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Volcanic activity

Charlotte Willburn, a fifth and sixth grade teacher at Community Christian School, joins a group of her students in looking over a volcano model that was created by them. The volcano was one of 21 exhibits presented at the school's science fair, held Thursday in the Hereford Community Center. Other exhibits focused on such things as soils, phototropism, refrigeration, steam engine, the tongue, the solar system and how a generator works. This was the fourth year for the fair.

Caviness sure tainted beef wasn't shipped from here

By GARRY WESNER
Managing Editor

Hereford packing plant owner Brent Caviness said today he is "100 percent sure" meat he shipped to a California packing plant was not involved in a contaminated beef incident on the west coast last year. The Associated Press on Thursday released the names of nine packing plants around the country - including Caviness Packing Co. - that supplied beef to a company last year that contained E. coli bacteria that sickened 450 people and killed two. Caviness said he ships beef to Service Packing of Los Angeles, but that the meat he sends is a "utility grade" beef that does not meet fat standards for Jack in the Box hamburgers. "What we provided the Service (Packing) company was about 65 percent" lean, Caviness said. Jack in

the Box hamburgers are 90 percent lean. Caviness said a spokesman for Service Packing has assured the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta that "none of the utility-grade beef goes into the (Jack in the Box) hamburgers." Caviness said all that happened with Thursday's announcement was that the Associated Press obtained a list of Service Packing's customers, and that the list reflects only those customers of one of four companies that supply meat for Jack in the Box hamburgers. He said The Vons Cos. of Los Angeles buys beef from four firms, including Service Packing, to make the frozen patties for Jack in the Box. Each of those firms buys its meat from numerous packing plants and slaughterhouses. As far as testing meat from the

plants, Caviness said, sampling today would not do any good toward determining where tainted beef came from in November 1992. "Most of the meat's out in two days," he said. The tainted hamburger patties were produced on Nov. 19. Hundreds of Jack in the Box customers in Washington, Nevada, Idaho and possibly California ate the meat and became ill. The AP reported that samples from the plants have been sent for analysis, which should take about six days. However, Caviness said, "Our business is going on as usual and it has since this outbreak and we are 100 percent sure we were not involved in this outbreak." Publication of the list, he said, just "got some people excited over nothing."

American shoppers open pockets; economic growth best in 5 years

WASHINGTON (AP) - American consumers opened their pocketbooks in the October-December quarter, pushing economic growth upward at a 4.8 percent annual rate, the best in five years, the government said today. The advance in the gross domestic product, the sum of all goods and services produced in the United States, was even better than the Commerce Department's initial estimate a month ago of 3.8 percent. It was the fastest growth since the fourth quarter of 1987 and, ironically, came during the same quarter that economic dissatisfaction motivated voters to reject George Bush's bid for a second term in the White House. Analysts, who had anticipated the upward revision, are cautioning that the growth rate should subside somewhat during the first half of this year. Still, none anticipate a relapse into recession. "Progress is being made but it's going to be slow. I don't think you're going to see a strong ebullient economic performance anytime soon," said Norman Robertson, a private economist in Pittsburgh. For all of 1992, the GDP grew an unrevised 2.1 percent, the best since 1989. This year, private economists, as surveyed by the Blue Chip Economic Indicators of Sedona, Ariz., are expecting 3.1 percent growth. The Commerce Department attributed its fourth quarter revision

to better-than-expected exports, which advanced at a 9.8 percent annual rate instead of 3.7 percent, and an improvement in consumer spending, which rose at a 4.8 percent annual rate instead of 4.3 percent. Growth in inventories also was revised up. Other fourth-quarter bright spots included a gain at a 26.1 percent rate in housing construction and a 14.4 percent rate advance in business investment in new equipment. Detracting from growth were a 1.1 percent decline at an annual rate in commercial construction and a 2.1 percent rate drop in government spending. ATLANTA (AP) - The flu season has been relatively mild, but there are already indications next year's will be worse. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Thursday that cases of Beijing flu - a harsher strain than the Panama flu most prevalent this season - began increasing last month. And the strain that gains in strength near the end of the flu season is generally the one that dominates the following winter. The flu season generally winds

down by mid-February. Cases of the Panama flu, or Type B, have been reported in 43 states, the CDC said. Exact figures weren't available, but hospitalizations and deaths were lower than expected, the agency said. Beijing flu is a Type A strain known as Type A-H3N2. From Sept. 27 through Jan. 16, Type A made up only 2 percent of flu cases, the CDC said. But from Jan. 17 through Feb. 13, it made up 14 percent of cases - most of them Beijing flu. The various changes brought GDP to a seasonally adjusted \$4.99 trillion. Carol S. Carson, director of the department's Bureau of Economic Analysis, said rebuilding following hurricanes Andrew and Iniki added to growth during the quarter. She said it was difficult to say exactly how much but said the effect was "probably small." Despite the robust growth at the end of 1992, the recovery from the recession still must be considered sub par, Carson said. During the seven quarters since the economy hit bottom in the first quarter of 1991, output has grown 4.1 percent.

Nine bills to cut spending are approved

Senate seeks savings to meet new Texas budget

AUSTIN (AP) - With the prospect of trying to fund a proposed \$70 billion two-year state budget, the Texas Senate has gone bargain shopping. Nine bills containing \$1.4 billion in savings recommended by Comptroller John Sharp were passed by the Senate Thursday and sent to the House. Ten more bills totaling an additional \$800 million in savings are expected to be considered by senators

next week. The \$1.4 billion in savings were approved as Senate Finance Committee chairman John Montford, D-Lubbock, unveiled a proposed \$70 billion appropriations bill. "This is not a glamour budget," Montford said. "I pretty much characterize it as a Chevrolet. It's a responsible budget." Montford anticipates that lawmakers ultimately will approve at least \$2.2 billion of Sharp's \$4.5

billion in proposed cost-cutting ideas. Sharp's team of auditors made 460 recommendations for improving state government efficiency and making its operations less costly. Montford said much of the \$2.2 billion would help pay for services to needy Texans. He said the full Senate should consider the budget bill on Tuesday. "There are no frills," Montford said. "I think we are behind on South Texas border initiatives and higher education, and I think we are behind the curve on public education because of the problems we have had getting a consensus." The current state budget, which runs through Aug. 31, totals \$62.3 billion. A pay raise for teachers pushed by Gov. Ann Richards is included in the Senate's spending proposal. But it would be contingent upon the state finding an additional \$323 million, Montford said. Montford said some of the budget would link an agency's funding to its performance. "We will be able to take some pretty objective looks at whether these agencies are doing the job they are constitutionally charged to do," he said. The House Appropriations Committee is working separately on its version of the 1994-95 state budget. Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said the nine savings measures adopted by the Senate on Thursday would help the state pay for services without a tax increase. More than half the \$1.4 billion in savings comes from bookkeeping measures such as speeding up some tax collections and delaying some state payments. Critics of the bookkeeping measures have said they are a quick fix to save money now but could leave government services strapped in the future. Bullock acknowledged that such tactics aren't a permanent answer to budget problems. But, he said, "While it is not new money, it is real money made available by shuffling existing money - and I'd rather shuffle the bookkeepers than see the people of Texas suffer." "There is not a thing in these bills which does harm to good public financial policy, not in the short-range or the long-range," Bullock said. "Similar measures have been used in the past, and they are much to be preferred over a tax (increase) bill." Montford agreed that balancing the state budget two years from now won't be any easier as a result of the savings measures approved Thursday. "Next time will be problematic, but we have to take it a biennium at a time," he said. "I haven't noticed any great surge or clamor for major tax initiatives or tax reforms." Some of the cost-cutting measures approved included eliminating idle advisory committees to state agencies, developing contracts for some inpatient Medicaid services, and leaving the Texas Department of Health with its current title.

Gov. Richards says vote vital to state

By JEAN PAGEL
Associated Press Writer
PLAINVIEW, Texas (AP) - Nothing less than the quality of public education and the health of Texas' business climate hinges on the outcome of a statewide vote May 1, says Gov. Ann Richards. Richards told 600 people at a Chamber of Commerce banquet Thursday night that the state's best hope for keeping its schools open is a "Robin Hood" finance plan up for voter approval. But if voters reject the constitutional amendment, she said, the courts will freeze education funds June 1. Out-of-state industry would grow wary, she warned. "I guarantee you the headlines will read 'Judge closes Texas schools,'" she said. "We simply cannot allow that to happen." Richards' economic development message came on the heels of an afternoon meeting students at Hillcrest Elementary School. She toured classrooms, listened to first-graders sing a tune about vowels and watched a second-grader draw

trapezoids. "Aren't you kids smart?" she asked, clapping. Always, though, she returned to the theme of passing the amendment. "We don't want our schools to close. Vote 'Yes' May 1," Richards chanted loudly with an assembly of 400 children. The Legislature earlier this month approved the amendment under threat of a June 1 court deadline to equalize the way Texas funds public schools. The measure would allow the state to shift property tax revenues from wealthier school districts to those with lower property values. Richards spokesman Chuck McDonald said Thursday's school visit was the first of many on behalf of a plan the governor said was more palatable than school consolidation or a state income tax. Richards, a Democrat, predicted Republican attempts to derail the amendment. "They're afraid if we pass the school issue that you will re-elect me governor," she told parents and teachers.

Clinton eyes increase in health-related taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton says he hopes to avoid raising taxes on middle-income families to reform the health care system, but he may make an exception for tobacco and other products that pose health risks. "I think health-related taxes are different," Clinton said Thursday. He discussed health-insurance financing at a news conference at which 24 business and labor leaders endorsed his economic program and as Republicans stepped up their attack on his economic package. Today he broadens his focus with a speech on global economics at American University. In recent days, Clinton has renewed his commitment to protect U.S. companies against what he views as unfair European subsidies. After meeting with British Prime Minister John Major on Wednesday, Clinton said he hoped to dislodge stalled efforts for new world trading rules. But the domestic economy will still dominate his time. White House and congressional sources say the administration is signaling that it would not object if lawmakers targeted the atom-smashing superconducting super collider for spending cuts. The president himself said Thursday that he supports both programs. Yet he acknowledged that others will disagree and that "they can be debated on the floor of Congress." Clinton plans today or Saturday to meet again with top health care advisers, including his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton. Aides said it was too early to predict how he will finance coverage for uninsured Americans, which could cost \$30 billion to \$90 billion a year. Among the dozens of options are regulating insurance rates, taxing insurance companies, broad-based taxes on consumers, taxing hospitals and surcharges on insurance. The Los Angeles Times reported in Thursday's editions that Clinton's

health care task force no longer was considering taxing workers' health benefits because Mrs. Clinton, the group's leader, saw it as political suicide. Clinton sidestepped the issue. "I haven't picked any tax up, so how could I drop it? You can't drop something if you didn't pick it up," he said. "If I pick something, I'll tell you." A senior administration official said of the proposal to tax benefits: "It's ailing, but there still has not been a complete presentation to the president." Clinton indicated his administration would look beyond the tax increases proposed for his health-insurance program. "I think that we are spending a ton of money in private insurance and in government tax payments to deal with the health care problems occasioned by bad health habits, and particularly smoking, which is costing us a lot of money," Clinton said.

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Valdez resigns from C of C board, moving to Pampa

Directors of Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce heard progress reports on committee projects and accepted the resignation of a board member during a regular monthly meeting Thursday, according to president Lewis McDaniel. Director Yolanda Valdez, manager at McDonald's, is being transferred to Pampa and the board accepted her resignation "with regrets." Directors were asked to consider nominations for a replacement at the next board meeting. Mike Carr, executive vice president, reported he recently accompanied five other representatives from the Texas Highground group to man a booth at a food processing show in Chicago. He said

the attendance at the show was "disappointing," but he made contact with three companies who expressed an interest in information from Hereford. Carr also reported that local representatives has some "good discussions" with state officials during the recent Panhandle Day trip in Austin. The local group visited with House Speaker Pete Laney, officials in the Texas Department of Agriculture, and Texas Water Commission leaders. The board heard an update on several activities - including the Fun Breakfast, the annual Chamber Banquet, scheduled April 1; the annual raffle project which will soon get underway, and Women's Division projects.

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Local Roundup

Cold again Saturday

The mercury peaked at 51 degrees at 4 p.m. Thursday and the low was 16 this morning, according to the weather station at KPAN Radio. Tonight, increasing cloudiness with fog possible. Low in the lower 20s. Southeast wind 10 to 15 mph. Saturday, fog possible in the morning, otherwise cloudy with a 20 percent chance of light rain. High in the upper 30s. Southeast wind 10 to 20 mph.

Methodist men set chili supper

The Methodist Men of First United Methodist Church will host a chili supper from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday in the church fellowship hall, featuring Chili by F.anna. Tickets may be purchased from members or at the door. Cost is \$3.50 for adults, with children under age 6 admitted free.

Police report summarizes activity

Twelve incident reports were noted in today's Hereford Police Department report, as was other activity. A 22-year-old female was arrested on a warrant for theft by check. There was one grass fire and two citations were issued. Criminal mischief in the amount of \$100 was reported in the 100 block of South Lee. A broken window valued at \$150 was reported in the 1000 block of West Park. Burglary of a motor vehicle in the amount of \$700 was reported in the 200 block of Avenue I. Assault occurred in the 200 block of East Third Street. There was a theft of \$465 in items from a yard in the 200 block of Elm. Phone harassment was reported. Criminal mischief by window breakage was reported in the 100 block of Pecan, with \$400 in damage. Charges were filed on two students for disorderly conduct by fighting at Hereford High School. Theft of \$50 was reported in the 400 block of Ranger. Criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of Avenue F in the amount of \$250 and in the 500 block of East 15th, with \$250 damage to a vehicle. Assault was reported in the 100 block of Avenue H.

News digest

World/National

PONTIAC, Mich. - Prosecutors opened a homicide investigation of Dr. Jack Kevorkian and searched his home, citing evidence that a man who went to him for help in committing suicide tried to back out at the last moment. Also, Michigan put into immediate effect a ban on assisted suicide that was originally supposed to take effect in a month.

WASHINGTON - President Clinton says he hopes to avoid raising taxes on middle-income families to reform the health care system, but he may make an exception for tobacco and other products that pose health risks.

LOS ANGELES - A surprise prosecution claim that police delayed taking an injured Rodney King for medical treatment brought a sharp denial from the defense as new strategies were unveiled in the federal trial of four policemen.

MOGADISHU, Somalia - Violence in Somalia raises questions about the ability of foreign troops to maintain order in a nation loaded with weapons but without a government. But the U.N. chief says the unrest will not complicate the planned transition to a U.N. command, expected to take place in several weeks.

WASHINGTON - The U.S. airdrop of humanitarian supplies to Bosnia will begin with as many as 80 tons of food and medical supplies hurtling to the ground from a small fleet of C-130 Hercules planes, Defense Department officials say.

KUWAIT - Today is the second anniversary of Kuwait's liberation from Iraqi forces, but it will be a day like any other for the 1,100 U.S. troops from Fort Hood, Texas, on hand to shore up Kuwait's defenses.

Texas

DALLAS - Softer is better when it comes to margarine, researchers advise cholesterol-watchers. For the second time in four months, researchers found that the stick form of the butter substitute can lead to higher blood cholesterol levels than liquid vegetable oils.

AUSTIN - The state Republican chairman and Democratic Gov. Ann Richards are at odds over the upcoming school finance proposition vote. GOP Chairman Fred Meyer on Thursday criticized Richards for asking voters to decide on the proposition without knowing the plan's actual costs.

WASHINGTON - Congressional opponents of the space station and super collider are working to ensure that the high-dollar projects become a litmus test of Congress' willingness to slash the deficit.

SAN MARCOS - There are suspects in what had been earlier determined to be a case of murder-suicide in the deaths of a Texas Racing Commission official and his family, Texas Rangers Capt. Maurice Cook has testified.

ATLANTA - States that don't strictly enforce bans on tobacco sales to minors will lose millions in federal funds, U.S. health officials warn. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention scolded states Thursday, noting that almost two-thirds of teen-agers who tried to buy tobacco during a study in Texas succeeded as did almost half of those in a Missouri study.

PLAINVIEW - Nothing less than the quality of public education and the health of Texas' business climate hinges on the outcome of a statewide vote May 1, says Gov. Ann Richards.

AUSTIN - With the prospect of trying to fund a proposed \$70 billion two-year state budget, the Texas Senate has gone bargain shopping.

DALLAS - Two former Dallas police officers have been sentenced to 30 years in federal prison on charges of extorting money, guns and drugs from drug dealers in the area they patrolled.

FORT WORTH - American Airlines will temporarily comply with restrictions sought by the Justice Department on air fare pricing, but the carrier said it would still fight a government lawsuit.

AUSTIN - Attorneys and child protective services officials are praising a court decision that awarded a church pastor temporary custody of two children.

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Representatives from eight Communist bloc countries, including the Soviet Union, signed the Warsaw Pact in 1955 in Poland.



Bluebonnet's top spellers

Winners of the Bluebonnet Intermediate School spelling bee are, from left, Bobbi Jo Brethour, Tiffani Cabezuela, Candice Huckins, Darren Slaney and Jay Crawford. Candice is the alternate, and the other four will represent the school in the county Junior Bee on Thursday in the Heritage Room of the Deaf Smith County Library. All five are in the fifth grade.



St. Anthony's spellers

Winners of the St. Anthony's School spelling bee are, from left, Melanie Casarez, sixth grade; Diana Detten, sixth grade; Deborah Melendez, fifth grade; and Kyle Artho, fourth grade. The sixth graders will participate in the county Senior Bee on Friday, while the others go to the Junior Bee on Thursday.

U.S. planning 80-ton airdrops of humanitarian relief to Bosnia

WASHINGTON (AP) - The U.S. airdrop of humanitarian supplies to Bosnia will begin with as many as 80 tons of food and medical supplies hurtling to the ground from a small fleet of C-130 Hercules planes, Defense Department officials say.

The Pentagon said Thursday it will keep secret the exact starting date of the operation, although some officials said it could begin as early as Sunday. The planes will fly at night and at high altitude to lessen any risk of anti-aircraft fire.

President Clinton said it would be a "temporary measure," and members of Congress who were briefed on it Thursday were mostly supportive of the plan.

Sen. J. James Exon, D-Neb., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said after a briefing by Defense Secretary Les Aspin and Gen. Colin Powell that it would "send signals to warring parties that the whole world is looking at this."

Aspin, back to work following a four-day hospital stay, told reporters the parachute drops were "short-term emergency efforts" to be undertaken to show that "the denial of food and medicine as part of an offensive ethnic cleansing is absolutely unacceptable."

Powell said that although the operation carried some risk, he was confident it could be done safely and in a way that would get relief to those who needed it.

"I would emphasize that no operation is completely without risk, but this one I think is quite manageable and we think we'll be making a contribution to this humanitarian effort," the Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman said.

In announcing the plan, Clinton said the airdrops will be made "without regard to ethnic or religious affiliation."

He stressed that it was meant as an evenhanded effort to get the fighting factions to stop interfering with overland relief convoys, which are a far more efficient means of aiding the needy there.

"These airdrops are being carried out strictly for humanitarian purposes; no combat aircraft will be used in this operation," he said in a statement.

"Regular overland deliveries are the best means to ensure that the long-term needs of the Bosnian population are met, and the United States calls on the parties to guarantee the safe passage of the humanitarian convoys throughout Bosnia," the president's statement said.

When asked later whether other countries had agreed to join the operation, Clinton said, "We've had several volunteers." He did not elaborate, and the senior defense officials said no other countries had made a firm commitment.

Senate Republican leader Bob Dole endorsed the airdrop Thursday, saying "This is the right step, a small step. ... I applaud the president for his effort in this regard."

Senior defense officials who briefed reporters at the Pentagon on condition they not be identified said the airdrop would be preceded by a large-scale leaflet drop over Bosnia.

The officials declined to discuss how long the operation might last. They disclosed that although the plan initially was intended to aid distressed populations in eastern Bosnia, the airdrops might be carried out across all of Bosnia.

The leaflets, printed in the Serbo-Croatian language, will urge the local population not to interfere with the airdrop, stress that it is a humanitarian effort and caution the populace to get out of the way when the huge bundles start dropping from the sky by parachute.

The planes will fly out of a U.S. air base in Frankfurt, Germany.

Suicide doctor may be charged

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) - Prosecutors weighed murder charges against Dr. Jack Kevorkian after learning that one of the 15 people who have died with help from the self-styled suicide doctor may have tried to back out at the last moment.

A document that a right-to-life advocate claimed to have found in a Kevorkian associate's garbage reports that 70-year-old Hugh Gale panicked after a carbon monoxide mask was placed over his face and cried, "Take it off!"

"The fact that this document ... with him asking the mask be taken off and the mask was continued, takes it out of the realm of assisted suicide and puts it into the realm of attempted homicide," Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson said

Thursday at a news conference held with Macomb County Prosecutor Carl Marlinga.

Kevorkian's attorney dismissed the possibility that the 64-year-old doctor ignored Gale's plea to abort the suicide.

"A bunch of right-wing Christian nuts again called Dr. Kevorkian a murderer. It's laughable," Geoffrey Fieger said.

Earlier in the day, Gov. John Engler signed a law putting a ban on assisted suicides into effect immediately, a month earlier than planned. Kevorkian foes had feared desperately ill people were rushing to beat the March 30 deadline.

Minutes after the signing, in an apparently unrelated move, law enforcement authorities converged on

Kevorkian's Royal Oak apartment and searched it. Thompson said investigators found a second, corroborating report on Gale's death.

Kevorkian was not present during the search. Repeated calls to his house Thursday and early today went unanswered.

A decision on charges is expected next week, after police have taken statements from Kevorkian and others, Marlinga said.

Gale, the 13th person to die in Kevorkian's presence, was suffering from emphysema and congestive heart disease. He died Feb. 15 at his Roseville home in Macomb County after breathing gas through a mask attached to a canister.

Governor accused of hiding tax impact

AUSTIN (AP) - The state Republican chairman and Democratic Gov. Ann Richards are at odds over the upcoming school finance proposition vote.

GOP Chairman Fred Meyer on Thursday criticized Richards for asking voters to decide on the proposition without knowing the plan's actual costs.

"Gov. Richards as much as said she thinks the voters of Texas are stupid by stating they don't need to know the details of how this plan is going to raise their taxes," Meyer said.

But a Richards aide said he was wrong. Gubernatorial press secretary Bill Cryer said the Democratic governor is "not hiding anything from the taxpayers."

Cryer said the proposed amendment "tells the voters exactly what they need to know. Voters only really need to know one thing, and that is schools will close. People like Fred Meyer have been stopping this thing for nearly a quarter of a century. It will affect about 3 percent of the school districts and help about 97 percent."

The Legislature has placed a so-called "Robin Hood" finance proposal on the May 1 ballot. But legislation that would spell out which school districts are winners and losers under the \$400 million share-the-wealth plan might not be adopted before that statewide vote.

"I think it is very difficult in the middle of the constitutional amendment election to try to hammer out the details of what you are going to do in enabling legislation," Richards said this week.

"In the voters' mind, it is easier to keep it real simple," she said.

Meyer blasted that reasoning.

He charged that Richards and Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock "are promoting the political equivalent of highway robbery by asking voters to sign a blank check increasing school taxes without knowing what impact it will have on their local schools or their property taxes."

The proposed amendment would authorize the state to redistribute up to \$400 million in local property tax money, either through county education districts or statewide. It also would allow schools to ignore unfunded state mandates.

The amendment is aimed at meeting a June 1 Texas Supreme Court deadline for overhauling the thrice-overturned school finance system. The court has told the Legislature to equalize funding between property-rich and property-poor school districts.

House Speaker Pete Laney said he believes "there needs to be some enabling legislation in the pipeline" before the May 1 vote.

Richards has said her biggest fear is that schools will be closed June 1 unless the amendment is passed.

"The important thing is for us to keep our schools open," Richards said Wednesday. "The last thing in the world any Texan wants to have happen is to have the school doors close on their children and have headlines in the business papers saying Texas public schools are closed."

Hereford represented at meeting

Seven Hereford residents recently traveled to Lubbock to participate in a state Mexican American Democrats convention.

The group, led by Deaf Smith County MAD chairman Bernie Griego, participated in a two-day session that questioned all four Democratic candidates for the U.S. Senate seat temporarily held by Bob Krueger.

The meeting was held last weekend in the Holiday Inn Civic Center in Lubbock.

Ten 10 West Texas women were honored during the convention, one from each of the area's MAD chapters.

Delia Griego, executive director of the Deaf Smith MAD council, was among those recognized.

At the meeting, delegates voted on endorsing one of the candidates, but issued no formal endorsement when Krueger garnered 61.3 percent of the vote, short of the two-thirds majority required.

Other results were: Jose Angel Gutierrez, 29.4 percent, Jim Mattox, 0.5 percent; and Richard Fisher, none.

The rest of the Hereford delegation was: Biolanda Castillo, board vice chairman; Joe Gonzales; Grace Gonzales, Trini Gamez; and Tony Castillo.

Church News

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

During the Fridays of Lent, there will be a bilingual Stations of the Cross service at 6:30 p.m. in the church followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m. The evening will conclude with an hour of prayer and reflection sponsored by San Jose Men's Group for the men of the parish. Every Friday during Lent, there will be a visiting priest who comes to preside (the services and to offer a reflection to the men who gather. This evening, Father Guillermo Morales will be present.

Families are invited to participate in the traditional Lenten practice called the Wheat basket. Every family can pick up a prayer card for use at home with each meal. Collect the daily and weekly sacrifices made by fasting, etc., through Lent, and then bring them to the parish collection on Holy Thursday. This money will go to help some of the poorest people in the world and some will stay in the Diocese of Amarillo to work on the basic issues of justice in the production of food, relating to land stewardship, agriculture, and rural community development.

This first Sunday of Lent, Father Darryl Birkenfeld homily will be entitled "Choosing the Desert: The Difference between Need and Desire." Families who have recently lost a loved one will carry up the Lenten cross during the entrance procession of each liturgy.

This Sunday, the following persons will serve as cross bearers: Ernesto and Juanita Garza, Feb. 27, at 7 p.m. Vigil is planned Feb. 28 at 11:30 a.m., Joe and Tencha Mendez; Feb. 28, at 9 a.m., Fidel and Angie; Vigil Feb. 28, at 11:30 a.m.

Everyone will receive a stone at the end of each Mass as a reminder of our personal deserts.

Deacon Vicente Garcia is available for the blessing of homes and leading a family rosary or other prayer. Anyone may call and invite him at 364-3286.

Parent Sacraments Formation will be held on Tuesday, from 7-9 p.m. in the parish hall for parents of all children and teenagers who are to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation, Eucharist, and Reconciliation in the spring. Celebrating the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick will be the topic for the evening event. Nursery will be provided at \$1 per child.

Adult Bible Study will take place on Wednesday evening, March 3rd from 7-9 p.m. in the parish hall. Father Darryl and Deacon Emilio Fuentes will offer the study in English and Spanish over the Temptation of Jesus in the Desert in the Gospel of Luke. Please bring along a bible and pen. Nursery will be provided at \$1 per child.

Total Youth Ministry Mini-Courses will resume on Wednesday, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Mission School.

The annual Lenten Parish Mission for San Jose Parish is scheduled nightly from March 8-12 at the church. Father Rafael Partida and Sister Margarita Padilla, both from Chino, Calif., will be leading the presentations each evening at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to participate in the mission, which is entitled "That the People May Live" (Deut. 30).

DAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

The Rev. Lonny Poe and the church congregation welcome the public to participate in all worship services at the church.

Bible study begins at 9:50 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Sunday morning's message is taken from Isaiah 55:1-6 and is titled "An Invitation From God." The evening message will continue the series from the life of David.

The Wednesday evening Bible study and prayer meeting will be held at 7 in the home of Ronnie and Sharon Johnson.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Early morning praise is held at 9 a.m. each Sunday and Sunday school

begins at 9:30 a.m. The Sunday worship services are held at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

During Sunday morning's worship service, Pastor Ted Taylor will present a special illustrated sermon titled "The Trial" which will feature actors, costumes and lights which will communicate God's mercy. This is "Friend Day."

"Harvest" will be the concert presented at 7 p.m. Feb. 3 in the Hereford High School auditorium. The public is invited to attend. Price of admission is \$3 at the door.

Fellowship of Believers The congregation of the church extends a special invitation to the public to worship with them each Sunday. Nursery facilities are available.

Bible study, led by Doug Manning, and adult and students classes are held from 9:30-10:15 a.m. The students class is led by Carolyn Baxter and the fellowship time is held from 10:30-11:15 p.m.

On March 7, the community is invited to hear the musical group The Singing Farmers from Hart.

For free, local taxi service, please call 364-0359.

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

The congregation is asked to continue saving coupons and sort by price.

Anyone, ages 13-30, interested in going to see the Pope in Denver Aug. 11-15 is asked to call 364-7626 or 364-6150 as soon as possible.

The Incarnate Word College is sponsoring a \$500 Christian Service Award to any first-time, full-time college freshman who is an active Catholic.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church

"Great Was the Fall" is the title of the sermon by the Rev. Charles A. Wilson on the First Sunday in Lent and is based on Genesis 2 and 3 and Romans 5:12-19 from the readings appointed for the day. The Holy Eucharist is celebrated at 11 a.m. and the entrance rite will be The Great Litany sung in procession. There will be a coffee hour in the parish hall following the service.

Christian Education for all ages is at 9:30 a.m. with a class for youth and children taught by Jena Rawley-Whitaker and an adult class reading and discussing C.S. Lewis "The Great Divorce" and led by Father Wilson.

The regular Wednesday evening service is at 7, and will be evening prayer led by St. Thomas' lay readers and will include the Litany of Healing. A simple soup and bread supper will follow the service.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The public is invited to enjoy an excellent bowl of chili Saturday at the United Methodist Men's Chili Supper from 5 to 8 p.m. in the church's fellowship hall. Cost for adults is \$3.50; children under 6-years are free. Grant Hanna, known as a master among the chili chefs, will be in charge of the cooking. The men's organization will give all proceeds to the Church's Renovation Fund.

First United Methodist Church welcomes all persons interested in a Sunday School class or worship experience to join them on Sunday and on Wednesday evenings. Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. and on Wednesday evenings. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 10:45. Evening worship is at 6, "The Awesome Lenten Series," Feb. 24 through April 7, begins on Wednesdays with a light supper at 5:45 p.m. in fellowship hall followed by programs at 6:30 p.m. A devotional time at 7:15 p.m. in the sanctuary closes the evening's programming.

Programs planned for the Awesome Lenten Series on Wednesday night include: "The Trial and Testimony of the Early Church," a six-week video series led by Rev. Joe E. Wood in Ward Parlor. A six-week study of God, faith and the Bible is held in Spanish and led by Rev. Hilda Cavazos in the Open Door Classroom;

"What's Offered in Home Health Care in Our Community," Cathy Kuzniar leader, Homebuilders Classroom;

"We Are United Methodist," (Preschoolers-6-year-old children), led by Peggy Cooper in the corner southwest classroom, 1st floor of Education Building;

"Through the Roof: (musical-set making-costume making for 1st-6th graders), Elaine Calkins leader, fellowship hall.

"Character Witnesses", Bible Study (7th-12th graders), Trey Cumming, FUMC Youth Director, leader, 2nd floor youth classroom/Education Building.

The youth will meet for breakfast at Troy's Sweet Shop Sunday morning at 8:45. Rides will be provided to the

church. As members of the attendance award, the Senior High Sunday School Class will be treated to lunch and a movie in Amarillo. The class and Youth Director Trey Cumming will leave for Amarillo immediately following morning worship. There will be no senior high UMYF Sunday.

The Junior High UMYF will meet at 4:30 p.m. and have snack supper at 6 p.m. Both groups will meet with Trey on Wednesday night for their Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor H. Wyatt Bartlett and the congregation extend a special invitation to the public to attend all services at the church located on Ave. K. and Forrest Ave.

Sunday school and Bible study begins at 9:45 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

During the Sunday morning service, Pastor Bartlett will be preaching from Romans 15 titled "The Marks of Fellowship." John Curtis will be leading the music at both Sunday services.

The youth programs begin at 5:45 p.m. each Sunday. They include Royal Ambassadors for Boys; Girls in Action; and Acteens for older girls.

The regular weekly prayer meeting is held at 7 p.m. each Wednesday.

AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

The public is invited to attend all services at the church.

Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m. and the Sunday morning worship service starts at 11.

Sunday has been designated as ingathering day.

The prayer group meets at 6:30 p.m. Monday and the G.A. leaders meeting is planned at 7 p.m. Monday. A staff meeting is scheduled at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The Wednesday evening meal is served at 5:45. Also, meeting on Wednesday are the children's choir, 6:30-7 p.m.; prayer group, 6:30 p.m.; and other organizations will meet at 7 p.m.

A stew and cornbread lunch served by the G.A. members and ACTEENS will be held Sunday, March 7, following the morning service. Donations will be accepted.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday school for all ages begins at 10 a.m. at the church located at 100 Ave. B. The public is invited to attend.

The Sunday morning worship service begins at 11. This Sunday, the congregation will base the meditation on Genesis 3:1-7. The Rev. Don Kirklen's sermon is titled "A Snake in the Grass."

There will be a called meeting of the church voters at 3 p.m. Sunday. All members are encouraged to attend.

Lenten vespers will be at 7:30 p.m. March 3. The sermon will be titled "Response" and will be taken from Matthew 3:13-4:11.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dr. James W. Cory's sermon for the regular 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship service is titled "Breaking the Family Curse" based on the scriptures Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 and Romans 5:12-19.

Confirmation class will be held from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Sunday and is open to junior high and high school youths who are interested in learning more about what it means to be a Christian and a member of the Presbyterian Church. There will be four class sessions and the class will be received into membership into the church on Palm Sunday, April 4.

Jim Cory is beginning a Lenten study on "5 Hot Potatoes Christians Are Afraid to Touch." This adult study series is based on the book 20 Hot Potatoes Christians Are Afraid to Touch by Tony Campolo. The study begins Wednesday, March 3. There will be a pot luck supper from 5:45-6:30 p.m. and the study will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

The children's choir will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday during the Adult Lenten study. Dwight Joiner will be directing the preschoolers through elementary children in a youth musical which will be performed sometime after Easter.

The women's covered dish luncheon will be held at noon Wednesday, March 3, with husbands invited to attend. Sid Ham will give a humorous look at "Wills and Other Necessary Evils." Working women whose lunch hour permits are welcome and need not bring a dish.

Those wishing to donate an Easter lily for the sanctuary this Easter are asked to contact the church office by March 22. The lilies are priced at \$7.25.

Five people were killed in 1977 when a New York Airways helicopter, idling on the heliport atop the Pan Am Building in midtown Manhattan, keeled over because of a broken landing gear, sending a huge rotor blade flying.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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

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

For more information, call 364-3487.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The Hereford Senior Citizens Choir will be presenting the musical, "Learning to Live Again," at 6:30 p.m. Sunday in the First Baptist Church sanctuary. Steve Paul is directing the event. The public is

invited to attend.

The Dawson McAllister conference is planned March 5 in Lubbock.

The next round of volleyball play will be held Sunday evening following the worship service.

The Women's Prayer Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Kinsey Parlor.

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Please register in advance by mailing this coupon and \$15 for each ticket to Elizabeth Fowler, Deaf Smith General Hospital, Box 1868, Hereford, TX 79045. For more information call Elizabeth Fowler, 364-2141

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SPORTS

Ripken goes on without family

By The Associated Press

Cal Ripken will be a little lonely at spring training this year.

"It's a little different," the shortstop said Thursday in Sarasota, Fla., as he began his 13th season with the Baltimore Orioles. "It's not like it has been in other springs. I don't know how to put my feelings into words. I'm used to having them here."

He was referring to his dad, Cal Sr., fired as third-base coach after 32 seasons with the Orioles organization, and his brother, Billy, a second baseman let go by Baltimore after six seasons.

"I was brought up in a family where baseball brought us together," Cal Jr. said. "I'm very thankful for the time we had. It's a strange feeling, but they can't take away what's happened."

Things are different, too, at the Detroit Tigers' camp in Lakeland, Fla. Mike Iltich bought the team late last season from Thomas Monaghan, and the Tigers are spending more money.

"The guys I've talked to, and I've talked to just all of them who have signed multiyear contracts, want to win not only for themselves, but for Mr. Iltich," Tony Phillips said. "They know he's going toward building a winner. Look at the players he's brought in - Kirk Gibson, Mike Moore, Bill Krueger, Tom Bolton. They're proven players who are going to help us win. Last year when we needed a player for something, we didn't go and get him because of the situation we were in. It was discouraging."

The Colorado Rockies may be a

little discouraged right now. First, pitcher Clint Zavaras tore knee ligaments last Friday. Now it's pitcher Bryn Smith who is hurt.

A magnetic resonance imaging test Wednesday showed Smith has torn cartilage in his right knee. Rockies general manager Bob Gebhard said Smith might be in the rotation for opening day on April 5, but may also start the season at Class AAA Colorado Springs or stay in Arizona for extended spring training.

Another injured pitcher, Milwaukee's Ted Higuera, had an impressive stint against live hitters Thursday in the Brewers spring training camp at Chandler, Ariz. Higuera threw 30 pitches, including several sharp breaking balls.

"He looked real good," said Kevin Reimer, one of the hitters to face Higuera. "He had good pop on his fastball and he was putting the ball where he wanted to."

Higuera hasn't pitched in the majors since 1991 following rotator cuff surgery.

"I was very pleased," Brewers manager Phil Garner said. "The impressive part was he threw the ball where he wanted to. Last year, he wasn't getting acceleration of his arm through the release point. There's no comparison. Now we'll see how he reacts."

Pittsburgh Pirates left-hander Zane Smith threw over 100 feet during a long-toss drill at Bradenton, Fla. When he arrived at spring training camp a week ago, Smith couldn't throw longer than 30 feet and couldn't pitch off a mound. He's still not ready to throw from a mound, but trainer Kent Biggerstaff sees progress.

"His throwing and rehab program are coming along very well," Biggerstaff said. "He's right on the schedule that I would like to see him on. He's feeling some discomfort on some of his throws, but when you have a shoulder that may be full of adhesions and scar tissue, you're going to have some periods of discomfort."

Tennis team changes plans

The Hereford tennis team's match at Palo Duro scheduled for Thursday was canceled, coach Natalie Sims said, and the junior varsity match scheduled for last Tuesday with Randall was postponed until March 9.

Five boys from Boys Ranch will be coming to Hereford Saturday to play Herd boys, but it will not be a full-blown dual match.

Eagles claw Bobcats in bi-district playoffs

The Canyon Eagles scored the last 13 points of the game to pull away from Dimmitt and win 53-38 in a Class 3A bi-district boys' basketball game played Tuesday in Hereford's Whiteface Gymnasium.

Dimmitt led 13-10 after one quarter, but Canyon took the lead (22-20) for good midway through the second quarter. The Eagles led 40-31 going into the fourth quarter, but Dimmitt rolled off seven straight points and came within 40-38 on a three-pointer by Johnny Flores with 5:30 left.

Canyon then went to its big man, 6-foot-6 Jeremy Friemel, for an alley-oop lay-in and a four-point cushion. On Dimmitt's next possession, Friemel blocked Derrick Thomas' shot, then Jason Bentley's three-pointer gave Canyon a 45-38 lead.

Canyon went into the four-corners offense and still outscored Dimmitt 8-0 in the final two minutes, including 4-of-4 free throw shooting. Toby Cotter led Canyon with 21 points. Canyon coach Dan Hamrick pointed out that Cotter must like Whiteface Gymnasium.

"It's kind of ironic: when we played Hereford down here he had 27 points," Hamrick said of the Dec. 15 game, adding that he told his players: "Remember the best game of your life."

Friemel scored 15 and Bentley added nine for Canyon (18-11), which advances to meet the winner of tonight's Seminole-Graham game. Johnny Flores scored 17 for Dimmitt, which ended its season at 13-15.

100 major leaguers will make \$3 million

NEW YORK (AP) - Three seasons after Robin Yount became the first baseball player to break the \$3 million barrier, there will be 100 players at or above that level, a salary study by The Associated Press shows.

While the number of baseball millionaires is down slightly from 271 to 265, nearly one in seven players will make \$3 million or more this year. Those at \$4 million rose from 22 to 36 and \$5 million players increased from 3 to 12.

Ryne Sandberg of the Chicago Cubs is 1993's highest-paid player at \$6,475,000. Bobby Bonilla is second at \$6.2 million and New York Mets teammate Dwight Gooden is third at \$5,916,667.

Barry Bonds of the San Francisco Giants, who has the highest average salary at \$7,291,667, is just 23rd this year at \$4,416,667, based on his \$4 million salary and a prorated,

one-sixth share of his \$2.5 million signing bonus. Cecil Fielder of the Detroit Tigers is 29th at \$4.2 million because his record \$10 million signing bonus is prorated over the five years of his contract.

Players making \$2 million or more rose by eight to 185. Salary totals for players include all guaranteed money attributed to 1993 and the prorated shares of signing bonuses, but not possible income from incentive bonuses. Figures were obtained by the AP from several player and management sources.

Toronto has the most \$4 million players with four: Joe Carter (\$5.5 million), Jack Morris (\$5,425,000), Roberto Alomar (\$4,833,333) and Dave Stewart (\$4.25 million).

Kansas City and the New York Yankees have the most million-dollar players at 14 each.

SWC baseball teams have successful start

By The Associated Press

So far this season, discussions of college baseball in the Southwest Conference can no longer be limited to the big boys: Texas and Texas A&M.

The SWC has four teams in Baseball America's top 25 poll: No. 3 Texas (13-2); No. 11 Texas A&M (11-0); No. 24 Houston (16-1) and No. 25 Rice (13-0).

Only the Pac-10 with five schools, has more teams on the list. The Atlantic Coast Conference also has four ranked teams.

The league's 87-10 non-conference record is the best start in league history. SWC teams have a 14-4 record against last year's NCAA playoff teams.

Rice coach Wayne Graham, with strategic additions this season, has made the Owls an early contender for post-season play.

"I think we'll have good quality teams here at Rice," Graham said. "The thing that may keep us from going to Omaha every year is injuries and not having great depth."

The leagues' best one season record was 229-57 in 1985 when both Texas and Arkansas represented the SWC in the College World Series. Texas finished second and Arkansas was third behind champion Miami.

"We've got something like an 87-9 record right now among all the teams and that probably makes us one of the top conferences in the country," Graham said.

"The competition has been good too. We certainly didn't expect to be undefeated right now."

The Owls defeated Texas Southern on Wednesday, extending their record

to 13-0 this season. It's Rice's best start since 1984 when the team started 16-0.

While Texas and Texas A&M have maintained their national profiles, Rice, Houston and Texas Tech, have all started strongly in non-conference play.

"Right now, I'd be hard-pressed to say which four teams would make the postseason tournament," Texas coach Cliff Gustafson said. "It's a little unusual that we have so many undefeated teams right now."

"But we are a strong conference and I think we could have five or six teams in regional play this year."

The Owls got immediate help from newcomers Jose Cruz Jr., son of the former Astros outfielder, and Blinn Junior College transfer David Brooks, who have solidified the middle part of the Rice defense.

Houston's Brian Blair and Shane Buteaux are among the SWC batting leaders and have helped the Cougars (16-1) to their fast start, each hitting over .400.

The Red Raiders have been bolstered by outfielder Mike Kinney, who had a 9-for-11 showing last week and seven stolen bases in a four-game series against Cameron. He leads the SWC with a .696 average.

Texas Tech started the year 8-0 before losing to New Mexico, 15-10, Thursday night.

The Aggies (11-0) kept their record clean with a 17-3 victory over Concordia Lutheran on Wednesday and will play a three-game series against Pan American beginning Friday.

Texas Christian is 13-3 after losing

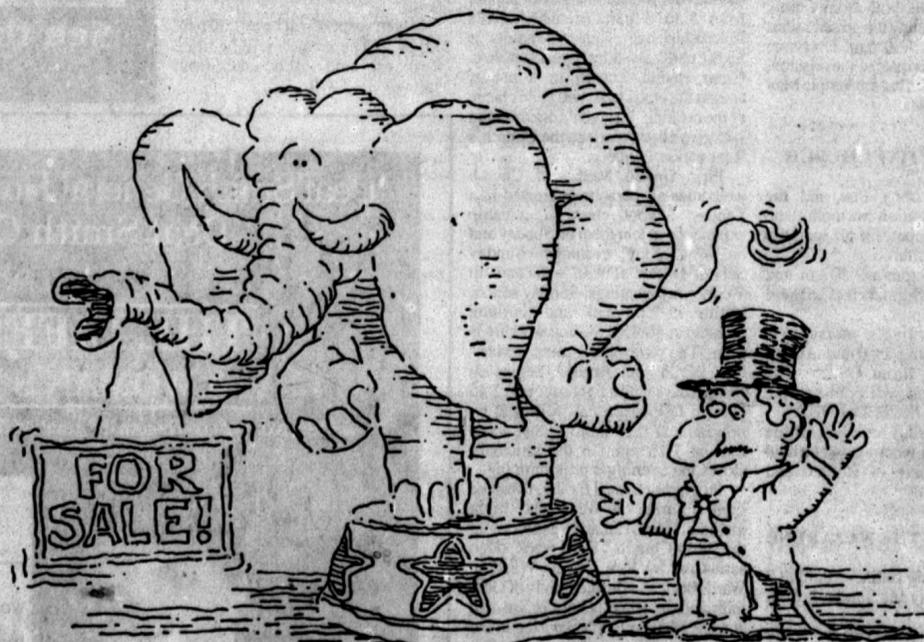
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Bulls hang on to beat Magic; Rockets blast Suns

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - The Bulls and Magic both had reasons to be upset: Chicago for blowing a 24-point lead and Orlando for failing to completely overcome the deficit.

"It's disappointing," Scottie Pippen said after the defending NBA champions prevailed 108-106 Thursday night. "We had a chance to beat this team by 30 points, or at least by 15."

The Magic also fretted.

"If this was a situation where we had never been competitive with the Bulls, I might feel good," said Orlando's Scott Skiles.

"But we've beaten them on more than one occasion... We feel they are a team where we have some matchups to exploit and a team that we can beat."

In the only other NBA games played Thursday night, Charlotte defeated San Antonio 111-104 and

Houston crushed San Antonio 131-104.

Shaquille O'Neal had 30 points and 19 rebounds but wasn't able to offset Michael Jordan, who scored 36 despite a sprained right ankle.

The NBA scoring leader had 10 of the Bulls' 20 points in the fourth quarter and made three free throws in last 1:17 to hold off the Magic, which rallied from a 72-48 deficit to tie the game on O'Neal's three-point

play with a minute left.

"A 20-point lead in the NBA is a not a big lead," said Magic coach Matt Guokas.

After scoring a season-low 17 points in the second quarter and trailing 64-44 at the half, Orlando outscored the Bulls 28-24 in the third and 34-20 in the fourth.

Jordan gave Chicago the lead for good with a pair of foul shots with 45 seconds to go.

"We made some stupid plays down the stretch and some of the calls started going their way," said Jordan, who injured his ankle against Milwaukee Tuesday night. "The next thing you know, they had some momentum."

Jordan was 13 of 29 from the field and 9 of 10 from the foul line. He favored his gimpy ankle at times and attempted only one acrobatic offensive move all night, drawing a foul.

Richard Dumas had 21 points and Charles Barkley 17 for Phoenix.

Hornets 111, Spurs 104

In Charlotte, N.C., Larry Johnson led the Hornets with 28 points as San Antonio's David Robinson missed most of the second half with a sprained left thumb. Robinson, who scored 16 points, left the game with 8:20 to go in the third quarter and the injury-riddled Spurs trailing 67-54.

The Spurs also were without Sean Elliott, who has a strained back. Alonzo Mourning had 18 points and Dell Curry 15 for the Hornets. Lloyd Daniels had 26 points for the Spurs.

Flemons' buzzer-beater clips 'Horns

By The Associated Press

Will Flemons didn't think he was going to get a chance to score the winning basket for Texas Tech, but when the opportunity bounced into his hands, he took advantage of it.

Flemons hit a desperation shot under the basket just before the buzzer Thursday night to give Texas Tech a 105-103 victory over the University of Texas.

In the only other Southwest Conference game Thursday night, Southern Methodist defeated Texas A&M 84-73.

"I thought (Lance Hughes') shot was going to fall, but when I saw it come off the rim, I just reached for it," Flemons said.

The last-second heroics by Flemons spoiled the comeback of Texas guard B.J. Tyler, who led the Longhorns with 32 points in his first appearance since missing 15 games with a broken right foot.

Texas Tech improved to 13-10 overall and 4-7 in the Southwest Conference with the Red Raiders' first victory over Texas (9-14, 3-8) in 12 games.

There were nine ties in the game and Texas held brief leads twice in the game, at 65-63 early in the second half and 94-93 late in the game.

Tyler's 3-pointer with 17 seconds remaining tied the game at 103-all.

Texas Tech was led by Lenny Holly's season-best 30 points. Flemons and Hughes each added 26 points.

The Raiders outrebounded the Longhorns 40-30.

"That was one of those ballgames that you hate to see anybody lose," said Texas coach Tom Penders. "Both teams played so well and so hard, and you know it is going to come down to a last shot."

Tech coach James Dickey called the victory "a great win for our program, but more importantly, it was a great show for national television and a great statement for our league."

"Both teams probably could have done a better job on defense, but sometimes you have to give credit to great offensive players for making great plays," he said. "I felt like our guys were poised and kept their composure the entire game."

Tyler said he didn't have any problems with his foot and was more concerned about the defeat.

"Any loss is tough," Tyler said. "It is going to take a little time for us to get things to fall into place. I felt fine physically tonight."

Texas fell for just the fourth time in 33 games in which the Longhorns have scored 100 points or more under Penders.

Mike Wilson scored 24 points and Tim Mason chipped in 14 of his 18 points in the second half as Southern Methodist defeated Texas A&M 84-73.

The Southwest Conference-leading Mustangs improved to 18-5 overall and 10-1 in league play while dropping Texas A&M to 9-15 and 4-8.

SMU, which led 42-39 at halftime, trailed 46-44 in the opening minutes of the second half.

But the Mustangs, fueled by Mason and the 3-point shooting of Chad Allen, led by 10 points with 13 minutes to go and as many as 15 points down the stretch.

Lance Brøderson scored 24 points

to lead the Aggies, while Chuck Henderson contributed 18. Texas A&M, which shot 61 percent from the field in the first half, made only 29 percent in the second half.

SMU guard Gerald Lewis said the Mustangs tried to disrupt the Aggies' offense. James Gatewood led the defensive effort with six blocked shots and three steals.

"Our goal tonight was to increase our defensive intensity," Lewis said. "We came out playing good defense and shut them down."

Aggies coach Tony Barone said the Mustangs were successful.

"I think the guys were a little intimidated by their size when we were on offense and so we didn't put the ball where we needed to every time down," Barone said. "They're a big team that plays well together."

Arizona takes Pac-10 title

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - Only 63 NCAA tournament berths left.

Arizona became the first team to clinch a spot in the tournament, beating Oregon State 81-70 Thursday night.

The Wildcats get the Pac-10's automatic bid for winning the regular season title. The Pac-10 has no postseason tournament.

There is still a mathematical chance that Arizona, 20-2 overall and 13-0 in the conference, could end up in a tie for first place with rival

Arizona State, but the Wildcats have already swept the season series with the Sun Devils.

In other Top 25 games Thursday, No. 10 Cincinnati beat No. 20 Marquette 66-57, No. 13 UNLV defeated Nevada 100-93, Illinois beat No. 17 Purdue 78-70, No. 19 New Orleans beat Arkansas-Little Rock 86-60, No. 23 Brigham Young crushed Sacramento State 128-78 and No. 24 Xavier edged Loyola 68-65.

Khalid Reeves scored a career-high 31 points and made every shot

he took in the first half for Arizona, which extended the nation's longest Division I winning streak to 18 games.

The Wildcats never trailed in the game and led by as much 16 points twice in the second half, but the Beavers (11-12, 7-7) got within 10 at 73-63 with 5:01 left on 3-pointer by Pat Strickland.

No. 13 UNLV 100, Nevada 93

At Las Vegas, UNLV survived a scare from one of the worst teams in the Big West conference.

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Southwest Outdoors

with Mel Phillips



The March winds are blowing a little early this year. I am reminded of a childhood visit to the Squarehouse Museum in Panhandle. One of the docents conducted a fascinating tour that explained the agony endured by isolated early settlers living in dugouts and suffering through the punishing windstorms that blew for weeks at a time. One recent night just before falling fast asleep, the little child in me listened to the gusty winds and wondered about the thoughts and dreams of our early ancestors.

If I owned a time machine, my first trip would be to a lonely family during a spring windstorm. Imagine their delight (and possible horror) upon learning of all the things that you and I now take for granted—the comfort of electricity, air-conditioned autos, central heat, microwave ovens, personal computers, video tape machines, CD players, Walkmans, cable TV and income taxes.

The gusty winds also stir the aspirations of area anglers who have endured another long winter waiting for the local fishing to improve. Area lakes indicate that the fishing is still in the winter doldrums but will quickly improve as the water warms.

Increasing water temperature will affect different species of fish in a predictable sequence. According to my favorite ichthyologist, Dr. Loren Hill of Oklahoma University, gamefish turn on at the following water temperatures:

Walleye, 45-55 degrees. Head to the rip-rap and use a countdown Rapala on the windy shorelines. Fishing from the bank at night can be terrific.

White bass, 50-55 degrees. These open-water feeding fish are chasing the shad. Try throwing a chrome/blue back Rattle Trap or a Little George. A long cast covers more water and finds the schools of hungry sandbass.

Crappie, 55-65 degrees. Look for gravel banks with brush piles and get ready for some fast action with a tiny jig-tipped with a minnow. Daily depths will vary from 3-15 feet. Light line and limber poles are the tools of successful anglers.

Smallmouth, 60 degrees. Find some big rocks near the pea-gravel banks with deep water (20+ feet) access. The action begins when you use a jig tipped with a minnow. Don't forget to loosen the drag.

Largemouth bass, prime time begins at 62-70 degrees. Bass spawn in the same coves year after year. Catch and release is a proven technique that improves the bass fishing in any lake. Use very small lures and catch more bass.

The fun of springtime fishing is the surprises. Minnows on tiny jigs can catch every kind of gamefish in the lake.

Warning: Even on a warm spring day the water remains very cold. Wearing a life jacket will save you life in the event of an accident.

Mel Phillips is an award-winning member of the Texas Outdoor Writers Association. He is an avid hunter, tournament fisherman and host of a Wednesday evening talk show on KGNC TalkRadio 71.

Bill Shoemaker rode in 26 In a 1992 NFL game between Kentucky Derbies, the most for any Buffalo and San Francisco, neither team punted, setting a league record.

Oilers sign Carlson for \$8 million

HOUSTON (AP) - The Houston Oilers once again paid Cody Carlson to wait.

Carlson, Warren Moon's backup for his entire six-year career, passed up a chance to become a free agent Thursday and signed a three-year contract that will pay him about \$8 million.

He's still the backup but he's glad to be in Houston.

"At what point I compete for the starting job, I don't know," Carlson said. "I don't expect anyone to give me guarantees but I'm confident the chance will come."

The Oilers named running back Lorenzo White, wide receiver Ernest Givins and middle linebacker Al Smith as transitional players, under terms of the new collective bargaining agreement.

Beuerlein may stay with 'Pokes

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Steve Beuerlein might not be the NFL's most-eligible free agent quarterback after all.

Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones on Thursday said recent conversations with Beuerlein indicate he might be willing to continue as a backup with the club if he can't get an attractive offer elsewhere.

The Cowboys have long indicated they were resigned to losing Beuerlein, but Jones said Thursday that he won't let him go without a fight. Jones said he and coach Jimmy Johnson met with Beuerlein Wednesday night.

Television

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 26

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
(5:00) Ewok Adventure	For Our Children: The Concert	Days of Our Lives	Ninth Annual Soap Opera Awards	Healing & Mind	Healing & Mind	News	News	(3:5) Tonight Show	(3:5) Tonight Show	(3:5) Tonight Show
News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
MacNeil/Lehrer	D.C. Week	Wall St	Healing & Mind	Healing & Mind	Healing & Mind	Healing & Mind	Healing & Mind	Healing & Mind	Healing & Mind	Healing & Mind
Hillbillies	Sanford	Movie: Firewalker	L. Gosselt Jr. C. Norris (1985)	(1:5) Movie: Breaker Breaker	C. Norris (1977)	Child (1988)				
News	Wheel	Fmly	Stop	Dinosaur	Wilder	20/20	20/20	20/20	20/20	20/20
Brother	Maniac	Movie: Cockeyed Cowboys of Calico County	(G)	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club	700 Club
Design	Jeffersons	Movie: We're No Angels	R. De Niro, S. Penn	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
Design	Married	Movie: Wizard of Oz	J. Garland, R. Bolger	(9:5) Picket Fences	(9:5) Picket Fences	(9:5) Picket Fences	(9:5) Picket Fences	(9:5) Picket Fences	(9:5) Picket Fences	(9:5) Picket Fences
Sports	Best Conversations	Pro Siding	Pro Siding	Muscle Magazine	Muscle Magazine	Muscle Magazine	Muscle Magazine	Muscle Magazine	Muscle Magazine	Muscle Magazine
Roseanne	Murphy B.	America's Most Wanted	Sightings	Sightings	Star Trek: Next	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H
Looney	Bullwinkle	Get Smart	Superman	Mary T	Van Dyke	Dragonet	Hitchcock	Lucy Show	F Troop	Get Smart
Quantum Leap	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: Hoosiers	G. Hackman, B. Hershby (1986)	PG	Vets	J. Carroll (1983)	R	Vets	J. Carroll (1983)	R
(5:25) Lobster Man	PG	Movie: Medicine Man	S. Connery, L. Bracco (1991)	Movie: Untouchables	K. Costner, S. Connery	Highlander	Highlander	Highlander	Highlander	Highlander
(5:15) Hostages	Movie: China O'Brien	C. Rothrock	Movie: China O'Brien II	C. Rothrock	Real Sex	Comedy	Comedy	Comedy	Comedy	Comedy
(5:00) Gloria	(1980)	Movie: A Woman Under the Influence	P. Falk, G. Rowlands (R)	Movie: Killing of a Chinese Bookie	(R)	(20) Valen.				
Video Prime	Crook and Chase	Nashville Now	Robin & Rickan	Club Dance	Club Dance	Miller	Miller	Miller	Miller	Miller
Cold-Blooded Creatures	Wildlife	Arctic	Firepower	World War	Submarines	Wildlife	Arctic	Firepower	Firepower	Firepower
Search Of	Search Of	Time Machine	Investigative Reports	Caroline's Comedy Hour	Evening at the Improv	Time	Time	Time	Time	Time
Unsolved Mysteries	L.A. Law	Movie: Roseanne: The Prize	Pullitzer	C. Phillips	Birthdays	Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries	Mysteries
College Hockey	Providence at Boston College (L)	SWC Today	Hockey	Westminster Dog Show	Hockey	Westminster Dog Show	Hockey	Westminster Dog Show	Hockey	Westminster Dog Show
Jelzons	Bugs	NBA Basketball	Kravis at Pistons (L)	(20) Inside	(50) Movie: Heart of Justice	E. Stoltz (1993)	Family Enrichment	Playhouse	Playhouse	Playhouse
Catholic	Families	Airwaves	Wrestle	Everyman	Worship	Family Enrichment	Playhouse	Playhouse	Playhouse	Playhouse
Magica Juventud	Capricho	Movie: Dia de la Pagina	Movie: Dia de la Pagina	Movie: Dia de la Pagina	Movie: Dia de la Pagina	Movie: Dia de la Pagina	Movie: Dia de la Pagina	Movie: Dia de la Pagina	Movie: Dia de la Pagina	Movie: Dia de la Pagina

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 27

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Fraggle	Tree	Wonderland	Quack	New Kids	Mickey	Movie: Hay Fever	It's Your Bear (1964)	Mirroworm	Chronicles	Chronicles
Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today
Off Air	D.C. Week	Wall St	Crafty 90	Nancy	Strip Quilt	Lap Quilt	Cleo Ralle	Victoria	Gourmet	Gourmet
(0:5) Bonanza	(0:5) WCV Power Hour	(0:5) National Geographic	Explorer	(0:5) Movie: Super Cops	(1974)	(0:5) Movie: Super Cops	(1974)	(0:5) Movie: Super Cops	(1974)	(0:5) Movie: Super Cops
Scooby	Moo Mess	Goof Troop	Addams	Bugs & Tweety	Land Lost	Darwin	Whirly	Wind	Bowling	Bowling
Archie	Hey, Vern!	ProStars	WashGd	Gadget	My Dog	Bill Skellon	New Zorro	Virginian	Virginian	Virginian
Farm	Business	News	Encounters	Good	Golf Show	Paid	Soul Train	Soul Train	By the Bell	By the Bell
Fleed	Mermaid	Garfield and Friends	Teen Ninja Turtle	Back	Raw	Sea	Sea	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
Gri	Challenge	Fishin'	J. Houston	Mark Soan	Fly Fishing	Walker's	Sports	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball
Dog City	Bobby	Jerry Kids	Est Cat	Tiny Toons	TAZ-MANIA	X-Men	Super Dave	Paid	Why Didn't Anglin?	Why Didn't Anglin?
Doug	Rugrats	Muppet	Muppet	Heathcliff	Yogi	Cartoon TV	Cartoon TV	Dennis	Dennis	Nick News
(4:30) Paid	Paid Program	Hollywood	WWF Mania	Movie: Off Beat	J. Reinhold, M. Tilly (1986)	PG	Curiosity	Curiosity	Curiosity	Curiosity
Heroes	Movie: Doctor	W. Hart, C. Lahr (1991)	(3:5) Movie: Malleus Falcon	H. Bogart (1941)	What About Bob? (1991)					
Babar	Pinochio	Baby	Movie: Birds	Strng J. Bats (1985)	PG13	Movie: Just You and Me, Kid	G. Burns	LifeStories	LifeStories	LifeStories
Movie: Second Sight	B. Pinchot (1989)	Movie: Cadence	C. Sheen	(1:5) Movie: Kermit's Christmas	B. Lancaster, D. Lynn	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas	Christmas
Off Air	Backyard	Expl. Amer.	Remodeling	Mechanics	Fisherman	Fishin'	R. Martin	Great	NASCAR	NASCAR
Off Air	Babes	Wild Side	Mac	Animals	In the Wild	World Alive	Push	Wild	Wings	Wings
Shark Terror	Time Machine	J. Edgar Hoover	Investigative Reports	Justice	Spies	Midnight	Midnight	Midnight	Midnight	Midnight
(6:30) Self-Improvement	Baby	Baby	Gourmet	Gourmet	Moonlighting	China Beach	Supermer.	Supermer.	Supermer.	Supermer.
International Hockey	Fish	HS Extra	McCarthy	Tony	Billy Tubbs	D. Johnson	Pat Foster	Honey Hole	Honey Hole	Honey Hole
Centerfold (Pt 4 of 13)	R. Conrad (1978)	How the West Was Won	Movie: Drum Beat	A. Ladd, A. Dalton (1954)	(1:5) Face					
Davey	Join In!	Today	StoryBarn	Worship	Sunshine	Just Kids	Mission '93	Over the Hill Gang	Can't	Can't
Pagado	World We'n	Carnaval	T.V.O.	T.V.O.	Telemusica	Movie: Quincenera T. Volquez				

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(12:00) Chr.	Movie: Courage of Black Beauty	Movie: Mustang Country	J. McCrea, R. Fuller	Movie: Wild Hearts Can't Be Broken (G)					
(12:00) College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball	College Basketball
House	New	HomeTime	Movie: 93	Collect	Burt Wolf	Stain Glass	Seniors Speak Out	In the Mix	In the Mix
(11:55) Mov	(9:5) Movie: Foster and Laurie	P. King (1975)	(9:5) Movie: Poppy Doyle	E. O'Neill, M. Laurance	(9:5) Movie: Poppy Doyle	E. O'Neill, M. Laurance	(9:5) Movie: Poppy Doyle	E. O'Neill, M. Laurance	(9:5) Movie: Poppy Doyle
(12:00) Bowling	PBA National Championship (L)	Wide World of Sports	Boxing; Skiing (T)	ABC News					
Rifeman	Big Valley	Gunslinger	Bonanza	Young Riders	Bordertown	African Sky	Bordertown	African Sky	Bordertown
Energy	College Basketball	DePaul at St. Louis (L)	Street Justice	Highlander	Rich & Famous				
(11:30) Crt.	College Basketball	Seton Hall at Connecticut (L)	PGA Golf	Los Angeles Open, 3rd round (L)	News	CBS News	News	CBS News	News
(11:00) Crt.	Skiing	Wild Winter	Secrets	Shirley	America's Horse	Bass'n Golf (T)	Untouchables	Untouchables	Untouchables
Paid	Movie: Blue Thunder	R. Scheider, M. McDowell	Paid Program	Salute	Double	G.U.T.S.	Double	G.U.T.S.	Double
Belief	Peter of Placid Forest	Requiem	Can't TV	Get Picture	Freshman	Salute	Double	G.U.T.S.	Double
(12:00) Curiosity	Kills (1990)	Movie: Silver Streak	G. Wilder, J. Clayburgh	Goat	Bosom	Swamp	Reality	Reality	Reality
(11:30) What About Bob?	Movie: Neely	Gail (1990)	(9:5) Mon.	Spirit of '76	(1991)	(5:5) Movie: Doctor	W. Hurt	Movie: Doctor	W. Hurt
Movie: Marnie	Two: On the Move	Movie: Shaking the Tree	A. Gross	(4:5) Movie: NeverEnding Story II	(1990)	(1:5) Hard Promises	(1991)	(1:5) Hard Promises	(1991)
(12:00) Christmas Story	Movie: Stopping Out	M. Minelli, S. Winters (PG)	Movie: Flight of the Intruder	D. Glover (1990)	Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden
(12:00) NASCAR	Racing Goodwrench 200 (L)	Truckin'	NHRA	Whiston	Bill Dance	Besamess	Go Our	Country	Country
(12:00) Crt.	Davey's Canyon	Nature	Earth Jour.	Nature of Things	Skiing	Dance Twins	Natural World	Natural World	Natural World
(12:00) Midnight Man	R. Lancaster	Movie: Blindfold	R. Hudson, G. Stockwell (1966)	Comedy on the Road	Caroline's Comedy Hour				
Shop Drop	L.A. Law	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Happy Together	P. Derrypop, H. Slater	Mac and Me				
Alan	Auto Racing	Tennis Pure Championship, semifinal (L)	Bowling ABC	Team Challenge (R)	Hockey	Hockey	Hockey	Hockey	Hockey
(12:15) Face of a Fugitive	(1959)	Movie: Naked Hills	D. Wayne (1956)	U.S. Olympic	Gold	Bugs Bunny & Pals			
Inside	Nature of Things	Astruths	Man Alive	Prime Time Playhouse	Sledge Doc	Harmony	Joyful	Carver St.	Carver St.
(11:00) Mov	Super Sabado	Sensacional	Movie: Fleets	an el Coronan A. Aguilar, F. Casanova	Gardelano	Noti Uni	Noti Uni	Noti Uni	Noti Uni

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Movie: Dark Horse	A. Meyers, E. Boyler Jr. (1992)	Movie: White Fang	E. Hawks (1991)	PG	Paula Abdul	(0:5) Meet	(0:5) Meet	(0:5) Meet	(0:5) Meet	(0:5) Meet
Star Trek: Next	Almost	Nurses	Empty Nest	Mad About	Staters	News	Current Affairs	Extra	Extra	Extra
Contrary	McPhillin	Speak'n'Love	Lawrence Walk	Austin City Limits	French	S. Holmes	French	S. Holmes	French	S. Holmes
(5:00) WCV Saturday Night	Wrestling	NBA Basketball	Hawks at Bulls (L)	(4:5) Movie: Dark Night of the Scarecrow	***	Dark Night of the Scarecrow	***	Dark Night of the Scarecrow	***	Dark Night of the Scarecrow
See How	Movie: City Heat	E. Eastwood, B. Reynolds (1984)	C'monish	News	Dear John	Hollywood	Dear John	Hollywood	Dear John	Hollywood
Rin Tin Tin	New Zorro	Young Riders	Movie: Searchers	J. Wayne, J. Hunter (1956)	News	Rifeman	CCM-TV	Rifeman	CCM-TV	Rifeman
Runaway	Design	Bulls Eye	NBA Basketball	Hawks at Bulls (L)	News	I Was Monty's Double	(0:5) Desig.	(0:5) Desig.	(0:5) Desig.	(0:5) Desig.
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Sports	Auto Race	NHL Hockey (L)	Deep Space 9	American Gladiators	Comic	Comic	Comic	Comic	Comic	Comic
Kung Fu	COPS	COPS	America's Most Wanted	Deep Space 9	American Gladiators	Comic	American Gladiators	Comic	American Gladiators	Comic
Doug	Rugrats	Cherise	Round, Ren	Alfred Dark	Hitchcock	Lucy Show	Mary T	Dragonet	Superman	Superman
Quantum Leap	Movie: No Holds Barred	H. Hagan, K. Fuller	Sit Stalkings	Movie: Off the Mark	M. Neely (1986)	Off the Mark	M. Neely (1986)	Off the Mark	M. Neely (1986)	Off the Mark
(4:55) Doctor	Movie: What About Bob?	(1991)	(40) Box'g	Movie: Delta Force 3: The Killing Game	(1991)	Super Dave	Super Dave	Super Dave	Super Dave	Super Dave
(5:15) Hard Promises	PG	Movie: Final Analysis	R. Gere, K. Rasinger	(1:5) Movie: Toy Soldiers	S. Astin, W. Wheaton	(1:10) Final	(1:10) Final	(1:10) Final	(1:10) Final	(1:10) Final
(5:30) Golden Child	Movie: Dutch	E. O'Neill, E. Randolph (1991)	PG13	Movie: Confessions of a Serial Killer	(R)	Last Boy Scout	(1991)	Last Boy Scout	(1991)	Last Boy Scout
(5:30) Cort	Texas	Opry	Olo Opry	Steeler Broo.	American Music Shop	Opry	Olo Opry	Steeler	Steeler	Steeler
Mac	Animals	Living Planet	X-Planes	Choppers	Challenge	Living Planet	X-Planes	X-Planes	X-Planes	X-Planes
Travel	Bob Vila	Movie: Night Gallery	R. Crawford, B. Sullivan	Comedy on the Road	Caroline's Comedy Hour	Night	Caroline's Comedy Hour	Night	Caroline's Comedy Hour	Night
(5:00) Mac and Me	(PG)	Movie: Who's That Girl?	M. Madson, G. Dunne (1987)	Hidden	Conies.	Unsolved Mysteries	Moonlight.	Unsolved Mysteries	Moonlight.	Unsolved Mysteries
(5:30) Hockey	SportsTalk	Tennis Pure Championship, semifinal (L)	College Hockey (T)	College Hockey (T)	College Hockey (T)					

Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I was shocked to read the enclosed article in my local newspaper which says the AIDS virus can be transmitted through kissing. I am 71 years old, so I'm not concerned about myself but I have several grandchildren, some of them teen-agers, and this news item made me uneasy. Is the information factual? Please check with your authorities and let me know. Margery in Grand Rapids

DEAR MARGERY: The article you sent was an interview of Dr. Helen Singer Kaplan, a physician specializing in sexual dysfunction. In the article, Dr. Kaplan states that saliva is an ideal environment for the AIDS virus and that there is more virus in the saliva than in the blood of a person who is HIV-positive. Dr. Kaplan made the unqualified statement that French kissing can transmit AIDS.

I sent the article to Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. He is one of this country's most respected authorities on AIDS. This is what Dr. Fauci said:

"Dr. Kaplan has either been misquoted or is incorrect. There are no well-documented cases of transmission of HIV by exchange of saliva. Her comment about the viral count in saliva being greater than that in the blood of an HIV-infected person is also incorrect. It is very difficult to isolate virus from saliva. In fact, saliva contains HIV-inhibitor substances which work against the HIV virus. It is extraordinarily unlikely that a healthy person can be infected by HIV through French kissing."

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I was inspired to write after reading your column about what women want most in a relationship. Being a senior in high school, my letter may be a little different from most you receive.

I'm a 17-year-old guy. Does this ring any bells? According to all the experts, I am supposed to be at the peak of my sexual drive.

I've had quite a lot of sex, but it never made me happy. Even though the physical stuff was OK, I always felt something was missing. The girls I slept with were pleasant, but I never cared about having a real relationship with any of them.

A year ago, I moved to another state and enrolled in a great high school. There was a girl in one of my classes who I really liked. We started doing things together and soon became inseparable. We would study together, go somewhere to talk and end up holding one another and cuddling. There was never anything between us that could be called sexual, but it was a terrific relationship, and I was completely happy. I guess all good things must end, because she moved out of town and I lost her.

The gist of my letter is this, Ann. It's not just women who love to be cuddled. Men enjoy it too. And sex is not the first thing on most guys' minds, either. In fact, in my case, it was the last. --Chris in Connecticut

DEAR CHRIS: You sound like a sensitive, decent, highly principled young man, and I appreciate your letter, but you are quite different from a great many 17-year-old guys who write to me. They are NOT content to stop at cuddling. They want more. I might add that many 17-year-old girls are more aggressive than boys.

Today, more than ever, teen-agers need to be informed about the consequences of their sexual behavior. My booklet, "Sex and the Teen-ager," will answer your questions. The price, which includes postage, is \$3.65 (in Canada, \$4.45) Send a check or money order to Teens, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: You've printed columns in praise of teachers, police officers and meter readers. How about a kind word for truckers? My dad was one, and I would be thrilled if you chose this essay for publication. Just sign me -- A Proud Son in Carson City, Nev.

DEAR CARSON: Here it is. I'm sure your dad, and everyone who loves a trucker will appreciate what you have written.

Who Is That Person Behind the Wheel?

Truckers are found on highways, in truck stops, in service bays, on loading docks, on bush roads and at fuel stops, and often they are the first at the scene of an accident.

Their wives help them. Little boys follow them. Relatives don't understand them. Meals must wait for them. Weather can delay them. But nothing can stop them.

A trucker is a paradox. He is a blue-jeaned executive with his office in the cab. He is a scientist who hauls dangerous chemicals and explosives; a purchasing agent in a baseball cap; a personnel director with grease under his fingernails; a poor cater with a fondness for burgers and fries; a student of geography and a weather

watcher who reads the clouds for rain or snow.

He likes sunshine, children, smooth pavement, good traction, clean loads, dinner at home, weekends with his family, his shirt collar unbuttoned and country music. And there is a special place in his heart for his rig.

He's not too fond of city traffic, tourists who are rotten drivers, fuel prices, dispatchers, snarly receivers, kids in high-powered cars or drunk drivers.

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DEAR ANN LANDERS: This is a warning to parents of toddlers. This morning, my 21-month-old child was playing with what I thought was a great toy--a ping-pong ball. It's safe to throw in the house, and it fits little hands.

My son placed the ball in his mouth and showed me his trick. Then I saw terror in his eyes. He couldn't talk or cry and had difficulty breathing. He couldn't push the ball out with his tongue, and it was too smooth for me to grab.

I was terrified, but a cool head prevailed, and I managed to stick my finger into his mouth and push the ball out from behind. Thank God I was right there and not in another room. It was an extra blessing that he didn't have a cold and could breathe through his nose.

Please get the word out to all parents and care providers about small balls and other solid cylindrical objects. We have traded in the ping-pong ball for a sponge-type ball and will continue to keep our CPR and first-aid skills up to date. Thanks, Ann.--Springfield, Ill.

DEAR SPRING: Here's your letter, along with the gratitude of millions of parents who will surely appreciate your words of warning. I'm glad you wrote.

Ann Landers' latest booklet, "Nuggets and Doozies," has everything from the outrageously funny to the poignantly insightful. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5 (this includes postage and handling) to: Nuggets, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562.

U.S. airmail service began in 1918 between Washington, Philadelphia and New York.

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Cook meat well-done to avoid raw deals

People who like their hamburgers rare or medium-rare instead of well-done may be setting themselves up for foodborne illness.

The recent rash of illnesses caused by tainted hamburger at a fast-food restaurant in Washington was more than likely abetted by inadequate cooking of food contaminated with the bacterium E. coli, said Dr. Peggy Gentry-Van Laanen, a nutritionist and food safety specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. This bacterium, like others, naturally occurs in animals, but can be easily killed.

"Whether preparing ground beef products or any meat and poultry product at home, or purchasing them from commercial establishments, they should be adequately cooked to a 'done' status," she said.

According to Texas A&M food safety experts, ground beef products should be cooked to an internal temperature of at least 140 degrees--an industry standard that will adequately destroy E. coli bacteria as well as others that may cause foodborne illness. Ground meat products are most vulnerable to contamination because of the additional handling and mixing they receive during processing.

"Anytime we're dealing with rare or medium-rare meat products, there's some risk involved," Gentry-Van Laanen said.

The recommendation for people considered to be in high risk categories of contracting foodborne illness is to make sure that meats are cooked thoroughly. Those who are more susceptible to any foodborne illnesses are children, the elderly or people who have weakened immune systems because of chronic diseases such as cancer, heart disease, diabetes or AIDS.

"Pregnant women are also at a greater risk because their immune system is already weakened," Gentry-Van Laanen said. "We recommend that they do not eat rare meat."

Bloody diarrhea is the most common symptom of the illness caused by E. coli, she said, and the young and the elderly are particularly susceptible to the risks associated with this organism. Infection may cause a severe condition known as hemolytic uremic syndrome, the leading cause of kidney failure in young children. In elderly adults, the most dangerous situation is a condition where blood clots affect the brain.

Even so, it's not always easy for a customer to tell whether the hamburger presents a raw deal.

"There are spoilage bacteria and those that cause foodborne illness," she said. "If the meat is contaminated with spoilage bacteria, you usually can tell by the smell, the appearance and taste. However, the problem with foodborne bacteria is that there may be no signs of danger."

Commercial establishments should have controls to monitor internal food

temperature, but consumers can tell if meat is one by a brown color throughout the product.

Besides cooking meat thoroughly, a second important step in avoiding foodborne illness is good hygiene, cleanliness and sanitation when handling food, she said.

"Another factor is time and temperature abuse," she said. "For instance, foods should not be left at room temperature for more than two hours."

According to Gentry-Van Laanen, the safety of foods at home boils down to this:

-Cooking to a high enough temperature to kill the bacteria;

-Preventing cooked foods from coming into contact with raw foods, and unclean hands and utensils.

-Storing the leftovers in sealed containers and placing them in the refrigerator as soon as possible after the meal.

It's not always easy to tell whether an eating establishment is reputable. However, Gentry-Van Laanen offers a simple tip that could save you from something worse than heartburn--observe hygiene practices and cleanliness of employees, especially when they're handling your food.

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) - Arnold Schwarzenegger is now California's personal trainer.

The musclemen actor was named chairman Wednesday of the new Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

"We really want to make sure that everyone in this state understands that fitness is for everyone, young and old alike," he said.

Celebrity council members include Sugar Ray Leonard, Bruce Jenner and Tracy Austin.

The "Terminator" star already leads the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - Clint Eastwood will star in his next movie as a sheriff who tracks down an escaped convict played by Kevin Costner.

Eastwood, who will also direct, was scouting locations around Austin on Monday and Tuesday with producer David Valdes.

"We're pretty close, but there are a lot of things that we have to consider," Valdes said. The producer said he also had visited Georgia and Florida.

Lunch menus

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THURSDAY-Breakfast pizza, diced peaches, milk.

FRIDAY-Cinnamon toast, mixed fruit, chocolate milk.

Lunch

MONDAY-Spaghetti with meat sauce, garden salad with dressing, green beans, hot cherry cobbler, cornbread, butter, chocolate milk.

TUESDAY-Burritos with mustard, French fries with catsup, mini corn on the cob, fruit, white cake with berry sauce, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Beef enchiladas, lettuce and tomatoes, pinto beans,

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THURSDAY-Fried chicken with gravy, fluffy potatoes, mixed vegetables, gelatin with fruit, butterscotch bar, hot rolls, butter, chocolate milk.

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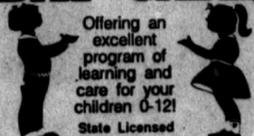
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