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Pontiff preaches at race track, stadium Pope says Americans must remember poor

By RICK HAMPSON
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) - Pope John Paul II took his American pilgrimage to Aqueduct Racetrack today, declaring that affluent, high-tech society must not lose sight of its poor and ignore traditional family values.

Speaking from an altar flanked by the Big A's tote boards, the pope said that despite America's reputation of power and wealth, "not everyone here is powerful; not everyone here is rich."

"In fact," John Paul said, "America's sometimes extravagant affluence often conceals much hardship and poverty."

Having often decried the corruption of modern society in general, the pope said the "magnificent scientific and technological civilization of which America is proud" must not ignore religion, and needs healthy families.

"Society must strongly reaffirm the right of the child to grow up in a family in which, as far as possible, both parents are present," he said.

The helicopter carrying the pontiff from Manhattan landed on the infield of the track in the borough of Queens, where thousands had been waiting for hours. After a day of rain, the sun broke through.

"Good morning," John Paul greeted the throng. "Yesterday evening, very strong rain. Today, very strong wind and sun," John Paul said, his white robes flapping in the strong gusts that also whipped the green, white and yellow canvas of the altar erected on the infield.

The pope spoke in English and Spanish and said a few words in his

native Polish.

Attending the Mass were celebrities including Mayor Rudolph Giuliani. But the day seemed to belong to ordinary Catholics, many of whom brought special hopes to the service.

"I lost my father a month ago and I wanted to come here and pray for him," said Kate Gayron.

John Cervello came in a wheelchair. He painstakingly spelled out answers to questions with the aid of a computer "touch talker."

"I think the world can use all the help it can get," he said of John Paul's visit.

Thursday night, they wept, did the wave and despite hours of a steady, driving rain, stayed in their seats for Mass in a football stadium.

The pope invoked poet Emma Lazarus' plea for America to embrace its huddled masses in condemning abortion and euthanasia and limits on immigration and severe cutbacks in social services.

"I cannot describe how exuberant and exhilarated I feel at this moment," 68-year-old Ada Tronolone said after Thursday night's Mass at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J. "Seeing John Paul II was a personal experience in a crowd of more than 80,000. He makes you feel like he's talking just to you."

At the stadium, in the pontiff's first large-scale public event of his five-day U.S. tour, hours of steady rain and wind could not detract from the enthusiasm of the huddled masses. Some in the crowd wept, some pressed their hands to their hearts or cried "Viva el Papa" as the

pontiff circled the stadium in his popemobile.

"I see that the people of New Jersey know how to praise God, even in the rain," the pope told the crowd of 82,498, the largest ever at Giants Stadium.

The pope was partially protected by a white canopy hanging over a huge red-carpeted altar set up in an end zone. But at one point during the two-hour service, the wind knocked off his white skullcap.

In the crowd, the rain was so heavy at times people would tip the water off of their seats before sitting back down during the service. Most could care less.

Bush to be here today

Gov. George W. Bush was scheduled to visit Hereford today, with Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce hosting a reception at 2 p.m. in Hereford Community Center.

The governor's appearance was part of a fast-paced tour across the Panhandle Friday. A large crowd was expected to greet Bush, accompanied by Secretary of State Tony Garza.

Bush was expected to discuss state issues and answer questions from the audience. A report of the visit will appear in Sunday's Brand.



Thinking about the future

Hereford High School sponsored a College Night on Thursday, which enabled students and parents to examine numerous colleges and universities from throughout the area. Here, the Midwestern State University representative, center, the group from Frank Phillips College, right, and the U.S. Marine Corps recruiter, right, talk with students and their parents. The more than 250 people attending talked with representatives of 30 colleges and universities and two military branches.

Flood waters threatening weather-weary Floridians Water comes from rains in Alabama, Georgia

By ADAM YEOMANS
Associated Press Writer

PANAMA CITY BEACH, Fla. (AP) - Florida Panhandle residents still cleaning up from the ravages of Hurricane Opal woke this morning to a new threat: flooding from storm-swollen rivers.

The heavy rains Opal brought to Alabama and Georgia were causing rivers downstream in Florida to swell, forcing evacuations late Thursday and early today along the Blackwater and Yellow rivers east of Pensacola. Both rivers empty into the Gulf of Mexico.

"We're downstream from everything. The rain that fell in Alabama and Georgia is now coming down towards us," said Jo Miglino, a spokeswoman for the state Emergency Operations Center.

Floods were the latest damage from Opal, which killed at least 17

people in four states after slamming into the Florida Panhandle on Wednesday with winds up to 144 mph. The hurricane caused an estimated \$1.8 billion in damage to insured property along the Gulf of Mexico, mostly from the 15-foot storm surge.

Thousands of frustrated, angry and tired beachfront residents who had fled to Alabama and Georgia on Wednesday began returning home today.

"We expected the worst when we left. It was nice to see something standing," said Jennifer Swift, 22, who returned to this devastated town before daylight to find her mother's four-bedroom beachfront home still standing but with extensive damage.

But many residents returned from inland shelters Thursday only to find that authorities had sealed off the

hardest-hit areas to forestall looting, repair roads and assess damage.

"I just want to get back and see if I have a home," Kathy Fisher said Thursday night. "My cat is in the car. He wants to go home and sniff his own grass. I'm about to cry with him."

Fisher and several hundred other evacuees ate barbecued chicken and ribs, drank coffee and waited Thursday night at a high school in Panama City. Emergency officials had "locked down" Panama City Beach, where scores of hotels, businesses and homes were destroyed or severely damaged.

In Florida, 1,137 people spent Thursday night in shelters, down from 10,000 to 15,000 the night of the storm, Miglino said. Almost 4,500

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Ag department auditors stumped by jumbled books of food agency

By ROBERT GREENE
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The agency that spends billions of dollars for food stamps, school lunches and other nutrition programs has such sloppy records that Agriculture Department auditors gave up trying to trace many expenses, internal USDA documents show.

According to an audit by the department's inspector general, the Food and Consumer Service could not document \$13.5 billion of the \$36.7 billion it spent in 1994. At one point, the agency simply estimated a \$342 million item because it lacked the backup papers, said the audit, obtained by The Associated Press under the Freedom of Information Act.

The auditors found nothing to indicate that funds were lost, misspent or stolen. But the records were so poor that auditors could not verify how the agency spent its money.

The agency serves 51 million mostly needy people and accounts for nearly 60 percent of the Agriculture Department's budget.

Of the \$36.7 billion, some \$25.4 billion was spent on food stamps, nearly \$7 billion on school lunches and other children's meals, and \$3.2 billion to help feed poor pregnant or

nursing women and their children. The agency either bought food or gave the money to states to run programs.

The Food and Consumer Service contends the accounting problems stem from the switch to a new, automated bookkeeping system in 1993. The report says the automated system was flawed because employees supplied inaccurate data.

Requests for comment on the report were directed to Christopher Martin, a regional agency official brought in to straighten out the accounting system.

"The issue is not that the money is lost or mispent, or anything to that effect," Martin told the AP. Nor were employees just arbitrarily throwing in numbers.

The agency, however, switched to the automated system and did not run it side by side with the old system to make sure the new system was accurate.

Republicans on the House Agriculture Committee contend the bad books reflect mismanagement of an agency plagued with a variety of problems.

The committee, seeking to overhaul nutrition programs and cut spending, already has held hearings on waste and fraud in the food stamp program. The panel also plans to

scrutinize the agency's expenditures on a campaign to improve the nutritional quality of school lunches.

Rep. Bill Emerson, R-Mo., chairman of the Agriculture nutrition subcommittee, has asked Ellen Haas, the undersecretary for food, nutrition and consumer services, to document spending for the school lunch campaign, which enlisted prestigious chefs and the Walt Disney Co. to encourage low-fat school lunches.

Emerson declined comment on the audit report, saying, "I don't want to prejudge the situation."

The audit report, in fact, did not provide a detailed look at any program. Rather, it examined the food agency's financial statements for the budget year ending Sept. 30, 1994, an overall picture of the inflow and outflow of money.

What it found was an accountant's nightmare.

At one point, auditors discovered that agency employees altered accounting records when theirs did not agree with figures from the Treasury Department, which writes the government's checks. The employees never tried to find out why the errors occurred. The auditors tried to backtrack but could get nowhere.

"As a result, we discontinued our review because we did not believe that we could complete our sample in a reasonable time and at a reasonable cost," the report said.

In another case, the Food and Consumer Service's automated accounting system said the agency obligated \$816 million on goods and services that were still awaiting delivery. Because the agency could rely neither on that number nor its paper records, it re-estimated the figure at \$342 million.

When the auditors tried to trace the contracts, they had a worse time. "We found discrepancies in outstanding balances, contract types and contractor names," the report said. "As we noted discrepancies, the Accounting Division provided us with subsequent lists. None of these lists could be supported by agency records."

Martin said the agency was working to make sure the books for fiscal 1995, which just ended, can pass muster.

From staff, wire reports

A delay in landfill regulations announced this week by the Environmental Protection Agency will have no effect on the waste disposal of the City of Hereford.

Approximately 150 cities and towns in West Texas and the Panhandle will be affected by the two-year postponement of enforcement of groundwater monitoring rules for small, arid landfills run by towns of less than 25,000 population.

The City of Hereford opted two years to close the landfill here and transport solid waste to Amarillo and Canyon. The city still operates a landfill for disposal of certain items.

An Associated Press story Friday pointed out that Texas officials had been lobbying the federal agency since 1993 for relief from expensive monitoring programs to ensure groundwater isn't contaminated by seepage from landfills.

The EPA had sought to exempt towns with small, arid landfills from the mandates but found itself forced by a federal judge to institute some monitoring. Since that 1993 court ruling, the agency has been attempting to write a rule allowing less expensive monitoring programs for towns with less than 25 inches of annual rainfall.

"Writing the rule has been a little bit more time-consuming and troublesome than we thought," Bruce Weddle, director of EPA's municipal solid waste program, said Thursday. With its decision this week to impose a two-year delay, the agency is buying itself more time to develop alternate compliance rules.

The action was hailed by Rep. Henry Bonilla, R-San Antonio, whose huge district cuts a swath from San

Antonio west to the outskirts of El Paso.

"The EPA has done the right thing to hold off until they can find a way to make this mandate less painful and less costly," he said.

If forced to comply with existing mandates requiring the sinking of three or more wells to monitor groundwater, the small communities in arid regions would be facing hefty bills. At a typical drilling cost of \$80 a foot, in areas where the groundwater is frequently located at least 500 feet below the surface, the price could reach \$40,000 or more per well.

The Texas Water Commission, now a part of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, estimated groundwater monitoring would cost \$100 a year per household on average - in sparsely populated areas with an average annual income of \$13,911.

"It's a huge budget issue for very small, often not financially strong

communities," Weddle said.

Possible alternatives include allowing communities to monitor groundwater from existing wells nearby; decreasing the number of required wells or the frequency of monitoring; or using sensors under the landfill.

Critics have argued that many communities in West Texas and the Panhandle would be forced to shut down their landfills and deliver their trash elsewhere if required to drill groundwater wells. Another fear has been that residents would dump their refuse illegally along roadsides in a bid to avoid rising garbage pickup fees.

"Essentially, what our message to small communities is we haven't finished our work and we don't want to force you to make a decision whether to continue operating your landfill or not until we finish our efforts," Weddle said.

Visiting judge holds session

A defendant in 222nd District Court, previously convicted of aggravated sexual assault of a child, Thursday entered a guilty plea to bail jumping and failure to appear and was assessed a prison sentence.

Pablo Mata III, 24, will serve a term of five years on the latest conviction, concurrently with a 15-year sentence imposed on the earlier charge.

Judge Bryan Poff of Canyon presided during the court session, in the absence of 222nd District Judge David Wesley Gully.

Vincent Perez Garcia, 51, was sentenced to concurrent four-year

terms in prison on the prosecution's motions to revoke probation on two convictions.

Garcia originally was sentenced to five years' probation for hindering a secured creditor and to a five-year probation term for bail jumping and failure to appear.

Formal sentencing of Max Mungia, 22, who entered a plea of guilty to delivery of a controlled substance, cocaine, was delayed until a later date. Sentence proposed by the prosecution is 10 years in prison, beginning with a term in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice boot camp program.

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Coming in Sunday's Brand

It sits in the middle of West Texas farmland, an oasis amid vast acres of cropland.

For nine decades, Walcott School has served the educational needs of elementary school students in the western part of Deaf Smith County.

On Sunday, Managing Editor Garry Wesner pays a visit to Walcott, where district officials are busy making infrastructure improvements to a 45-year-old building and to an increasingly high-tech instructional program.

Also Sunday, water is an important part of life in the Panhandle.

Georgia Tyler looks at Hereford's water usage and continuing plans for development of the city's water system.

Local Roundup

Park to be given name

A Hereford city park will be named formally Sunday, honoring the late Dr. Irvin M. Atkins. The ceremony will be held at 2 p.m., at E. Park and Avenue F. The public is invited to participate in the program.

Clear skies ahead

Clear skies and warmer temperatures are expected after the mercury dipped to 37 degrees Friday morning. The high Thursday was 68 degrees. Friday night will be clear with a low around 40 degrees and a south wind, 5-15 mph. Saturday will be mostly sunny and warmer with a high in the upper 70s. Southwest wind will increase to 15-25 mph and gusty by afternoon.

OPAL

National Guard members were posted in the Panhandle to prevent looting.

The storm lost its punch as it blew through Alabama but still knocked out power to 2 million people in Alabama, Florida, Georgia and North Carolina. Many remained without power early today.

As the storm dissipated over land, it brought heavy rain to the Southeast that produced the threat of flooding in parts of the already ravaged Panhandle.

The Blackwater River, which enters the Panhandle from Alabama, was 13 feet above flood level in the Blackwater River Forest in northern Santa Rosa County, said Joe Murphy, a wildlife agent with the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.

A half dozen families who live along the river were evacuated last

night, and dozens of families downriver at Paradise Island, just north of Milton, were being told to evacuate today, he said.

The Blackwater was expected to crest in the state park this afternoon, Murphy said.

The Yellow River, which parallels Interstate 10 in Santa Rosa County, posed little threat since there were only a few people living at fish camps along that river, Murphy said.

Officials had no statewide figures on the number of buildings destroyed or people left homeless. "We'll be going out today and actually counting homes," said Harold Joyner, operations chief with the state Emergency Operations Center.

Fifteen Florida counties were approved for federal emergency assistance.

Police, Emergency Reports

Emergency services reports for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Friday contained the following information.

HEREFORD POLICE

A 24-year-old female was arrested on a county warrant for theft.

Theft was reported in the 100 block of Sunset Drive, where a purse was taken; in the 500 block of Blevins, where a Roto-Tiller was taken; in the 500 block of Blevins, where a bicycle was taken; and in the 400 block of Paloma Lane, where about \$90 was taken.

A report was filed of a found bicycle in the 1300 block of East First.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 800 block of West First.

A civil matter was reported in the 500 block of Mable.

A report was filed in the 300 block of Western of money misplaced or possibly stolen.

A report was filed in the 700 block of East Park of an individual continuing to disrupt class.

A report of assisting another agency was filed in the 600 block of East Park.

A report was filed in the 200 block of Major Street in reference to a light pole being damaged.

Officers issued 18 traffic citations. There was one minor accident reported.

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF

A 36-year-old male was arrested on a warrant for surrender of surety. Vandalism was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No calls.

EMS

Report not available.

Obituaries

ROBERT HOLMAN

Oct. 4, 1995

Robert Holman, 75, of Wimberley, a former Hereford school administrator, died Wednesday.

Memorial services will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Chapel of the Hills in Wimberley with the pastor, the Rev. Milam Brantley, and Dr. Dan H. Loving, son-in-law of Mr. Holman, officiating. Arrangements are by Thomason Funeral Home of San Marcos.

Mr. Holman, who dropped out of school during the Depression, later received a high school diploma and went on to earn bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Oklahoma and a doctorate from Western Colorado University.

During the Depression, he helped support his family by traveling with a boxing team and working as a bulldozer operator. He spent four years in the U.S. Navy submarine service during World War II.

Mr. Holman served on the Texas Governor's Council for Early Childhood and as a director of the Texas National Council of English Teachers. He was a national migrant consultant and worked with the educational service center in Amarillo.

He served in administrative positions in Baytown and Eanes Independent School Districts and in Napa Valley, Cal., as well as Hereford. He was a principal in Hobbs, N.M., and taught in Midland. He also was a professor at Prairie View A&M. He had conducted educational workshops through his consulting firm, in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

Mr. Holman was a supporter of the Hays-Caldwell Women's Center in San Marcos and collected clothing for women in need. He helped remodel an old church in Wimberley for Senior Citizens. He was a member of Chapel in the Hills.

Survivors are his wife, Naomi Brumley Holman of Wimberley; six daughters, Susan Gray of Grand

Prairie, Randy Loving of Amarillo, Sylvia Campbell of Nolanville, Jeannette Edmister of Baytown, Daun Masur of Somerville and M'Lynn Stasney of Round Rock; three sons, Ronald James Holman and Robert A. Holman of Panama City, Fla. and Hayden Holman of Wimberley; four brothers, four sisters, 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The family has requested that memorials be directed to Hays Caldwell Women's Center in San Marcos.

J.N. DENNING

Oct. 4, 1995

J.N. Denning, 89, of Idalou, died Wednesday in Lubbock.

He was the father-in-law of Olivia Denning of Hereford, and grandfather of Terry Hazlett and Michele Denning of Hereford.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in Idalou United Methodist Church with the Rev. Mark Wilson officiating. Burial will be in Idalou Cemetery, by Rix Funeral Directors of Lubbock.

Mr. Denning was born in Montague County and moved to Idalou as a youth. He was a graduate of Texas Tech University and taught in Lubbock and Lorenzo as well as schools in Bailey, Lamb, Swisher, Floyd and Crosby Counties. He coached in Idalou and Shallowater and was Roosevelt Elementary School principal. He retired in 1971. He was an active member of Idalou Methodist Church, Farm Bureau, Lions Club and Masonic Lodge. He was instrumental in organization of the senior citizen Golden Jubilee club in Idalou. He married Dena Faye Jameson in 1934. She died in 1987. He married Leona Martin in 1988.

He was preceded in death by a son, Robert Byron Denning, a grandson and a great-grandson.

Survivors are his wife; two daughters, Barbara Adams of Dallas and Beth Moore of Houston; two stepsons, four other grandchildren and a great-grandchild, Robbie Hazlett of Hereford.

Drive against family violence begins

Texas First Lady gives \$10,000 to open national hotline

By PEGGY FIKAC

Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - A Texas campaign is being launched against family violence in the same week that saw the end of the trial that focused national attention on the issue.

"We ... heard from battered women that husbands were beginning to use O.J. (Simpson) as a threat, saying things like, 'If you do that again, I'll O.J. you,'" said Debby Tucker, executive director of the Texas Council on Family Violence.

To help open a door for women to escape such abuse, Ms. Tucker Thursday accepted a \$10,000 check from Texas first lady Laura Bush toward a national hotline for domestic violence victims to be operated out of Austin beginning next year.

The money is from the Texas Medical Association Foundation, which gave the governor's wife its Champion Of Health Award allowing her to designate a grant recipient.

"Far too many women and children are abused and living in fear. They don't know where to turn for help. The family violence hotline will change that," Mrs. Bush said.

She and Ms. Tucker also touted the Start the Healing Now campaign, which is guided by a TMA blue-ribbon panel to educate doctors about family violence and inform women about available resources. The TMA Foundation raised nearly \$30,000 for the project.

The campaign includes radio and television public service announcements featuring Mary Wilson of the Supremes, a former domestic violence victim, who asks, "Is your worst nightmare the man who says he loves you?"

Information also is being placed in the restrooms of doctors' offices, so a battered woman whose abuser may accompany her on medical visits can learn where to get help without alerting him. For example, the

bathrooms would dispense telephone numbers on slips of paper small enough to put in a shoe.

Seminars will help health-care professionals recognize and aid family-violence victims. October's "Texas Medicine" includes a poster to help doctors comply with a new state law requiring health-care professionals to give resource information to suspected victims.

The national hotline, which is scheduled to begin Feb. 15, is getting \$1 million in federal funds the first year. Ms. Tucker said the group plans to raise an additional \$600,000 in private funds.

In Texas alone, there are at least 600,000 women being battered, she said.

The issue of domestic violence came to the forefront during Simpson's trial in the slayings of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman.

Ms. Tucker says while she doesn't

see Simpson's acquittal as a verdict on domestic violence, the case has pointed to the importance of dealing with batterers strictly.

Simpson, who had pleaded no contest to spousal abuse charges in a 1989 incident involving Ms. Brown, was allowed to receive counseling over the telephone, Ms. Tucker noted.

"Judges have to be shaken up and woken up ... to the fact that changing violent behavior is possible, but only with a very deep and consistent commitment to learning and changing their behavior," she said.

"This challenge was never given to O.J. and is not given to way too many batterers in our country," she said. "I'm hoping that if there is a domestic violence lesson out of this trial, that it is that we must really make the criminal justice system work and stop batterers early on, when they first become known to us in the community and to law enforcement."



Playing around

Students from West Central Intermediate School play a game of four-square on Thursday at the YMCA as part of their "No Fear" assembly. The students were allowed the special 1-1/2-hour game time as a reward for having turned in all their homework assignments for the first six weeks of the school year. A variety of activities were offered, including basketball, crab races, volleyball and leap frog.

Parents raise issue of transfers from low performing schools

By PEGGY FIKAC

Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - Parents who have been rebuffed in an attempt to transfer their children from low-performing campuses are asking for school board hearings to debate the matter.

In an effort to show the dire circumstances students at low-performing schools are facing, advocates for school choice have sent a letter alleging that an English class at one school was disrupted by noise from a pupil's head being hit against the wall in an adjoining bathroom.

That letter, to the Hurst-Euleless-Bedford Independent School District superintendent, was one of three sent on behalf of parents by the Texas Justice Foundation. The others went to Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD in Fort Worth and Katy ISD.

Allan Parker of the Justice

Foundation, a group that supports educational choice, has urged people to take advantage of a new program that was meant to allow students to flee low-rated schools.

The public education grant program allows students to transfer if they are at a campus that has been identified as low-performing by the state at any time in the preceding three years; or if at least 50 percent of students didn't perform satisfactorily on the statewide Texas Assessment of Academic Skills.

But the law allows school districts to reject transfers, as long as they don't discriminate on such criteria as race, academic achievement, athletic ability or income.

"I know of less than 10 school districts in the state that are accepting kids," Parker said, while students at more than 1,000 schools are eligible for the program.

He said Thursday that parents asked him to send letters to the three school districts on their behalf. He did not identify the parents.

"I'd like to get these kids in, and I'd like to help the school districts establish policies to make it easier for other kids to get in," Parker said.

His letter to Hurst-Euleless-Bedford says students want to leave a "rough, harsh, coarse environment" at Hurst Junior High and be reassigned to Bedford Junior High.

"The example which the parents related of the English class which was disrupted by repeated thuds which was the sound of a student's head being bashed against the wall in the adjoining bathroom shows that more discipline is needed at Hurst Junior High," Parker wrote.

Nancy Ruff, school district spokeswoman, said the district hadn't received the letter but that she would expect the school board to have a hearing on the request. Parker asked that the hearing be closed to the public.

Of the description of Hurst Junior High, Ms. Ruff said, "We try to have strong discipline at all of our schools. ... If those problems exist at the school, they need to be addressed."

Ms. Ruff said the school district hasn't accepted any students from outside its boundaries since January 1990 because of growth and overcrowding.

She said transfers within the district are handled on a case-by-case basis, and that Bedford Junior High already is about 40 students above its projected enrollment.

Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD spokeswoman Julie Thannum said the school district isn't accepting students under the public education grant program because of high enrollment and a construction program.

She said there are 12 low-performing campuses in two other school districts along its southern border.

"With that many in proximity to our school district, that was one of the determining factors," Ms. Thannum said. She also said the school district hadn't received Parker's letter.

Katy ISD spokeswoman Charles Rogers said long-standing school board policy prohibits transfer of students from other districts.

Winner of Lotto continues to work

AUSTIN (AP) - Some people might go into work a little late after winning a \$9.36 million jackpot.

Not Julio Barrazo of Corpus Christi.

He reported to his Hygeia Dairy job at 3:30 a.m. the day after discovering he had the winning ticket for Saturday's \$9.36 million Lotto Texas prize.

Thursday, he said he plans to keep collecting milk from Coastal Bend dairy farms for at least two months, until a replacement can be hired and trained.

"My first thought was if I did quit, my co-workers ... would be the ones that would end up working more doubles (shifts) than usual," said Barrazo, 29, who has worked for Hygeia for just over three months.

"Right now, we're shorthanded as it is. We only get one day off, and one guy has to work straight for the whole week."

Barrazo spoke at a news conference after being presented with a check for the first installment of his winnings - \$472,950.32. He'll get annual payments of \$468,000 for the next 19 years.

Among his first purchases? "I'll be buying my new car that I always wanted. It's going to be a Grand Am," he said.

Barrazo and his two sons, ages 9 and 7, live with his mother, uncle and brother. He said he plans to build them a new home and after that, "I'll move out and build my dream home."

He also plans to invest for his children's future.

Barrazo began playing Lotto Texas only a few months ago, because some store cashiers encouraged him to try his luck. Barrazo, who selected his winning numbers (5, 15, 18, 26, 43, 49), said he was thrilled with his good fortune.

"I couldn't believe that it was me. I've never won nothing in my whole life," he said.

But Barrazo isn't greedy. He said he doesn't plan to play any more.

"I don't think it would be fair to anybody else that still hasn't won," he said.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Benjamin R. Campbell, Jesusita Castillo, Tommie P. Crawford, Blandina Dorado, Eloisa Guerrero, Ernestine Hernandez;

Irene Lopez, Infant girl Lopez, Maria Martinez, Paulba Orosco, Eva Ruiz, Infant girl Ruiz, Ines Ruiz, Infant boy Ruiz and Beatrice Torres.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-5-8 (two, five, eight)

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Lifestyles

Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: That letter from "Upright or Uptight in L.A." saddened me. She was disturbed that her friends bragged about taking advantage of errors made by retail clerks. It made me think of an incident I will never forget.

I stopped at a convenience store on my way home from work and purchased several items that added up to \$4.80. I gave the busy cashier a \$20 bill. Before she could make change, her manager yelled for her to come to the storage room. She excused herself and was gone for several minutes. When she returned, she gave me 20 cents change.

I said, "Miss, I gave you a \$20 bill. You owe me \$15." She angrily insisted that I had given her \$5 and suggested I speak to the manager. I could tell by the look in her eye that she thought she was right.

I told her, "I don't want to get you in trouble. Just give me my receipt." She did. I wrote my home phone number on it and said, "Be careful when you count your cash tonight. You may discover you're \$15 over. If you need this money enough to steal it, keep it as a gift from me. Otherwise, give me a call."

That evening, the phone rang. She was in tears and asked for directions to my house so she could bring me the \$15. I insisted on picking it up the next day. When I went to the store, she apologized profusely. I said, "Neither of us should be sorry. We should be celebrating. We both know that yesterday each of us met at least one honest person." -- Joe in Chattanooga.

DEAR JOE: I love letters like yours. They certainly restore one's faith in mankind. Thank you, thank you.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: One more warning about toothpicks. A household employee of ours kept a toothpick in her mouth much of the time, and she would often chew on it and sometimes would swallow the

pieces. She became ill with a rather mysterious stomach problem and had to quit work.

The problem turned out to be several large abdominal abscesses caused by pieces of toothpicks she had swallowed over the years. They had punctured her intestines in several places. After many surgeries and weeks of being critically ill, she was discharged from the hospital. It took months before she regained her health and was able to return to work.

My advice is kick the toothpick habit and use dental floss. It's a lot less dangerous and better for the gums. -- E.H., Greensboro, N.C.

DEAR E.H.: Thanks for a letter that is sure to increase the sale of dental floss.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: You recently printed a poem entitled "Unsolved Mysteries of Anatomy," author unknown. I am sending you a copy of my father's original, handwritten poem with the title "Where?"

My father, William M. Dunkle, wrote the poem as a class project at the Country Day School for Boys in Newton, Mass., in 1916. He was 15 at the time. Although he never published his poem, it keeps popping up, and I wanted to set the record straight. -- William M. Dunkle Jr.

DEAR JR.: Thank you for letting us know the true author of that poem, which has been floating around for a good many years. If your father wrote it at the age of 15, he must have been extremely precocious.

Gem of the Day: A lady is a woman who makes a man want to behave like a gentleman.

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Illustrated by David Latrobe

Take time with kids, indulge in messy fun

Set aside special time with your kids and join in for some messy fun putting paint to paper without a paintbrush. Everyone will delight in the process as you experiment with innovative materials for making prints. When your project is complete and the paint is dry, let your kids sign their favorite and display it on the family bulletin board or on the refrigerator door. Use the extra beauties for gift wrap, greeting cards and for covers for trinket boxes or to protect favorite storybooks and school textbooks.

Spread lots of newspaper on a table, cover the kids with old painting shirts and gather the supplies for the project you choose. Print on construction paper, recycled plain paper bags cut open, butcher paper, index cards for making postcards or recipe cards, sturdy writing paper and envelopes.

Rolling-pin prints:

Find an old rolling pin at a garage sale or from your kids' toy box if they don't play with it anymore. Wind household string tightly around the rolling pin. The rounds of string may be close or far apart. Glue the string ends in place. Let dry.

Pour thick poster paint into an aluminum tray that is large enough for dipping and coating the string on the rolling pin. Make a print by rolling the rolling pin on the paper. For a variation, glue string in geometric or squiggly shapes on the rolling pin or on a block of wood.

- More printing objects to try:
- sponges cut in interesting shapes
 - cookie cutters
 - keys, bolts and corks
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—Mark Twain

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THURSDAY-Breakfast burrito; or cereal, buttered toast, diced pears, chocolate milk.

FRIDAY-Cheese toast; or cereal, buttered toast, banana, milk.

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TUESDAY-Tacos, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato, cinnamon roll, milk.

WEDNESDAY-pigs in a blanket, corn, blackeyed peas, rosey apple-sauce, milk.

THURSDAY-Macaroni and cheese, sweet peas, yams, whole wheat rolls, mixed fruit, milk.

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Church News

DAWN BAPTIST CHURCH
Dawn Baptist Church and Pastor David White invite you to join us as we observe World Hunger Day with prayer and offerings this Sunday morning. This is the Sunday for Deacons meeting and monthly business conference in the evening as well.

Wednesday there will be a special time of prayer for the approaching World Mission Conference. This prayer time will be led by Ray Stewart, prayer chairman.

Ladies of the church and community will meet Saturday morning at 10 at Sharon Johnson's for the regular monthly meeting of "Lord's Ladies."

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

A tailgate party will kick off at 6 p.m. Oct. 13 at First Assembly of God Church. This will be for the youth group, but all youth aged 12-19 are invited to come. After the tailgate party, the youth will attend the Herd football game. GO HERD!

Pastor Gaston invites everyone to attend Sunday services. We have Sunday School provided for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship service begins at 10:45 and evening worship begins at 6. Following the evening

service, there will be an all church volleyball tournament.

Women's Ministries will meet on Tuesday at 10 a.m. for a Bible study on the "Fruits of the Spirit." Afterward, there will be a covered dish lunch.

Royal Rangers and Missionettes, scouting programs for boys and girls, will meet Tuesday from 7 p.m.-8:15 p.m. If you have a boy, age 5-6 years, he will not want to miss the Straight Arrows program. Each boy chooses an Indian name, wears Indian attire, and learns the Bible at the same time.

During the Wednesday evening service at 7, the youth will meet in the fellowship hall.

We will have a church-wide garage sale on Oct. 14 from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at the church, located at 606 E. 15th.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

The pastor, H. Wyatt Bartlett, and the congregation of the Temple Baptist Church extend a warm welcome to everyone to come and worship with them Sunday. The church is located at 700 Avenue K.

Our services begin with Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:45 a.m. then our morning worship service is at 11. In the evening we have Discipleship training at 6 and evening

worship at 7. In our Discipleship training we are continuing the study of "JESUS" the video shown to millions of people, with many of them coming to know Jesus. The pastor will be preaching at both morning and evening worship services.

We are now having our mid-week prayer meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays and choir practice at 7:15 p.m.

This coming week the Women on Missions will meet Tuesday evening at 6:30 for a council meeting and at 7 for Mission Study.

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Ray Sanders is the pastor and Ronny Sanders is the song leader.

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Sports

Herd spikers start second district round

The Hereford volleyball team starts the second time through the District 1-4A schedule at 2 p.m. Saturday at Randall High School.

If the Lady Whitefaces do as well as they did the first time through, they'll win their first outright district championship. Hereford is 6-0 in district play and 19-3 overall. Randall is 2-4 and 7-11.

The Hereford cross country team will be running in a big meet in Lubbock Saturday. The cross country runners have three more meets before the District 1-4A meet Oct. 28 in Amarillo.

Hereford's tennis team is off this weekend.

The freshmen volleyball team also will play at Randall Saturday, starting at 12:30 p.m. On Monday, the freshmen will host Pampa at 6 p.m. in Whiteface Gym, while the junior high volleyball teams go to Borger for matches starting at 5:30 p.m.

On the fall golf schedule, the Hereford girls will play Southwest Golf Course in Amarillo Saturday, while the boys play at Plainview Country Club.

Aikman is out; O'Donnell back

By JEROME MINERVA
Associated Press Writer
Neil O'Donnell is back. Troy Aikman is out. Drew Bledsoe wants back in. Such is the state of NFL quarterbacks this season.

What remains constant is Dan Marino rewriting the record books as he sets his sights on more of Fran Tarkenton's career marks.

Wade Wilson will start for the Dallas Cowboys in place of Aikman, who has a sore right calf muscle suffered against Washington last Sunday.

And even though Bledsoe was cleared to play by a team doctor, both the team physician and New England coach Bill Parcells have reservations about whether Bledsoe's separated shoulder is healed.

As for Pittsburgh, the Steelers welcome back O'Donnell for the first time since Week 1.

In other games Sunday, Cincinnati visits Tampa Bay, the New York Jets travel to Buffalo, Washington squares off against Philadelphia, Chicago plays host to Carolina, Houston is at Minnesota, Cleveland visits Detroit, Seattle goes to Oakland and Arizona is at the New York Giants.

Packers at Cowboys
The prospect of facing another backup quarterback concerns Green Bay coach Mike Holmgren. And for good reason.

In recent seasons, Cowboys backup QBs have had field days against the Packers. Holmgren need only go back to last Thanksgiving Day, when third-stringer Jason Garrett led Dallas to a 42-31 victory.

"We've been through this with Troy before," Holmgren lamented. "Jason Garrett got us last Thanksgiving Day. Now, Wade Wilson is going to try to do the same thing."

There's an added ingredient to the mix this time. The Cowboys are coming off a 27-23 loss to the Redskins.

"This could be a bad time to be playing them," said Holmgren, whose Packers (3-1) are coming off a bye week. "Dallas has a lot of pride, and they'll be mad at losing, and trying to take it out on us."

Meanwhile, Brett Favre of the Packers goes into the game with a chance to set an NFL record by throwing two or more touchdown passes in his 13th consecutive game. Favre shares the record with Johnny Unitas, Marino and Don Meredith. **Broncos at Patriots**

Bledsoe, who was having a subpar season before the third-degree separation suffered against San Francisco on Sept. 17, wants to play, but is listed as questionable on the injury report.

"If he (the doctor) had his druthers, he'd hold me out another week, but I told him that I need to go ahead and play," Bledsoe said.

Bledsoe said the biggest risk he would face if he played Sunday would be aggravating the existing injury, and then only if he was hit in the same way that 49ers linebacker Ken Norton Jr. drove his shoulder into the turf.

"If I felt I was going to go out on the field and risk a season-ending injury because of the condition that I have, then I wouldn't do it," Bledsoe said. "But the risk that I'm taking is that I could aggravate the condition and miss another week of two weeks."



Fumble!

Hereford's Nathan Gavina (99) and Tranquilino Garza (64) go after a fumble caused when Clay Brown (20) hit the Randall quarterback. Hereford recovered the fumble but lost the junior varsity game, 26-0, Thursday night at Whiteface Stadium.

Randall picked by two over Herd

Hereford will be a two-point underdog to Randall when the two meet Friday night, according to the Harris Rating System.

The Herd takes on the Raiders at 7:30 p.m. at Kimbrough Stadium.

Hereford is ranked 80th in Class 4A with a power rating of 184. Randall is 87th with a rating of 183. Presumably the home-field advantage is worth three points.

Hereford and Randall are the third- and fourth-highest teams in District

1-4A. Pampa is 13th at 200, and Borger is 20th at 197. Two other West Texas teams are in the top 20: Sweetwater is ninth at 201, and Estacado is 16th at 199.

The district's other three teams are closer to the bottom: Canyon is 131st at 175; Caprock is 154th at 167; and Dumas is 169th at 164.

Harris picks Borger by 32 at Caprock, and Pampa by 25 at home against Canyon. Dumas is off.

In other games involving area

teams, Harris picks: Friona by 18 over Tulia; Slaton by 16 over Dimmitt; Sunray by three at Clarendon; Hale Center by 12 over Morton; Olton by six at Lockney; Coronado by 14 at Palo Duro; Vega by 13 at Valley;

Estacado by nine over El Paso; Tascosa by 14 at Lubbock High; Amarillo High by 21 over Plainview; Frenship by five over Monahans; Big Spring by 14 over Levelland;

Littlefield by 11 over Lamesa; River Road by eight over West Texas High; Floydada by seven over Lubbock Roosevelt; Sudan by two over Shallowater; Seminole by 16 at Muleshoe;

Highland Park by nine over Boys Ranch; Springlake-Earth by 29 at Abernathy; Hart by 27 at New Deal; Smyer by one over Bovina; Plains by 13 at Farwell; Petersburg by 24 at Happy; and Anton by 14 at Nazareth.

Buckeyes want Penn St. blood after rout last year

By The Associated Press
They're going to try to run up the score at University Park, Pa., on Saturday. And it won't be Joe Paterno this time.

With all the heat the Penn State football coach has been getting in recent weeks, no one is more upset about the Nittany Lions than the Ohio State Buckeyes.

In last year's game at University Park, Penn State gave Ohio State its worst beating in 48 years - 63-14. That score has been posted on the Buckeyes' locker room billboard all week as fifth-ranked Ohio State prepares for Saturday's game at Happy Valley against No. 12 Penn State.

An extra combustible ingredient has been added to this week's game: a controversy over supposed preferential scheduling that Paterno has received since joining the Big Ten three years ago.

During Penn State's first two years in the Big Ten, it had a week off before playing Ohio State and Michigan, and will be off again next year before playing Michigan. The Nittany Lions also have the week off before playing Michigan on Nov. 18. Ohio State will be playing at Penn State for the second year in a row.

Paterno called the inferences of

other Big Ten coaches, including Ohio State's John Cooper, "a lot of hokey."

The Penn State coach has been no stranger to controversy this season. Earlier in the year, he created a furor when Penn State threw a long touchdown pass in the last minute en route to a 59-34 beating of Rutgers. Paterno denied charges that he was running up the score in order to keep Penn State high in the national rankings.

The Ohio State-Penn State game is one of six involving head-to-head matches of ranked teams. In the others, it's No. 3 Florida at No. 21 LSU; No. 4 Colorado hosting No. 24 Kansas; No. 7 Michigan playing host to No. 25 Northwestern; No. 10 Tennessee at No. 18 Arkansas; and No. 23 Notre Dame at No. 15 Washington.

Elsewhere, it's No. 1 Florida State playing host to Miami; No. 5 Southern Cal at California; No. 8 Texas A&M at Texas Tech; No. 9 Virginia at North Carolina; Mississippi State at No. 11 Auburn; Missouri at No. 13 Kansas State; No. 14 Oklahoma at Iowa State; North Carolina State at No. 16 Alabama; Pacific at No. 17 Oregon; No. 18 Stanford at Arizona State; and Rice at No. 20 Texas.

Randall defeats Herd in junior varsity game

Sophomores, freshmen win on road

The Hereford junior varsity football team lost tailback Stephen Cloud on the first series against Randall Thursday in Whiteface Stadium, then gave up two touchdowns in the final minute of the first half.

Hereford never recovered and lost 26-0 to the Raiders.

In other games played Thursday, the Herd sophomores won 19-7 at Lubbock High; the freshman A team beat Randall 29-8 at Randall, but the B team lost 32-0.

In the JV game, the defense created several scoring opportunities with turnovers and blocked punts, but the offense couldn't cash in.

"That hurt us on offense, with Stephen being out," coach Chris Christopher said. "I'm not taking anything away from (backup) Freddie Jimenez, but its tough when you have to go every play the whole game."

Randall got on the board with a 70-yard touchdown run, then scored on a one-yarder minutes later, making it a 12-0 lead. Randall scored its third TD on a five-yard run with 1:03 left in the half, then a Hereford fumble set up a 10-yard scoring run with three seconds left. The Raiders ran for two and a 26-0 lead.

The Hereford defense shut Randall out in the second half.

In Lubbock, the Herd sophomores got three touchdowns and lots of plays for the defensive highlight film.

Henry Hernandez scored two of the touchdowns, on a 10-yard run and a 40-yard fumble return. Rusty Dutton caught a 10-yard TD pass from Jeremy Urbanczyk.

Hereford got fumble recoveries from Gilbert Salinas, Eric Garcia and Ruben Cantu, and Chris Henson forced a fumble. Dutton made two sacks and Brandon Tidmore and Garcia each had one sack. Jeremy Scott tackled the Lubbock High punter twice before he could punt.

The team's game with Randall was canceled this week, and the game with Lubbock High was picked up at the last minute.

At Randall, the Herd freshmen A team scored first on a 66-yard touchdown run by Chris Torres, and Corey Marsh kicked the extra point.

Randall scored next to make it 8-7, but it was all Hereford after that. Mark Rodriguez scored on a six-yard run. Torres hit Gilbert Martinez for the two-point conversion, then late in the half those two connected for a 38-yard TD pass.

Hereford tacked on a TD in the fourth quarter when Leo Balderas ran four yards for a score. The extra point kick was blocked, but Torres was able to pick up the ball and run in for two more points.

On defense, linebackers Matthew Irish and Lucio Hernandez each had an interception.

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Nashville mayor pitches Oiler bid

By **KARIN MILLER**
Associated Press Writer
NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - Nashville is almost at "a point of no return" in its efforts to entice the Houston Oilers to pack up their gear and move to Tennessee, Mayor Phil Bredesen says.

Bredesen appeared before the Metro Council Thursday night to present a \$292.1 million plan to relocate the National Football League team, including building a 65,000-seat, open-air stadium.

He wants the council to approve a preliminary agreement next Tuesday to show the Oilers the city is serious about wanting the team.

"There is no question in my mind that (Oilers owner) Bud Adams and his team see this agreement and its approval by the council as sort of a point of no return for them," Bredesen said. "They have already burnt bridges in Houston."

The city would pay nearly half the cost of the package, \$143.6 million, without any new taxes or tax increases.

"I think you could feel everybody breathe a sigh of relief" when they learned that, Councilman Tim Garrett said following the mayor's presentation.

Garrett, chairman of the council's finance committee, said the proposal has a good chance of passage.

The state would pitch in \$79.3 million and Bredesen hopes to make at least \$71 million selling permanent seat licenses, which give buyers the right to buy season tickets.

He said at least 44,700 such

licenses would be sold at an average of \$1,600 apiece, but the mayor said he will leave some seats for people who cannot afford a PSL.

The mayor said the Oilers have made "significant concessions" in recent days, including an agreement to operate the stadium at its own expense, estimated at \$5.5 million to \$6 million a year.

The Oilers also would pay \$1 million annually to rent the stadium and would use it only 30 days a year.

Originally, the Oilers had wanted exclusive use of the stadium, rent-free, with the city paying operating costs.

Bredesen's proposed financing package is actually \$1.8 million more than the stadium and relocation are

expected to cost.

Bredesen said he used conservative revenue estimates and padded the figures to include at least \$35 million that the NFL may ask to approve the move.

St. Louis was forced to pay league owners an extra \$35 million before they approved the Rams' move from Los Angeles. However, Bredesen said he does not expect Nashville will face that because Adams is chairman of the league finance committee.

The largest portion of the city's financing package would be \$55 million from the water and sewer department, which for the first time would reimburse the city for services for which other utilities have long been paying.

The state's part of the deal would include \$55 million in construction bonds for the stadium, which would be repaid from the city's share of ticket, concession and team paraphernalia revenues.

The state also would provide land to relocate businesses, a parking lot and road improvements, lease the stadium for Tennessee State University and pay the city \$5.3 million to house prison inmates at a recently closed mental institution.

If the council and state Legislature agree to the financing package, ground for the stadium will be broken in April.

Bredesen hopes to have it built on the east bank of the Cumberland River by Aug. 1, 1998. The stadium's first game would be played the next month, with the Oilers leasing the facility for at least 30 years.

Move would cost \$292 million

The \$292.1 million projected costs of moving the Houston Oilers to Nashville and building them a stadium, as explained Thursday night by Mayor Phil Bredesen:

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT	
Land, relocation, demolition	\$47.2 million
Oilers relocation	\$28.0 million
Administration and legal	\$1.0 million
SITE DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE	
Vehicular access improvements	\$6.5 million
Shelby Street bridge (for pedestrians)	\$6.0 million
Finish site, including parking	\$8.1 million
Practice facility	\$2.5 million
Riverfront improvements and other	\$11.0 million
STADIUM CONSTRUCTION	
Foundations and superstructure	\$42.7 million
Exterior skin	\$10.7 million
Interior	\$12.4 million
Building systems	\$31.9 million
Conveying systems	\$2.6 million
Fixtures and electrical work	\$9.5 million
Signage	\$1.0 million
Video and scoreboards	\$7.5 million
Concessions and food service	\$6.0 million
SOFT COSTS	
Design fees	\$10.0 million
Construction management	\$5.0 million
Geological and testing	\$2.0 million
Contingency	\$35.0 million
Legal and financial	\$5.5 million

No one picks Rockets for 3rd title

HOUSTON (AP) - The Houston Rockets aren't getting any more support as contenders for a third straight NBA title than they did before winning their first two.

Coach Rudy Tomjanovich has noticed.

"Why do people pick other teams?" Tomjanovich asked. "Tell me what's happened in the months since the season that should say, 'Oh yeah, that was a great move or the Rockets lost somebody?'"

"I always like to let actions do the speaking, so I don't get into all that (predicting) but ... I think we have a very good shot."

The Rockets open preseason camp on Friday with the team Tomjanovich had to piece together on the run last season.

Tomjanovich did a very good coaching job last season, plucking Chucky Brown from the CBA, Charles Jones from retirement and Clyde Drexler from Portland, to lead the Rockets to their second straight NBA title.

Now it's time to try for three and the Rockets have added heft with power forward Mark Bryant from Portland, leaving Tomjanovich with a comfortable feeling for the start of training camp.

"I really like the depth of our team right now," Tomjanovich said. "I don't think I've ever felt that secure going in, knowing that if something happens, I've got players to back up at all of the positions."

With Hakeem Olajuwon joined by Robert Horry back at forward, Kenny Smith, Drexler and Sam Cassell forming a guard tandem, and guard-forward Mario Elie, the Rockets are essentially the same team that made a surprising run through the playoffs.

Jones makes deal with AMEX

DALLAS (AP) - Jerry Jones has a message for American Express card-holding Cowboys fans: Don't leave home without it.

Even as the team's owner continues private discussions about a lawsuit filed by the NFL over recent marketing agreements made apart from league-sanctioned sponsorships, American Express Travel Related Services Co. Inc. announced a deal with Texas Stadium, the team's home.

Terms of the multiyear contract, which has been rumored for weeks, weren't released.

"We were really about the third seed last year but injuries and suspensions pushed us down," Smith said.

The Rockets won a record nine playoff games on the road and beat the teams with the four best records in the league to win the title.

"No one picked us to win last year either and look what happened, so we don't worry about how others pick us, it's how we feel about ourselves," Olajuwon said.

Vernon Maxwell and Carl Herrera played for the Rockets during the regular season last year but are no longer with the team. Maxwell, dismissed after the first playoff game, has signed with Philadelphia. Herrera, who missed the playoffs because of a shoulder separation, has signed with San Antonio.

The Rockets will work at Texas A & M University-Galveston beginning Friday. They'll return

home for a workout Wednesday and open exhibition play in The Summit on Thursday against the San Antonio Spurs.

"It's a great advantage having Clyde and the other guys we picked up in the middle of the season, to have them go through training camp and really go through all of our building of the foundation, our philosophy," Tomjanovich said.

"Those guys did a great job adapting to our offense and defense. Now it will become second-nature to them after going through two-a-days and the exhibition schedule."

Workouts will begin without Olajuwon for the second year in a row.

Olajuwon withdrew from his one-on-one match with Shaquille O'Neal last week because of a back injury, which will keep him sidelined for the start of practice.

Olajuwon missed the start of last

year's camp when he butted heads with teammate Tom Breaux. Olajuwon also missed eight games late last season suffering from anemia but came back with an outstanding playoff.

The rest actually may have rejuvenated Olajuwon.

"I never like to see anyone go through an illness but there are ways that negatives turn to positives and that was a great example there," Tomjanovich said.

"I'm not going to say that's the reason. There could be a lot of other factors, his competitive nature, being who he is and the way he is has a lot to do with it, rising to the occasion."

Olajuwon said tests revealed his injury was muscular and he'd start training camp slowly.

"The key is not to do anything heavy at first," he said. "I am very comfortable with it. It's going to be OK."



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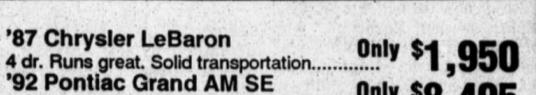
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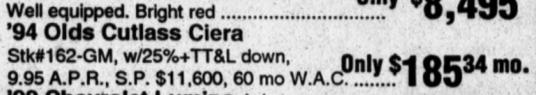
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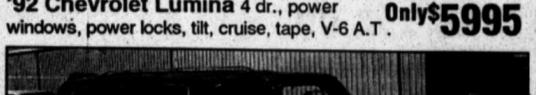
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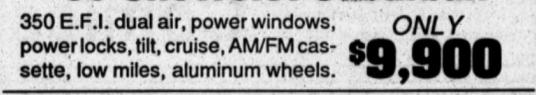
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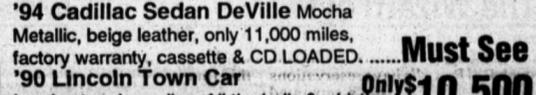
'92 Chevrolet Lumina 4 dr., power windows, power locks, tilt, cruise, tape, V-6 A.T.
Only \$5,995



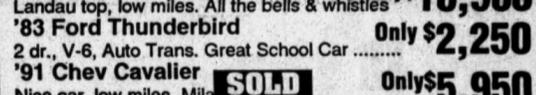
'89 Chevrolet Suburban
350 E.F.I. dual air, power windows, power locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM cassette, low miles, aluminum wheels.
ONLY \$9,900



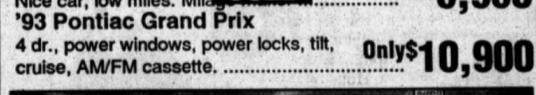
'94 Cadillac Sedan DeVille Mocha
Metallic, beige leather, only 11,000 miles, factory warranty, cassette & CD LOADED.
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'90 Lincoln Town Car
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Only \$10,500



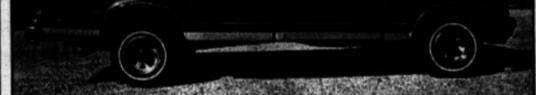
'93 Ford Thunderbird
2 dr., V-6, Auto Trans. Great School Car.
Only \$2,250



'91 Chev Cavalier **SOLD**
Nice car, low miles. Millage.
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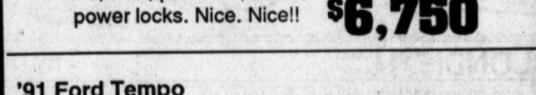
'93 Pontiac Grand Prix
4 dr., power windows, power locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM cassette.
Only \$10,900



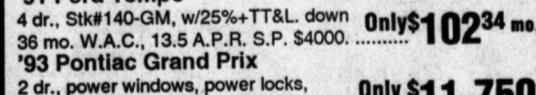
'89 Ford F-150
V-8, A.T., power windows, power locks. Nice. Nice!!
ONLY \$6,750



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4 dr., Stk#140-GM, w/25%+TT&L down 36 mo. W.A.C., 13.5 A.P.R. S.P. \$4000.
Only \$102³⁴ mo.



'93 Pontiac Grand Prix
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Only \$11,750



'94 Cavalier 2 dr., Well-equipped,
factory warranty. SHARP.
Only \$9,850



'91 Chevrolet S-Blaze 4x4 **SOLD**
4 dr., 1-owner, Tahoe, well equipped.
Only \$11,900



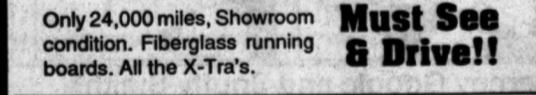
'94 GMC Suburban
Only 24,000 miles, Showroom condition. Fiberglass running boards. All the X-Tra's.
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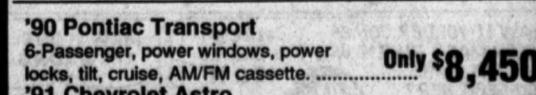
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8-Passenger van, well-equipped, local owner, low miles.
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Archaeological discovery ratifies Bible prophecies of end of the Philistines

By ARIEH O'SULLIVAN
Associated Press Writer
TEL-MIQNE, Israel (AP) - A piece of wire found protruding from the dirt this summer has proven to be a 2,600-year-old golden headband in the shape of a cobra, once affixed to a statuette of an Egyptian goddess.

They could see the Babylonians were coming to punish them. They were very good observers and understood the historical events," said Seymour Gitin, director of the W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research in Jerusalem.

off their Assyrian shackles and launched a successful military campaign in which they defeated Egypt and took control of Syria and Palestine.

It also has helped offer a rare glimpse into the final days of the ancient Philistine city of Ekron. It was a time of close cultural and commercial ties with Egypt but - unfortunately for the Philistines - it was the wrong alliance. The Babylonians swept in, and the Philistine kings pleaded in vain with the Egyptian Pharaohs to save them.

Gitin, who has been heading excavations at Tel Miqne for 11 years, says it is the ancient Philistine city of Ekron.

Ekron was destroyed in 603 B.C. by the Babylonian king Nebuchadnezzar, who went on to conquer the Israelites and carried them off to exile.

Defeat was overwhelming and the Philistines were dragged off into slavery, never to return to history's stage.

The 85-acre site, the largest biblical-era dig in Israel, is about 12 miles inland from the modern port of Ashdod. The Philistines lived in Philistia, which stretched along the Mediterranean Sea from modern-day Tel Aviv to the Gaza Strip.

Not only the prophets were aware of an approaching crisis. The Philistines themselves could feel the end coming.

Archaeologists say that beyond confirming the Scriptures, this summer's discoveries at Ekron illustrate how the Israelite prophets Zephaniah and Zechariah, who foretold the Philistine demise, were sharp analysts who probably based their prophecies on their ability to read the political map of their time.

In their glory days in the 7th century B.C., the Philistines were dominated by the Assyrians, an ancient superpower based in what is now Syria and northern Iraq.

"Suddenly we find olive oil equipment, like 90 kilo weights (for pressing olives) that were commonly put to use, stored away in buildings," Gitin said.

The dig has found burned storehouses and a plundered administrative center. Archaeologists also turned up the remnants of a multistory palace, its columns toppled, pottery smashed and upper floor collapsed.

At the time, Ekron was the world's largest supplier of olive oil. Much like today's petroleum, olive oil was used to heat and light homes, to cook and to make cosmetics and to anoint the body. So far, 115 stone presses have been found in Ekron.

"We can now see that the oracles of the Hebrew prophets predicting destruction of the Philistine cities were based on a perceptive analysis of the superpower struggles ... not only prophetic intuition," he said.

All this attests to the devastation that corroborated Zephaniah's prediction that Ekron "shall be uprooted" (Zephaniah 2:5) and Zechariah's revelation that its "hopes are confounded" (Zechariah 9:5).

As the power of the Assyrian empire faded toward the end of the century, the Philistines increased their alliance with the Egyptians. Ekron's final 30 years saw an increase in Egyptian artifacts, including the golden cobra headband found this year.

One thing that has eluded the archaeologists are Philistine writings. Hebrew University archaeologist Professor Trude Dothan, co-director of the dig, believes the Philistines were literate and says she hopes to find a library at Ekron.

"They see the destruction coming. They cursed the Philistines and their own people for abandoning God.

In the late 7th century, the Babylonians from southern Iraq threw

"We were sweeping the room to be photographed when suddenly one of the girls says, 'Look, a piece of wire.' She pulled it out and said, 'Wow! A gold snake.' " Dothan recalled as she carefully held the gold cobra.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 6

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
Movie: First Men in the Moon Edward Judd *** 1/2	Movie: The 7th Voyage of Sinbad G	James Dean: A Portrait	Mickey	Mickey						
News Ent. Tonight	Movie: Prince for a Day (1995) Joy Lawrence	Dateline	News	(35) Tonight Show						
MacNeil/Lehrer Newshour	Wash. Week Wall St	P.O.V.	1000 Homes	Wall for God	News	Cinema				
Videos	Videos	(05) Movie: The Blues Brothers (1990) John Belushi, Dan Aykroyd ***								
News	Wh. Fortune	Major League Baseball Playoffs Divisional Round Game 3 - Teams to Be Announced	News	Seinfeld	(05) Blitz					
Fam. Mat.	Newhart	Hercules-Jrny.	Xena: Warrior Princess	News	Night Court	Simon & Simon				
News	Home Imp.	Dwight	Bonnie Hunt	Picket Fences	American Gothic	News	(35) Late Show			
Roseanne	Simpsons	Strange Luck	X-Files	Star Trek: Voyager	M*A*S*H	Cops	Wanted			
Sportsctr.	Stanley Cup	NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Colorado Avalanche								
Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club	Shade	Racing	Bonanza				
(5:15) Movie: Showdown	Movie: Holy Matrimony Patricia Arquette	(45) Movie: Guarding Tess Shirley MacLaine PG-13	Full Frontal	Howie						
Inside the NFL	Movie: Extreme Justice ** 1/2 R	Assassins	(15) Movie: Beverly Hills Cop III Eddie Murphy, ** 1/2 R	Midnight						
Movie: Joe vs. Volcano	Movie: Payback Joan Severance R	Movie: Dangerous Indiscretion R	Movie: Professional Affair Robert Z'Dar							
Movie: Fools for Scandal (1938) ** 1/2	Movie: The Gay Bride (1934) **	Movie: Nothing Sacred (1937) *** 1/2	Movie: Vigil in the Night							
Club Dance	News	Championship Rodeo	Music City Tonight	News	Club Dance	Rodeo				
Bey. 2000	Next Step	Islands of the Iguana	Beyond 2000	Rivals!	Next Step	Bey. 2000	Iguana			
Rockford Files	Biography	Investigative Reports	Ancient Mysteries	Law & Order	Biography					
Commish	Barbara Walters	Movie: Daddy's Dyin'... Who's Got the WHIF? (1990)	Unsolved Mysteries	Girls' NL						
Pennant	Press Box	Windsurfing WTA Tour	Tennis ATP European Tour Swiss Indoors Championship	Press Box	Ocean	Sports Look				
In the Heat of the Night	Movie: The Wild Life (1984)	Christopher Penn. **	Movie: Police Academy (1984) Steve Guttenberg. **	Movie: Newhart						
Doug	Clarissa	Munsters Jeannie	I Love Lucy Bewitched	M.T. Moore Taxi	Kotler	Van Dyke	Newhart			
Wings	Wings	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: Live Wire (1992) Pierce Brosnan. **	Duckman	Movie: Can't Buy Me Love					
La Duena	Alendra	Movie: Secuestro Fernando Almada, Jorge Reynoso.	Noticiero	P. Impacto	Movie: Joele-Cats					
Cartoon Planet	Garfield	Scoby Doo	Flintstones Jetsons	(10) Bugs & Daffy Tonight	Space G	Moxy	Joele-Cats			
Women's College Volleyball	Michigan State at Illinois	CFL Football Toronto Argos at Calgary Stampeders								

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Mermaid	Ducktales	Chip 'n Dale	Darwing	Movie: Prehysteria 2 Kevin R. Connors.	Halloween	Five Mile Creek	Danger Bay			
Jelly Bean	Happy Ness	Sing a Story	Science Guy	Saved-Bell	Hang Time	Saved-Bell	Dreams	Inside Stuff	Paid Prog.	NFL Films
Psychology	Psychology	Wash. Week	Wall St	Quitting	Sewing	Quitting	Sewing	Cooking	Garden	Gourmet
(05) Cartoon Planet	(05) WCW Pro Wrestling	(05) National Geographic Explorer						(05) CHiPs		Auto Racing
Madeline	Free Willy	George Of	Bump	Fudge	Reboot	Bugs & T.	Bugs & T.	College Football: Regional Coverage		
Farm Report	Business	News	MotorWeek	Outdoor	Baseball	Paid Prog.	Soul Train	Movie:		
Garfield	Timon	News	Turtles	The Mask	Santo-Bug	Felix the Cat	Purles	Health-Risk	Football	Football
San Diego	Rangers	Rider	Ektstravag	Spider-Man	Tick	X-Men	Life-Louie	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
Fly Fishing	Wild Skies	WalkerCay	Outdoors	Photo Safari	Outdoors	NASCAR	College Gameday	College Football		
Popeye	Mario	Wish Kid	Masters	Family Challenge	Boogies	Racing	Bonanza	Riders		
Busy World	Busy World	Movie: Medicine Man Sean Connery. ** PG-13	Ready-Not	Degrassal	Movie: Seams Like Old Times *** PG					
Smoggies!	White Fang	Shakespeare	Movie: Strictly Business ** 1/2 PG-13	Inside the NFL						
Movie: The Beverly Hillbillies Jim Varney	Movie: Night and the City ***	(45) Movie: Grumpy Old Men Jack Lemmon PG-13								
(6:30) Movie: ** The Lash	Movie: Trail Guide (1952) Tim Holt **	Parade	Movie: That Girl From Paris (1937) Lily Pons. ** 1/2	Movie: Pan-						
(Off Air)	Auto Racing: NASCAR Grand National	Auto Racing: NASCAR Grand National	Outdoors	Fishing	Outdoors	Fishin'	Bill Dance			
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Home	Start	Cuisine	Great Chefs	HouseSmart!	Human Nature	Discovery		
Movie: Angel-Badman	Wildlife Mysteries	Locomotion	Crime Science	20th Century	Investigat					
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Talk It Over	Handmad	Our Home	About You	Spenser
Fishing	Hunting	Fishin'	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Football	SEC TV Weekly	College Football		
Hondo		How the West Was Won	Wild, Wild West	Wild, Wild West	Movie: Little Darlings (1980) **					
Doug	Rugrats	Muppets	Muppets	Tiny Toon	Tiny Toon	Beetlejuice	Salute	Hey Dude	My Brother	Looney
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	CHet	World Wrestling Mania	Wild.C.A.T.S. Exosquad	Highlander	Wild.C.A.T.S. Movie:			
Lente Loco	Cantinflas	La Hora de los Tigrillos	El Club de Gaby	Johnny Canales	Super Sabado Sensacional					
Tom and Jerry	Moxy	Josie-Cats	Imposs-EI.	ButchCass	Flintstones	(10) Super Adventures				
(6:30) Saturday Morning Sportsman						NFL	College Football: Big Ten Game			

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
Zorro	Gallagher Goes West	Annette	Mouseketeer Reunion	Movie: Alice in Wonderland ** 1/2	(05) Mr. Boogedy					
NFL Gamebusters	Paid Prog.	Hopeful Heart	Paid Prog.	Breeders' Cup Preview	Jerry Jones	News				
Old House	Woodshop	Hometime	New Garden	Many Quilts	Glass	Cars	American Experience	Club Date		
Auto Racing NASCAR Grand National - All Pro Bumper-to-Bumper 300	NASCAR	B. Hillbillies	B. Hillbillies	B. Hillbillies	(05) WCW Saturday Night					
College Football: Regional Coverage - Teams TBA	College Football	Teams to Be Announced								
(12:00) Movie: ** 1/2 Bustin' Loose (1984) TBA	Movie: Meatballs Part II (1984) Richard Mulligan. **	Black Sheep Squadron	Highlander: The Series							
(12:00) College Football Houston at Texas Christian	Health-Risk	Lonesome Dove: Outlaw	Empty Nest	News						
Paid Prog.	Movie	Movie: QuickSilver (1986) Kevin Bacon, Jami Gertz. **	Babylo 5							
College Football: Big Ten Game - Teams TBA	Scoreboard	Senior PGA Golf: Transamerica Ch. - Second Round	Running	Sportsctr.						
Riders	Big Valley	Rifeman	Rifeman	High Chaparral	Bonanza	Snowy River: McGregor	Movie: Medicine Man **			
(45) Movie: Avalon (1990) Armin Mueller-Stahl, Aidan Quinn. *** PG	Movie: A Home of Our Own Kathy Bates. ** PG	Movie: Rudy (1993) Sean Astin, Ned Beatty. *** PG	Movie: Milk Money (1994) Melanie Griffith, Ed Harris. ** 1/2	Movie: Batman Michael Keaton PG-13	Movie: That Night C. Thomas Howell	Movie: Dream a Little Dream 2 PG-13	Movie: Sometimes They Come Back (05) Movie: Blue Chips			
(12:00) Movie: ** Pan-Americana (1945)	Movie: The Captain's Kid (1936) Guy Kibbee. **	Movie: Where Sinners Meet (1934) Diana Wynyard. **								
Field	NHRA	Racing	Motorcycle Racing	Championship Rodeo	Video Session	Auto Racing				
Discovery	Magical	Mysterious	Planet of Life	Popular Mechanics	Beyond 2000	Invention	Next Step			
Investigat	American Justice	Movie: Monty Python and the Holy Grail (1975) *** 1/2	America's Castles	Home Again	Home Again					
Spenser	L.A. Law	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: 83 Hours 'Til Dawn (1990) Robert Ulrich. ** 1/2	Movie: Kiss of a Killer						
(11:30) College Football Southeastern Conference Game - Teams TBA	CISL Soccer Playoff Game - Teams to Be Announced	Football	Football							
Movie: The Wild Life (1984) Christopher Penn. **	Cartoons	RudyGoGo	Scoby Doo	Flintstones	RudyGoGo					
Looney	You Do	Crazy Kids	Welnerville	Freshmen	Double Dare	New Land	Clarissa	Doug	Rocko's Life	
(12:00) Movie: ** Maid to Order (1987)	Movie: Sharon's Secret (1995) Candace Cameron.	Movie: Can't Buy Me Love (1987) ** 1/2								
SuperSub.	Onda Max	Callente	Control	Pelucula						
Adventures	SWAT Kats	Fantastic 4	G-Force	Jonny Q.	Godzilla	Godzilla	Godzilla	Godzilla	Godzilla	Godzilla
College Football: Big Ten Game	Karate				Billiards					

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(05) Movie: The Computer Wore Tennis Shoes G	Movie: Harry and the Hendersons John Lithgow. PG	Movie: The Red Badge of Courage ***								
Highlander: The Series JAG	Larouquette	Home Court	Sisters							
Thinking	McLaughlin	Panhandle	Mansion	Lawrence Welk Show	Austin City Limits	Manor Born	Keeping Up	Cheff		
WCW Saturday Night	Griffith	Griffith	(15) Andy Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith		
Major League Baseball	Major League Baseball Playoffs	To Be Announced	News	Outer Limits						
Fam. Mat.	Riches	Movie: Rooster Cogburn (1975) John Wayne. **	News	Night Court	Movie: Stepfather III					
News	Golden Girls	Medicine Woman	Touched by an Angel	Walker, Texas Ranger	News	Golden Girls	Baywatch			
Cowboys	Fresh Pr.	Martin	Preston	Cops	Wanted	Land's End	Too Some.	Misery	Xena	
Scoreboard	College Football Miami at Florida State	Football Scoreboard	Sportsctr.	Baseball						
Christy	Movie: Yours, Mine and Ours (1968) Lucille Ball, Henry Fonda. ***	Movie: The Gumball Rally (1976) Michael Sarrazin. *** 1/2								
Movie: ** Medicine Man	Movie: The Shawshank Redemption Tim Robbins. *** 1/2 R	(35) Roger Corman Presents	Red Shoe							
Movie: Assassins	Movie: The Specialist Sylvester Stallone. ** R	Boxing Lennox Lewis vs. Tommy Morrison	Movie: Steel Frontier Joe Lara. R	Movie: Best of Best Sex						
(5:05) Movie: Blue Chips	Movie: Cyborg Cop II David Bradley. ** 1/2 R	Movie: Steel Frontier Joe Lara. R	Movie: Best of Best Sex							
Movie: Sporting Blood (1931) ** 1/2	Movie: Red Dust (1932) Clark Gable. ***	Movie: Hell Divers (1931) Clark Gable. ** 1/2	Movie: Polly							
(5:00) Auto Racing	Opry	Grand Opry	Duff	Yesteryear	Opry	Grand Opry	Stellar Bros.			
Movie Magic	Know Zone	Terra X	Treasure	Wings	Justice Files	Rivals!	Terra X			
Ancient Mysteries	Biography This Week	Movie: Rebel Without a Cause (1955) ***								
Movie: Kiss of a Killer	Movie: The Verdict (1982) Paul Newman, Charlotte Rampling. *** 1/2	Commish	Midnight Caller							
(5:30) College Football Southern California at California	Press Box	Auto Racing: Formula 2 and Late Model								
In the Heat of the Night	Movie: Police Academy (1984) Steve Guttenberg. **	Movie: Police Academy 3: Back in Training (1986) **	Movie:							
Monsters	Rugrats	All That	All That	RenStimpy	You Afraid?	I Love Lucy	Lucy and Desi	Van Dyke		
Weird Sci.	Weird Sci.	Movie: Weekend at Bernie's (1989) **	Wings	Duckman	Movie: Love Kills (1991) **					
Buen Humor Gigante	Sabado Gigante Internacional									
George Of	George Of	Moxy	Ghosts	Flintstones	Jetsons	Bugs & Daffy	2-Dogs	2-Dogs	Space G	
Stanley Cup	NHL Hockey Toronto Maple Leafs at Pittsburgh Penguins									

SUNDAY OCTOBER 8

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Mermaid	Ducktales	Chip 'n Dale	Darwing	Scoby and the Reluctant Werewolf	For Better	Baby-Sitters	MMC	Hollywood		
Paid Prog.	Grace	Robison	Marriage	Larry Jones	Paid Prog.	Baptist Church	B. Switzer	NFL on NBC	Football	
Sesame Street	Mr Rogers	Barney	Summerall	Rena'snce	Odds	Odds	Sociological	Sociological	Think Tank	
Scoby Doo										

Church News

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Baptism class is Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Room 6 North for parents and godparents.

Nominees for distinguished graduate from St. Anthony's (15 year) alumnus, are now being taken. Forms are at the school office with qualifications and criteria. Oct. 20 is deadline for nominees. Anyone previously nominated is acceptable in re-nomination.

Bring your catechism to the Antonian Room and Msgr. will lead the Wednesday morning, 9:30 a.m. study group, in an overview of the catechism.

Book fair at St. Anthony's School library begins Oct. 15 and continues through Oct. 22, following all weekend liturgies. Weekday hours are: Mon. and Fri. 3:15-4:30 p.m. and Tues., Wed., Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The school board is pursuing the possibility of having window evaporative air conditioning in the school by spring. Monetary and labor help are needed. If you have either to offer, call JoAnn Serrano, Kayla Schilling or Jerry Koenig.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

We have been made aware of a family in need of a kitchen table, three beds, blankets, a couch and a gas cook stove. If you have any of those items to donate to a worthy cause, please call Tommy Rosson at 364-5218 (home) or 363-7680 (work).

Our worship schedule is as follows:

Sunday
9:45 a.m.-Sunday School
11 a.m.-Morning worship
6:30 p.m.-Evening worship

Wednesday
7 p.m.-Prayer meeting
Pastor Terry Cosby and the congregation invite you to worship with us.

FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS

The Fellowship of Believers invites you to attend services this Sunday.

Our open-forum discussion class begins at 9:30 a.m. It is currently being led by Guy Greenfield. Worship service is at 10:30 a.m. Doug Manning will be the speaker.

Classes for children are at 9:30 a.m. and are available through elementary ages. Nursery facilities are available during the worship service.

Teens are meeting at the church at 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights. Please feel free to attend if you are interested in being a part of this youth group.

If you need transportation to the church services, please call 364-0359.

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Tuesday night we began a new program called "An Hour for Jesus." We met together for a short time and then went out to check on many of our shut-ins and widows. Some stayed at the building and made cookies while others wrote encouraging notes. We will meet again next Tuesday to continue this work.

We will take the van to the football game on Friday night. If you would like to go, call the office.

Next Sunday will be the prison ministry day. Those going will leave after morning services. If you are not involved in this work but would like to be, see Charles Minchew. Sunday evening services will be singing and scripture reading.

The youth will have a devo after services on Sunday evening.

Come worship with us. Sunday morning Bible Class is at 9:30 a.m. and worship at 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday Bible study begins at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome. We invite Hereford to watch "The Amazing Grace Bible Class" every Sunday morning on channel 4 at 7:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. Ted Taylor and congregation cordially invite you to join us at 10:30 a.m. in praise, worship and the study of God's Word.

You are invited to share with us as we celebrate 50 years of serving the Hereford community on Oct. 14-15. On Saturday at 7 p.m. there will be a Johnny Ray Watson concert with reception following for everyone. Sunday at 10 a.m. we will have a Celebration Service with lots of music and Brother Bob Huffaker preaching, followed by dinner on the grounds. Everyone is asked to bring two vegetable dishes and dessert, or one vegetable, one salad and one dessert.

Sunday school will begin with coffee and donuts for everyone at 9:15 a.m. in the NCA hall. Classes for all ages start at 9:30 a.m.

Pastor Carol invites all kids to join her for Children's Church Sunday as her sermon will be "Jesus Seeks Us" based on the parable found in Matthew 18 and Luke 15.

Men's/Teen Men's Fellowship will be Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with guest speaker Sheila Cooley.

Youth Fall Care Groups will meet in the following homes: Jr. Hi Guys-the Keeling home (north of town); Sr. Hi Men-Jim's home (107 Centre); Jr. Hi Gals-the Waldon home (244 Douglas); St. Hi Ladies-the Torbert home (603 E. 5th).

There will be a Membership Meeting this Sunday at 5 p.m. in the NCA Library for all those interested in joining the church.

Join us at Nazarene Kid's Korner on Wednesdays and Fridays as all kids are welcome to come and share with us. Call Eleise at 364-8161.

AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Johnny Griffith and Avenue Baptist Church extend a warm welcome to you and your family and would like to encourage you to come and join us in fellowship and worship. We are located at 130 N. 25 Mile and Union St.

Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship is at 11 and discipleship training is at 5 p.m. followed by evening worship at 6.

Tuesday night visitation is at 7. Wednesday night prayer service and Childrens Choir both begin at 6:30 p.m.

We hope that you will be able to join us for any and all of these activities.

This Sunday will be Brotherhood Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. All men and boys are encouraged to attend. Special guest speaker will be Pastor David White of Dawn Baptist Church.

Business meeting will be Sunday evening after worship services.

Kingdom Seekers will have their class auction Oct. 10 at ABC Fellowship Hall.

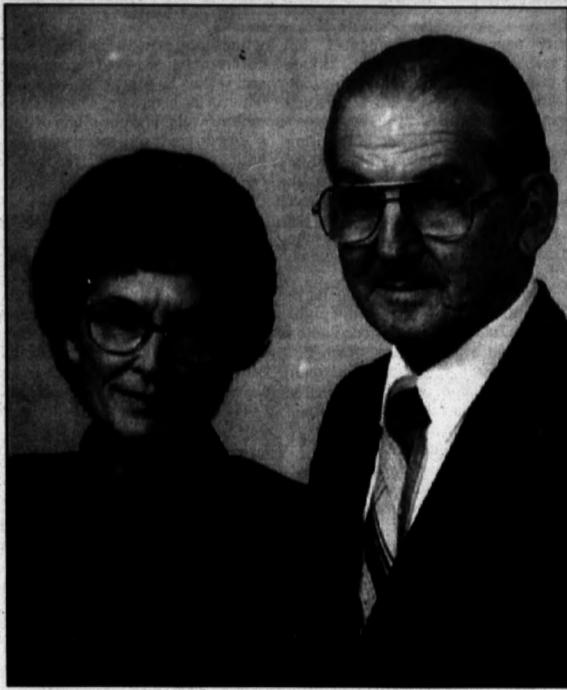
Avenue will have a Fall Revival beginning Oct. 15 at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Dee Slocum of Highland Baptist will be special guest preacher with Geary Brogden of Friona Baptist leading our music. Services will be held Monday through Friday beginning at 7 p.m. Cottage Prayer Meetings will be held the week of Oct. 9-14. Please call the church office at 364-1564 to find out places and times.

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY CHURCH

Pastor Don Cherry and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services at the church located on S. Main St.

We have dismissed Sunday school for the time being and changed our Sunday morning worship service time to 10:30. The Sunday evening service will remain the same (6 p.m.) as will the Wednesday night service at 7.

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Pastor Woody Wiggins and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services and activities at the church.

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Bible study is conducted at 7 p.m. each Wednesday.

A nursery is available. Pastor Wiggins said, "If you are needing a place to worship, come be with us. We are here for those who are hurting."

Our 24 hour information and prayer line is 364-5390.

GOOD NEWS CHURCH

909 Union St.
Pastor David Alvarado and the Good News congregation invite you to join us in worship of our Lord Jesus Christ on Sunday morning.

Our early service begins at 9 a.m. and is in Spanish and our late service begins at 10:40 a.m. and it is in English.

Everyone is welcome! A special invitation is made to those needing healing in their bodies to come to our Healing School on Tuesday nights at 8 where we will pray for the sick.

For additional information or prayer call 364-5239.

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"Hearing Habakkuk" is the title of the sermon by The Very Rev. Charles A. Wilson on the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Holy Eucharist is celebrated at 11 a.m. and there is a coffee hour after the service. The annual Fall Ingathering of the United Thank Offering will be received during the liturgy.

Christian Education for all ages is at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday. Children and Youth meet in the Sunday School room in the Education Wing for "Living the Good News," based on the Sunday Bible reading in the liturgy. The Adult Class meets in the church parlor for a Reformation Month series based on the movie "Martin Luther" which will be shown

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Our Adult Bible class will not meet this week, and neither will the confirmation classes on Wednesday. Morning worship is at 11. Layman Bob Hamer will have charge of the service.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Faith of Seeds and Servants" is the title of the sermon to be preached by the Rev. J. Jeremy M. Grant for the regular 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship service. The Scripture lessons are Lamentations 1:1-6 and Luke 17:5-10.

Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. "What It Means to be a Presbyterian", a class being taught by Grant for new members and those considering membership, also meets at this time.

Meet with old friends and make new ones at Fellowship Time 10:10 to 10:30 a.m. in the large Fellowship Hall.

The Youth Groups meet Sunday 7-9 p.m. The Monday evening prayer group has changed the time of their meetings each week to 5:30 p.m. instead of 6 p.m.

Dwight Joiner's Wednesday evening Bible study class (6:30-7:30 p.m.) is enjoying good study. Presently at work on the Psalms, they are planning to look at the tabernacle or temple of the Old Testament.

The Women's Covered Dish luncheon will meet Wednesday at noon. All women are invited to attend. Husbands are welcome.

Our church will be collecting canned goods to be given to the Food Bank. Several churches in town are helping with this project to help those in need. If you would like to bring some canned food and leave it at the church, there is a box in the front foyer.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Dorman Duggan and the church congregation would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone to come and worship with them Sunday morning.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. and the morning worship service starts at 10:30. A nursery is provided.

The Ladies Prayer Group meets on Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

The Wednesday schedule includes children's church, youth groups, and prayer time, all beginning at 7 p.m.

For more information or if you need prayer, call 364-8866 or 364-2423.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Pastor Ed Warren and the church congregation invite the public to all services at the church located on S. Hwy. 385 and Columbia St.

For additional information, call 364-3487.

SUMMERFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

The public is invited to attend all of the church services. Sunday school is held at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

For more information, call 357-2535.

CHRIST'S CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Christ's Church Fellowship at 401 W. Park Ave. will have Sunday activities as follows: 9:30 a.m.-choir practice; 9:45 a.m.-Sunday School classes for all ages including a well-supervised nursery; 10:45 a.m.-morning worship with K.I.D.S. Church for ages 4 through 6th grade.

On Monday evening at 7 p.m. there is a women's PRECEPTS ministry class which studies the book of Revelation by video with renowned Bible teacher, Kay Arthur. Another PRECEPTS CLASS is held Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. These are open for all ladies of the community and are interdenominational.

Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. there will be an all-church hayride and wiener roast. We will leave from the church parking lot.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday begins at FUMC with Methodist Men meeting for breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 8 a.m. We urge all men of the church to attend.

"Speak, Act, Rejoice" will be the title of the Laity message by Margaret Bell at the Sunday morning worship service. The scripture will be taken from Romans 12:15. The Carol Choir will sing the anthem, "We Are the Children." The Sanctuary Choir and Jubilate Ringers will perform "My Shepherd Will Supply" for the offertory.

Dr. Ed Williamson and the congregation of FUMC invites you to attend Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 10:45. Evening worship will be at 6 p.m.

Immediately following the morning worship the youth of the church are having a Mexican stack dinner in the Fellowship Hall. The proceeds from this fund raiser will go toward the winter ski trip.

Oct. 15-17 we will host our Fall Revival with Dr. Don Forsman of Tulsa, Okla. Forsman served with distinction for many years in several churches in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

He will preach Sunday morning at 10:45, and on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings at 7. He will also be with us for breakfast Bible studies on Monday and Tuesday mornings, and for a brown bag lunch at noon on Monday.

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Showman hotelier brings act to Miami Beach

EDITOR'S NOTE - Ian Schrager, whose Paramount, Royalton and Morgans are among New York's hippest hotels, has taken his act on the road. His latest show: Delano, a white hotel in flamingo-pink Miami Beach. So far, despite some rough edges, it's a smash.

By **NANCY SHULINS**
AP Special Correspondent
MIAMI BEACH (AP) - There's an cat-in kitchen in the lobby and a women's bath house on the roof. Will you be needing a photo lab? A casting room? An interactive multimedia room?

Delano, the latest offering from Ian Schrager, America's hippest hotelier, has everything a guest might want - everything except a sign out front letting you know you've arrived.

An oversight? Hardly. No one who spends \$22 million converting an abandoned '40s hotel into the hottest hangout since New York City's Studio 54 - another Schrager creation - forgets to hang out a shingle.

No, the missing sign is deliberate, the point being this:

If you don't already know that the Delano is the tall, winged building on South Beach's Collins Avenue, if you haven't seen it on Entertainment Tonight or in Vanity Fair, if you aren't familiar with its white-on-white rooms and Roman bath-style pool, if you don't know that French superstar Philippe Starck designed it and Madonna runs the restaurant, if you don't recognize the mismatched furniture as that of Man Ray, Charles and Ray Eames and Salvador Dali, if you aren't amused by a topiary sofa a la Edward Scissorhands, or by lamps stuck in the ground with their shades jauntily askew, perhaps you'd

be happier checking in elsewhere. As Schrager puts it, "If you're a person who likes Holiday Inns, you probably won't like my hotel."

He looks sorry the minute he says it, which isn't to say it's not true. He shifts into damage-control mode and tries again: "It's something different. It isn't generic or institutional. It's not what works for 50 million people."

This is true, too. But since opening day, June 30, Delano's 214 white rooms have worked for enough people to make it a sellout - in far less time than it took Starck to aggravate much of Miami by calling its style "terrible" and "not very sophisticated."

Schrager winces at the memory. "I could have strangled him," he says. "He said the same thing about New York, Los Angeles, probably Paris. Still, it was a stupid thing for him to say."

Apparently all is forgiven, judging by the throngs of locals who recently clogged Collins Avenue while Madonna threw herself a birthday party at her Delano restaurant, The Blue Door. Among her 70 guests: Gloria and Emilio Estefan and Donatella Versace.

Presumably things went more smoothly than at one recent lunch, when the hotel's computer inexplicably rejected all credit cards, requiring some diners to buy their meals with-gasp! - cash.

Mention this to Schrager and his face falls like a soufflé. It happens again on the elevator, when he presses the button four times before it finally lights up. "Some refinements have to occur," he says through clenched teeth.

He acknowledges having compiled

10 pages of "refinements," but refuses to say what they are. "I look at it like someone coming into my house," he says. "It's a personal reflection on me."

He cheers up considerably during a tour of the Delano. It's full of surprises and Schrager delights in pointing them out, from the sheer cotton curtains billowing in the breeze on the veranda to the mahogany mirrors propped against the giant palm trees out back.

More curtains divide the dark, high-ceilinged lobby into eight sections united by fat plaster columns that form a passageway down the middle. Each segment has its own surprise: a pair of purple rattan chairs sporting hula skirts, an antique billiard table, an elegant cocktail bar, a casual eat-in kitchen.

In the rear, the restaurant spills out onto a back porch. A long series of wide steps - "like the library steps in college" - leads to the "orchard," a garden with a "ceiling" of 50-foot palm trees imported from California. (Florida's were too short.)

Ladders are propped against trees. An outdoor shower offers relief from the tropical heat. A huge chess set is built into the ground with giant pieces that take two hands to move. On one side are private cabanas, on the other, bungalows.

Beyond is the pool, a 150-foot "water salon," an inch deep at the shallow end, 5 feet at the far end, with underwater music and seats built into the sides. Next to the indoor beach, it's the biggest surprise of all: a pool built for socializing, splashing, sleeping or snacking - everything but swimming.

The guest rooms are white - white walls, white floors, white bedding,

white curtains, white chairs. A white corner cupboard holds a white TV and white CD player. There's more white in the bathroom: white fixtures, white towels. The one touch of color is a green apple on a metal wall stand with an inscription that reads: "An Apple a Day Keeps the Doctor Away."

The effect is both soothing and surreal.

Kathleen Bertrand of the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau finds it "stunning. The spaciousness and the sparcity are interesting. I love the island feel."

Her colleague, Margaretha Ellis, isn't so sure. After two nights in her all-white room, she says, "I feel like I'm in an insane asylum for the very rich."

Love it or hate it, "It's the antithesis of boring," says Schrager, whose idea of hotel hell is "standardization."

"If you close your eyes, you don't know what city you're in. I don't think mass-market products work anymore. We've gone full circle back to craftsmanship."

He bases this on the success of boutiques and the growth of specialty magazines and special-interest programming. Forget market research - "it's antiquated," says Schrager. "Market research didn't tell Henry Ford to build a car, 3M to do Post-Its or Apple to make a PC."

Market research didn't tell Schrager to build an all-white hotel in flamingo-pink Miami Beach, either. It was something less tangible, some inner voice. "Build it and they will come," it said.

It was the same voice that spoke to him 20 years ago, telling him to set aside his law career to help his friend,

the late Steve Rubell, create Studio 54 in New York. With its velvet rope and VIP room, it launched a new era and with it, the partners' careers.

Three years later, authorities discovered \$300,000 in the trunk of Schrager's car and charged him and Rubell with tax evasion. The next stop on their resumes: jail.

They served 13 months in New York and Alabama. "Sure, it changed me," says Schrager. "But it didn't take away my enthusiasm or zest for life. I learned my lesson, that cutting corners is not the way to lead your life."

By 1985, they were back on top with another successful New York nightclub, the Palladium, and their entry into the hotel business, Morgans. In 1988, they teamed up with Starck to open the Royalton, known for its three-legged chairs and other stylish excesses. "Design on steroids," Schrager says.

Rubell died of hepatitis and septic shock in 1989. The following year, Schrager and Starck went on to open Paramount, hailed for value as well as style. With rooms starting at \$130, the same as at Delano, Paramount is, by New York standards, cheap.

Once again, there was no market research to guide them, just Schrager's inner voice telling him that "things costing a fortune are old-fashioned."

"My living has been made in judging tradewinds," he says. "I do think we travel collectively."

According to sociologists, Americans' trips are shorter but more frequent, and they're more likely to bring the kids, which explains why they like to stay put once they get there.

It also explains the odd demo-

graphics at Delano, where naked toddlers collide with near-naked models. Delano's kid-friendly attitude stems in part from its owner's recent foray into fatherhood. At 49, Schrager has a 16-month-old daughter, Sophia, by his wife, former ballet dancer Rita Norona Schrager.

It's the mix that's exciting, says Schrager, peering out from a penthouse balcony at the scene 14 stories below. He's momentarily distracted by a white-haired woman kicking off her sensible shoes to stretch out on a chaise lounge on the patio.

"See that? I love that," says Schrager, pounding his fist on the balcony. That she'd never have gotten past Studio 54's velvet rope seems hardly worth mentioning. That was then, after all.

This is now.

MARIETTA, Ga. (AP) - Newt Gingrich isn't surprised by a highly critical article about him in The New Yorker magazine.

"The fact that one more New York liberal doesn't like me strikes me as hardly news," the Republican House Speaker said Monday.

The article, titled "The Politics of Perception" by Connie Bruck, hit newsstands Monday, barely a month after Vanity Fair published a dissection of Gingrich's personal history and morality.

Bruck depicts Gingrich as a man bent on sweeping away the old and keeping up appearances.

"This is a person who apparently set out to write a negative article, distorted everything in a negative direction," Gingrich said. "It is a sad commentary on the current intellectual left that they would rather distort than learn."

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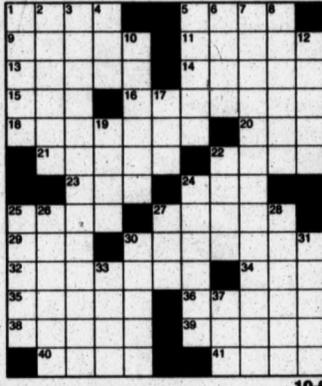
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DATED this 2nd day of October, 1995.

/s/ ALMA M. INMAN
Independent Executrix of the Estate of THOMAS W. INMAN, Deceased, No. PR 4196 in the County Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas

Blind student wants to play in marching band

By JILL HATHAWAY
Longview News-Journal
LONGVIEW, Texas - Marching to the beat of a different drummer may help Jay Thompson get in step with the band.

The 13-year-old seventh-grader at Forest Park Middle School is determined to march with the symphonic band this football season, in spite of what some may say about his chances.

Jay is blind. He also happens to be musically gifted. And he's got a friend who is willing to make a leap of faith right along with him.

Shannon Brewer, teacher for the visually impaired program in the Longview Independent School District, is dedicated to helping Jay achieve his goal.

At a recent session, Jay and his teacher were working hard on the school's practice field as the rest of the band marched in a group yards away. Brewer counted the steps out loud as Jay marched toward her, smiling and swinging his arms.

Trying to consistently take six steps per five yards, Jay finished his 18th step and stopped. "Did you do it, Jay? You sure did!" Brewer told him.

"They're a little bit ahead of us," Brewer said of the other band members. But she is not deterred. "Eventually we'll get with the group."

"Trust me, when I set my mind to something I'm going to do it," Jay said.

Jay, who took up the tuba last year, does admit that when he first started learning how to march this year he was scared because he didn't know if he could do it. "I could see me falling all over everybody with my tuba," he said.

Brewer is teaching Jay tactual reinforcement, which involves feeling the five-yard grooves in the field with the balls of his feet.

The new LISD employee, who was Jay's teacher when she worked for the Region VII Education Service Center last year, is just learning marching herself.

"A lot of people told me Jay can't do it. They feel it may be too difficult," Brewer said. "It may take Jay a little bit longer, but he and I both know he can do it. All we want is an opportunity."

"He's a very talented individual," said band director Kevin Heckaman. "He can play the tuba very well... I'd like to see him march, but because of a lot of factors it's too soon to tell."

One of those factors is the grade Jay received in English. He fell just short of making the 70 he needs to take part in extra-curricular activities such as band. He cannot participate for three weeks. But Brewer feels they've worked out some problems that will help bring his grade up.

Jay, who doesn't take a single special-education class, is doing well in advanced science. He brought home a 92 on his first report card. But he said band is his favorite class.

Jay has been playing the piano since the age of 2. He plays the keyboard and leads singing at his church, New Life Outreach, where his grandmother is the pastor.

He plays by ear, and now he and Brewer are going to learn Braille music. He knows how to read Braille, but Braille music is another challenge altogether.

Brewer agrees with the band director that Jay has a gift for music. Jay agrees with them both. "I'm the greatest player in the band," he declared.

"He's not shy," his teacher added with a smile.

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Oystermen, faced with economic hardships, quit work

Falling prices, health scares, harvesting shutdowns force change in occupation

EDITOR'S NOTE - Oysters have thrived from ancient times in Florida's warm Gulf waters, and thrive still. Not so the hardy souls who harvest them. Sagging prices and other setbacks are driving the once-flourishing oystermen from their beloved way of life into less-romantic pursuits ashore.

By **BILL BERGSTROM**
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APALACHICOLA, Fla. (AP) - Oystermen have one thing in common with oysters.

Oysters, after swimming freely for a couple of weeks as babies, find a hard surface to their liking and glue themselves down for life. Oystermen, having yielded to a life on the bay, can be just as hard to budge.

But nowadays, even the hardiest oystermen are having a tough time making a living.

After he gave up oystering on Apalachicola Bay, Bobby Shiver fed his family by building boats.

When Corky Richards quit the bay, he took up making the long-handled tongs that scrape oysters from the bottom.

Oysterman Dan Dillon does electrical work. A "Driveways Unlimited" sign on James Moore's

behind Louisiana. Of the more than 33 million pounds of oysters harvested nationwide in 1993, more than 20 million pounds came from the Gulf Coast and more than 5 million of that from Florida.

lumbering in Franklin County, with 400 men harvesting oysters, 250 workers shucking them and two canneries shipping them.

Hurricanes and cold brought ups and downs, and leaches halved

Development, says dockside values of the oyster harvest, once up to \$9 million a year, have slid to \$6 million to \$7 million.

Here, cold statistics become human disappointments.

The sinking sun sends a shimmering glare across the bay and hot engine smells blend with the odor of fishhouses as the trucks back, maneuver and lunge up the ramp with the dripping boats and trailers.

Brothers Joe and John Richards, heaving sacks from their boat into their truck, say they started filling them at dawn at a productive oyster bed.

"That's the worst I ever worked on Cat Bar," groans John Richards. "We need more money."

"Eight dollars a bag, for as much work's involved, that's cheap," agrees Chris Howard, another oysterman. "You can see these two fellows have worked all day long for what they got. That's \$152 between two people."

And that money's not free and clear, adds Howard, vice president of the Franklin County Seafood Producers Association. "That boat and motor, they don't give them to you. And you've got to keep them up. You're looking at \$100 off the top for your expenses."

Joe Richards agrees. Ninety percent of the people in the bay need a new boat right now," he says.

But most don't have money to buy one, laments Shiver, 56, the oysterman turned boat builder. Orders at his shop have dropped from up to

enterprise has proven to be a dying business as well. Which is a shame because it is an ancient, exacting craft.

He selects stiff longleaf pine for

"It used to be I couldn't count them all, there would be so many boats - upwards of 100 boats," Richards says. Now he works as a carpenter and cabinet maker.

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-- Corky Richards

But jobs in construction or tourism can provide a steadier living than oystering.

"Outsiders are coming in and they open little stores. We get a lot of tourists," says Richards, 53, the oyster-tongs merchant. "They like the quaint little town. Well, now it's not so quaint any more, but you've got to roll with the flow."

Antiques shops, boutiques and bed-and-breakfasts are springing up alongside Apalachicola's shrimp boats and Eastpoint's oyster fleet. Stilt homes and vacation rentals line nearby St. George Island beaches,

production in 1935. But in good years, Apalachicola Bay produces up to 90 percent of Florida's oysters and 10 percent of the nation's supply.

Mounds of shells still pile up behind Gulf Coast restaurants, but now there are new problems.

Restaurant warnings tell people with ailments to avoid raw oysters in summer because of vibrio vulnificus bacteria which has caused 15 deaths a year. Seafood regulators recently proposed stronger refrigeration rules.

Other setbacks are unpredictable. The bay was closed to oystering for a week this summer, for instance, when red tide algae moved into the area.

Oystering also is halted if storms bring heavy rain, until regulators can check whether changing salinity harms the shellfish. The bay was closed from early July to late-November last year after Tropical Storm Alberto poured in fresh water.

All these uncertainties have caused prices oystermen get to drop from highs

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truck tells how he supplements his oystering income.

Oysters still thrive in the broad bay where the Apalachicola River flows into the Gulf of Mexico's northern coast, but oystermen don't.

Health scares and unpredictable harvesting shutdowns have depressed the prices they can get for oysters. And though "King Reitsy" - oyster spelled backward - still rules the local summer seafood festival, oystering is a declining trade here. Tourism has become a growing part of the economy.

"It's a thing of the past, it really is," says Tim Hill, an oysterman from Eastpoint. "Everybody that's working on oysters, they're really hurting. If their wives aren't doing something steady, it's hard."

As Franklin County's population has grown to nearly 10,000, the ranks of oyster harvesters have dropped to 731 this year from a peak of 1,500.

Despite the decline, Apalachicola Bay keeps Florida the nation's second-largest producer of oysters,

along with restaurants, bars and shops peddling towels, T-shirts, souvenirs and sunscreen.

"They say every time they close the bay there's a lot more carpenters in Franklin County," says David Oman, hauling his boat out of the water on a late-summer evening at a ramp in Eastpoint.

The current troubles aren't the first setbacks for bay oystering.

Heaps of shells left by Indians attest to the age of oystering here as a way of life. For good reason. While oystermen in some areas, such as Long Island Sound, rely on cultivating oysters, the nutrient-rich waters of the Apalachicola River create a natural breeding ground.

As far back as 1799 a local surveyor, Andrew Ellicott, wrote that the bay was "so full of oyster bars, and shoals, that it is difficult to navigate it, without a pilot," according to a history by Florida State University Professor William Warren Rogers.

By the early 1900s, fishing and oystering were second only to

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of more than \$20 for a 60-pound bag of oysters in the shell to \$8 or less.

David Heil, chief of Florida's Bureau of Marine Resource Regulation and

30 boats a year to today's occasional repair jobs.

Corky Richards, the oysterman who turned to making tongs, says that

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the 14- to 20-foot handles and makes the hinged metal heads at his own forge. At one time he shipped several hundred pairs of \$125 tongs a year to all the Gulf states and as far up the East Coast as the Carolinas.

But sales have slacked off to a few dozen pairs a year and he has decided to give it up. He says the decision became obvious when he crossed the 4-mile bridge and causeway from Apalachicola to Eastpoint recently and counted 20 oyster boats in the bay.

Howard, 34, still oysters or fishes, depending on the season, just as his father taught him. "Whatever it takes to support your family," he says.

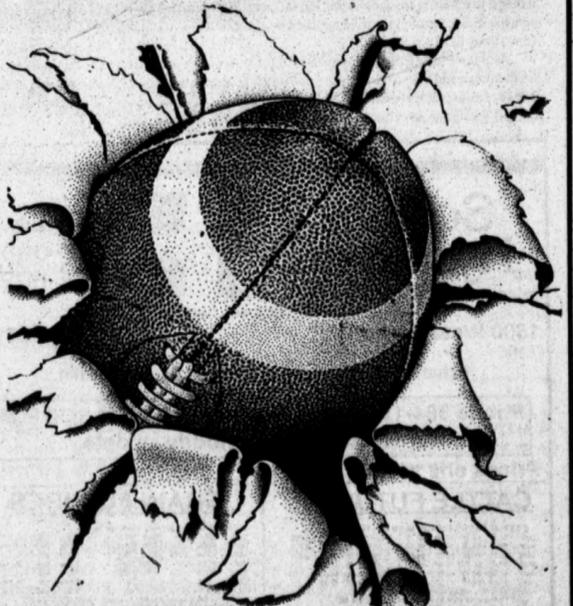
But the family tradition likely will end with him: Howard's son, an electrical whiz at 16, isn't looking for a life on the bay.

"I hope not," says Howard, squinting into the sunset. "I've not tried to steer my young'uns anywhere around this bay, because it seems to be a falling point. I just don't think there'll be a future in it."



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