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Festival of Trees kicks off with gala, auction

Christmas trees sold for \$21,775, second highest auction on record



By GARRY WESNER
Managing Editor

With 27 beautifully-decorated Christmas trees on the line, the bidding began Thursday night in the sixth annual Festival of Trees auction.

When the dust had settled, all 27 trees had been sold and the Hereford Senior Citizens Center was the beneficiary of more than \$20,000.

Overall, the trees -- 26 artificial trees and one Living Tree -- netted the center \$21,775 above and beyond the sponsorships of them.

While the total raised at the tree auction Thursday was not as much as recorded last year, it was still the second-highest auction total on record.

"Last year was almost \$28,000, so that was a little short," said executive director Margie Daniels.

However, she noted, several regular tree purchasers were in Austin for Friday's state volleyball tournament match between Hereford High School and Magnolia.

The highest price paid for a tree this year was \$1,550 for the 9-foot-tall Super Tree called "Touch of Class." It was decorated by Terry's Floral and Design.

Dr. and Mrs. Kent Walker purchased the tree, which was sponsored by Stevens Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Inc.

The Super Tree was donated back to the Hereford Senior Citizens Association.

Auctioneer Ted Walling drew bids of \$1,000 or more for six trees overall, including the Super Tree.

The second highest price was \$1,125, which was paid by Hereford State Bank for "Frosted Wonderland," sponsored by Garrison-Townsend Seed and decorated by the senior center.

Two trees -- "Say it with Music" decorated by the Young at Heart Choir and "Family TIES of Christmas" by the Band of Angels -- netted \$1,025 at auction, while two others -- "Pretty as a Peacock" by the Golden Line Dancers and "Joy to the World" by Flower's West -- brought in \$1,000 each.

Mrs. Daniels said there were nearly 300 people in attendance for the gala and tree auction. The gala was sponsored by First Bank Southwest and Hereford State Bank.

Another fund-raising effort, the Memorial Tree, has brought in \$6,070 as of Thursday night.

The Memorial Tree is a wall-mounted tree where people can make donations in memory of a loved one. It is sponsored by BJM Sales and Service, Jim Cavin and Family, Bar-G Feedyard and Oglesby Equipment Co.

The festival continues through Sunday with a variety of activities.

The trees will remain on display through the end of the festival. Visitors will have the opportunity to vote on their favorite tree.

In addition, there is a craft bazaar featuring gift baskets, ceramics, porcelain dolls and baked goods.

The following is a summary of the tree auction, including the name of the tree, the purchase price and purchaser, the decorators and the tree sponsor.

1. "Magic of Christmas," \$800, bought by Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Garrison. Decorated by Aikman School and sponsored by Goodwin Fuels and Collier's Phillips 66. Donated to Aikman

School.
2. "School Days," \$700, OPM Properties Decorated by Walcott School, sponsored by Consumers Fuel Co-Op. Donated to Dimmi Alternative School.

3. "A Gift for Earth-Recycling," \$80 Virginia Winger. Decorated by Northwest School, sponsored by Western Ford-Lincoln Mercury. Donated to Northwest School.

4. "Heaven on Earth," \$625, Dave and Joe Hopper. Decorated by Hereford Texas Feder Credit Union, sponsored by Edward D. Jones and HTFCU. Donated to Tierra Blanca School.

5. "Herd of Angels," \$800, Steve Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Inc. Decorated by Bluebonnet School, sponsored by Harold Body Shop and Pickup Corner. Donated to ASCI-Hereford (formerly Hereford Satellite Center).

6. "Christmas Around the World," \$800 Garrison-Townsend Inc. Decorated by Shirley School, sponsored by Griffin and Brand Sale Agency Inc. and Newton Trucking Co. Donated to Shirley School.

7. "Christmas on the Farm," \$800, Arvella Lauderback. Decorated by West Central School, sponsored by Valley Farm Service Inc.

8. "Heavenly Christmas," \$575, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Genid of Amarillo. Decorated by Golden Plains Care Center, sponsored by Owl Feedyard.

9. "Touch of Class," \$1,550, Dr. and Mrs. Kent Walker. Decorated by Terry's Floral and Design, sponsored by Stevens Chevrolet-Oldsmobile. Donated to Hereford Senior Citizens Association.

10. "Pretty as a Peacock," \$1,000, Cattleman Inc. Decorated by Golden Line Dancers, sponsored by Hereford Grain Corp.

11. "Silver Wings," \$525, AzTx Cattle Co. Decorated by Hereford Care Center, sponsored by Hereford Care Center.

12. "Heavenly Host," \$750, AzTx Cattle Co. Decorated by Golden K Kiwanis Club, sponsored by Golden K Kiwanis Club and Wingtip Pump Co. Donated to Hereford Regional Medical Center.

13. "Fig Paradise," \$600, Stevens Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Inc. Decorated by Edna Schulte, sponsored by Thriftway No. 53 and Thriftway No. 59. Donated to Deaf Smith County Youth Center.

14. "Say it with Music," \$1,025, Dawn Cattle (See TREES, Page 2)

Festival's super tree and buyers

"Touch of Class," a tree decorated by Terry's Floral & Design and sponsored by Stevens Chevrolet-Olds, topped the Festival of Trees auction for a price of \$1,550 at the Hereford Senior Citizens Center Thursday night. Dr. and Mrs. Kent Walker, left, bought the tree. Joyce and Steven Stevens, right, were also among those who purchased two trees and then donated them to other organizations or groups.

City, county get tax rebate checks

Sales tax reimbursement checks for the city and county have been remitted by the state, with both entities noticing a decrease in their portions of revenue in comparison with November 1994.

On the surface, the City of Hereford received \$86,979.96, which is 45.86 percent more than the \$59,628.97 received in November 1994.

However, one-third of the city's 1-1/2 percent local sales tax goes toward operation of the Hereford Economic Development Corp., following approval last year of a half-cent economic development tax.

As a result, the city received \$57,986.64 for its coffers, which is 2.75 percent less than last year's reimbursement.

The remaining \$28,993.32 went to HEDC.

For the year to date, the city has received \$860,398.64 from the state. The economic development tax revenue did not start arriving here until March.

Last year, the city had received \$632,777.33 through November. Deaf Smith County receives

income from a half-cent county sales tax. For November, that figure was \$29,303.92, which is 8.72 percent less than the \$32,104.32 reimbursed by the state last year. For the year to date, the county has received \$325,092.98, down 1.03 percent from last year's \$328,484.76.

State Comptroller John Sharp's office sends the sales tax reimbursement checks to cities and counties throughout Texas every month.

This month's checks are based on monthly tax collections in September and quarter collections on sales in July through September.

Statewide, Sharp's office mailed

out tax rebate checks totalling \$197.6 million.

Around the Hereford area, only Castro County collects a county sales tax.

Shown below are November sales tax figures for surrounding counties, including this month's check, the amount received in November 1994 and the difference between the two.

CASTRO COUNTY -- Dimmitt, \$23,577.94 this November, \$24,952.41 in November 1994, down 5.5 percent; Hart, \$0, \$2,247.69, down 100 percent; Nazareth, \$966.97, \$1,142.05, down 15.33 percent; Castro County, \$7,961.16,

\$11,492.94, down 30.72 percent.

OLDHAM COUNTY -- Adrian, \$218.31, \$916.83, down 76.18 percent; Vega, \$2,387.62, \$3,033.93, down 21.3 percent.

PARMER COUNTY -- Bovina, \$2,890.35, \$3,441.59, down 16.01 percent; Farwell, \$4,787.75, \$4,499.74, up 6.4 percent; Friona, \$10,775.00, \$12,058.51, down 10.64 percent.

POTTER COUNTY -- Amarillo, \$3,301,449.22, \$3,275,004.97, up 0.80 percent.

RANDALL COUNTY -- Canyon, \$50,183.36, \$34,902.07, up 43.78 percent.

July incident leads to indictments

Five persons were indicted Thursday in connection with an incident last July that sent three people to medical treatment.

Deaf Smith County Grand Jury returned a total of 14 indictments against 17 individuals during the Thursday session. Names of two defendants were withheld pending arrest.

Indicted in the July 2 incident in the parking lot at the Hereford Community Center were Savas Garcia, 21, and Raymond Garcia, 44, both of 320 Avenue I; Juan Alonzo, 20, of 415 Avenue E; Ricky Olmos, 20, of 238 Avenue H., and a fifth defendant whose name was not released.

Raymond Garcia is named on two indictments for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and is free on bond of \$5,000 on each charge. Savas Garcia was indicted for aggravated

assault with a deadly weapon and is free on \$5,000 bond.

Alonzo and Olmos are free on bonds of \$3,000 and \$5,000, respectively. They were indicted for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

A two-count indictment was returned against Israel Lopez, 17, of 612 Irving, No. 8, in connection with a fight in September. He is free on \$5,000 bond, indicted for engaging in organized criminal activity and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Jose Alfred Cobos, 35, of 109 Brevard, was indicted for felony driving while intoxicated. He is free on \$1,000 bond.

An indictment for burglary of a building was returned against Jeffrey Alan Bolden, 27, of 734 Avenue G. He is in jail in lieu of bond.

Roy Dail Hilliard, 33, indicted for

criminal non-support, is in Lamb County jail. His address is listed in Littlefield.

Bonds of \$1,500 were posted by Grace Uvalde, 22, of Francisco Campos, 23, who were indicted for forgery by making. They live at 318 Miller.

An indictment for criminal non-support was handed down against Jeffrey Wade Garrett, 30, of Buffalo Gap. He is free on \$5,000 bond.

Victor Martinez, 24, of 110 Catalpa, is free on \$10,000 bond. He was indicted for burglary of a habitation.

Alfred Vallejo Tijerina, 20, of 516 Avenue K, and Luz Martina Andrade, 27, are co-defendants on an indictment for theft, over \$1,500 but under \$20,000. Each is free on \$3,000 bond.

Albert Montana, 35, was indicted for bail jumping and failure to appear. He is in jail in lieu of bond.

Shutdown in fourth day as Congress debates GOP balanced-budget plan

By ALAN FRAM
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) - With broad sections of the government closed for a fourth day, Congress is beginning final debate on the sweeping Republican plan for balancing the budget and cutting taxes.

In the face of certain veto by President Clinton, the House planned to approve the package today, with the Senate likely to follow by Saturday morning. The bill, the cornerstone of GOP efforts to shrink government, would reduce taxes by \$245 billion over seven years for families and companies while

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promising a balanced budget by 2002. It would also overhaul Medicare, welfare, Medicaid, and payments to farmers while slicing hundreds of other programs.

Clinton ordered thousands of furloughed workers to return to their jobs to process benefit applications. Spokesman Mike McCurry said today that "we will very quickly act to adjust the size of the work force" if day-to-day evaluations indicate any threat to public health and safety.

Although the budget-balancing measure is the highest-profile bill in Congress this year, it is overshadowed by the bitter budget duel between Clinton and congressional Republicans that has seen the forced idling of 40 percent of the federal civilian work force of about 2 million. The two sides have refused to budge in that standoff, realizing it is a prelude to likely bargaining later this year on the balanced-budget package.

"I think we all know what the endgame is here - it's negotiations on a budget agreement," White House chief of staff Leon Panetta said in a brief interview.

1995 Festival of Trees

Saturday

Festival Activities	8:30 a.m.	- 6:00 p.m.
** Christmas Tea w/Santa	2:00 p.m.	- 3:00 p.m.
* Dinner Theatre	7:00 p.m.	- 9:30 p.m.

Sunday

Holiday Turkey Buffet	12:00 p.m.	- 2:00 p.m.
Music Festival	2:00 p.m.	- 4:00 p.m.

Continuous Festival Activities

Herd Restaurant	Memorial Tree
Bake Shop	Holiday Bazaar
Tree Display	Lionel Trains
Children's Shopping	Children's Programs
Children's Crafts	Best Tree Selection



Basket shoppers

Vi Ward, left, and Mary Jo Hammand look over one of the more than 100 gift baskets that are for sale at this week's Festival of Trees, being held in the Hereford Senior Citizens Center. The festival continues through Sunday with a variety of activities. All proceeds from the event benefit the center.

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Coming in Sunday's Brand

For more than three decades, a Hereford company has made a name for itself in the field of organically grown food and food products.

Operating from here since 1960, Arrowhead Mills has continued to grow and expand to meet the needs of a health-conscious society.

On Sunday, staff writer Shelly Schilling pays a visit to Arrowhead Mills, where president Boyd Foster talks about the company, its history and where it is going in the future -- a future that includes new construction here and the acquisition of a new food line.

Local Roundup

Clear and sunny

Hereford enjoyed a mild 67-degree high Thursday and a low of 39 degrees Friday morning. Clear skies and a low in the middle 30s are forecast for Friday night and skies will be sunny Saturday with a high near 70 degrees. Wind overnight will be south to southwest, less than 10 mph, and southwest, 5-15 mph, Saturday.

News Digest

World/Nation

ORLANDO, Fla. - Florida Republicans gathered in Orlando for their state presidential convention and their festive weekend in the spotlight months ahead of the Iowa caucus and the New Hampshire primary. But the word that the main player in the mock presidential convention - Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole - wouldn't participate in a candidate's debate raised some eyebrows.

WASHINGTON - House members voted to deny themselves everything from free vacations to coffee mugs and T-shirts in a reform frenzy aimed at rescuing Congress' tarnished reputation. The rules are even tougher than the strict standards the Senate adopted three months ago.

VITEZ, Bosnia-Herzegovina - Far from lawyers' offices in The Hague, amid the fear and loathing left by Bosnia's brutal war, Yugoslav war crimes tribunal indictments are sparking fresh ethnic tensions and shaking hopes for peace.

WASHINGTON - No U.S. trade embargo is more stringent than the one against Cuba, but Washington nonetheless has quietly approved more than \$100 million in private humanitarian donations to the island over the past three years.

LOS ALAMOS, N.M. - For years they worked in absolute secrecy, building bombs that could annihilate the world. Now they're taking the weapons apart, and are finally ready to let others see how it's done. For the first time, Los Alamos National Laboratory officials showed reporters what happens inside Technical Area 55 - the nation's only fully operational plutonium facility.

State

EL PASO - Brett Hahn felt no comfort as he saw the man who murdered and mutilated his sister taken away to begin his life in prison. James Patrick Bradley was convicted of murder and sentenced to life Thursday evening. But the Hahn family expects the pain of their loss will linger, as will the memory of Suzy Gae Hahn Bradley's severed head staring blankly from a television screen.

AUSTIN - Texas' fight against juvenile crime hasn't stopped with a crackdown on offenders. It will send millions of dollars to high-risk neighborhoods for programs to keep youths from turning to crime in the first place.

QUANAH - For Hardeman County Memorial Hospital, the budget stalemate on Capitol Hill comes down to this: funding cuts of \$44,000 a year. Sixty-four percent of the patients here are on Medicare, said hospital administrator Charles Hurt.

AUSTIN - The son of the nation's first black four-star general is the new commander of the Texas National Guard. Col. Daniel James III of San Antonio was promoted Thursday to brigadier general by Gov. George W. Bush, who helped James affix one of the stars worn by his famous father, Air Force Gen. Daniel "Chappie" James Jr.

WASHINGTON - The government shutdown that has sent some 800,000 federal workers home on forced leave appears to be doing little to trim the staffs of Texans in Congress. Few in Texas' 32-member congressional delegation have felt the need to furlough their own Washington and district workers as the budgetary battle between the White House and GOP-led Congress drags on.

Police, Emergency Reports

A fight was reported in the 500 block of East Park.

Officers issued seven citations.

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF
A 34-year-old male was arrested on Randall County warrants for public intoxication and failure to appear.

A 39-year-old male was arrested for bond forfeiture (issuance of a bad check).

A 20-year-old female was arrested for theft by check over \$20/under \$500.

A 19-year-old male was arrested for criminal trespass.

A 48-year-old male was arrested for violation of probation.

A 46-year-old male was arrested on a Potter County warrant for theft. Burglary of a building was reported.

Criminal mischief was reported. Assault was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No calls.
EMS
Ambulances ran on a transfer to Amarillo.

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

HEREFORD POLICE
Harassment was reported in the 200 block of Avenue C.

Criminal attempt was reported in the 500 block of Avenue H, where someone attempted to leave a store without paying for beer.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of Avenue E, where a vehicle windshield was damaged.

Furnishing alcohol to a minor was reported in the 200 block of Catalpa. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 300 block of Star, where a 1994 Chevrolet pickup was taken.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL
Wanda R. Crisp, Alejandra Garcia, Manuel Hinojosa, Annie Johnson, Doris Kerr, Eva L. Lookingbill, Maria V. Martinez, Stannie S. Orsak, Tabitha Whitehorn and Ralph Warren.

Hidalgo judge denies bribery involvement

By PAULINE ARRILLAGA
Associated Press Writer
McALLEN, Texas (AP) - Suspended Hidalgo County Judge J. Edgar Ruiz has denied taking bribes to steer business to companies represented by the former county purchasing agent.

"There is no truth to Ramiro Gonzalez giving me any money for any purchase," Ruiz testified Thursday during his federal corruption trial. "He did not offer me any money, and I did not take any money."

Ruiz and five other county officials are accused of violating bidding procedures to give more than \$1 million in business to companies Gonzalez represented while he was purchasing agent, from 1988 to 1992.

In return, prosecutors contend, the officials received at least \$25,208 in kickbacks, including cash and airline tickets to Houston, Los Angeles and Las Vegas.

Gonzalez, who pleaded guilty to

a lesser charge in exchange for his testimony, has said he bribed Ruiz and the other officials to keep the scheme going.

However, Ruiz said the only agreement he had with Gonzalez "was to do a good job as purchasing agent."

Ruiz testified that he was not directly involved in county purchasing matters because other duties kept him too busy.

"I have never practiced looking at requisition and purchase orders... because it's very cumbersome," he said. "I did not sign any purchasing orders. I did not look at what other departments were buying."

Ruiz said he became aware of "irregularities" in the purchasing department through complaints from the county auditor and some commissioners.

"It got to the point where I thought it would be better if I (Gonzalez) leave," Ruiz said, adding

that he asked Gonzalez to resign in April 1992.

"He was not happy to lose his job," he said.

Ruiz denied receiving any cash payments from Gonzalez, other than about \$1,500 in campaign contributions before Gonzalez was hired as purchasing agent.

The judge acknowledged taking several trips with Gonzalez to Las Vegas and Gonzalez's ranch near Eagle Pass. Ruiz said Gonzalez usually would make the arrangements and purchase airline tickets but he always was reimbursed.

"They were not freebies to you?" asked Ruiz's attorney, Joe Cisneros.

"No, sir, they were not," Ruiz responded.

Ruiz told the jury about one trip to Las Vegas for which Gonzalez purchased two airline tickets for \$696. The judge said he at first tried to return the tickets because he thought they were too expensive,

Helping at the Festival of Trees

"Twila", left, and Margie Daniels point to the next tree on sale during the Festival of Trees auction at Hereford Senior Citizen Center Thursday night. Twila sounded a lot like Henry Reid and was one of several assistants for auctioneer Ted Walling. The sale netted \$21,775 for the Hereford Senior Citizen Association.

TREES

Feeders. Decorated by Young at Heart Choir, sponsored by Nutri-Feeds Inc.

15. "Family TIES of Christmas," \$1,025, Deaf Smith Electric Co-Op. Decorated by Band of Angels, sponsored by Northwest Grain and Fertilizer Co.

16. "Frosted Wonderland," \$1,125, Hereford State Bank. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens, sponsored by Garrison-Townsend Seed.

17. "Christmas Keepsakes," \$825, Frontier Capital Group Inc. Decorated by Ada Smith, Bonnie Day and Diane Cathey, sponsored by St. Mary's Family Healthcare-Hereford. Donated to Dimmitt Library.

18. "Silver Bells," \$675, Dr. and Mrs. Kent Walker. Decorated by Dr. Walker and staff, sponsored by Hereford Janitor Supply and Wash.

19. "Joy to the World," \$1,000, Jim and Zula

Arney. Decorated by Flower's West, sponsored by Champion Feeders Inc. Donated to Westgate Nursing Home.

20. "Poinsettia Passion," \$900, Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Garrison. Decorated by First Bank Southwest, sponsored by Wall and Sons Drilling Inc. and Plains Pump and Supply.

21. "Crystal Fantasy," \$675, Mr. and Mrs. S.L. Garrison. Decorated by Kings Manor Methodist Home Inc., sponsored by West Texas Rural Telephone. Donated to Kings Manor.

22. "The Heavenly Chorus," \$800, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gerald. Decorated by St. Anthony's School, sponsored by Springer Insurance and Hereford Parts and Supply. Donated to Golden Plains Care Center.

23. "Snow Flake," \$525, Plains Insurance

Agency. Decorated by Hereford Travel Center, sponsored by Gilliland Insurance Associates and Plains Insurance Agency.

24. "Poinsettia Rhapsody," \$800, Nancy Josterand. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens, sponsored by Hereford Bi-Products.

25. "Peace," \$600, First American Bank-Hereford. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens, sponsored by Raymond and Avis White and Caviness Packing Co.

26. "Christmas Lullaby," \$650, Happy Hereford Ranch. Decorated by Hereford Senior Citizens, sponsored by Tri-State Cattle Feeders.

27. "Spirit of Cub Scouting" Living Tree, \$825, Allen Parson "Annex." Decorated by Hereford Cub Scouts, sponsored by Custom Cleaners and Hereford Uniform and Linen.

Rural hospitals would feel most in Medicare payment reduction

By JEAN PAGEL
Associated Press Writer

QUANAH, Texas (AP) - For Hardeman County Memorial Hospital, the budget stalemate on Capitol Hill comes down to this: funding cuts of \$44,000 a year.

Sixty-four percent of the patients here are on Medicare, said hospital administrator Charles Hurt.

"I'm not an alarmist," Hurt said. "We're going to lose some money... but I don't see any changes that would close the hospital."

This public facility in Quanah - a town of 3,450 people, midway between Childress and Vernon - already got out of the baby-delivering business several years ago. A home health agency took over the vacant space on the second floor.

Hospital officials say they've changed with the times but still might have to raise taxes 3 cents to offset the expected losses as Congress cuts Medicare.

"We've just about trimmed all the fat off," Hurt said.

Some gloomy scenarios are emerging for the 170 small hospitals in rural Texas.

Changes that would pare down Medicare and Medicaid by \$44 billion over the next seven years are key to the Republican plans to balance the budget by 2002. President Clinton vows to veto the measure.

"These cuts will be especially devastating to rural communities and to rural families because Medicare and Medicaid are the backbone of the health care system in so many rural areas," Clinton said in October to administrators from rural facilities.

"Hospitals in rural areas already are struggling to make ends meet and are closing at far more rapid rates than hospitals in urban areas," he said.

Statistics from the Center for Rural Health Initiatives in Austin show that the biggest reimbursement source to small-town Texas hospitals is the government's health program for the elderly. Medicare patients in 1990 made up 42.5 percent of admissions at rural hospitals, versus 18.6 percent in urban hospitals.

Observers see the potential for medical cutbacks that could drive

away new doctors and put adequate care farther out of the reach of rural residents.

"I have heard predictions... that there will be some hospitals in rural areas that will not be able to weather the storm," said Laura Jordan, director of the Center for Rural Health Initiatives.

"If the communities want to keep their hospitals open, there's the potential they're going to have to put in more local dollars, perhaps cutting back on services just to keep the doors open," she said.

Jim Houdek, senior vice president for health care economics for the Texas Hospital Association, said Thursday that the Medicare and Medicaid cutbacks would also hurt teaching hospitals and ones that serve the cities' poor.

Houdek said he hopes cash-strapped rural hospitals will change their focus, rather than close altogether.

"The community will have to decide if they want to enhance tax support of those that are publicly funded," he said. "It's going to be a real test of the community."

In Muleshoe, about 80 miles northwest of Lubbock, hospital administrator Richard Murphy calculates that the Muleshoe Area Medical Center will lose as much as \$65,000 a year if the federal cuts go through.

Does Texas face another round of hospital closures like the one in the '80s, when dozens shut down? Murphy wouldn't be surprised.

"I consider it significant," he said. "Any reduction to the rural hospitals will have a spiraling impact."

Medicare in rural Texas

By The Associated Press
Texas facts from the Center for Rural Health Initiatives:
- Medicare made up the largest source of reimbursement for patient care (51.6 percent, or \$726.5 million) in rural hospitals in 1990. Urban hospitals depended more on private insurance that year and got 36.4 percent of their reimbursements from Medicare.
- Of the 239,673 admissions to rural hospitals in 1990, 42.5 percent were Medicare patients. Urban hospitals got 18.6 percent of their admissions from Medicare patients that year.
- Medicaid revenues of \$138.5 million made up 9.9 percent of patient revenues at rural hospitals five years ago. Urban hospitals received \$1.43 billion - or 8.6 percent of their revenues - from Medicaid that year.

Republicans compromise on Medicare differences

By CHRISTOPHER CONNELL
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) - House and Senate Republicans resolved a difference over how hard to squeeze Medicaid spending by putting almost \$7 billion back in the pot that would be divided among the states.

The compromise struck by House and Senate conferees Thursday reduced the target for savings from the health program for the poor to \$163.5 billion over seven years.

That's down from \$170 billion in the bills that passed both houses last month and from \$182 billion in the original GOP blueprint to balance the budget in seven years.

The Republicans settled a dispute by basing the grants on whichever allocation came out best, the one in the House bill or the one in the Senate bill, for each of the states. But for the long run, the House distribution formula would be written into the law.

The GOP overhaul would end federal entitlements to health care for the poor and give states broad flexibility to decide how to spend their "MediGrants" on caring for the needy, including poor children, the disabled and nursing home residents.

The negotiators resolving differences between the chambers' bills also agreed to call for a new \$3.5 billion fund to help 15 states cope with the costs of emergency care for illegal aliens for five years.

Almost half that money would go to California, and New York, Florida and Texas would get much of the rest.

Details of the final GOP plans for Medicaid and Medicare were obtained Thursday by The Associated Press.

The changes in the health programs represent about half the savings sought under the GOP blueprint for balancing the budget in seven years.

Hospitals had lobbied strenuously against the Senate version of the Medicare reductions, which targeted them for \$86 billion in savings by reducing the hospital fee increases; the House version looked for \$75 billion in such savings.

The compromise appeared to fall right in between.

The Medicaid grants would climb by an average of 7.1 percent in 1997 and by 4.5 percent or less in the following years under the proposal. Medicaid, which covers 36 million people, had been projected to grow by 10 percent a year by the Clinton administration.

The GOP plan calls for most of the Medicare savings to come from imposing strict spending limits on the program for the first time. Medicare, too, has been growing at almost a 10 percent annual rate. The GOP reforms would limit its growth to 6 to 7 percent a year.

All 37 million Medicare beneficiaries would pay higher monthly premiums, and the premiums would escalate sharply for those with incomes above \$50,000 for individuals or \$60,000 for couples. They would lose some or all of the subsidy that now pays most of the cost of Medicare coverage for doctor bills.

The Medicaid provisions include some concessions demanded by Republican moderates in the Senate, but it was unclear how meaningful they would be.

For instance, the agreement would require states to keep providing Medicaid coverage for pregnant women and children under 13 in families with incomes below the poverty line. It also would require states to cover the disabled, but would let states define "disability" and how much income and assets beneficiaries can have.

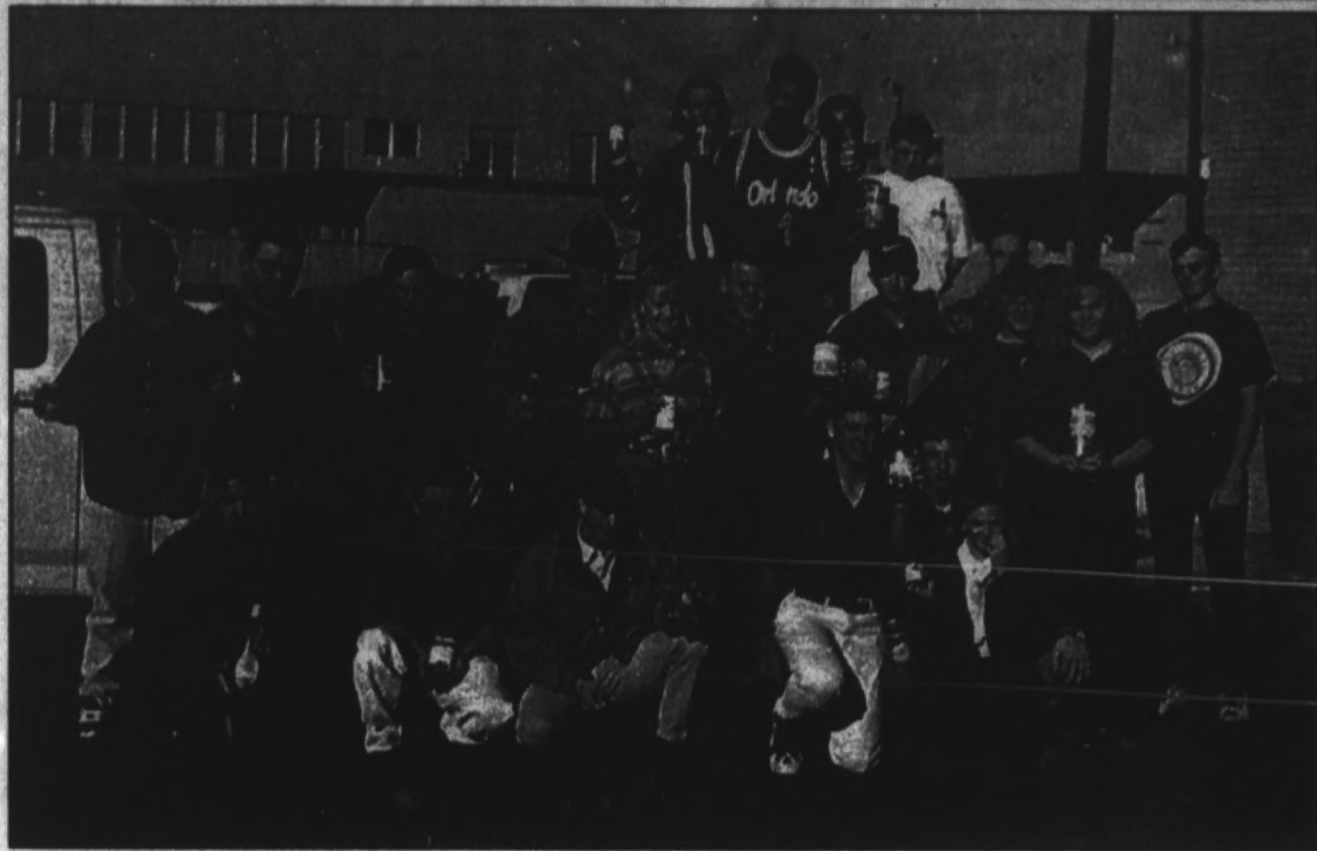
Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

0-1-5 (zero, one, five)

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Lifestyles



Collected for Red Cross food drive

Members of the Hereford FFA chapter recently conducted their annual canned food drive to benefit the Red Cross. These chapter members display only a small portion of the more than 1,500 cans which they collected.

Bippus club hears Christmas program presented by Harder

The Bippus Family Community Education Club met recently in the home of Beverly Harder.

Harder presented a Christmas program to members in attendance. President Kate Bradley called the meeting to order and the opening exercise was given by Alta Mae Higgins with a reading of "The Inn." Minutes were read by Zadic Bettis and approved.

Reports were given on the pecan

project.

Mariellen Homfeld gave the council report. She reminded members of the Christmas party to be held on Dec. 4. Each member should bring a gift for the needy.

All members are encouraged to work on crafts to be exhibited in March at the Tasting Bee activity.

Festive Foods will be held on Nov. 28 with sessions at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Reservations should be called

in to the Extension office.

Beverly Harder gave a report on a Christmas decorated home that she toured and presented a program on "Christmas Home".

Those in attendance were Wanda Page, Sue Thweatt, Christine Larson, Kate Bradley, Higgins, Bettis and Harder.

The next club meeting is scheduled for Dec. 13 in the home of Bettis. All are asked to bring a gift and baked goods for a gift exchange. Secret pal gifts will also be exchanged.

Hereford Cattlewomen hold monthly meeting

Hereford Cattlewomen held its monthly meeting Tuesday in the Hereford Country Club with Connie Banks presiding.

The nominating committee presented its proposed slate of officers for 1996 and the following were elected: Linda Fitzgerald, president; Jackie Murphey, first vice president; Charlene Sanders, second vice president; Leslie Easley, secretary; Jan Page, treasurer; and Crystal Smith, historian.

Nominations were made for Cattlewoman of the Year. These included Connie Banks, Brenda Johnson and Donna Manion.

A committee was appointed to take

under advisement a suggestion for a "feedlot appreciation" mixer. Charmayne Klett was appointed chairman and committee members are Brenda Johnson, Charlene Sanders, Linda Fitzgerald, Robin Johnson and Connie Banks.

The next meeting will be Dec. 19 at the Hereford Country Club with a Christmas theme. Officers for 1996 will be installed.

One guest Jody Lawson attended the meeting with members Nancy Josseland, Teena Hughes, Linda Gilbert, Rachel Hunter, Delphine Weston, Brenda Johnson, Sanders, Fitzgerald, Banks, Klett and Robin Johnson.

Rebekah Lodge holds meeting

The Hereford Rebekah Lodge #228 met recently. Members and guests, totalling 42, took part in a traditional Thanksgiving supper.

Maxine Brown was the winner of a ceramic turkey and pumpkin given away during the meeting.

Raffle tickets were sold for a set of four wood carved reindeer. The reindeer will be given away December 12, at the annual Christmas party.

Tickets for the raffle are \$1 and are available from Rebekah Lodge members.

A bazaar, bake sale and hot dog sale will be held December 2, at the Odd Fellow Hall. Garage sale items will also be offered for sale.

Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: My wife and I adopted a child from St. Petersburg, Russia, last December. We went through an awful lot to get her, and the trip back and forth was emotionally and physically draining. Of course, it was well worth it, and we are immensely grateful for all the caring and support we have received from family and friends.

On the plane from Frankfurt, Germany, some lovely people moved so the three of us could sit together. Our child, who was not quite 4 years old, was extremely well-behaved, but she became upset every time my wife left her seat. By the time the flight ended, half the plane knew our entire story.

When we landed in Atlanta, the lady sitting behind my wife leaned over and handed her a \$20 bill. My wife asked, "What is this for?" The

woman replied, "I just wanted this to be the first \$20 bill your child ever had."

Ann, I would dearly love to get in touch with this woman and thank her and share some pictures of our child. The lady's name was Bea McGraw, but I never asked for her address or phone number. I'm not sure if she lived in Atlanta or was catching a connecting flight.

Maybe Bea will read this and get in touch with you. This was one of the nicest things I have ever experienced, and I would like to show Bea our gratitude. Thanks so much for helping us, Ann. -- Jim in St. Charles, Mo.

DEAR JIM: I generally do not put people in touch with one another through the column, but your letter is such a sweet one, I am printing it, and it's up to Bea to take it from here if she chooses to. You can be sure she will either read this or someone will tell her about it. Best of luck. (Bea, if you see this, please contact me at the Chicago Tribune.)

DEAR ANN LANDERS: Would please print this poem in your column? It's one of my favorites -- Shallowater, Texas

DEAR TEXAS: With pleasure. While some people might consider it strictly off the cob, I found it grass-rootsy inspirational. Thanks for sending it on.

The Victor

By C.W. Longenecker

If you think you are beaten, you are. If you think you dare not, you don't. If you like to win but think you can't, it's almost a cinch you won't.

If you think you'll lose, you're lost. For out in the world we find

Success begins with a fellow's will. It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you are outclassed, you are. You've got to think high to rise. You've got to be sure of yourself before You can ever win a prize.

Life's battles don't always go To the stronger or faster man. But soon or later, the man who wins Is the man who thinks he can.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: Why do women wear makeup? The pretty ones don't need it, and it doesn't help the ugly ones. And while I'm at it, earrings on a beautiful girl are like fender skirts on a Corvette -- a waste of money. -- Jim in Paducah, Ky.

DEAR JIM: Sorry, I don't agree, but then, this is only one Chicago girl's opinion. Thanks for yours.

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—Lifton Fadiman

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FRIDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

Lunch

MONDAY-Chicken strips with gravy, fluffy potatoes, green beans, hot peach cobbler, hot rolls and butter, chocolate milk.

TUESDAY-French bread pizza, creamy coleslaw, mexicali corn, fruit salad, milk.

WEDNESDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

THURSDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

FRIDAY-No school. Thanksgiving Holiday.

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MONDAY-Tacos, pinto beans, lettuce/tomato, sopapillas, milk.

TUESDAY-Stuffed baked potatoes, broccoli and cheese, cornbread, cherry cobbler, milk.

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Lady Whitefaces in state semifinal match

Adams, Oilers ink deal with Nashville

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)--Bud Adams says his Houston Oilers "won't be coming to Nashville to take, but to give."

Adams and mayor Phil Bredesen signed a 50-page agreement Thursday to have the team relocate here if the city meets several requirements, including the construction of a stadium by 1998.

It's a \$292 million deal that will earn Adams and his Oilers all the stadium revenues, including ticket sales, concessions and team paraphernalia. Plus, he'll get \$28 million in moving costs, at least \$7.5 million a year from the sale of luxury suites and a share of \$11.5 million annually from the sale of premium club seats.

In return, Adams will spend at least \$5 million to operate the stadium. And he said the Oilers' staff and players will be involved in anti-drug and stay-in-school projects, as well as charities similar to those they help in Houston.

"We want to become involved in the community. We want to become involved statewide," Adams said.

And he wants Tennesseans to decide in a statewide contest what to call the NFL team.

"We've mentioned this before, but the Oilers didn't seem to be the right name for Tennessee, unless someone looks someplace for some oil," Adams said, chuckling.

The team may be in Tennessee before their stadium is built. The agreement includes a provision that the city help find an interim stadium if the Oilers buy out the two years remaining on their Astrodome lease.

"As a lame duck team, I would hope we could work something out," Adams told reporters after the signing ceremony at Nashville's Metro Courthouse.

He said Memphis and its Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium, where the team has played two preseason games, would be his preferred site and that Oilers GM Floyd Reese was heading there. Adams said he has not talked to Astrodome officials about breaking the lease.

"This is all exploratory," said

Pepper Rodgers, general managing partner of the CFL's Memphis Mad Dogs, who would have to allow the Oilers to play at the Liberty Bowl.

Adams spent several minutes during the ceremony talking about his loyalty.

"When Bud Adams tells you we will come, if you live up to your end of the bargain, that's binding."

His true intentions regarding Nashville had been questioned because of a 1987 flirtation with relocation to Florida that resulted in a \$70 million improvement to the Astrodome.

Last year, Adams asked Houston to build him a stadium, but the mayor refused to use taxpayer money.

Under the deal with Nashville, the city will build a 65,000-seat open-air stadium. Bredesen said it will be done without raising taxes.

This is the second proposed franchise shift in less than two weeks. On Nov. 6, Browns owner Art Modell signed a deal to move his team from Cleveland to Baltimore.

Two other teams--the Rams from Los Angeles to St. Louis and the Raiders from Los Angeles to Oakland--relocated before this season.

The NFL shuffle made many Nashvillians nervous that Adams might leave soon after moving here.

But Bredesen said he would face substantial penalties, including the threat of an injunction and financial responsibility for the stadium bonds, if he tries to leave before the 30-year agreement ends.

Several milestones must be met before the deal is final, including the sale of luxury suites and permanent seat licenses, which guarantee buyers the perpetual right to buy season tickets.

The next hurdle is the city's Metro Council, which is scheduled to vote on the agreement next Tuesday. In October, the council approved a scaled-down version.

NFL owners also must approve the move, which Bredesen hopes will be during their March 15 meeting.

Bredesen hopes to begin construction on the stadium by next April and have it ready for the Oilers by the fall of 1998.



YMCA volleyball champs

No Fear stared down the Hitting Hurricanes, 15-11, 15-10, and won the championship of the Hereford YMCA's 13-under girls volleyball league. No Fear consists of (front row, left to right) Liza Escamilla, Amber Maes, Savana McKay, Brandy Smith (second row) Heather Brown, Elizabeth Tarr, Nicole Mendoza, Jenna Urbanczyk and (back row) coaches Larry Mendoza, Martha Maes and Frank Maes.

Junior high wins 3 tilts

Hereford Junior High won three of four boys' basketball games here Thursday against Plainview.

The 8th grade boys scored a close 51-46 overtime victory over the visiting Plainview team. L.J. Vallejo took scoring honors with 12 points, while Nick Whatley and Eric McNutt added 10 each to the winning cause.

The 8th grade B team lost a close 28-26 game to Plainview. Bryan Cagle and Cesar Soto scored 6 points each for Hereford.

The 7th grade A team romped to a 64-15 win over Plainview as Eric Ramos sparked the win with 19 points. Cody and Slade Hodges chipped in 12 points each, and Israel Martinez added 9 to the one-sided victory.

The 7th grade B team won a 46-23 contest over the visitors. J.P. Holman scored 18 points to lead the way, and William Shows added 11 points.

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The Lady Whitefaces of Hereford High have posted a season of "firsts," but the quest for the most important first begins at 4 p.m. today at the Burger Center in Austin when the HHS volleyball team takes on Magnolia in a Class 4A state semifinal match.

Red Oak and New Braunfels meet in the other semifinal match at 5:45 p.m. today. The state championship game will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

Hereford's success this year--including a school record 19 consecutive victories--has had them ranked No. 1 in a Class 4A state poll for much of the season. The Lady Whitefaces made it to the big tournament in 1992 but were blown away in the first match.

Hereford (28-3) captured its first-ever outright District 1-4A title this year, then romped over El Paso Parkland and Snyder before trouncing Cleburne, 15-1, 15-6 in the Region 1 finals.

Magnolia (30-1) scored a 15-10, 15-8 win over Hallsville to win the Region 3 finals. Leigh Leman led Magnolia with 11 kills, while Mandy Black, Sarah Crews are two other key players.

Coach Brenda Reeh says the Lady Whitefaces have been a target of all foes this year--"they've been expected to win and they expect it of themselves. They've got an air of confidence about them and a desire to win that outweighs any fear of losing."

The seniors on the team have dominated opponents at every level since junior high. They are Heath Hodges, Tarabeth Holmes, Aimee Alley, Krista Beville, Deanna McCracken, Julie Cole and Britney Binder. Add in all-state junior Danielle Cornelius plus standout juniors Cassie Abney and Shonda Sossaman, and sophomores Julie Rampley and Katie Betzen, and the HHS team has the makeup of a championship team.


Sophs play here at 2 Saturday

Hereford basketball coach Randy Dean announced Friday that the sophomore boys will play Palo Duro here Saturday at 2 p.m.

The varsity Whitefaces will host Plainview in a game starting at 7 p.m.

Also, next Tuesday the sophs will play Tascosa at 4:30 p.m., instead of the scheduled 6 p.m. starting time.

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Tech's Thomas is finalist for 1995 Butkus Award

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - Junior Ray Lewis of Miami joined seniors Kevin Hardy of Illinois and Zach Thomas of Texas Tech on Thursday as finalists for the 1995 Butkus Award symbolic of college football's top linebacker.

The award, named after former Chicago Bear and University of Illinois great Dick Butkus, will be presented to the winner Dec. 9.

The 6-foot-11, 230-pound Lewis has been credited with 134 tackles this season going into Saturday's game against West Virginia. He has been credited with seven tackles for losses, two sacks and has a pair of interceptions, including one he returned 64 yards for a touchdown.

The 6-foot, 236-pound Thomas has 113 tackles, including 10 for losses to go along with three sacks and three fumble recoveries. Thomas returned

his lone pass interception of the season 23 yards for a touchdown to seal Tech's 14-7 victory over Texas A&M earlier in the season.

Hardy is the largest of the three finalists at 6-4, 240 pounds. He has 89 tackles, including 11 for losses and has a pair of interceptions. Hardy has sacked enemy quarterbacks nine times this season for losses totaling 92 yards and has forced four fumbles.

Hardy's Illini teammate Dana Howard won the award in 1994.



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YMCA flag football champs

The Hurricanes blew away the Cowboys, 8-0, to win the Hereford YMCA 13-under boys' flag football league. The Hurricanes are (front row, left to right) Trey Lusk, Gilbert Mendoza, Robert

Casias, Cody Marsh, Mark Casias, (back) coach Jackie Mercer, Tiffany Mercer, James Witkowski, coach Gabriel Casias, Dustin White, Adam Diaz, Greg Elmquist and coach Eddie Chavarria.

Knicks win as Nelson returns to Oakland; Houston whips Bucks

By The Associated Press
The New York Knicks left the worrying to Nervous Nellie.

Coach Don Nelson, who spent seven years guiding Golden State before quitting in the middle of last season, was a winner in his return home Thursday night as the Knicks beat the Warriors 120-97.

"I didn't have butterflies, but I was nervous," Nelson said. "It's difficult coming back the first time."

Nelson was met with a mix of boos

and cheers when he walked onto the court at the Oakland Coliseum. Several fans held an orange "We Love You Nellie" sign featuring a blue Statue of Liberty.

Chris Mullin and Tim Hardaway, two of Nelson's favorite players when he was with the Warriors, spent some of the game talking with their former coach. One time, while a Golden State player was shooting free throws, Hardaway strolled past the New York bench to check out Nelson's suit.

"It was nice to see him,"

Hardaway said. "He's dressing nice."

In other NBA games, Sacramento beat Portland 105-102, Houston defeated Milwaukee 115-87, Orlando downed Indiana 89-80 and the Los Angeles Clippers defeated Vancouver 103-98.

Derek Harper scored all 22 of his points in the second half for the Knicks, Patrick Ewing added 20 and John Starks 18. Charles Oakley had 15 points and 10 rebounds.

New York took an 8-0 lead, but trailed 51-47 at halftime. The Knicks rallied for an 87-78 lead after the three quarters, and the Warriors got no closer than nine in the final period. Rookie Joe Smith had 14 points and 12 rebounds for Golden State.

for the Bucks. Magic 89, Pacers 80

With both teams missing their stars, Orlando overcame Shaquille O'Neal's absence to win its sixth straight game.

Anfernee Hardaway scored 30 points and Dennis Scott 21 for the Magic. Orlando has won 36 in a row at home against Eastern Conference opponents since April 1994.

The Pacers played without starters Reggie Miller, Dale Davis and Mark Jackson and reserve Fred Hoiberg, all serving suspensions for their parts in a bench-clearing brawl with Sacramento Kings last week. Indiana also was minus starter Rik Smits and reserve Duane Ferrell, both out with injuries.

Clippers 103, Grizzlies 98
Loy Vaught had 19 points and 19 rebounds as Los Angeles rallied from an 18-point deficit for its fourth consecutive win. Expansion Vancouver lost its sixth in a row following a pair of season-opening victories.

Brent Barry hit two 3-pointers in the last 2:36, including a shot that gave the Clippers their first lead in the second half at 97-96. Byron Scott scored 18 points for the Grizzlies.

The game was the Clippers' first of eight scheduled this season at Anaheim Arena.

Kings 105, Trail Blazers 102

Surprising Sacramento snapped a 23-game losing streak in Portland on Mitch Richmond's go-ahead basket with 23 seconds remaining.

The Kings, who moved from Kansas City to Sacramento 10 years ago, had not won in Portland since Jan. 26, 1986.

Richmond, who had 25 points, put the Kings ahead 103-102 with a 20-foot jumper while falling backward. After Rod Strickland, who led the Trail Blazers with 23 points, missed a jump shot, Lionel Simmons made two foul shots.

The Kings are 6-2, their best start since going to Sacramento. Rockets 115, Bucks 87

A day after beating Toronto with a last-second 3-pointer, Robert Horry scored a career-high 40 points to lead Houston at Milwaukee.

Horry hit 16 of 26 shots, including eight 3-pointers. On Wednesday night, also on the road, his only basket of the night in five tries beat the Raptors.

The Rockets won without Clyde Drexler, who sat out because of a bruised knee sustained in Toronto. Mario Elie scored 14 points while starting in place of Drexler, and Hakeem Olajuwon had 24 points and 12 rebounds.

Glenn Robinson scored 24 points

Davis returns to TCU, Frogs eye title hopes

By CHARLES RICHARDS
Associated Press Writer

Running back Andre Davis returns to the Texas Christian football team this weekend, and not a moment too soon for the Horned Frogs.

TCU (6-3, 3-2 Southwest Conference) could earn a bowl berth and possibly a tie of the conference championship by winning their last two games.

Unfortunately, those last two games figure to be the Frogs' two toughest of the season. Before ending the regular season at home against 18th-ranked Texas A&M, TCU journeys to Austin on Saturday to play 10th-ranked Texas (7-1-1, 4-0). The Frogs are 17-point underdogs.

In other games this weekend, Texas Tech (6-3, 3-2) is favored by 19 over SMU (1-9, 0-6) in Dallas; Baylor (6-3, 4-1) is favored by 15 in Waco against Rice (2-6-1, 1-4); Texas A&M (6-2, 4-1) hosts Middle Tennessee State in a non-conference game, and Houston (1-8, 1-4) is idle.

Past performance isn't on the side of the Horned Frogs in their last two games. They've lost 27 of their last 28 games with the Longhorns and have lost 28 straight games to the Aggies.

Davis has just completed a four-game, NCAA suspension for alleged dealings with an agent. He's averaging 126 yards rushing per game and is just five yards short of becoming No. 2 on TCU's all-time rushing list.

"I'd like to say that's not a big issue," TCU head coach Pat Sullivan said of Davis' return. "but I'm sure it's an added confidence boost to have him back." While Davis was sidelined, TCU went 2-2, beating Tulane and SMU but losing to Baylor and Texas Tech.

TCU already has the six victories required to play in a bowl game, but need some success over the final two weeks to improve its stature to bowl committees. In 1994, TCU had to beat Texas Tech in its final regular-season game to throw the SWC into a wild.

five-way tie for the championship and earn a spot in the Independence Bowl. "This time last year we were playing catchup," TCU linebacker Geoff Stephens said. "We're in a position right now to control our own destiny."

TCU quarterback Max Knake will have to bounce back from the worst game of his career. He completed only five of 31 passes for 64 yards and an interception against Tech's Red Raiders last weekend.

Quarterback James Brown, who directs the Longhorn attack, said of Knake's passing troubles against Tech, "I don't think I'd let myself be 5-of-31. I'd run the ball."

The Longhorns have averaged 462 yards a game on offense and haven't allowed a sack in their last 14 quarters.

"To beat Texas, it's going to take 60 minutes of football," TCU defensive end Chris Piland said. "It's one of those things we can't come out and play a good half."

Rice will be short of quarterbacks against Baylor. Coach Ken Hatfield began the season with three, but Josh LaRocca is out for the season, and Chad Nelson is doubtful this week. There's no one to back up freshman Raphael Tillman, who is expected to start.



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Mo Vaughn claims MVP award in American League

BOSTON (AP)--First Barry Larkin, now Mo Vaughn. It was a good week for the good guys.

Vaughn was named AL MVP on Thursday, a day after Larkin's leadership and popularity also helped him beat out players with better numbers for the NL award.

"Baseball is a sport that has this type of people," Vaughn told reporters at a center where he runs a youth program. "With the strike and whatever's going wrong in the eyes of the public, we have not fared too well. But we've got that type of people in the game."

Vaughn hit .300 with 39 homers and tied Albert Belle for the league lead with 126 RBIs. Belle hit .317 and also led the majors with 50 home runs in the shortened season, when he became the first player with 100 extra-base hits since Stan Musial in 1948.

Belle also was the first to have 50 homers and 50 doubles in the same season.

"I know he (Belle) had some great numbers. Edgar Martinez had a great year. We all did," Vaughn said. "I don't know what the voters are thinking. I know a lot of it's numbers,

and if it's numbers, (Belle) probably would have won."

But while Vaughn seems to be universally liked among his peers--and the reporters who do the voting--Belle has been uncooperative and occasionally downright rude.

He once threw a baseball at a fan. He was suspended for corking his bat. He is expected to be penalized by major league baseball this month for berating a television reporter during the World Series.

Earlier this week, Belle was charged with a minor misdemeanor and accused of trying to run a couple of teen-agers off the road with his car because he thought they threw an egg at his suburban Cleveland home.

In contrast, Vaughn works with children in one of Boston's poorest neighborhoods--the location he chose for Thursday's news conference.

"I want people to see this. And I want the kids to be exposed to the right things," Vaughn said while two policemen stood outside keeping an eye on the TV mobile units.

"Don't equate me with the guy who hits home runs," he said.

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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 readings in the liturgy. The Adult Class meets in the church parlor for another of the "Faces of Faith" videos from the Vision network of the Faith and Values channel. Teacher and author on the spiritual life James Carse will be the subject of the interview this week. Discussion will follow.

St. Thomas' celebration of Thanksgiving, a major feast day in our calendar, will be the Holy Eucharist at 7 p.m. on Wednesday evening. It is a choral eucharist and there will be traditional Thanksgiving hymns.

Intercessory prayer requests from the community are most welcome. To have them included in the Prayers of the People at all services, please call 364-0146 and leave a message. In case of emergency, or to make appointments for personal conferences, please call Father Wilson in Amarillo at 353-1734.

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Pastor John Westman goes to Kings Manor to hold worship services at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday.

Services at Wesley are Sunday School at 10 a.m. and Worship at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

There will be a Thanksgiving dinner Sunday at noon. The UMW will furnish the turkey and dressing. Others need to bring vegetables, salads and desserts.

Choir practice is Thursday at 7 p.m.

Come worship with us where the messages are brought from the Old and New Testaments.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 There is a place for you at First Baptist Church. We invite you to come Sunday for Bible study at 9:45 a.m. and worship at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. We are getting ready to renovate some of our facilities. We want to improve and update our Sanctuary, Preschool and Children's building to better meet the needs of the people in our community.

Our From Generation to Generation Capitol Fund raising efforts will culminate this Sunday with a Victory Banquet in the Family Life Center at 6 p.m. Dr. Max Brown, director of development for High Plains Baptist Hospital, will be the guest speaker for this evening. Dr. Brown has helped to lead the church in this campaign to fund the needed renovations and pass the churches heritage on to the next generation of believers.

You are invited to attend the Christmas musical "In Adoration of the King of Kings" to be presented by the Praise Choir of F.B.C. of Hereford on Dec. 10 at 6:30 p.m. Bring your whole family and enjoy an evening of music celebrating the birth of the Savior.

The youth of F.B.C. will deliver food baskets to needy families this Sunday; we wish you all a Blessed Thanksgiving!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 "Pollyanna Meets the Culture of Disbelief" is the title given by the Rev. J. Jeremy M. Grant to his sermon for the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship service. The New Testament lesson is Luke 21:5-19. The Old Testament lesson is Isaiah 65:17-25.

The Youth Groups will meet Sunday at the church, 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

Starting Nov. 19 through Dec. 24, Rev. Grant will lead an advent class for adults during the regular church school time. The class will meet in the small fellowship hall and discuss and explore together themes guided by the booklet "Whose Birthday Is It, Anyway?"

On Nov. 29, Dec. 13 and Dec. 20, Rev. Grant will lead a time of meditative prayer starting at 6:30 p.m. The time will emphasize contemplation of the meaning of advent and Christmas. We will meet in the front of the sanctuary. Participants may pray silently.

As we prepare for the celebration of Christ's coming, our church has a special opportunity to keep one another in prayer. Before and after worship on Nov. 19 and Nov. 26, the Worship and Planning Committee will invite households to sign their names on the back of an angel ornament. On Dec. 3 those who signed up may take another household's angel to keep in prayer during the advent season.



Discuss Thanksgiving service

Rev. Larry Perkins, center, pastor of Frio Baptist Church, will deliver the message at the annual Thanksgiving service sponsored by the Hereford Ministerial Alliance Sunday at 6 p.m. in the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn. A Thanksgiving meal will be served with turkey/meat provided by the churches. Individuals or families who attend are asked to bring two of either salad, vegetable or dessert. Pictured discussing plans for the service with Perkins are Pastor Otto Schaufele, right, of Christ's Church Fellowship and Jonny Cloud, deacon at St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
 Regarding parish directories, those whose names are on the waiting list, come by the office with \$5 fee. Books will go out on a first come, first served basis until all are gone.

We have two turkeys for the Parish Holiday Dinner, but we need eight more. If you would like to donate an 18-20 pound turkey and/or cook it, call Beverly Jesko at 364-3296.

Please note: The date for the Parish Holiday Dinner is Dec. 3, not Dec. 31 as previously reported. Persons with last names A-F please bring a vegetable dish to serve 10-12. Names G-M bring dessert. Names N-Z bring a salad.

Parish offices will be closed Thanksgiving Day and Friday. Please have bulletin notices in by noon Monday.

Parish Thanksgiving liturgy-reception will be celebrated Wednesday evening, beginning with liturgy at 7, followed by a reception and fellowship in the Antonian Room. To the liturgy bring your breads and wines to be blessed for your family's Thanksgiving table. For the social, come enjoy sweet breads and hot spiced cider and fellowship with others. For more information call Ida Schumacher at 276-5318.

T-shirts are being sold by the CYO. Contact Jacques Bezner at 376-5656 and she'll show you a brochure from which to order.

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.

COUNTRY ROAD CHURCH OF GOD
 401 Country Club Drive
 Pastor Woody Wiggins and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services and activities at the church.

The winter schedule of services is being followed.

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services are conducted at 6 p.m. each Wednesday. Thursday night prayer service begins at 6 p.m.

Ladies ministry is the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 9 a.m.

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.

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.

For additional information, call 364-5874.

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.

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.

WESTWAY BAPTIST CHURCH
 We welcome you to come be part of a country church that preaches God's word. We need teachers and workers so if you are looking for a place to serve the Lord we need you to come be a part of our services.

We are having good services three times a week. Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. with Sunday morning worship at 11, Sunday evening worship at 6:30 and Wednesday evening service at 7.

A nursery is provided at all services.

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

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Things continue to be busy at Central. There will be an after game party Friday at the Subletts. Everyone is welcome but bring \$2. Sunday evening after services "Sister & Friends" will get together. This is a time of fellowship for the ladies. If you need transportation call the church office.

Wednesday night we will have a devotional in the fellowship room. Rio Evans from Sterling Colo. will be the guest speaker. He will speak about the work in Africa. Tom Bailey has made several trips to Africa with Rio. A new trip is planned for February.

There will not be "An Hour for Jesus" visitation meeting on the 23rd because of Thanksgiving.

We continue to make plans and preparations for our Gospel meeting Dec. 3-6. The theme will be "Back to the Bible." If you like old time gospel preaching come hear Johnny Ramsey. We will have a "Friends Day" and meal Dec. 3 to kick things off. Everyone in Hereford is invited. Come join us.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
 Pastor Gaston invites you to join the exciting fellowship of First Assembly of God Church Sunday morning at 9:45 for Sunday School, followed by the morning worship service at 10:45. Immediately after the morning worship service, there will be a Thanksgiving meal in the fellowship hall. Bring a covered dish and share the meal with others.

Join the Revivaltime World Prayer

Meeting at 6 p.m. Sunday. Missionettes and Royal Rangers, scouting program for girls and boys, meet each Tuesday from 7-8:15 p.m. The programs are for ages 5-16.

Wednesday evening service will be from 7-8:15 p.m.

Rehearsal for "Don't Miss the pageant," our Christmas play, will be on Sunday at 5 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 Rev. Taylor and congregation cordially invite you to join us at 10:30 a.m. this Sunday to share in praise and worship. Pastor Ted's sermon from his series "Home Improvement" will be "The Chair of Commitment" taken from 1 John 1:5-10 and 2:15-17.

Children's Church starts at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Carol's message Sunday teaches on "Who Am I in Christ?"

Come and enjoy the feasting, fun and singing as all the churches come together for a Thanksgiving meal Sunday evening at 6 p.m. in the Bull Barn. Everyone is asked to bring two vegetables and a dessert. Turkeys will be provided.

Bible Clubs have started on Wednesdays at 7 a.m. in the high school gymnasium and Thursdays at 7:20 at the junior high.

Regular Youth Fall Care groups meet Sunday evenings at 6 in the following homes: junior high guys- the Keeling home, senior high men- Jim's home, junior high girls- the Walden home and senior high ladies- the Torbert home.

Nazarene Christian Academy's "The Secret of My Success" musical has been postponed until Nov. 29.

Susie Merrick's Bible Study class meets each Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

All kids are welcome to come and share the fun, games, movies and exciting outings at Nazarene Kid's Korner on Wednesdays and Fridays. Call Eleise at 364-8161.

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.

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CHRIST'S CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Christ's Church Fellowship at 401 W. Park Ave. will have an all-church BREAKFAST Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. Morning worship and K.I.D.S. Church will follow at 10:45 a.m. A well-supervised and sanitary nursery is provided for all services of the church.
At 6 p.m. Sunday evening everyone

is encouraged to attend the community Thanksgiving dinner at the Bull Barn for great food, fun and fellowship with other Christians of our community. Monday at 6 p.m. the women's Precepts ministry will meet and at 7 p.m. Monday there will be a crafts workshop in preparation for our "Gifts and Goodies Sale" to be held Dec. 9 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Friendship Court of the church.

There will be no Wednesday evening activities this week because of Thanksgiving rest. Pastor Otto Schaefe will preach Sunday from the book of Mark on the "Life of Christ."

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have classes for all ages. If you need a ride, please let us know at 364-1667 or 364-1668. Our Adult Bible class will continue to study the book of Romans. Our morning worship will emphasize Thanksgiving. "Showing Thankfulness" is the theme for the day, and the text is Psalm 92. This will be followed by our Thanksgiving meal. We would invite everyone to come to this time of worship and fellowship. Next week the Elders will conduct the worship service.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"Out of the Blue for Me and You" will be the title of Dr. Ed Williamson's sermon at the Sunday morning service. The scripture will be taken from Genesis 11:27, 12:7. The Celebration Ringers will ring "Fanfare and Alleluia" for the prelude and the Jubilate Ringers will ring "With Thankful Hearts" for the offertory. The Sanctuary Choir and Jubilate Ringers will combine to do the anthem, "Rejoice, Be Glad, Give Praise!" Dr. Williamson and the congregation of FUMC invite you to attend Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 10:45. The congregation of FUMC will join with other churches of Hereford in a community-wide Thanksgiving

Service at 6 p.m. Sunday evening at the Bull Barn. A meal will be an addition this year and will precede the service. Each family is asked to bring two covered dishes (meat, salad, vegetable or dessert).

The Children's Division is sponsoring a Harvest Booth where canned food and other non-perishable goods are gathered to be distributed as Thanksgiving Baskets for the needy. The UMYF will assist the children in the distribution of these baskets from 4 p.m.-6 p.m. Sunday. This will take the place of the regular youth meetings.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Brotherhood of the Temple Baptist Church, 700 Avenue K, invites all men and boys to come to breakfast Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m. They will meet in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and will have Dr. Williamson of the First United Methodist Church as their speaker. Then the Pastor, H. Wyatt Bartlett, and the congregation invite everyone to come to Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:45 a.m. The morning worship hour will be at 11. The pastor will be preaching. Our church will join with the other churches in observing Thanksgiving with the Ministerial Alliance this Sunday. Everyone from our church who wants to go to this Thanksgiving meal at the Bull Barn at 6 p.m., we will be providing the meat for our church, you are to bring a vegetable, salad or dessert.

Self-control is at the root of all virtues.

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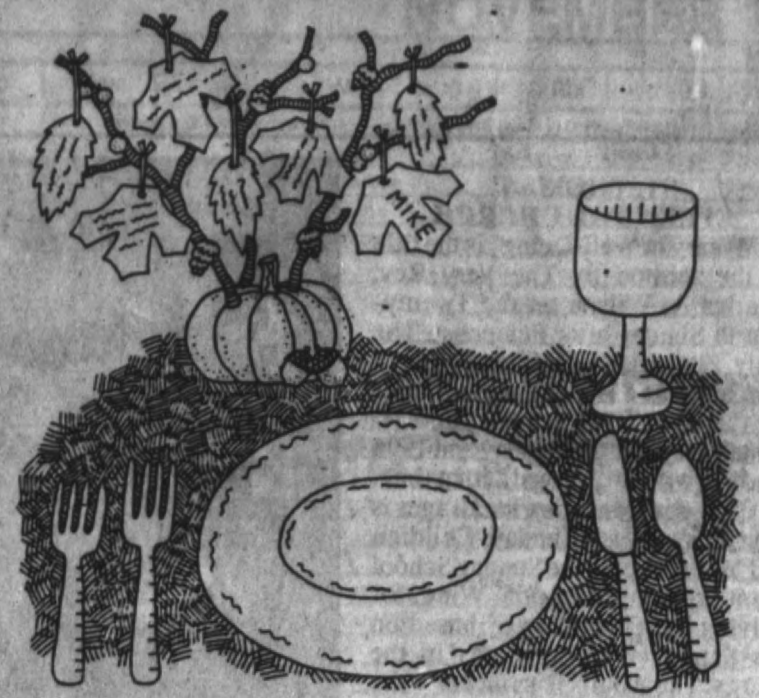


Table favors show thanks

Let your children help prepare for the Thanksgiving Day celebration by making "pumpkin tree" place favors using mini pumpkins, sticks and cutout paper leaves. Not only will each tiny arrangement add a charming touch to the table, but guests will enjoy taking them home as a keepsake of a memorable day.

Here's how to make a place favor. Poke two or three small bare branches into the top center of a mini pumpkin. (If the pumpkin is too hard, hammer a thin nail into the pumpkin and remove. Repeat to create several holes for the branches. Glue branches in place.) Glue small nature finds to the pumpkin or branches such as pine cones, berries, moss or pods.

Meanwhile, cut out a 2-by-3-inch leaf shape from colored construction paper. Use a real leaf or a leaf-shaped cookie cutter for a pattern. Print the

name of a guest or family member in bold letters on the paper leaf. Punch a hole in the leaf, attach a ribbon or string and hang the leaf from one of the branches.

Make a pumpkin tree for each place setting and cut out a basketful of paper leaves.

As guests arrive at your home, give each person several paper leaves and a pen. Ask everyone to write short Thanksgiving statements showing appreciation for people present at the gathering. For example, "I am thankful for Grandma's apple pie" or "I'm thankful Uncle John writes me letters" etc.

Hang the leaves on the branches of the appropriate Thanksgiving trees. The added leaves will complete the place favors just in time for the feast.

Once the meal begins, have everyone at the table share the messages on their trees.



Gifts for bazaar

Pat Schaefe, left, and Cindy Cole attended a workshop at Christ's Church Fellowship to help make "goodies" for the Gifts and Goodies Bazaar to be held Dec. 9 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Friendship Court of the church at 401 W. Park Ave.

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...NOW, THE PRINCES CONFER WITH JOASH ABOUT ZECHARIAH....

MY COUSIN HAS ALREADY SPOKEN TO ME - BUT I HAVE TOLD HIM WHY WE SET UP IDOLS IN THE TEMPLE!

BUT I FEAR HE WILL NOT STOP IN THIS THING!

YES! ZECHARIAH HIRED PROPHETS FROM THE HILLS TO COME INTO THE CITY AND PROPHECY AGAINST THEM!

HE INTENDS TO TURN THE PEOPLE AGAINST WORSHIPING THE IDOLS OF OUR NEIGHBORS - AND IF THIS HAPPENS, WE WILL HAVE NO FRIENDS AND ALLIES IN TIME OF WAR!

HOW DARE HE DO SUCH A THING AGAINST HIS KING?! FOR THIS TREASON, HE MUST SURELY DIE!

THE PRINCES LEAVE THE KING IMMEDIATELY! THEY HAVE OBTAINED EXACTLY WHAT THEY CAME FOR - NO NEED TO TALKY, FOR WHO KNOWS, THE KING COULD CHANGE HIS MIND!

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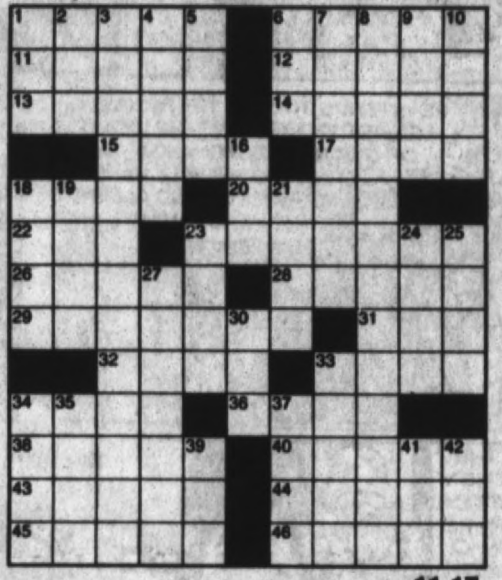
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The Commissioners of Deaf Smith County will open bids at 9 AM, November 27, 1995 for a new pickup for Precinct 3. Specifications may be picked up at County Auditor's Office at 242 E. 3rd, Hereford, Texas. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

The Special Education Records of students who were either graduated from the Hereford Independent School District, determined to be no longer eligible for special education service, or were withdrawn from H.I.S.D. prior to June 1, 1988, will be destroyed after November 30, 1995. Persons wishing to claim any available special education records, pertaining to them personally or for someone for whom they serve as guardians, should notify, in person with proper identification, the H.I.S.D. Special Education Office, located at 601 North 25 Mile Avenue, by Tuesday, November 28, 1995. These records may be needed for social security benefits or other purposes. High School transcripts of all students in the Hereford Independent School District are retained permanently at Hereford High School. (References: 34-CFR 300.573, SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT AND STUDENTS RIGHTS HANDBOOK, 3250-02 - RECORDS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS).

Farmer's physical problem led to new career as artist

By STEVEN BARRETT
Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

PLAINVIEW, Texas - Glenn Lyles had one summer to find a new career. Lyles, a farmer all his life, had major surgery on his long-troublesome feet in the spring of 1992. But they weren't going to mend well enough to meet the demands of farming. Lyles knew he had to find something else to do before the heavy work began anew that fall.

Trouble was, he had no idea what that something else was.

"I didn't have a clue," he said. What he did have, though, was a knack for painting. Lyles, 44, had taken art lessons as a child from Ruth Barnett in Hale Center, his hometown, and had resumed lessons in 1991 with Amarillo artist Jack Sorensen. He also had sold a few paintings before that decisive summer.

But most of all, he just loved to paint.

"I looked forward to rainy and snowy weather," he said of his farming days, because he could stay inside and paint. "It's just fun."

So despite more than a few misgivings, he made his decision: Glenn Lyles, mild-mannered Plainview farmer, would become Glenn Lyles, the Goya of the South Plains. Well, not exactly. But he did sell his farm equipment, pay off his house and car and take up painting full time.

He gave himself two years to make a go of it, and the early going was hardly paved with champagne receptions at the Louvre.

"Friends had made some mercy buyings," he recalled. It was only when a complete stranger bought one of his pieces at a show in Post in late 1992 that he felt his career was properly launched.

"That's when I first realized people might want this stuff."

Lyles' reputation as a Western artist grew slowly, by word of mouth, but he eventually found his schedule laden with work commissioned by people who had seen one of his paintings. Today, he works six- to

eight-hour days and shows his work in eight to 10 shows yearly. His paintings hang in homes or businesses in at least nine states.

"This has been the best three years of my life," he said. "I can enjoy a thunderstorm now instead of having to worry if it may hail me out."

Those intangible benefits are probably worth even more since he's not bringing in money hand over fist.

"I'm not getting rich, but I'm staying in there," he said. "It's amazed me how well it's gone."

Owing to Lyles' farming background and study of animal science at then-West Texas State University, pastoral themes dominate his art. A cross-section of his work includes any number of exhausted cowboys, beleaguered chickens and thirsty cows. The demand for cattle and chicken paintings is enormous, Lyles said, and his technique where those particular critters are concerned is down pat.

That familiarity has paid off. His painting of cattle quenching their thirst at a trough brought more than \$1,000 in 1994 at a fund-raising auction for the Texas Cattle Feeders Association and spawned requests from unsuccessful bidders for similar works.

"Life in the Fast Lane," a more recent piece that depicts a loaded cattle trailer on a highway, was auctioned at the recent feeders association convention in Dallas. Like Rembrandt, Monet, New England artist Eric Sloane and Western artist Thomas Moran - all of whom he admires - Lyles considers the interplay of colors all-important.

"It's the color that intrigues me," he said.

Oil is his medium of choice, and his style ranges from warm neo-impressionism to almost photographic precision.

In fact, all his pieces are based on photos he has taken since he switched professions.

"You never got to travel in the summertime," he said of his days as a farmer. Now he packs up when the spirit moves him and keeps a camera

on hand to take photos that could be the subject of his next work: "Anything I see that catches my eye."

He said he has been pleased by how accepting family and friends have been of his new line of work, although some have assumed an artist must have plenty of free time. Even fellow farmers have been keenly interested, he said.

What surprises him even more, though, is how much more readily he is accepted as an artist since he is a man.

"People take me more seriously than women artists," he said. "There's a built-in sexism."

Whatever the reason, art lovers do take him seriously, but Lyles won't attribute his success in his new craft simply to luck.

"It's God," he said. "He opens doors and you just have to go through 'em."

Different circumstances might have forced him into a more "stable" profession, he added.

"If I'd had a wife and three kids, I would never have considered this," said Lyles, who is single. "This is what I'm supposed to be doing. I know it."

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NEW YORK (AP) - Elizabeth Berkley has gone from "red-hot hype to ice-cold chill faster than a \$5 lap dance," Entertainment Weekly says.

The magazine says that since "Showgirls" bottomed out at the box office, Berkley was dumped by her talent agency, left without any follow-up feature role and "harshly dismissed by Hollywood as a no-talent bimbo."

Paul Verhoeven, the film's director, says he warned Berkley that baring her all could be a risky career move.

"I told her six months ago, 'If people don't like the movie because of the society it portrays, they won't write about that. They'll write that you can't act, and you can't dance.' I told her that," Verhoeven said.

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Jan	45.50	Jan	2.15
Mar	46.00	Mar	2.20
May	46.50	May	2.25
Jul	47.00	Jul	2.30
Sep	47.50	Sep	2.35
Nov	48.00	Nov	2.40
Jan	48.50	Jan	2.45
Mar	49.00	Mar	2.50
May	49.50	May	2.55
Jul	50.00	Jul	2.60
Sep	50.50	Sep	2.65
Nov	51.00	Nov	2.70
Jan	51.50	Jan	2.75
Mar	52.00	Mar	2.80
May	52.50	May	2.85
Jul	53.00	Jul	2.90
Sep	53.50	Sep	2.95
Nov	54.00	Nov	3.00
Jan	54.50	Jan	3.05
Mar	55.00	Mar	3.10
May	55.50	May	3.15
Jul	56.00	Jul	3.20
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Nov	57.00	Nov	3.30
Jan	57.50	Jan	3.35
Mar	58.00	Mar	3.40
May	58.50	May	3.45
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Nov	60.00	Nov	3.60
Jan	60.50	Jan	3.65
Mar	61.00	Mar	3.70
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Jul	62.00	Jul	3.80
Sep	62.50	Sep	3.85
Nov	63.00	Nov	3.90
Jan	63.50	Jan	3.95
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Jul	92.00	Jul	6.80
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Nov	93.00	Nov	6.90
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Sep	98.50	Sep	7.45
Nov	99.00	Nov	7.50
Jan	99.50	Jan	7.55
Mar	100.00	Mar	7.60
May	100.50	May	7.65
Jul	101.00	Jul	7.70
Sep	101.50	Sep	7.75
Nov	102.00	Nov	7.80
Jan	102.50	Jan	7.85
Mar	103.00	Mar	7.90
May	103.50	May	7.95
Jul	104.00	Jul	8.00
Sep	104.50	Sep	8.05
Nov	105.00	Nov	8.10
Jan	105.50	Jan	8.15
Mar	106.00	Mar	8.20
May	106.50	May	8.25
Jul	107.00	Jul	8.30
Sep	107.50	Sep	8.35
Nov	108.00	Nov	8.40
Jan	108.50	Jan	8.45
Mar	109.00	Mar	8.50
May	109.50	May	8.55
Jul	110.00	Jul	8.60
Sep	110.50	Sep	8.65
Nov	111.00	Nov	8.70
Jan	111.50	Jan	8.75
Mar	112.00	Mar	8.80
May	112.50	May	8.85
Jul	113.00	Jul	8.90
Sep	113.50	Sep	8.95
Nov	114.00	Nov	9.00
Jan	114.50	Jan	9.05
Mar	115.00	Mar	9.10
May	115.50	May	9.15
Jul	116.00	Jul	9.20
Sep	116.50	Sep	9.25
Nov	117.00	Nov	9.30
Jan	117.50	Jan	9.35
Mar	118.00	Mar	9.40
May	118.50	May	9.45
Jul	119.00	Jul	9.50
Sep	119.50	Sep	9.55
Nov	120.00	Nov	9.60
Jan	120.50	Jan	9.65
Mar	121.00	Mar	9.70
May	121.50	May	9.75
Jul	122.00	Jul	9.80
Sep	122.50	Sep	9.85
Nov	123.00	Nov	9.90
Jan	123.50	Jan	9.95
Mar	124.00	Mar	10.00
May	124.50	May	10.05
Jul	125.00	Jul	10.10
Sep	125.50	Sep	10.15
Nov	126.00	Nov	10.20
Jan	126.50	Jan	10.25
Mar	127.00	Mar	10.30
May	127.50	May	10.35
Jul	128.00	Jul	10.40
Sep	128.50	Sep	10.45
Nov	129.00	Nov	10.50
Jan	129.50	Jan	10.55
Mar	130.00	Mar	10.60
May	130.50	May	10.65

Government shutdown affects all areas of U.S. life

From cemeteries to football games, federal employees taking unscheduled holiday

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
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In Oregon, a national cemetery is asking families to change burial dates for their loved ones. Ohio can't send its 110 trees for the Pageant of Peace in Washington because there's no one to put them in place. And after waiting 33 years to become an American citizen, Washington State's Esther Castro has to wait a little longer.

Who says the federal government isn't threaded through our lives?

If President Clinton and the Republican Congress weren't duking it out, all 43 employees would be working at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland. With only eight on the job, it's hard to handle funerals at the normal 14-a-day average.

If this weren't Day Four of the government shutdown, the phone call would not have gone to the National Mining Association in St. Clairsville, Ohio: "Do not send the trees. We cannot handle them." Since 1990 the association has donated the trees, grown on a reclaimed strip mine.

"We even offered to hire our own crew," said spokesman John Grasser. "They have been told by the White House not to accept anything."

Bah, humbug. If the government had not branded some of its employees as nonessential, 95-year-old Esther Castro would not have waited in her finery in Pasco, Wash., for the nonessential Immigration and Naturalization agent who couldn't keep his date to swear her in. "She was kind of upset," said granddaughter Candy Archuleta. "She said she and all the other people paid their \$95. And then they claim there is no money."

No se preocupa, senora. Not to worry. This, too, shall pass. After this many days, some of the nonessential civil service employees have begun to look essential and are already coming back.

And some problems right themselves. The Air Force Academy's sports information department was reduced to an intern, a secretary and a recent academy grad who is in the military and can't be laid off.

With the Notre Dame game coming up this weekend, they asked for volunteers to help with publicity. There were plenty.

"They say, don't worry, you'll get paid," said William Miller, a machinist for the Army who is home in Adelphi, Md., with a wife six months pregnant. "My friend says if we're out a couple of weeks, we won't get paid." The official line is that the friend is wrong.

Maryland Gov. Parris Glendening vowed to pay 10,000 state workers whose salaries are normally underwritten by federal funds. That could cost the state \$10 million by next week.

"If this goes longer than a week, we're going to have to sit down and decide what our options are," Glendening said.

The government furloughed 54 of its employees, but the Mint in Denver continued to crank out nickels, dimes and quarters. There were even enough people to conduct tours. "There is nothing thus far, including the furloughs, that would stop any phase

of the production," said the Mint's Tom Herrera.

At King's Point, Long Island, the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy did not miss a day of lessons. The Maritime Administration, it seems, is fortunate enough to have a surplus of money from the last fiscal year - enough to last a couple of weeks.

The Grand Canyon was less fortunate. Grand Canyon National Park was closed for the first time since it opened in 1919, and Arizona Gov. Fife Symington offered to put up state money and deploy National Guard troops to keep it open through the federal budget shutdown.

More than half a million children in foster care and adoptive homes receive a monthly benefit paid for by the states and federal government, but the federal government has stopped contributing.

For Virginia's Railway Express and the "CommuterRide" bus service that brings civil servants to Washington, the 30-plus percent loss of ridership was a bitter blow. Only last month, the service hit an all-time ridership peak.

Washington's Metro subway, which had been trying to get drivers out of their cars, found its ridership down by 100,000 a day from a half million.

The U.S. Geological Survey station in Woods Hole, Mass., is down to three employees from the usual 75. Nobody is tending to some ongoing research projects, like the search for the best spot in the ocean to dump material dredged from New York Harbor.

And, finally, NASA administrator

Daniel Goldin wanted to talk to the folks on the space shuttle Atlantis and the Russian space station Mir, linked together and orbiting Earth.

But the space agency's headquarters in Washington are closed, so Goldin made the call from the living room of his home. "I wish I was up there with you," he said.

Many a put-out, put-upon nonessential American could agree with him.

Texas delegation in Congress affected little by crisis in funding, stalemate on solution

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WASHINGTON (AP) - The government shutdown that has sent some 800,000 federal workers home on forced leave appears to be doing little to trim the staffs of Texans in Congress.

Few in Texas' 32-member congressional delegation have felt the need to furlough their own Washington and district workers as the budgetary battle between the White House and GOP-led Congress drags on.

Rep. Steve Stockman, a freshman Republican from Friendswood, is

going further than most of his colleagues on Capitol Hill.

While furloughed employees are expected to be paid at some point for their enforced holiday, 10 of Stockman's staffers have been placed on leave without pay. And, Stockman himself has pledged to donate an as-yet unspecified portion of his \$133,600 congressional salary to a Houston homeless shelter.

"It was important for our staff and for Congressman Stockman to convey to the federal employees that we understand what's happening and that this affects us too," press secretary Jennifer Murray said Thursday.

"We had a meeting here and decided it was important for us to show that we are serious about balancing the budget and that this is more than just a war of words," she added.

The two Texans in the House Republican leadership are taking a different tack, arguing that during the shutdown their staffs are too important to furlough.

"In light of the fact we are in a leadership office and we are trying to reopen the government, we felt as though we needed everyone here to make sure we could effectively do that," said Tony Rudy, a spokesman for House Majority Whip Tom DeLay of Sugar Land.

A spokesman for House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Irving, said his boss is of a similar mindset. "The entire Armeey team is hard at work," said spokesman Jim Wilkinson.

"To have a constituent of ours go one single day without a voice in their federal government is not a thing we can accept," he added.

Rep. Chet Edwards, who is in the Democratic leadership, has shuttered his two district offices and placed nine full-time workers on furlough, arguing that anything less would be hypocritical.

"I believe this budget deadlock is completely unnecessary," the Waco lawmaker said. "However, until it is resolved, I think it would be hypocritical for members of Congress

to be fully staffed while veterans, Social Security and other federal employees are furloughed."

Callers to Edwards' Waco office were greeted with an answering machine message saying: "Due to the federal government's shutdown, our offices are closed."

Republican Sens. Phil Gramm and Kay Bailey Hutchison haven't furloughed any of their employees, their press secretaries said.

Neither has Rep. Henry Bonilla, R-San Antonio. "I think that Henry's view is that in this time we are getting a lot of calls, a lot of questions from our constituents wondering how this is going to affect them," said Bonilla spokeswoman Allison Griffin. "And he wants to have people here to help them with their requests."

Four workers were furloughed by Rep. John Bryant, D-Dallas. A similar number were placed on leave by Rep. Martin Frost, D-Dallas, but were recalled to duty after new guidelines of what constitutes "essential" personnel were issued Wednesday by House leaders.

There was little doubt of the definition of "essential" in the office of Rep. Joe Barton, R-Ennis.

A memo circulated in Barton's office earlier this week said that any staffers not considering themselves essential wouldn't have to come in for work.

Needless to say, everyone showed up.

Mankind, by the perverse depravity of their nature, esteem that which they have most desired as of no value, the moment it is possessed, and torment themselves with fruitless wishes for that which is beyond their reach.

—Francis De Salignac De La Mothe Fenelon

Shutdown threatens Meredith deer hunting

FRITCH, Texas (AP) - The shutdown of parts of the federal government is threatening part of the deer hunting season in the Texas Panhandle.

The season for rifle deer hunting at Lake Meredith National Recreation Area is scheduled to open at sunrise Saturday. But the national recreation area is now closed to visitors because of the government shutdown, park Superintendent Patrick McCrary said.

If the budget battle is resolved, McCrary said he will know within an hour, and that the park's employees will open the area a short time later. "They're ready to come back to work in a minute's notice," McCrary said.

McCrary said 10,000 to 12,000 visits are made to the park each year during the 16-day deer hunting season, which runs through Dec. 3. He said he already has heard complaints from hunters about the shutdown.

"I can appreciate how they feel about being outside hunting and fishing, because that's the way I grew up, and those are my hobbies," McCrary said. "I recognize the significance that it is to their lives. You kind of look forward to hunting season because it's a time when you can get back to the wilderness. A lot of people schedule their vacations for this time of year."

Gary Burton of Amarillo said his family goes hunting almost every year at Lake Meredith.

"I don't think it (the shutdown) makes me angry; it just makes me kind of feel bad," Burton said. "There's nothing you can do about it."

Though it's probably not much solace to hunters this year, a canceled season at Lake Meredith would help young bucks mature into bigger bucks by next year, said Gene Miller, a local wildlife biologist with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

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