's Jason Bentley hit one-of-two free throws with eight seconds left in the fourth quarter, leading to overtime. Hereford's Benton Buckley was called for an offensive foul at mid-court with four seconds left and a Canyon shot bounced off the front of the rim at the buzzer.

Buckley's foul was his fifth-meaning disqualification--so he took his game-high 34 points to the bench and joined fellow starters Michael

High and Isaac Walker, who had fouled out earlier.

During the overtime period, Canyon scored at will by pounding the ball inside--High and Buckley, both at 6-foot-3, are the Herd's tallest players, and the 5-11 Walker also defends well in the post--but Hereford answered with some creative shots.

Ronald Torres put back an offensive rebound for the first points in overtime, then Terance High banked home a 17-footer to tie at 72-72. Hereford's Ashley Noland scored twice to answer Canyon layups--once with a three-pointer--as the lead changed hands five times in the final two minutes.

Finally, Michael Brown hit a running 10-footer in the lane to give Hereford a 79-78 lead. Canyon missed four free throws in the clutch: two with 20 seconds left and two with no time left.

District 1-4A

Basketball standings

	Girls	District	Overall
Canyon	3	0	17 1
Randall	3	0	16 3
Dumas	2	0	*12 7
Hereford	1	2	13 7
Borger	0	2	7 13
Pampa	0	2	4 13
Caprock	0	3	1 17

*last available record

Tuesday's games

Canyon 59, Hereford 48
Dumas 73, Caprock 52
Randall 40, Pampa 16

Boys

	Boys	District	Overall
Hereford	1	0	12 6
Pampa	1	0	15 5
Caprock	1	0	3 16
Borger	0	0	11 6
Canyon	0	1	16 3
Randall	0	1	*9 6
Dumas	0	1	*6 7

*last available record

Tuesday's games

Hereford 79, Canyon 78
Caprock 49, Dumas 48
Pampa 72, Randall 54

"We had some guys who stepped up and made some great plays tonight," Hereford coach Randy Dean said. "We got a tremendous effort out of these guys."

Todd Dudley, Hereford's fifth player on the court in overtime, grabbed the rebound after Canyon's free throw miss with 20 seconds left. He also scored his only points of the game with a minute left in regulation, giving the Herd a 66-65 lead at the time.

Noland, who scored his only points of the game in the overtime, knew he had to do something to lift the team.

"When Buckley fouled out, Michael (Brown) and I got together and we knew we had to step up, because we were the only starters left on the court," said Noland, a senior. "We took it on ourselves that we weren't going to let Canyon beat us. We made up our minds that we were going to take over. The other guys helped too; we couldn't have done it by ourselves. And the fans kept us in the game."

Canyon led most of the way, starting the game with a 13-4 spurt. The Eagles led 22-18 after one quarter and 34-27 at the half.

Hereford got back in the game in the third quarter by scoring points three at a time. Buckley hit two 3-pointers and converted two other 3-point plays in the period, while Brown hit three 3-pointers. Buckley's trey with 2:42 left in the third gave Hereford its first lead at 44-41.

In all, Hereford scored 25 points in the period, and 21 of those came three at a time. Hereford led 52-47 at the end of the period.

"We got ourselves back in the game (because) we started playing much better defensively," Dean said.

Canyon retook the lead at 60-55 on a 9-0 run. Seven of those points came on three throws; four came at one time when Dean was hit with a technical foul for protesting the many whistles.

Hereford pulled even late in the period twice on buckets by Torres and Buckley, and Dudley gave the Herd a 66-65 lead. Canyon's Bentley and Hereford's Buckley traded baskets, then Bentley hit the second of two free throws to force overtime.

"We're looking at (Canyon) being the second-best team in district behind Pampa," Buckley said, talking about playoff chances. "We knew if we got a win against them at home, it would be a lot easier."

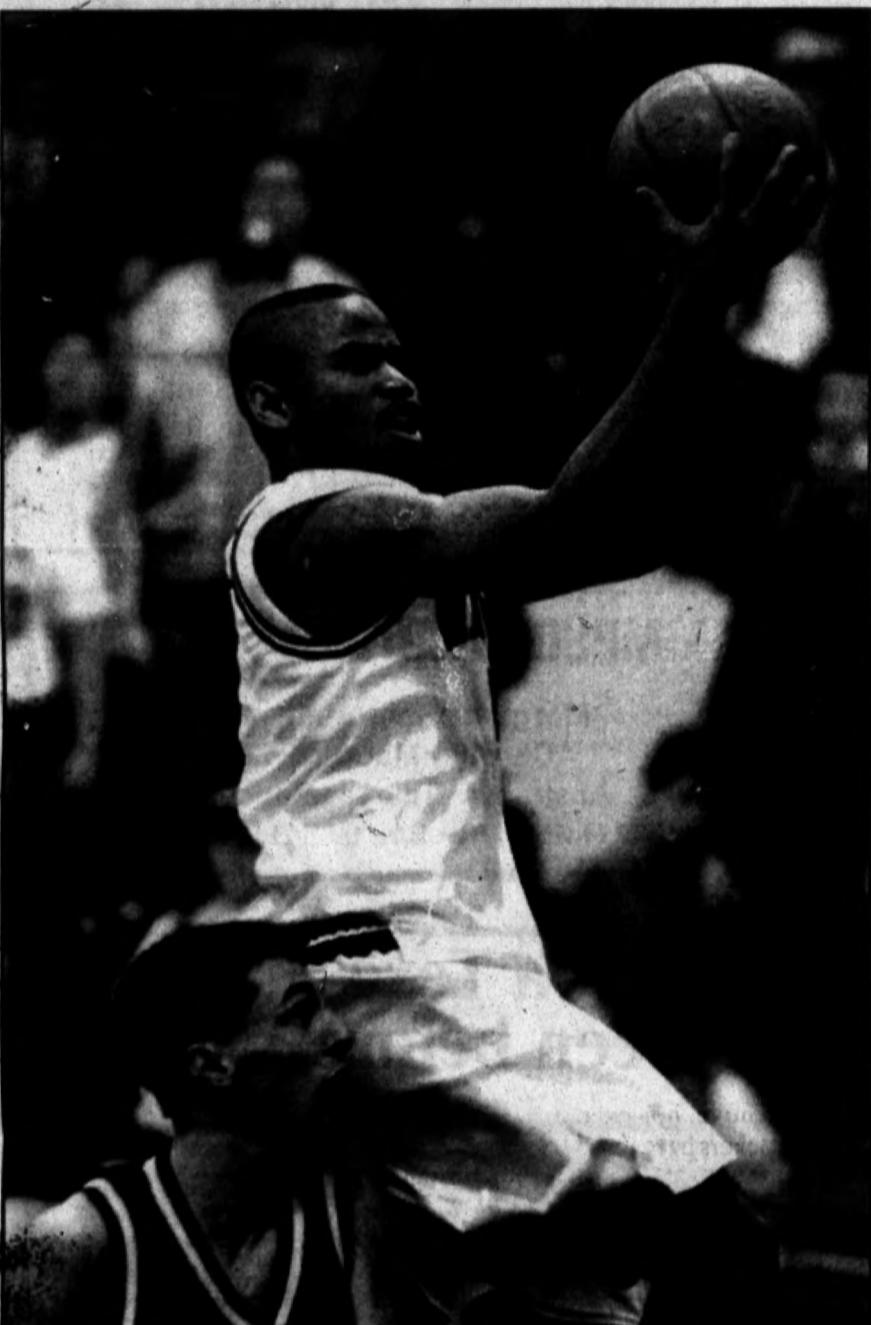
Dean reminded that the Herd has a long way to go.

"This was a big win, no doubt," he said, "but we've still got a 12-game district. We need to enjoy this and make sure we're ready to play Friday night (at Dumas)."

In the first game Tuesday, the Hereford girls looked primed for what would have been a big upset for a program that won three games two seasons ago.

Hereford jumped to a 10-3 lead and

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Drive to the hoop

Hereford's Michael Brown goes in for a layup during Hereford's 79-78 overtime win over Canyon Tuesday in Whiteface Gym.

NFL fines Carolina

By TOM FOREMAN Jr.

AP Sports Writer

When several NFL assistants started taking jobs elsewhere, the Carolina Panthers apparently felt compelled to make an early move to take Dom Capers their first head coach.

It was a costly choice.

Commissioner Paul Tagliabue ordered the Panthers to pay a \$150,000 fine and forfeit two draft choices for talking to Capers, the Pittsburgh Steelers defensive coordinator, about their head coaching job. In addition, the Steelers were fined \$50,000 for allowing the Panthers to talk to Capers.

"It was a stiff penalty," Panthers president Mike McCormack said in an interview with The Charlotte Observer. He also called the move a calculated risk, one they hope will pay off with the team's first coach.

The Panthers were stripped of picks 63 and 191 overall. Those are the compensatory picks the team would get at the end of the second and sixth rounds, and the penalty means Carolina will have 12 picks instead of the 14 established under the player access plan.

"It's basically what we thought might happen," general manager Bill Polian said in an interview with radio station WBT-AM. "It was a very strict and stringent penalty, and understandable given Commissioner Tagliabue's position on this."

Already, the Panthers had lost former Washington Redskins coach Joe Gibbs, who declined the team's overtures last February. Florida coach Steve Spurrier took his name out of consideration several weeks ago and Miami coach Dennis Erickson stated last week that he's staying put in the Hurricane program.

Compounding Carolina's problem was the exodus of NFL assistant coaches to college jobs. Nick Saban, on whom the Panthers had their eye, left the Cleveland Browns to coach at Michigan State. Tyrone Willingham departed the Minnesota Vikings to become head coach at Stanford. Capers was being rumored

for the vacant job at Louisiana State, the job eventually taken by Vanderbilt coach Gerry DiNardo.

"We heard after Saban was gone that Dom was being considered by LSU. That's when we made the calculated risk that we had to let him know we were interested," McCormack said.

Newspaper reports last Friday indicated that Capers met with Panthers officials last week as the Steelers were preparing for their second-round playoff game. Tagliabue intervened and called a halt to the talks, and also scheduled Tuesday's meeting, which resulted in the punishment to the two teams.

Under the penalty, Capers will be allowed to talk to the Panthers or any other NFL team once the Steelers conclude their season. However, no team will be able to sign Capers to a deal for a period of five days following Pittsburgh's final game.

If the Steelers reach the Super Bowl, the moratorium would end on Wednesday, Feb. 1 at 6 p.m. EST.

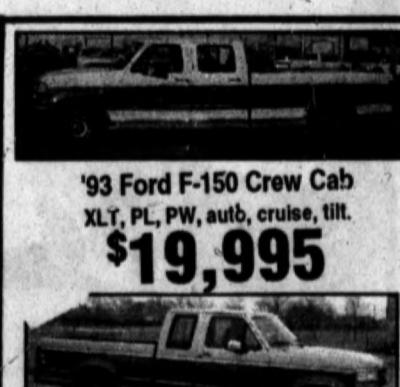
Tagliabue said league rules were violated three times - when the Panthers contacted Capers; when the Steelers granted permission to talk to him; and when the Panthers and Capers engaged in discussions.

There was no confirmation Capers and the Panthers came to an agreement, although there were indications that some agreement had been made. The newspaper quoted sources as saying Capers has made an oral agreement to coach the Panthers.

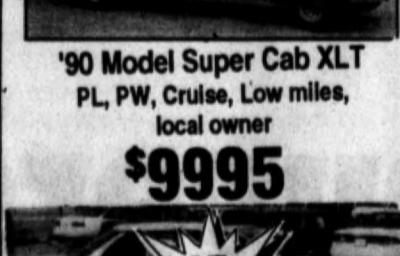
"We wanted to talk to Dom to find out and see if he was our guy," Polian said. "That part of it came out OK. Hopefully, at the end of the moratorium, it'll come out positively for us."

Assault, the winner of the 1946 Kentucky Derby, was known as the "Clubfoot Comet" because of an injury suffered as a yearling.

Citation, the 1948 Triple Crown champion, won 19 races and finished second once in 20 starts that year.



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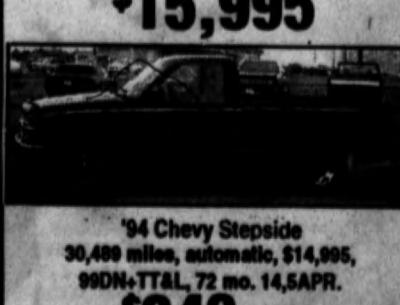
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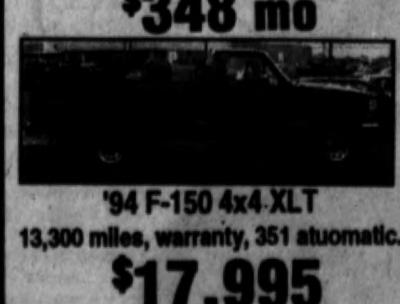
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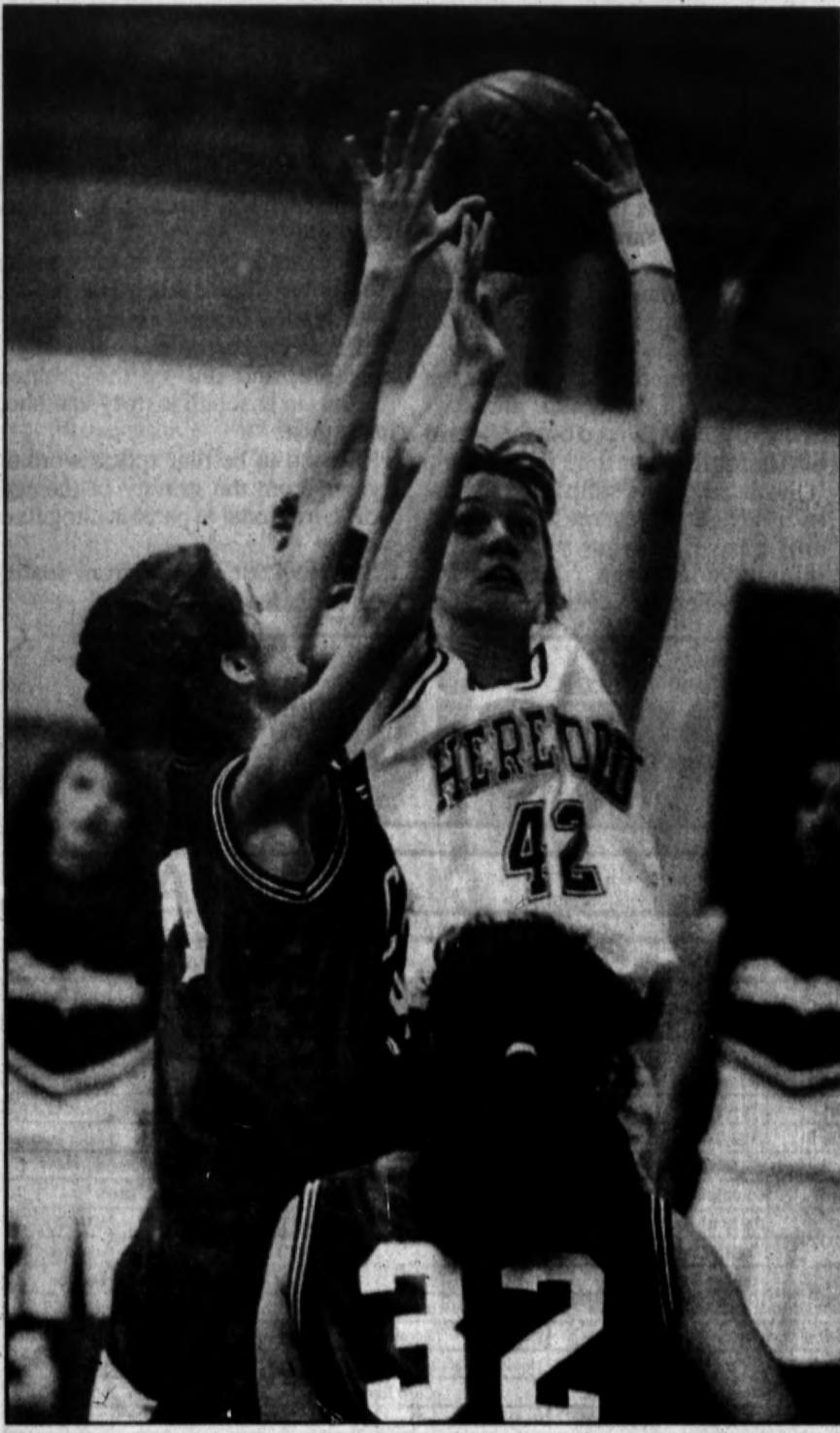
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High scorer

Hereford's Mindi Davis puts in two of her 22 points during Canyon's 59-48 win over Hereford Tuesday in Whiteface Gym.

HERD

held onto the lead through much of the game. Mindi Davis scored 22 points in the game and seemed to score all of Hereford's points in the first half. Canyon tied it at 21-21 just before halftime, but Catie Betzen scored with 20 seconds left for a 23-21 lead at the break.

The teams played perfectly evenly in the third quarter and Hereford came out of the period with a 35-33 lead. However, Canyon started the fourth quarter with a 13-4 run to take the lead for good. Hereford stayed within five points through most of the fourth and even pulled within three at 51-48 on Betzen's three-pointer with 2:30 left.

Canyon had started a stall with 2:55 left, though, and the Lady Eagles hit their free throws: 9-of-12 in the final three minutes.

"We put forth a heck of an effort," Hereford coach Eddie Fortenberry said, disappointed after coming so close to an amazing upset. "At one point, we go up six, and if we get a couple of breaks, we might have a lead we can hang onto."

Canyon improved to 17-1, with its one loss coming against district rival Randall. Hereford fell to 13-7 overall, and 1-2 in district after close losses to those two basketball monsters.

"I think in the last 10 games, their closest one was 29 points," Fortenberry said. "They've just been running over people."

Fortenberry added that he didn't think Canyon had let down after a big win Friday over previously undefeated Georgetown, saying that veteran Canyon coach Joe Lombard wouldn't let his kids let down.

"We're so close to being a great basketball team," he said. "We're just still making the mistakes that keep us from becoming a great basketball team."

Lady Whiteface point guard Britney Binder seemed eager for another chance at Canyon.

"This gives us a little confidence," she said. "I guess the people of Hereford didn't think we could do it, but we knew we could. Hopefully we'll be able to come back and win (at Canyon). We know we have a chance."

HERD SCORING

Girls: Mindi Davis, 22; Catie Betzen, 10; Britney Binder, 6; Heather Hodges, 4; Julie Rampley, 2; Misti Davis, 2; Tarabeth Holmes, 2. Other statistics: Mindi Davis hit 10-of-16 shots (63 percent). She also grabbed seven rebounds, while Betzen had six. Betzen had four assists and Misti Davis had three assists.

Boys: Benton Buckley, 34; Michael Brown, 16; Terance High, 6; Michael High, 6; Isaac Walker, 6; Ashley Noland, 5; Ronald Torres, 4; Todd Dudley, 2.

The schedule doesn't get any easier for the Lady Whitefaces, as both Herd teams play at Dumas Friday (girls at 6 p.m.; boys at 7:30). The Dumas girls are 2-0 in district, although they haven't played a team from the Canyon school district.

Dumas' boys are 0-1 after falling

49ers' Young named NFL MVP

By BARRY WILNER
AP Football Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - Steve Young not only outdid Joe Montana in 1994, he even outdid himself.

Young was selected The Associated Press' NFL Most Valuable Player today by a nationwide panel of 98 sports writers and broadcasters. He won the honor after the best season of his 10-year career, breaking Montana's NFL passing rating record and team touchdown and completion percentage marks.

It is Young's second MVP award in three years; he also won in 1992. Montana was the MVP in 1989 and 1990.

"When we're talking about MVP in the league, that's supposed to be once in a lifetime. Twice in a lifetime, whew. They're both very special to me," said Young, who completed 324 of 461 passes (70.3 percent) for 3,969 yards, 35 touchdowns and only 10 interceptions. His rating was 112.8, 22.1 points better than Green Bay's Brett Favre, the next most efficient passer.

"What I felt like I've set as my standard of play, that's what I feel like people hold me to, and to me it's like, 'OK, now you have to exceed that.' So the expectation gets higher and higher, and that's why I think it's a great honor this year, because the expectations are so high."

Young led the 49ers to the league's best record, 13-3, and their power was evident in the balloting. While Young received 74 votes, two other 49ers also got one vote apiece. Wide receiver Jerry Rice and cornerback Deion Sanders finished behind Young and Detroit running back Barry Sanders, who got 22 votes.

Last week, Barry Sanders was named the league's Offensive Player of the Year, while Deion Sanders won defensive honors. Detroit's Sanders also was the only unanimous pick for the All-Pro team after leading the NFL with 1,883 yards rushing.

The only other 49er to win the award, besides Young and Montana, was John Brodie in 1970. Last year's winner was Emmitt Smith of Dallas.

For years, critics have said Young simply inherited a great team that runs the perfect offense, and that he was benefitting from what Montana and Bill Walsh put into place. But his numbers have improved in each of his four seasons as San Francisco's quarterback, particularly in the last two years, with Montana playing in Kansas City.

"I used to think it was just a great offense, just a great scheme," Young said. "But it's changed so much over the years. You can't just say it's this offense, because it's matured into a different animal over the years."

"I think you have basically people that are possessed on this team to succeed and be the best in the league, Jerry Rice being the epitome. There's a heart of this team that to me everyone is just 100 percent committed. That's all we think about, being the best in the game. I think that's the difference."

"There's a lot of people elsewhere who run the same offense. I just think it's our intensity and our talent level, and I also think Mike Shanahan is the

best offensive coordinator in the league. He's getting credit for it now."

So, of course, is Young, who also led the league in rushing by a quarterback with 293 yards and scored seven touchdowns.

But he doesn't have that championship ring, something Montana had a habit of collecting. And until he gets that title, Young knows the unfavorable comparisons with Super Joe will continue.

Young thinks his numbers speak for themselves.

"I think honestly they do, but football legends are made in championships," he said. "There's no doubt I've been able to make my mark in the NFL. But I noticed when Mike Kenn retired the other day after 17 years, he said, 'You know, the only thing I regret is that I never went to a Super Bowl.'

The Miami Dolphins set an NFL record by scoring 70 touchdowns in 1984.

Pack's Butler talks bad about Dallas

By ARNIE STAPLETON
AP Sports Writer

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) - In LeRoy Butler's book, attractive uniforms and pleasant cheerleaders are apparently worth five points each.

Oddsmakers have installed Dallas as an early 10-point favorite when the Green Bay Packers visit Texas Stadium Sunday for a second-round NFC playoff game.

"The only good thing Dallas has over us is two things - they got pretty cheerleaders and pretty uniforms," Butler boasted after Tuesday's workouts. "Other than that, they've got no edge over us."

Whoa! What about Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith, Michael Irvin, et al? And what about those two gleaming Super Bowl trophies?

"What I've been telling people is the playoffs are about who's hot, not who's better," Green Bay's strong safety said. "And we're hot. I mean, I congratulate them for winning two Super Bowls, but other than that..."

Butler said seeing the 10-point line was what fired him up.

"We don't mind being underdogs. But if you're an underdog by double figures, it's not only a slap in the face, it's a kick in the (pants)," Butler said.

The players of the week for the boys' basketball team are Michael Brown on offense, Isaac Walker on defense and Gregg Kalka academically.

The players of the week are selected by coach Dean and staff.

Not unlike the way his comments surely will be viewed at the Cowboys' Valley Ranch headquarters today.

The usually loquacious Butler had been silent for a month in response to criticism of the Packers' defense,

which had surrendered an average of 35 points and 426 yards in consecutive road losses at Buffalo, Dallas and Detroit in late November and early December.

But now that Green Bay has turned its season around, Butler reeled off a torrent of fiery quotes that will doubtlessly put some warmth under the Cowboys' collars.

Butler said the Packers (10-7), by virtue of their four-game winning streak, are the team to beat, not the two-time defending champions who lost two of their last three games to finish 12-4.

He didn't stop there.

Butler said despite Dallas's back-to-back routs of Buffalo in the Super Bowl, the Cowboys haven't been the best team in the NFL since the days of Roger Staubach and Tom Landry.

"Buffalo has been the best team the last four years, better than anybody, if you go position to position," Butler said. "But Dallas was the hottest team."

Butler said he had good reason to brag after what the Packers did to NFL rushing champion Barry Sanders Saturday. Fresh off the fourth-best rushing year in the league's 75-year history, Sanders was held to minus-1

yard rushing, the worst performance in his magnificent six-year career.

"Dallas has a great team, let's not forget that," Butler said. "But you remember when Barry Sanders came here and everybody said how great he was? And we held him to minus yards. That lets you know one thing: Everybody is not invincible. And they can be beat."

"So, that has to give us a lot of confidence," Butler said. "Every time we've been down there, our offense has played well enough to beat them, but our defense hasn't played well at all."

Butler said his teammates were just as confident - just not as cocky - about finally beating the Cowboys but that he was the only one daring enough to say it.

"You can call the airlines. We ain't got no tickets to go home next Monday," he said. "We think we're going to win. Nobody's shipping boxes home or nothing. We're hot. We're hot. We're the hot team. We're hot."

Now you can bet the Cowboys will be fired up, too.

It's not as though they needed the extra incentive, however.

The Packers have lost three games in two years at Texas Stadium,

although they have played better each time. They were thumped 36-14 on Oct. 3, 1993, when Green Bay coach Mike Holmgren said the Packers were distracted by, get this - the cheerleaders.

Then they were bounced out of the playoffs 27-17 last January by a Dallas team that had rolled up five straight victories.

Third-string quarterback Jason Garrett led Dallas to a 42-31 victory over the Packers on Thanksgiving despite four TD catches by Pro Bowl Sterling Sharpe, who caught a team record 18 touchdowns but is out for the season with a neck injury.

The Packers actually led 17-6 at halftime in that one. But the Cowboys scored touchdowns on their first five possessions of the second half.

So wouldn't that give Butler some doubts about Sunday?

"Nope," said Butler. "If you look at everything they got, and I'll go step by step with you. Every big play they got we gave it to them."

"Emmitt's long run, 68 yards, we missed four tackles," Butler said. "The play on (George Koonce's) hit on the quarterback out of bounds, that was 25 yards there, he ran 10 and add 15 to that."

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CBS adds 3 sit-coms, hopes to boost ratings

By SCOTT WILLIAMS
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - CBS, hoping to stanch the ratings losses inflicted by ABC's powerhouse comedies, has added three new sitcoms to its midseason roster.

But, hey, if that's what it took to get rid of "Touched by an Angel" and "Daddy's Girls," so much the better!

If you tuned in Monday's "Cybill," you know how difficult it is for a beautiful, twice-divorced Hollywood actress to have a date with Tim Matheson and cope with becoming a grandmother. Fantasy life's just not fair, darn it!

Tune in Wednesday's premiere of "Women of the House" and you'll know this: It is just not funny.

"Women of the House" stars Delta Burke once again as Suzanne Sugarbaker, the ignorant, self-centered, Rubenesque beauty queen she created on "Designing Women."

This time, Suzanne has been named to serve out the term of her late husband, a 76-year-old congressman from Georgia. Right. And if a frog had wings - ah, but never mind. Scary to imagine certain people at the levers of power, isn't it?

"Women of the House" hasn't an idea in its head. The pilot episode rapidly degenerates into cleavage jokes.

"I don't jog because I'm ... voluptuous!" protests the well-endowed Rep. Sugarbaker after getting a presidential invitation.

Tooth whitening should have dentist's supervision

Want whiter, brighter teeth? One option for you may be tooth whitening, a procedure estimated by the American Dental Association in 1990 to account for the bulk of the 60 million cosmetic dental procedures performed in this country.

But is whitening safe? The American Dental Association says that if you are going to get your teeth whitened, you should do so under a dentist's supervision. Dentist-supervised products are applied in a controlled environment and sometimes use a custom-fitted mouthguard to minimize contact between the soft tissues of the mouth and the hydrogen peroxide (the active ingredient found in many of the products). They are considered by many dentists to be safer than over-the-counter, at-home whiteners, which may cause problems that you are unaware of. Over-the-counter, at-home whiteners often can allow more exposure of the mouth tissues to the active, whitening agent, a situation dentists warn against.

"Many patients may be under the impression that they can use over-the-counter whitening products without concern," noted Dr. Kenneth Burrell, director, ADA Council on Scientific Affairs. "There are some data to suggest that bleaching products may cause damage to the tooth pulp, enamel, gums and other areas of the

"There's enough going on when I'm just walking!"

The series is a dreadful waste of a superb supporting cast. Teri Garr plays her ex-lush press secretary; Patricia Heaton ("Room for Two") her savvy, dragon-lady aide; and Valerie Mahaffey (an Emmy-winner as hypochondriac Eve on "Northern Exposure") her receptionist.

There's much more fun on CBS at 9 p.m. EST in "Double Rush," a workplace comedy starring Robert Pastorelli (the lamentedly absent Eldin of "Murphy Brown") as proprietor of a Manhattan bicycle messenger service.

Pastorelli plays ex-rocker Bobby Verona, a guitarist who passed up a dream record deal in the '60s because it didn't include the rest of his band.

His integrity and laid-back style have attracted misfits and eccentrics to his staff, and Wednesday's episode makes sure we meet all of them:

-- the dispatcher, Barkley (Sam Lloyd), who attracts lightning.

-- the thrill-crazed rider, Hunter (David Arquette).

-- the slacker, Leo (Adam Goldberg).

-- The Kid (Phil Leeds), who knows the city like the back of his liver spots.

-- The Girl, Zoe (Corinne Bohrer), a beautiful, big-eyed, long-legged, sexy, uptight Harvard Business School graduate who can't get the right job.

"I don't jog because I'm ... voluptuous!" protests the well-endowed Rep. Sugarbaker after getting a presidential invitation.



JOYCE JOHNSON
Johnson to speak
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Hereford Flame Fellowship will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. at Hereford Community Center. Guest speaker will be Joyce Johnson, associate pastor of Evangel Temple in Plainview. She and her husband Kenneth pastor Evangel Temple together.

They have three daughters, one son and six grandchildren.

Mrs. Johnson has ministered in Canada and the United States at many women's conferences and groups. She has a radio program, Word of Wisdom, on KKYN.

Everyone is invited to attend the meeting.

VAIL, Colo. (AP) - The score after Princess Diana's five-day vacation in this Rocky Mountain resort town: Paparazzi 2, Di 0.

The princess left Sunday after eluding a horde of photographers who managed to get only two pictures, including one of her in a chairlift.

Most of the international media types said Monday that they were heading for Klosters, Switzerland. That's where the princess's estranged husband, Prince Charles, was reported to be on a ski vacation with sons William and Harry.

For example, not everyone's teeth will "whiten" the same. Yellowish-hued teeth will probably bleach well, brownish-colored teeth will bleach less well and grayish-hued teeth may not bleach well at all. Your dentist can evaluate your situation and give you the best advice. That advice may be to forego a whitening procedure and instead opt for another cosmetic procedure such as porcelain veneers or dental bonding.

The Food and Drug Administration thus far has not taken an official stand on the regulation of whitening products. The FDA, however, does agree with the ADA that consumers who are considering over-the-counter whitening products consult with their dentist first.

What is the bottom line when it comes to tooth whitening procedures? Ask your dentist. "If you seek to have your teeth whitened," Dr. Burrell said, "you should first consult with your dentist before using any bleaching product on your teeth."

This way, says the ADA, your smile is not only brighter, it is brighter without sacrificing safety in the process.

Little-known plant varieties coming to light from Europe

By GEORGE BRIA

POUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP) - Plant varieties unknown or inaccessible to the outside world during the Cold War are coming to light in eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. Among them are intriguing plants such as black tomatoes and edible mountain ash and honeysuckle.

Adventurous U.S. gardeners are getting to grow and taste these exotic fruits and vegetables. Some plants are the product of modern breeders and others are heirlooms gathered in remote, mountainous places where traditional growing goes back centuries.

An Oregon grower, Jim Gilbert, has made seven trips to the area since 1990 and is now offering some unusual fruiting plants. His \$2 catalog is available from One Green World, Box 1080, Molalla, Ore. 97038, telephone 503-651-3005.

Seed Savers International, the famed plant collecting organization, is offering a six-packet envelope of tomato, pepper and melon seeds from Russia. The \$12 packet is obtainable from the Savers at 3076 North Winn Road, Decorah, Iowa 52101, telephone 319-382-5872.

Gilbert credits the 1957 Sputnik launching for his original interest in Russia. Excited by the pioneer space shot, Gilbert said he took Russian in a Portland high school and the language study has paid off in his nursery work, many years later.

Gilbert said fruits of several varieties of mountain ash, virtually unknown as edible in America, are highly valued in eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. In his catalog, Gilbert offers mountain ashes crossed with hawthorne and chokeberry. He said the fruits are edible fresh, without the bitterness of wild fruit. They are used in jam, pastry and wine.

Another Gilbert offering is Cornelian cherry dogwood whose fruit, he says, "has a unique tart-sweet taste somewhat resembling that of a good cherry pie."

Other plants in his catalog are a honeysuckle, "with sweet blueberry-like berries"; a sea buckthorn, a silver-leaved shrub with bright orange berries, a highbush cranberry and a magnolia vine.

interview. "We've seen purple, but not black."

It's not a funeral black, he explained, but a deep mahogany that gets darker in sunny, hot weather.

"The taste is great," he added.

Another tomato in the packet, called "Silvery Fir Tree," boasts unusual foliage that looks like a carrot top. The watermelon, called "Astrakan," is an early ripening variety described as a favorite on Moscow fruit stands.

The packet is an offshoot of an intense effort mounted by the Savers to find and preserve traditional seeds in eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. They funded collecting expeditions to Romania and Poland and are involved in similar efforts in Russia, Azerbaijan and eastern Germany.

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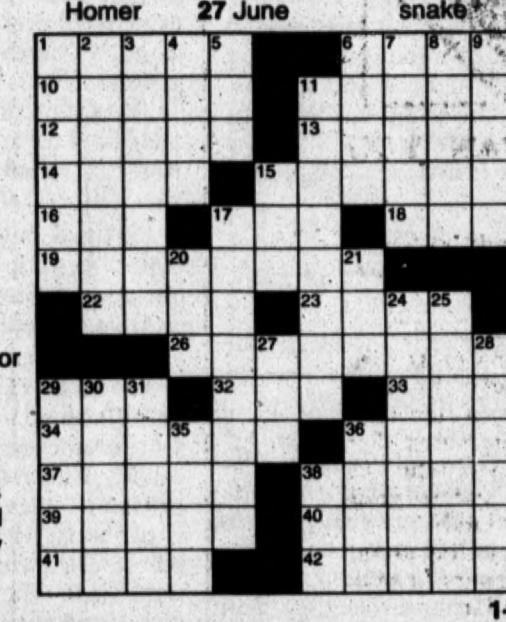
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HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — A study released last week by the state comptroller's office and General Services Commission shows how \$52 million can be saved over the next five years by tightening up the state's purchasing practices.

State Comptroller John Sharp said the current system encourages waste, makes state employees' jobs difficult, costs too much and fails to eliminate vendors who sell shoddy goods to the state government.

Some of the recommendations in the report include:

■ Implementing automated ordering and invoicing.

■ Informing vendors about pending contracts through a computer bulletin board.

■ Training and certification of all state purchasers.

■ Allowing the state to consider "best value" standard when considering purchases, rather than buying from the low-bidder.

■ Allowing the General Services Commission to prohibit companies from doing business with the state.

If enacted, the list of proposals would be the "final link" needed to improve the state's purchasing and accounting practices, Sharp said.

SUB-Poverty Teacher Pensions

At least 6,000 of Texas' 138,000 retired teachers receive pensions at or below the federal poverty line, according to a study by the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission, and

that's why the matter will be taken up in the upcoming legislative session.

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In a report by the Associated Press, Glen Porter, head of the Texas Retired Educator Dividend Association in San Antonio, made this point about the need for a pension boost: "If the free-lunch program were available to Texas teachers and school employees, 54,106 retirees would qualify."

The Legislature will consider raising the minimum monthly pension for teachers to \$34 for each year they taught school. A teacher who taught for 30 years would receive at least \$1,020.

Immunize or Else

Welfare recipients whose children are not immunized by age 2 may not receive some benefits under a proposal by the Texas Board of Human Services.

The board, which is the governing arm of the Texas Department of Human Services, has asked the federal government to withhold Aid to Families With Dependent Children (AFDC) benefits to recipients who ignore or otherwise do not comply with state guidelines for "age-appropriate" immunizations.

Withholding benefits was proposed by board member Bob Geyer, who said data from a November report showed little progress in raising immunization rates among children receiving state and federal assistance.

According to statistics maintained by the Texas Department of Health, about 42 percent of the state's 2-year-olds have been immunized.

nized, and according to the Texas Department of Human Services, about 225,500 children under age 5 are on the state welfare rolls. A maximum AFDC grant for a family of three (which usually consists of a mother and two children) is \$188 a month. Under the board's plan, up to \$92 could be withheld.

The board's proposal was criticized by advocates for low-income families, who said that withholding benefits would only hurt children.

Breast-Feeding Bill

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Box office receipts record set second year in a row

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A new box-office receipts record was set for the second consecutive year, with North American ticket sales projected at \$5.42 billion. The 1993 figure was \$5.16 billion.

The year's highest-grossing film was "The Lion King," according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. But its take of \$300.4 million was helped by two days of 1995 receipts since New Year's Day fell on the weekend.

The animated musical narrowly defeated "Forrest Gump," which reported total sales of \$298.5 million. The Tom Hanks film will be pulled from theaters Jan. 12 and re-released Feb. 17, the first weekend after Academy Award nominations are announced.

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Top 10 movies in 1994

By The Associated Press
North American theater grosses for 1994's Top 10 movies, as tallied by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Totals are through Tuesday, and include two days of 1995 grosses.

1. "The Lion King," Disney, \$300.4 million.

2. "Forrest Gump," Paramount, \$298.5 million.

3. "True Lies," 20th Century Fox, \$146.3 million.

4. "The Santa Clause," Disney,

"Street Fighter" and "Mixed Nuts" faded badly in their second week of release.

Here are the Top 20 movies at U.S. and Canadian theaters from Friday through Monday, followed by studio, gross, number of screens, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled Tuesday by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. from actual returns and studio estimates:

1. "Dumb and Dumber," New Line, \$14.9 million, 2,473 locations, \$6,037 per location, \$66.5 million, three weeks.

2. "Disclosure," Warner Bros., \$11.7 million, 2,168 locations, \$5,411 per location, \$51.7 million, four weeks.

3. "Rudyard Kipling's The Jungle

6. "The Santa Clause," Disney, \$8.2 million, 2,295 locations, \$3,560 per location, \$137.8 million, eight weeks.

7. "Street Fighter," Universal, \$7.2 million, 1,736 locations, \$4,135 per location, \$21.3 million, two weeks.

8. "I.Q.," Paramount, \$6.4 million, 1,411 locations, \$4,521 per location, \$13 million, two weeks.

9. "Nell," 20th Century Fox, \$5.9 million, 878 locations, \$6,761 per location, \$12.5 million, three weeks.

10. "Speechless," MGM, \$3.7 million, 1,404 locations, \$2,666 per location, \$15.2 million, three weeks.

11. "Drop Zone," Paramount, \$3.4 million, 1,762 locations, \$1,919 per location, \$23.1 million, four weeks.

12. "The Lion King," Disney, \$3 million, 1,141 locations, \$2,670 per location, \$300.4 million, seven weeks in reissue.

13. "Ready to Wear," Miramax, \$2.8 million, 740 locations, \$3,832 per location, \$6.7 million, two weeks.

14. "Pulp Fiction," Miramax, \$2.1 million, 440 locations, \$4,690 per location, \$63.6 million, 12 weeks.

15. "Star Trek: Generations," Paramount, \$1.8 million, 1,029 locations, \$1,752 per location, \$71.3 million, seven weeks.

16. "Mixed Nuts," TriStar, \$1.6 million, 1,318 locations, \$1,217 per location, \$5.9 million, two weeks.

17. "Interview With the Vampire," Warner Bros., \$1.3 million, 995 locations, \$1,346 per location, \$100.7 million, eight weeks.

18. "Junior," Universal, \$1.2 million, 1,118 locations, \$1,100 per location, \$30.8 million, six weeks.

19. "A Low Down Dirty Shame," Disney, \$1.1 million, 364 locations, \$3,091 per location, \$27.1 million, six weeks.

20. "Forrest Gump," Paramount, \$903.000, 241 locations, \$3,749 per location, \$298.5 million, 26 weeks.

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In the studio race, Walt Disney Co. films captured 19.7 percent of the moviegoing market, knocking Warner Bros. out of first place after three years on top. Disney reported \$1.01 billion in domestic ticket sales.

Warner Bros. held 16.4 percent for second place, followed by Paramount with 14.2 percent, Universal with 12.6 percent and 20th Century Fox with 9.4 percent. The troubled Columbia and TriStar studios each finished a disastrous year with less than 5 percent of the market.

Among the non-major studios, New Line performed the best, with 7 percent of the market.

The year-end figure of \$5.42 billion is based on industry estimates. The Motion Picture Association of America, which compiles the official industry statistics, will announce its 1994 figures in late February or early March.

At the weekend box office, "Dumb and Dumber" continued to play well, and "Disclosure" improved. "Little Women" is connecting with audiences, and "Nell" performed strongly in limited release.

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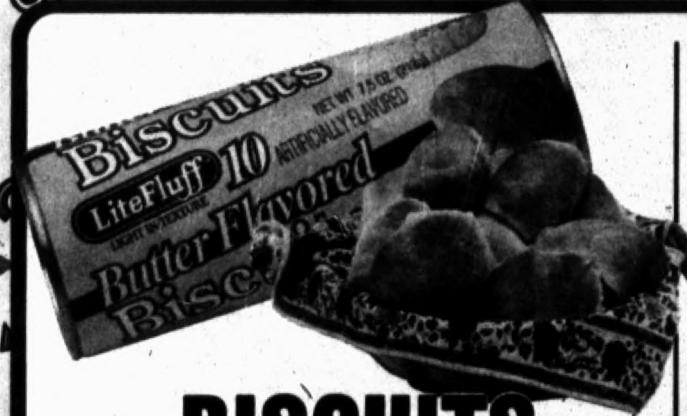
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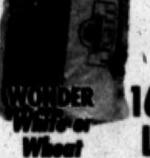
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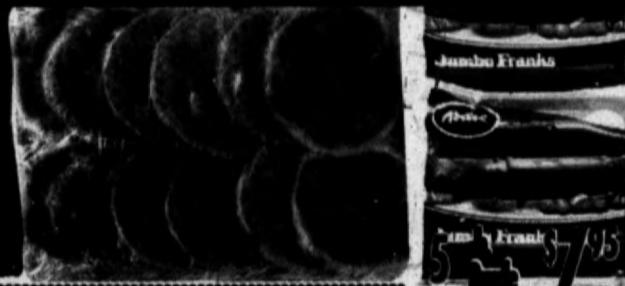
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Super Trim,
Super Lean
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In Max Packs of
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\$1.28
lb.

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BREAST or HAM

AMERICAN
PRIDE
\$2.99
16-oz.
Package

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69¢
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RODEO
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Package

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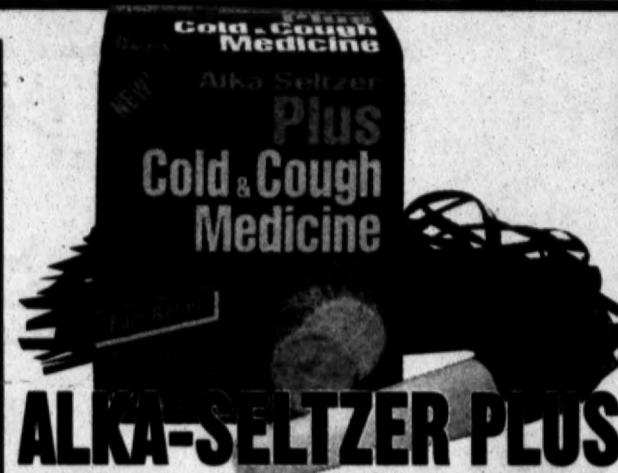
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STICK
DEODORANT
or TEEN SPIRIT
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CRYSTAL
CLEAN

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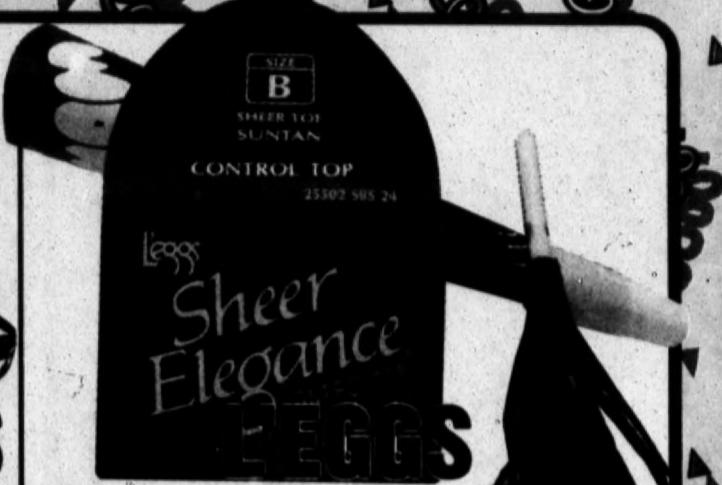


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of 20

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of 200

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Cans



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Package
of 3
SAVE
\$1.99



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All Varieties
\$3.19
4-oz.
Bottle
SAVE
\$1.04



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SELECT
BRAND
\$2.99
32-oz.
Bottle
SAVE
40¢



SHAVE CREAM
COLGATE
\$99
11-oz.
Can
SAVE
\$1.00



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Gallon
SAVE
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ICEBERG
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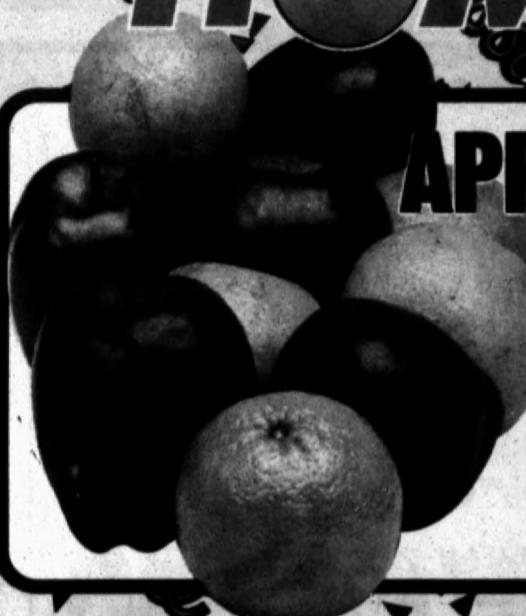
69¢



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4 \$1
for



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Your Choice
Red Delicious
Apples or Navel
Oranges

\$3.99

10 lbs.
Bag



APPLES

GRANNY SMITH

SAVE
10¢
lb.

69¢



CUCUMBERS

or GREEN
BELL
PEPPERS

SAVE
18¢

2 \$1
for



POTATOES

BAKERS or
JUMBO YELLOW
ONIONS

SAVE
17¢

3 \$1
lbs.



SEEDLESS GRAPES

RED or GREEN

SAVE
60¢
lb.

\$1.89
lb.



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2 \$88
lbs.



CARROTS

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2 \$69
lbs.

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SINGLE PACKS

129

LB.

IGA TABLERITE VALUE PACK
BONELESS CHUCK ROAST

119

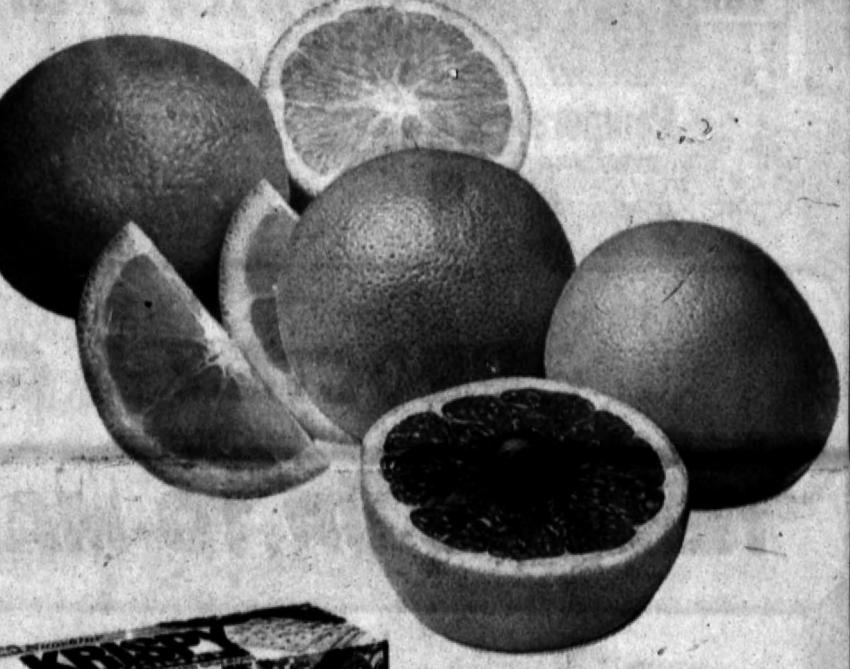
LB.

CALIFORNIA NAVEL
ORANGES OR

TEXAS
GRAPEFRUIT

199

10 LB.
BAG



GRAPEFRUIT
JUICE
BIG TEX
46 OZ. CAN

69¢



**STARKIST
TUNA**
CHUNK LIGHT IN OIL OR WATER
6.12 OZ. CAN
59¢



CRISCO
OIL
48 OZ. BTL.

199

FOLGERS
COFFEE

299



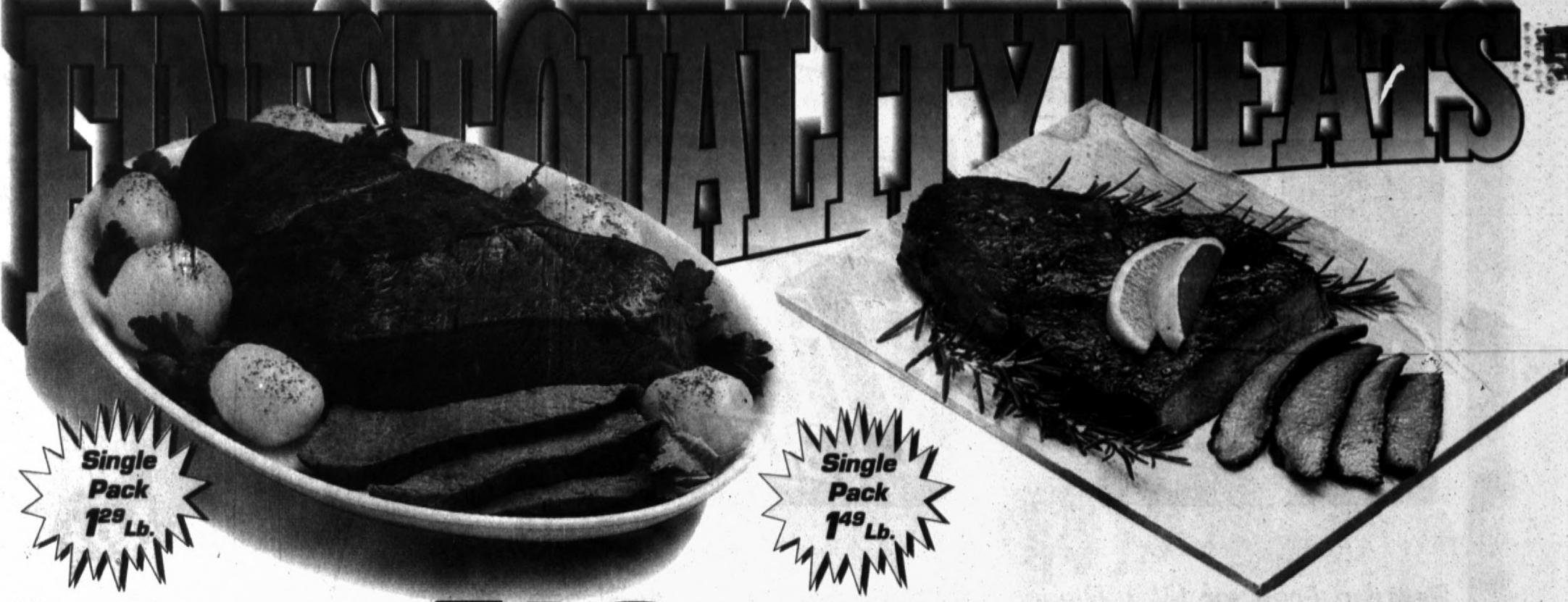
RAINBOW
POT PIES

RAINBOW
VEGETABLE PIE
WITH CHICKEN

RAINBOW
VEGETABLE PIE
WITH CHICKEN



CHARMIN
BATH TISSUE



**Single Pack
129 Lb.**

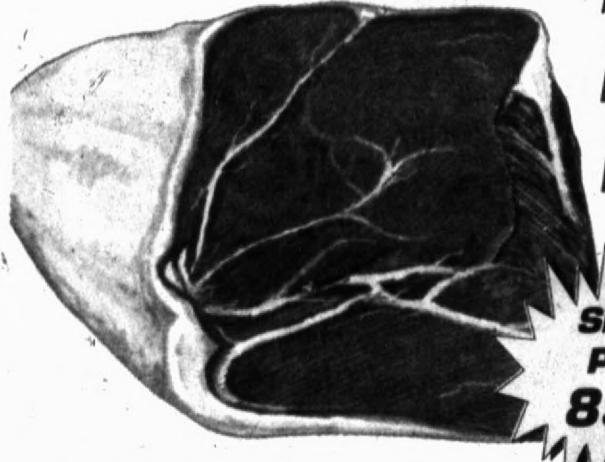
**VALUE PACK
IGA TABLERITE
BONELESS
CHUCK
ROAST**

**119
LB.**

**Single Pack
149 Lb.**

**VALUE PACK
IGA TABLERITE
BONELESS
ARM
ROAST**

**139
LB.**



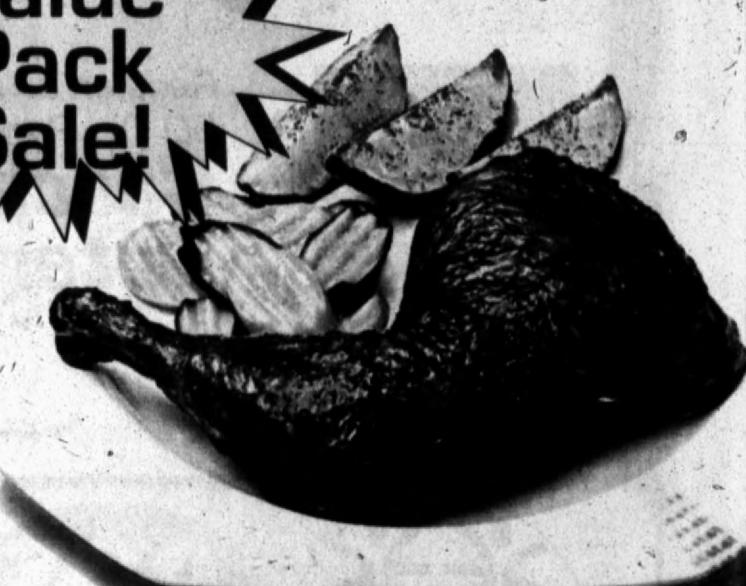
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**FRESH PORK
PICNIC ROAST**

**Single Pack
89¢ Lb.**

**79¢
LB.**

**Value
Pack
Sale!**



IGA TABLERITE - VALUE PACK

**EXTRA LEAN
PORK STEAK**

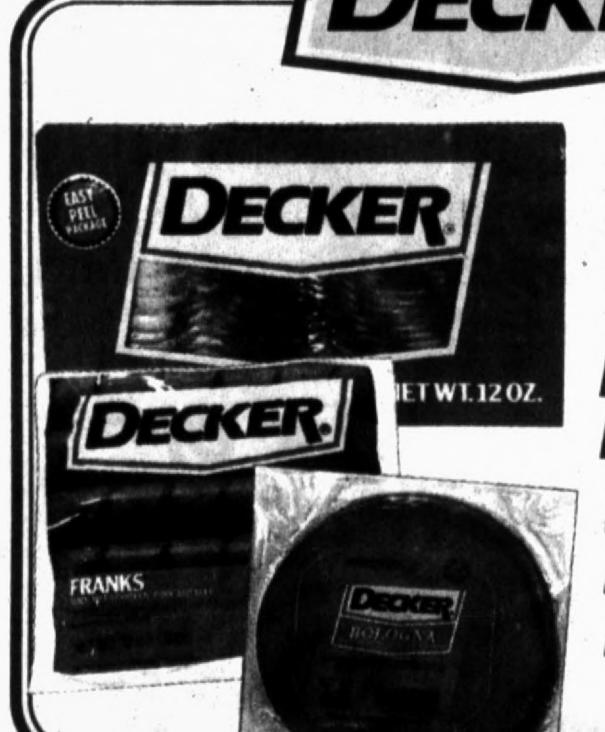
**Single Pack
129 Lb.**

**119
LB.**

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**FRYER LEG
QUARTERS**

**45¢
LB.**



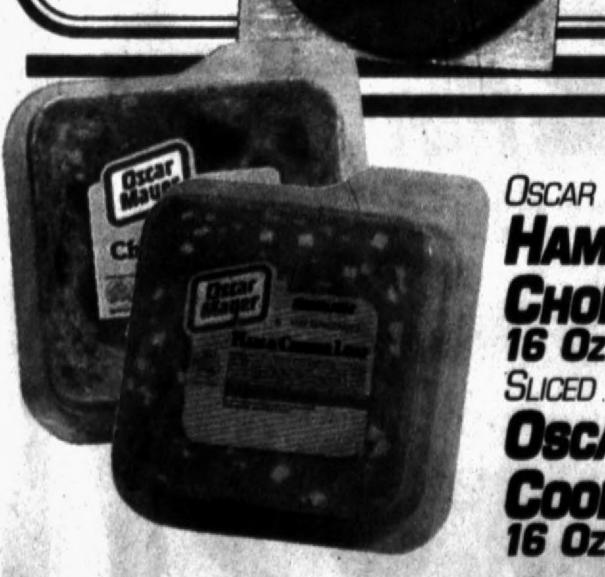
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99¢

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MEAT - REGULAR OR THICK

**DECKER
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HAM & CHEESE OR
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16 Oz.
SLICED**

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16 Oz.**

**Oscar
Mayer**

199

399

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NO MATTER WHAT KIND OF MEAT YOU
OFFERS THE VARIETY TO SATISFY EVERY
FOR THE KIDS TO ROASTS AND STEAKS
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**Mild Cheddar or Colby
IGA Longhorn
Cheese
10 Oz.**

179

**Sliced
IGA American
Cheese
10 Oz.**

249



**BOLOGNA, SALAMI OR
SPICED LUNCHEON**

**LUNCHEON LUNCHMEAT
299**

**RAINBOW
Not Available
Rainbow
Hot**

**Rainbow
Turkey**

**Rainbow
Oven**

FINEST PRODUCE

Your Choice

GOLDEN RIPE
BANANAS

3 LBS. **\$1**

TEXAS GROWN
GRAPEFRUIT

OR

CALIFORNIA NAVEL
ORANGES

199
10 LB.
BAG



Mix or Match

NEW CROP! CHILEAN
PEACHES OR
NECTARINES

99¢
LB.

LARGE WASHINGTON DELICIOUS
RED APPLES
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FRESH GREEN
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YOUR FAMILY ENJOYS, OUR MEAT DEPARTMENT
VERY APPETITE. FROM HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS
STEAKS FOR THE GROWNUPS, WE OFFER ONLY
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FRESH
GREEN ONIONS
3 FOR \$1

VALUE PACK Big Savings Big Value

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UNBONED HOT DOGS 48 Oz. **249**

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UNBONED IQF BONELESS CHICKEN BREAST

DECKER

TANGY LIMES 10 FOR \$1.
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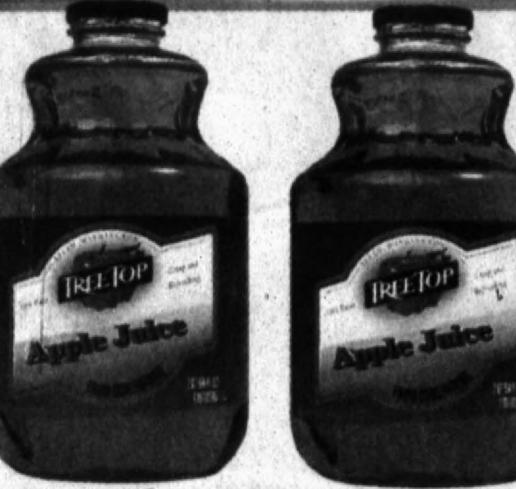
Colorado Baking

POTATOES
19¢
LB.



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15 Oz. Cans

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Okra

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Peaches or Mixed Fruit

Stilwell
Fruit

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Juice **99¢**



16 Oz. Bag - Green Peas, Corn or Mixed
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64 Oz.



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Assorted Reg. or Fat Free
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4 Pack



IGA Soft
Margarine
16 Oz. Tub

169

89¢

99¢

69¢

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21% Protein
Chatham Bite
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40 Lb. Bag

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Food **3 For 89¢**
5.5 Oz.

Large
Rainbow
Dog Bones **99¢**
26 Oz. Box



IGA Dry
Cat Food **2 \$4**
4 Lb. Bag

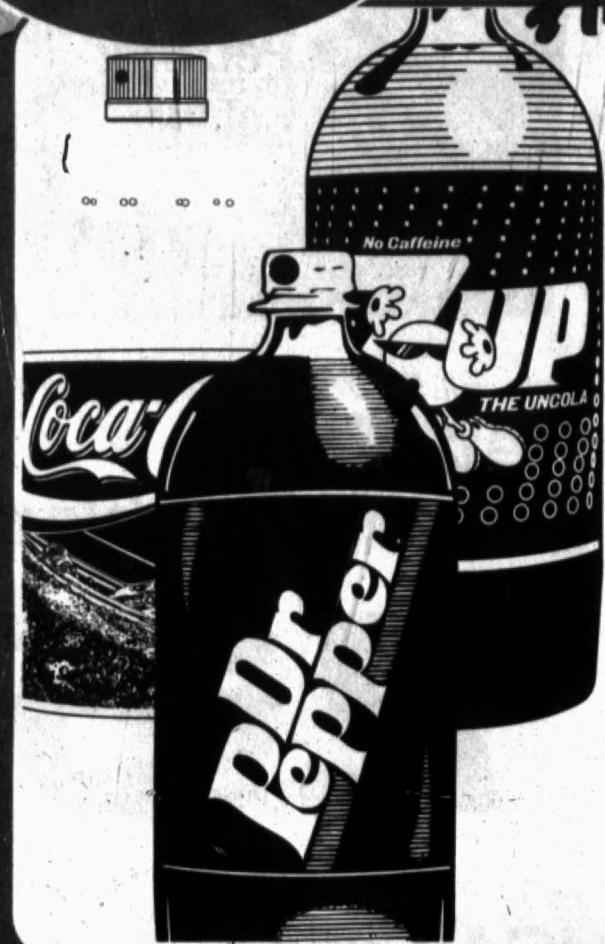


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**Coca Cola, 7UP
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2 LITER BOTTLE



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12 Pack Cans **3⁷⁹**

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No FAT - 16 Oz.
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119

Rosarita



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ROSARITA
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