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## Boycott

### Panhandle feedyard operators staying out

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Feedlot owners in Kansas and Nebraska, in an effort to force the large meat packing companies to change the way cattle are priced, have begun boycotting packers that use formula pricing.

Formula pricing, according to Brent Gibbs, agricultural inspector at FirstBank Southwest, is a function of the previous week's cash prices.

"Really high-producing cattle yield \$1 to \$2 per-hundredweight more than the inferior cattle," Gibbs said.

Formula pricing, or rail pricing as it is sometimes called, uses a specific formula which includes a previous week's live cattle prices and determines the value of a hanging carcass.

Northern feeders claim that packers can use this method on the average and drive down prices for live cattle and so get better quality and quantity at lower prices.

The boycotts began last week in Nebraska and was rapidly followed by feedlot owners in Kansas.

Feeders in these states want to negotiate up-front prices for all cattle delivery contracts.



File photo

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PRICES BEING paid for live cattle are the reason some feedyard operators are boycotting three meat packers

## Disheartened voters

### Poll: Clinton's problems to affect elections

WASHINGTON (AP) - Democratic voters disheartened by President Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky and a political system "on the brink of moral bankruptcy" might not vote on Nov. 3, a bipartisan poll says.

That would help give Republicans the edge, especially in races for open congressional seats, says Celinda Lake, a Democratic pollster who joined forces with GOP pollster Ed Goetas to release their "Battleground 1998" survey today.

The poll says Clinton's personal problems have elevated "moral and religious issues" to the top of the voters' agenda. It ties with crime and drugs as the No. 1 problem facing the nation.

Voters surveyed give the Democratic Party credit for an improved economy, yet the poll suggests that Democrats won't do well in November unless they shift discussion away from Clinton and moral values and rally their party's constituents around issues like Social Security, health care and education.

The Aug. 23-25 telephone survey of 1,000 registered voters found 35 percent of respondents identifying themselves as Republicans, 34 percent Democrats. But when the focus turns to those who say they are extremely likely to vote, the Republicans take the lead, 38 percent to 32 percent.

The poll had a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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Democratic pollster

"Democratic voters, demoralized by President Clinton's problems and seeing little incentive to vote for politicians and a system teetering on the brink of moral bankruptcy, may choose to stay home on Nov. 3 while Republicans may turn out at average or higher than average levels to help cure the moral ills of politics," Lake says.

A Pew Research Center poll released late last month following Clinton's Aug. 17 grand jury testimony found 61 percent said the Clinton-Lewinsky controversy would not affect their vote in November.

In the upcoming congressional elections, a gain of 11 seats would give Democrats control of the House, which would hold impeachment proceedings if warranted. Goetas says that's not likely.

He says Republicans' advantage in key House and Senate races and the fact that Republican voters are showing a higher tendency to vote could allow the GOP to pick up 15 to 20 House seats and give Republicans a better than even chance of reaching 60 seats in the Senate.

"The bottom line is that Americans are deeply troubled by the president's actions, a fact that will be much more tangible on November 3," Goetas says.

According to the poll, frequent voters like seniors, college graduates and married people identify themselves more as Republicans than Democrats. The GOP advantage among seniors is 36 percent to 31 percent Democrat; college graduates, 38 percent to 30 percent, and married people, 40 percent to 29 percent.

The poll says 62 percent of voters disapprove of Clinton personally. His job approval rating, however, stands at 56 percent, down from the mid- to low 60s before admitting he lied about having what he called an "inappropriate relationship" with Ms. Lewinsky, a former White House intern.

Goetas says Clinton's high job approval rating simply parallels a humming economy. Voters separate their personal feelings about Clinton from their hope of seeing him make the country, and themselves, more prosperous, he says. "The president's job approval

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## NEWS

### in brief

#### Clinton's lawyers to present own report to counter Starr

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton's lawyers are making plans to write their own report on the Monica Lewinsky affair to counter damaging conclusions in Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's expected report to Congress. They're asking Starr to provide them an advance peek at his document and time to submit a written reply.

With a report from Starr expected to be sent to Congress, perhaps later this month, the president's lawyers are concerned it will be one-sided and include extensive conclusions and legal analysis instead of simply a listing of facts gathered in the seven-month investigation into the president's involvement with the former White House intern.

The president's lawyers want to produce their own point-by-point response to any Starr document, including their own analysis of the facts. They also want to include more favorable evidence gathered by Clinton's legal team.

David Kendall, the president's personal lawyer, on Monday asked Starr to provide the White House a copy of any report he intends to send to Congress at least a week in advance, so the president has an opportunity to reply.

"Elemental fairness dictates that we be allowed to respond to any 'report' you send to the House simultaneously with its transmission," Kendall wrote Starr.

Officials in Starr's office could not be reached immediately for comment late Monday.

#### Russia's crisis unabated; Duma rejects Yeltsin pick

MOSCOW (AP) - Russia's crisis whirled unabated today after parliament rejected Boris Yeltsin's candidate for prime minister a second time, leaving the country in political limbo as the economy crumbles.

The ruble crashed hard again Monday, and Russians flocked to stores to buy goods before prices shot up any higher.

"The economic crisis is gaining momentum with catastrophic speed," acting Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin warned the State Duma before the lower house of parliament torpedoed his nomination 273-138.

"We are all standing on the edge and no time is left for settling scores," he said. "We must begin acting."

The vote sets the stage for a final confrontation between the Russian president and his opponents. Yeltsin must decide soon whether to nominate Chernomyrdin again or find another candidate. The Kremlin said late Monday there was no word on how soon he would offer a new nomination.

If the Duma rejects Yeltsin's choice a third time, the constitution requires the president to dissolve parliament and call new elections.

Russia has been operating with an interim government for two weeks, since Yeltsin brought Chernomyrdin back after firing him in March.

## Seas of red ink give way to waves of black

WASHINGTON (AP) - It's big and getting bigger. For the first time since Calvin Coolidge was president, it's not an era of federal budget deficits people are talking about but - wonder of wonders - and era of federal surpluses.

In the blink of an eye, seas of red ink are giving way to oceans of black. Not only is the budget forecast to be in surplus this year - a feat last accomplished 29 years ago - it's expected to stay in the black for years to come. The Congressional Budget Office predicts an eye-popping \$1.6 trillion in surpluses over the next 11 years.

Even though there have been eight years with a budget surplus since 1930, Coolidge was the last president to show a surplus each year he was in office.

But just how sure of a thing are estimates of surpluses to come, especially now that the stock market has plunged from its lofty heights? On that question hang all of Congress' hopes and dreams.

Private economists generally view the assumptions underlying the estimates as reasonable, unlike previous periods when politicians cooked up rosy economic scenarios to produce mythical surpluses.

"The CBO projections are not overly optimistic," said Stanley Collender, a budget expert at Fleishman-Hillard Inc. "They are based on what most people would consider very moderate assumptions."

But still, Collender notes: "A lot of things can upset

the apple cart. Any forecast beyond next year is a mathematical exercise with more questions than answers."

First and foremost among the things that could go wrong is a recession. The CBO has no recession in its outlook over the next 10 years. The current economic expansion - already in its eighth year - will be the longest peacetime recovery in history if it lasts until December.

But the Asian economic crisis, which has slowed U.S. growth dramatically and given the stock market a case of the nervous wilks, highlights how unforeseen events can cause problems.

A mild recession could increase the deficit by \$100 billion in a single year. And a forecasting error as tiny as just 0.1 percentage point slower growth each year over the next decade would trim \$184 billion off projected surpluses, the CBO estimates.

"With an economy operating at 4.5 percent unemployment and 2 percent inflation, we are living in economic heaven. That won't last," said Robert Reischauer, former head of the CBO.

The extraordinarily good economy, in fact, is the reason the surpluses are happening earlier - and bigger - than expected.

In last year's balanced budget agreement, the target to gain the first surplus was set at 2002. At the beginning of this year, in fact, the CBO forecast a small deficit for this budget year, which ends Sept. 30.

But in March, higher-than-expected tax collections caused the CBO to switch to projecting small surpluses, beginning this year. Then in July, as tax money continued to flood in, the 1998 surplus was increased to \$63 billion - the first since 1969 and the highest in history.

The higher revenues are coming courtesy of a surging stock market that has made capital gains tax collections soar.

But, analysts wonder what happens to the higher revenue estimates now that the market has begun to drop.

"If you keep revising up your revenue estimates because you keep missing on the downside, eventually you will go too far and miss on the up side," said David Wyss, economist at Standard & Poor's DRI.

In addition to the strong economy, the budget also is benefiting from defense spending cuts and from the baby bust that occurred during the 1930s Depression. That means fewer people are retiring at present, meaning less of a drain on Social Security.

But that situation will reverse in 2011, when the first baby boomers begin retiring. Those demands mean the Social Security trust fund will go bust in 2032, prompting President Clinton to demand that Congress "save Social Security first" before doing anything with the surpluses.

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Local Roundup

Early voting

Voters who intend to vote by mail in November's general election can apply for early voting ballots at the Deaf Smith County Clerk's Office.

Ballots will be mailed Sept. 19 to qualified voters who have requested early voting ballots.

For more information, call the county clerk's office at 363-7077 or go by the office in the Deaf Smith County Courthouse, 235 E. 3rd.

Dedicating church

The B bar S Arena officially will become the Barn Church at 6 p.m. Thursday. Barn Church welcomes anyone to attend the dedication and free chuckwagon supper that evening.

Pastor Randy Bird said the facilities will be dedicated to bringing the gospel to the cowboy culture.

The arena will still be available for individuals and groups needing an arena.

Church services will be held upstairs in what was formerly known as "The Cowboy Country Club."

"Fun Lunch" scheduled

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce's 2nd Annual "Fun Lunch" will be 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday in Hereford Community Center, 100 Ave. C. The lunch will be sponsored by Panhandle Vision Center and will be catered by K-Bob's Restaurant.

There will be songs, games, community announcements, door prizes and a drawing for Hereford Bucks for Chamber of Commerce members. Cost of the lunch is \$5.25 and the public is invited.

For reservations, call the chamber office at 364-3333.

Fall Kidfish

Children, age 16 and under, are invited to try their luck at catching their share of more than 800 pounds of catfish, which will stock the Aquatic Center Park for Kidfish.

The fall Kidfish will begin at 9 a.m. Sept. 19. Participants are encouraged to collect sponsorships to win a variety of prizes. All participants will win a goody bag. Those raising \$15 or more will receive a trophy or medal; \$25 or more will earn a T-shirt; and those earning more than \$50 will win a rod and reel as well as the other prizes.

Stanton open house

An open house will be held 6 p.m. Thursday at the Stanton School for prekindergarten (4-year-olds) and PPCD classes.

A special session will be held in the second floor auditorium from 6-6:30 p.m., then parents will adjourn to the classrooms to meet the teachers.

Parents of all students are encouraged to attend.

Mostly clear

Tonight, mostly clear, low around 60, light and variable wind. Wednesday, mostly sunny with a high in the lower 90s, south wind 10-20 mph.

Extended forecast

Thursday and Friday, a slight chance of thunderstorms, lows 60 to 65, highs in the upper 80s to lower 90s.

Saturday, a slight chance of thunderstorms, low around 60, high in the mid-80s.

Monday recap

High, 98; low, 57; no precipitation.

NEWS

in brief

Prison officials won't let death row inmate donate organs AUSTIN (AP) - A Texas death row inmate facing execution next month has been blocked by prison officials from donating his organs.

Convicted killer Jonathan Nobles is scheduled to die Oct. 7 for stabbing and killing two Austin women, Kelly Joan Farquhar, 24, and Mitzi Johnson Nalley, 21, after breaking into their North Austin home in 1986.

Nobles told the Austin American-Statesman he is prepared to die for what he did but also wants to do something positive after "bringing so much darkness into this world." He insisted the donation attempt is not a ploy to have his death sentence commuted.

"People out there who need organs are more than willing to accept inmate organs," Nobles said. "There are sins of commission as well as sins of omission, and for me not to attempt to do whatever I can that's good is wrong of me."

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice has an organ donation policy for inmates that says the state will pay for transportation to a Galveston hospital for the surgery and cover the costs of guarding a prisoner.

First day of classes for border city kids who survived flood SAN ANTONIO (AP) - For the past two weeks, Del Rio school officials have been trying to overcome a logistical nightmare: getting kids back in school.

All 15 public schools in the border city have been closed since the remnants of Tropical Storm Charley dumped more than a foot of rain in Del Rio on Aug. 23.

Flooding claimed at least nine lives and left hundreds homeless. Now the district is trying to make sure its 10,000 pupils can resume classes interrupted by the natural disaster.

"Our buses are going to all the locations where the displaced children are," Mayor Robert Chavira told the San Antonio Express-News.

More training, gear needed

AUSTIN (AP) - The fatal flooding in Del Rio could have been a disaster for the state's new urban search and rescue team.

Texas Task Force 1's first mission was last month's flood in the border city. But members were not prepared to carry out any operations in rapidly flowing water.

"Nothing brings home something you're doing any more than a tragic incident like this," said G. Kemble Bennett, director of the Texas Engineering Extension Service, the agency that oversees the team.

"Even though we didn't get a call for swift-water deployment, we realize we need to do this," he told the Austin American-Statesman.

Under-age border drinking declines

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) - American teen-agers once loved this border city's neon-lit, disco-infused nightclub strip - a lawless playground that served up tequila shots and all-you-can-drink specials, no matter your age.

These days, the party's coming to a sobering end.

Public health advocates, together with police on both sides of the border, are celebrating the first anniversary of their crackdown on

border binge drinking, dubbed Operation Safe Crossing.

While many San Diego-area college students - most too young to drink legally in California but old enough to get drunk in Mexico - still proclaim the Avenida Revolucion strip an ideal party destination, authorities are pleased with the progress they've made stopping high-schoolers.

Because of ID checks at the U.S. border, fewer would-be partiers are

heading to Revolucion's 30-odd bars and discos, which translates into fewer fights and drunken drivers, officials say.

About 20 percent fewer Americans are going to Tijuana to drink this year than last year, said James Baker, executive director of the San Diego-based Institute for Health Advocacy, an organization studying the problem.

San Diego and state police have worked harder to enforce the law barring Americans under 18 from crossing the border without parental permission.

On Friday night, the start of Labor Day weekend this year, 99 minors were detained for trying to cross the border and letters were sent to their parents. On Saturday night, 140 minors were denied entrance to Mexico.

"When we went down a year and a half ago, you could see 14- and 15-year-old American kids drinking," Baker said. "Now it's uncommon to see that, and that thrills me."

More than 50 officers - federal, state and local police - kept drunk Americans on their way home from fighting or getting into their parked cars on the U.S. side.

On the Mexican side, Operation Safe Crossing entails keeping Americans under 18 - the legal drinking age in Mexico - out of bars by fining owners who allow them inside and by sending city inspectors from club to club for spot ID checks. That means some young Americans end up showing their IDs three times: at the border, at the bar door and again inside.

Authorities also persuaded bar owners to work together and agree to take down cheap-drink promotion signs.

"Far fewer are going and far fewer are coming back intoxicated," San Diego police Capt. Adolfo Gonzales said. "Within the last year, we've seen fewer fights, fewer assaults, drastically fewer rapes."

Tijuana bar employees can now take a course on how to recognize a fake American ID card.

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Obituaries

LEO CASTILLO SR.

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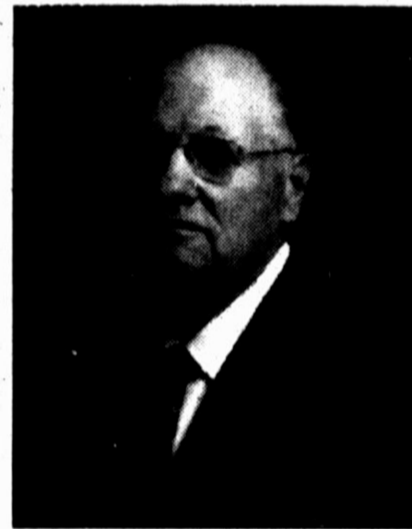
Funeral services for Leo Castillo Sr., 83, of Hereford will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at the San Jose Catholic Church with Msgr. Orville Blum and Deacon Jesse Guerrero officiating. Rosary will be recited 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Rix Chapel. Burial will be in St. Anthonys Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Rix Funeral Home.

Mr. Castillo died Sunday at Westgate Nursing Home.

He was born Nov. 22, 1914 in Devine, Texas, he moved to Hereford in 1970.

Survivors include seven sons, Leo Castillo, Jr., Raymond Castillo, both of Houston, Joe Castillo of Dallas, Wally Castillo of Hereford, Roy Castillo, Bobby Castillo, and Rudy Castillo all of Amarillo; five daughters, Vicki Camacho of Devine, Noelia Ulibarri of Hereford, Janie Arredondo of Hallsville, Mary Howard of Midland and Diane DeLaFuente of Amarillo; one brother, Ramon Castillo, of San Antonio; four sisters, Mary Garcia, Concho Covarrubia and Eloisa all of San Antonio, and Luisa Gonzales of Devine; 47 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife.



J.B. SHIRLEY

Sept. 6, 1998

Funeral services for J.B. Shirley, 85, of Hereford will be 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Rix Chapel with Kenneth Avaritt of Benton, Ark., officiating. Burial will be in the Old Friona Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Rix Funeral Home.

Mr. Shirley died Sunday in Temple.

He was born May 9, 1913. He married Teriece Sholar in 1943 in Clovis, N.M. They moved to Hereford 45 years ago. He was a member of the Five State Collectors Association of National Watch and Clock Collectors. He was a charter member of Park Ave. Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Wayne Shirley of Ft. Worth, Perry Shirley of Flagstaff, Ariz., and Dwight Shirley of Boyd, Texas; one daughter, Marilyn Sue May of Lampasas; one brother, Reaford Shirley of Selma, Calif.; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his daughter Cornelia Ann Shirley in 1944.



Contest Winner

Ester Perez, a sixth grade student at Bluebonnet Intermediate School, displays her mini-poster (upper Left) which won first place in a school-wide contest among all students. All students in the school were asked to draw a poster themed "100 percent Gang Free." Several other class winners are also shown on the display board in the main entrance at Bluebonnet.

Bell builds new craft

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - Bell Helicopter Textron Inc. and Agusta will work together to build two new transport aircraft.

The joint venture agreement announced Tuesday at the Farnborough Air Show in London will involve the design development, production and marketing of the Bell BA609 civilian tilt-rotor aircraft, and the continuing work on the twin engine AB139 helicopter. Bell will be the majority shareholder in the joint venture.

The agreement is subject to approval of boards of directors for Textron and Agusta's parent Finmeccanica.

Agusta will invest and participate in the development of the BA609. It will manufacture parts of the aircraft as well as perform final assembly for the aircraft's delivery in Europe and other parts of the world.

Tilt-rotor craft fly like an airplane and take off like a helicopter. The military version is the V-22 Osprey, which will be built in Amarillo.

Bell will perform final assembly of the AB139 for deliveries in North America. Agusta will be responsible for development of the AB139 through certification and transition to production with the participation of Bell.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Sept. 4-8, 1998, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrests

-- A 25-year-old woman was arrested in the 100 block of Avenue H and charged on a warrant for driving without a driver's license.

-- A 56-year-old woman was arrested and charged with driving a motor vehicle without a valid inspection sticker affixed to the windshield.

-- A 51-year-old man was arrested and charged with public intoxication.

-- A 20-year-old man was arrested and charged with assault.

-- A 25-year-old man was arrested and charged with domestic assault.

-- An 18-year-old woman was arrested and charged with domestic assault.

-- A 25-year-old woman was arrested in the 1100 block of West Park Avenue and charged with shoplifting.

-- A 19-year-old man was arrested and charged with burglary of a habitation out of Parmer County.

-- A 27-year-old man was arrested and charged with indecency with a child.

-- An 18-year-old man was arrested and charged with making a false report to a police officer.

-- A 20-year-old woman was arrested and charged with theft by check, over \$20, under \$500.

Incidents

-- A civil disturbance was reported at a store in the 500 block of 25 Mile Avenue. Two people were issued a criminal trespass warning not to

return to the store.

-- A criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of Forrest.

-- A 16-year-old runaway was located and returned to her parents.

-- A custody dispute was reported in the 400 block of Bradley.

-- A woman reported being sexually assaulted.

-- Charges of criminal mischief and criminal trespass have been filed against an 18-year-old man.

-- Burglary of a residence was reported in the 300 block of Centre.

-- A criminal mischief was reported in the 700 block of Avenue G.

-- A hit and run accident was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Park Road.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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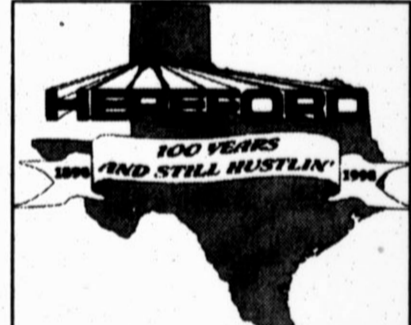
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AUSTIN (AP) - Two tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The tickets, sold in Houston and Nacogdoches, were worth an estimated \$19 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 3-12-22-23-34-50.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 8-7-8.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery: 13-18-24-27-31.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 9-7-2.

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# Lifestyles



## On their way...

To Las Vegas are Dale and Tonya Kleuskens, above, and to the Caribbean is Susie Vance, left. The trips were awarded in drawings held by Circle of Friends as part of its annual membership drive. The drawings were held during Casino Night held recently at Hereford Country Club.

## Wyche FCE meets

Coreen Odom was hostess for the meeting of the Wyche Family Community Education Club Thursday in Hereford Community Center.

Jo Lee called the meeting to order and Odom led the pledges to the flags and the FCE Prayer.

Members answered roll call by relating something that happened this year which they hope does not happen next year.

Business included reading of the

minutes by secretary Carol Sartain and the treasurer's report by Louise Axe.

Members voted to donate \$20 on the quilt and also approved a project to benefit the homeless shelter.

After adjournment, Odom served refreshments to Thelma Auten, Mary Lou Aven, Vada Batterman, Argen Draper, Camelia Jones, Dorma Kirby, Marie Maxwell, Audrey Rusher, Axe, Lee and Sartain.

## Garden club holds meeting

Members of the Garden Beautiful Club answered roll call at the first meeting of the club year by telling about their summer experiences.

The brunch meeting was held in the home of Marcella McLain.

President Marguerite Cole presided at the business meeting with

a discussion of yearbooks the main agenda item.

In attendance were one visitor, Joyce Ritter, and members Leona Andrews, Vada Axe, Louise Axe, Doris Bryant, Audine Dettman, Dorothy Noland, Helen Spinks, Louise Streun, Jerrye Wheeler, Darlene Walker, McLain and Cole.

## Ann Landers

**Dear Ann Landers:** I just read the letter from "Wisconsin Reader," the poor soul who said her parents have not written a will. With 10 children in the family, she felt this was a powder keg ready to blow up. I agree wholeheartedly.

When my widowed mother suffered a severe heart attack in 1982, her lawyer wisely advised her to make an itemized list of all her personal possessions, including furniture and jewelry. Mother acted on his suggestion and decided that her four daughters should take turns signing up for one item at a time, starting with the eldest. It took a couple of years to get through the entire list since we live 300 miles apart and did it through the mail.

When Mother died in 1986, after a long battle with cancer, each of us had chosen exactly the items we wanted and were happy with our choices. There were no hard feelings because we were all given an equal opportunity to ask for what we wanted. My sisters and I are thankful that we had such a caring and wise mother. -- Minot, N.D.

**Dear Minot:** You were indeed fortunate. Meanwhile, the responses to that letter were overwhelming. Apparently, it is a subject that a great many people care about. Keep reading for more.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I'm writing about "Wisconsin Reader," whose parents told their 10 children to write their names on any items they wanted after the parents died. "Wisconsin" was afraid that this was a "time bomb" in the making. I disagree.

I took photographs of all the items of value I own, such as a grandfather clock, my good jewelry and some collectible items that were real treasures. The photos were passed around to my children and their spouses. If any of them were interested in an item, they were to write their name on the back of the photograph. If more than one person selected the same item, I circled the name of the individual I wanted to have it, based on how many items that person had asked for and what else he or she was getting.

I did this because I love my family and wanted to avoid the possibility

of squabbles over material things. Why should anyone fight over someone else's belongings? Would it be better to sell it all at auction? I don't think so.

The photographs I took are with my will, so there will be no questions. I think the parents of "Wisconsin Reader" are trying to prevent problems by asking the kids what they want. In my opinion, "Wisconsin" is the one creating the trouble. -- A Nebraskan in Norfolk

**Dear Norfolk:** Thanks for your input. Here's another on the subject:

**Dear Ann Landers:** I believe I have a fair solution to the problem of how to leave your belongings to your children. My son-in-law and his brother did this when their father passed on, and both boys seem satisfied.

The boys met in their father's home and drew straws. The longer straw had first choice of what item he wanted, and the other boy made the next choice and so on.

I would, however, suggest that children designate certain items as single units. For example, all the

bedroom furniture would be one item, likewise the antique desk and matching chair, the good set of china and other matching pieces, to avoid having the selection process take forever. I plan to do this with my own children, even though I am -- Not Ready to Go Yet in Glendale, Calif.

**Dear Glendale:** My thanks to you and all the others who wrote. You signed yourself "Not Ready to Go Yet." Unfortunately, in a good many instances, you "go" whether you are ready or not.

Lonesome? Take charge of your life and turn it around. Write for Ann Landers' new booklet, "How to Make Friends and Stop Being Lonely." Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$4.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Friends, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$5.15.)

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## 'Gang Life' to be topic of seminar

Wesley United Methodist Church and First United Methodist Church of Hereford are sponsoring a "Gang Life" seminar from 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m. on Sept. 13 in the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Speaker will be Cpl. Steve Powers of the Amarillo Police Department. He will address the questions: What is "a gang" and who can belong?

The program will be presented in two 1-hour sessions with a break between. Child care will be provided.

For more information call 364-3908 or 364-4419.

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Today's Birthdays: Actress Hillary Brooke is 84. Comedian Sid Caesar is 76. Sen. Wendell Ford (D-Ky) is 74. Country singer-songwriter Harlan Howard is 71. Actor Alan Feinstein is 57. Author Ann Beattie is 51.

## Today in History

**By The Associated Press**  
 Today is Tuesday, Sept. 8, the 251st day of 1998. There are 114 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
 On Sept. 8, 1935, Sen. Huey P. Long, "The Kingfish" of Louisiana politics, was shot and mortally wounded; he died two days later.

**On this date:**  
 In 1565, a Spanish expedition established the first permanent European settlement in North America at present-day St. Augustine, Fla.

In 1664, the Dutch surrendered New Amsterdam to the British, who renamed it New York.

In 1892, an early version of "The Pledge of Allegiance" appeared in "The Youth's Companion."

In 1900, Galveston, Texas, was struck by a hurricane that killed about 6,000 people.

In 1921, Margaret Gorman of Washington, D.C., was crowned the first Miss America in Atlantic City, N.J.

In 1934, 134 people lost their lives in a fire aboard the liner Morro Castle off the New Jersey coast.

In 1951, a peace treaty with Japan was signed by 48 other nations in San Francisco.

In 1974, President Ford granted an unconditional pardon to former President Nixon.

In 1975, Boston's public schools began their court-ordered citywide busing program amid scattered incidents of violence.

In 1994, a USAir Boeing 737 crashed as it was approaching Pittsburgh International Airport, killing all 132 people on board.

Ten years ago: Two nuclear-missile rocket motors were destroyed at an army ammunition plant in Karnack, Texas; they were the first U.S. weapons to be eliminated under an arms reduction treaty with the Soviet Union. National League president A. Bartlett Giamatti was named to succeed Peter Ueberroth as baseball commissioner.  
 Five years ago: German tourist

Uwe-Wilhelm Rakebrand was killed by a woman firing from a van as he and his wife drove away from the Miami airport. The gunwoman and an accomplice received life prison sentences; the van's driver received 87 years. Black gunmen in South Africa launched a series of attacks on black commuters, claiming two dozen lives.

One year ago: Monday commuters in and around San Francisco faced huge traffic jams a day after workers for the Bay Area's commuter rail system went on strike. An agreement ending the walkout was reached five days later. A Haitian ferry, the Pride of Gonave, capsized, killing about three-quarters of the 200 people aboard. America Online acquired CompuServe.

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# Playing Celtic music is part of life for special ed teachers in Victoria

VICTORIA, Texas - Barbara and Andy Spear make beautiful music together. Literally.

Like breathing is to most people, playing Celtic music is to the Spears - it's a part of life. The Victoria couple plays about a dozen instruments, including the bagpipes, autoharp, Scottish fiddle, electronic piano, Irish Pennywhistle, soprano recorder, bamboo flute and the Appalachian Mountain Dulcimer.

The Appalachian Mountain Dulcimer is one of five truly American instruments, Andy said.

"I've been playing something since second grade," said Barbara, who is visually impaired. She learned to play Braille music at the School for the Blind in Austin, where her first experience was tickling the ivories of a piano. From there, her relationship with music flourished.

In sixth grade, she went on to play the violin, then learned the pipe organ in 10th grade. In 1973, she mastered the autoharp and in 1975 she blew on her first bagpipes.

"My parents thought I was crazy," she said about her desire to learn to play the bagpipes. But she remembers having a fondness for bagpipes since she was a little girl.

"I love them! I really like the sound," she said while cuddling the double-reed pipe in her arms.

Barbara had a total of four bagpipe lessons before she moved away for a teaching job. But that didn't stop her. She mastered the pipes on her own. Throughout the years, she has even invented her own Braille system for bagpipe music.

As special education teachers at Aloe Elementary School, the Spears often incorporate music into their lesson plans, especially during language activities.

"The kids enjoy the music," said Barbara, who teaches 3-to-5-year-olds.

Andy, a certified Texas music educator, has been playing the bagpipes for 21 years. One of his fondest memories is playing a set of bagpipes from 1770. He said his favorite performances are when he plays the bagpipes together with Barbara.

Love of music is the cement that binds this marriage together. The Spears, who recently celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary, met while marching together in the same bagpipe band in Austin.

Nowadays the couple doesn't have a chance to play together as often as they would like because work and raising their 10-year-old son, Brendan, takes up most of their time.

But although their instruments may get dusty, their musical talents have

yet to diminish. Dressed in colorful government tartans, Barbara breaks out in song as Andy automatically picks up his soprano recorder and joins in. The duo practice a traditional folk song in perfect harmony for a few minutes, but it's long enough to send peaceful tunes lilting through their cozy home.

Despite the responsibilities of family and work, Andy said music continues to play an important part in their lives.

"It's a good outlet and a good hobby," Barbara added.

They enjoy playing traditional Celtic music that includes Scottish, Irish and Welsh songs, some dating back to the Middle Ages.

"The nice thing about folk music is you don't have to read it," said Barbara, who plays entirely by ear. In fact, she can hear music once and play it back from memory.

The Spears prefer Celtic music because "the music wasn't written to be marketed. It all doesn't sound the same," Barbara said.

The interesting part about folk songs is "one can collect lots of different variations on one song," she added. Although neither come from a Scottish background, Andy said, "we play it because that's where we ended up at."

## Hints from Heloise

**Dear Heloise:** When not using my computer, I place the trackball into a plastic sandwich bag. This prevents having to take it apart to clean when it locks up. No doubt this would work equally well with a mouse if there's a similar problem. I prefer a trackball because of lack of space for a mouse pad.

The main culprit is kitty hair, which flies through the air. — Verna Vocke, San Antonio, Texas

Preventive hints are some of my favorites, since they can save you frustration and money. This idea is also good for the TV/VCR remote controls. — Heloise

### BIRD SAFETY

**Dear Heloise:** I belonged to a club with other bird breeders. We always traded stories on how best to take care of birds. One important thing anyone who owns birds should know: Never keep a bird in the kitchen.

Quite a few of us heard of many accidents happening in the kitchen, such as birds flying free and landing in a sinkful of water or in boiling pots. I know it sounds horrible, but it has happened many times.

Also, if those nonstick pots and pans boil dry, they can be deadly to birds, because of the toxic fumes they cause.

The best place to keep a bird is in an area that is draft-free and not too close to the kitchen. Birds are a joy and can live for many years with proper care. — J. Garcia, San Antonio, Texas

### NECK BRACE

**Dear Heloise:** When I see people

wearing a neck brace, I also see their discomfort. When I wear one, I cut the foot off a white tube sock and pull the brace through and/or wrap my husband's white handkerchief around with seam away from the skin. These items are softer, less irritating and easy to wash. — Marie Brodie, Butte, Mont.

### SOUP SAVER

**Dear Heloise:** Whenever I make one of the packaged Oriental noodle soups, I use only about half of the seasoning package in order to reduce the sodium level.

Then when I cook a fresh vegetable, such as cauliflower or cabbage, I save the cooking water, add some seasoning from the soup package and I have a delicious soup. If I have any leftover noodles or rice, I add that, too. — Erica Stux, Akron, Ohio

Very smart! Much better to lessen the sodium amount in the packaged soup, and a little of that seasoning sure makes homemade soup taste great.

I have a pamphlet chock-full of delicious soup recipes. For anyone who would like one, please send \$2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (55 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Soup, PO Box 795001, San Antonio TX 78279-5001. — Heloise

Send a money- or time-saving hint to Heloise, PO Box 795000, San Antonio TX 78279-5000 or fax it to 210-HELOISE. I can't answer your letter personally but will use the best hints received in my column.



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## To Your Good Health

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** My husband suffers from ankylosing spondylitis. For years he had back and hip pain so bad that he could barely get out of bed. He began having eye problems and the specialist asked him to get up and walk. The eye doctor called our family doctor, who ordered a blood test and the diagnosis was made. Can you give us any information on this disease? — T.L.

**ANSWER:** Ankylosing (ANG-kuh-LAW-sing) spondylitis (SPAWN-dull-LITE-us) is a special kind of arthritis, primarily affecting the spine and sacroiliac joints. The latter joints are those connecting the lowermost portion of the spine — sacrum — to the ilium, a pelvic bone.

This arthritis most often strikes young men in their 20s and 30s.

At first, a patient feels a dull ache in the lower back or in the buttocks. The lower back stiffens. As time goes by, the pain becomes persistent and can waken a person from sleep. The arthritic process makes an upward ascent in the spine and can reach as high as the neck. In time, the spine can become as stiff as a rod, freezing the patient into statuesque rigidity and causing a forward bend of the neck.

Shoulder and hip joints can be involved in the same process.

Some patients come down with eye inflammation. Shake the eye doctor's hand for making the connection between ankylosing spondylitis and eye

inflammation. It was an extraordinarily good call.

A few patients develop a leaky heart valve.

I presume the blood test your family doctor ordered was one called HLA-B27. It's a genetic marker found on the white blood cells of many with this type of arthritis.

Carefully designed exercises keep the spine mobile and preserve normal posture. A firm mattress and a small pillow preserve spine alignment during the night.

Medicines play a secondary role in treatment. The anti-inflammatory medicines such as indomethacin are standard prescriptions.

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** What is the name of the skin condition that causes your skin to itch something awful after you go swimming or take a shower? You wrote about it before but I didn't cut it out. Will you repeat, please? — B.F.

**ANSWER:** Aquagenic pruritis is the skin itch that appears two to 15 minutes after a person has towel-dried after a shower, bath or swimming. The itch lasts up to two hours.

Capsaicin cream — Zostrix — brings relief to some. Others find a sodium bicarbonate bath soothing. Add 1 to 7 ounces (25 to 250 grams) of sodium bicarb to a tub of water and luxuriate in its itch-quelling caress.

If hives break out, then the more likely condition is aquagenic urticaria. An antihistamine such as

Benadryl, taken before heading into water, can often curtail an outbreak of itchy hives.

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** My daughter has a Baker's cyst at the back of her knee. The doctor said it will disappear in time, but it hasn't in over two months. I can't find an entry for it in my doctor book, so I would appreciate your input. — G.B.

**ANSWER:** A Baker's cyst is a behind-the-knee, fluid-filled bursa. Bursae are strategically placed discs that serve the purpose of ball bearings. They reduce friction as tendons glide over bones. When inflamed, bursae swell and ache.

Draining fluid from a Baker's cyst and then injecting cortisone often return the bursa to its normal size.

If swelling doesn't go away or returns, the doctor has to turn his attention to the knee joint. Mischief in the knee can produce the fluid that seeps into a Baker's cyst. The cyst persists until any knee problem is eliminated.

In cases where all treatment falls short, a surgeon can remove a persistently enlarged, troublesome Baker's cyst.

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Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him at P.O. Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077-5539.

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**THE LEAGUE:** There will be two divisions: K-5 thru 3rd grade and 4th thru 6th grade. The teams will be drawn at the YMCA office. PLEASE DO NOT REQUEST PLAYERS TO BE ON CERTAIN TEAMS. Players may elect to play up an age division.

**DATES:** FINAL DAY TO REGISTER IS SEPTEMBER 10TH! Games will be played on Saturday mornings. First games start Saturday, September 19th. Practice will begin on September 14th. (Coaches will be notified of location and time).

**LEAGUE FEE:** Fee will be \$20.00 plus a YMCA membership. All participants must be YMCA members. YMCA memberships are \$29.00 per year for youths, (partial memberships are available). Entry fee for additional children in the same family will be \$15.00.

**EQUIPMENT:** Girls will have to supply their own shoes and knee pads (optional). Only tennis shoes will be permitted for play and practice.

Volunteers are needed to help coach and referee. If you are interested please fill out a form that can be picked up at the YMCA office. Scholarships are available for those who need assistance. You may pick up a registration form for your child at the Y-office or call 364-6990. Parents are welcome to all games. Help coach a team, be an assistant coach, help referee or just come out to cheer your favorite team!



# Sports



**CRAIG NIEMAN** of Hereford and his playing partner Jerry Stevens, also of Hereford, shot a two-round total 132 to finish second in the Bulls Flight of the Hereford Country Club Invitational Golf Tournament Saturday and Sunday at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

## Pair takes Bulls Flight at HCC scramble

**From staff reports**  
Stafford Cook and Steve Cross combined for a final round 63 Sunday to take a one-stroke victory in the Bulls Flight of the Hereford Country Club Invitational Golf Tournament at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

Cook and Cross were tied after the first round with Jerry Stevens and Craig Nieman after both pairings fired first-day 68s.

Pat McGinty and Scott McGinty shot a 64 Sunday to make up a one-shot deficit to John Sherrod and Wade Easley to forge a tie for first in the Stockers Flight. Cal Mitts and Stuart Mitts earned a one-stroke win over Tony Borman and Eric Walterschied with a two-day total of 149 in the Packers Flight.

Hereford Country Club  
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Bulls Flight	
Stafford Cook/Steve Cross	68-63-131
Jerry Stevens/Craig Nieman	68-64-132
Roy Riley/Jerry Ripley	72-65-137
Leland Shelton/Jeff Shelton	71-67-138
John Robinson/Greg Robinson	72-66-138
John Elliot/Jim Feagan	70-69-139
Temple Abney/Larry Richardson	72-67-139
Scott Keeling/Tyler Keeling	73-71-144
Ron Davenport/Wade Davenport	73-73-146
Stokers Flight	
Pat McGinty/Scott McGinty	75-64-139
John Sherrod/Wade Easley	74-65-139
Cal Garrett/Dick Tubb	75-66-141
Harold Hyman/Clay Davis	75-68-143
Dwayne Cassels/Wade Boren	74-70-144
Chip Guseman/Gary McCulloch	78-66-144
John Stagner/Gary Slagner	75-74-149
Bob Sims/Steve Sims	77-72-149
Frank Borman/Jeff Joyce	78-70-148
Packers Flight	
Cal Mitts/Stuart Mitts	79-70-149
Tony Borman/Eric Walterschied	80-70-150
Brenda Elliot/Rhea Scott	78-73-151
Dan Warrick/David McDonald	79-76-155
Dan McWhorter/Ted McWhorter	82-73-155
Ron Banks/Alvin Davney	81-75-156
Jim Perrin/Tommy Tatum	84-73-157
Max Moss/Rodney Cason	85-75-160
Dave Hopper/Don Clements	84-79-163
Freeze Out	
1. Dick Tubb, 77; David McDonald, 89; 2. Jim Feagan, 71; Rodney Cason, 95; 3. Jerry Stevens, 71; Dave Hopper, 96.	

## IN MY SIGHTS



Photo by Mauri Montgomery

**GREG EWING** of Hereford eyes Amarillo Tascosa defender Joseph Holland as he heads upfield Thursday night at Dick Bivins Stadium. Ewing led the Whitefaces in rushing against the Rebels with 60 yards on 21 carries as Hereford won, 13-0. It was the Whitefaces' first season-opening win since 1994. Hereford will host Class 4A No. 6 Andrews at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Whiteface Stadium.

## Sampras, Williams advance to quarters

**By ROB GLOSTER**  
**AP Sports Writer**  
NEW YORK -- Pete Sampras strolled off the court after overpowering yet another young challenger. Venus Williams strutted in victory, pumping up the crowd with an on-court dance that looked like an NFL end zone celebration.  
On a Monday when thunderstorms turned the U.S. Open into Wimbledon West, Sampras and Williams reached the quarterfinals with convincing wins over dangerous opponents.  
But Andre Agassi was struggling to avoid elimination in a match against Karol Kucera in which Agassi mocked his opponent and the players postured at each other across the net. Kucera was up two sets to one when rain halted play for the night.  
Agassi, who had complained that Kucera

was stalling by practicing his service toss before hitting serves, began mimicking Kucera's practice tosses. The two then exchanged moonballs, lofting soft shots back and forth.  
Kucera led 6-3, 6-3, 6-7 (5-7), 0-3 when play was stopped. It was the second rain delay of the match.  
Sampras had 18 aces and never lost his serve in a 6-4, 6-3, 6-2 win that included a 2.75-hour rain break, turning his power lunch with Marat Safin into a late-afternoon snack for the world's top player.  
"I was cracking it pretty hard throughout the match," Sampras said. "I got the serve going, which has been a little bit up and down

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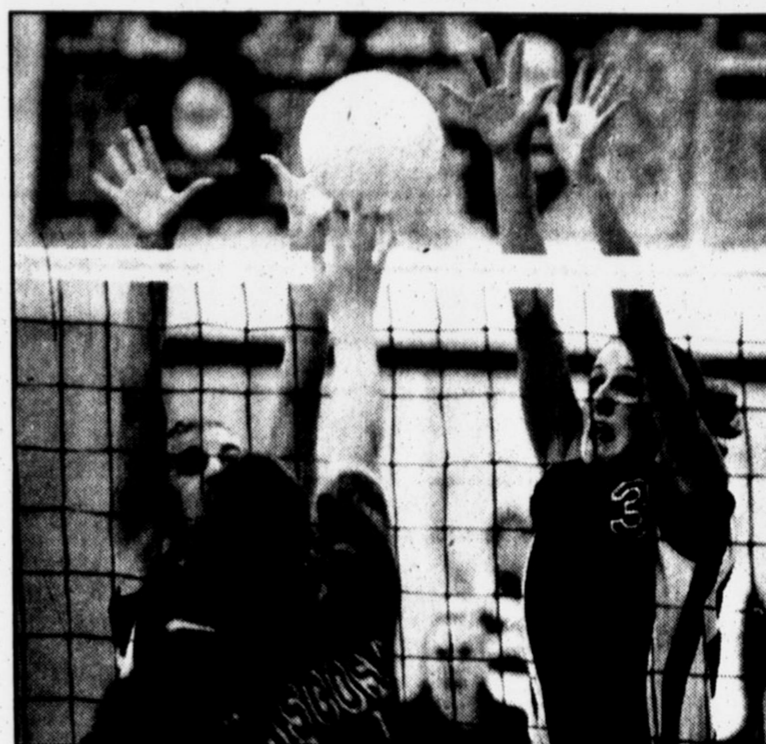


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**CHRISTY SCHUMACHER** of Hereford (3) and Kristin Fangman go up to block a dink attempt by Amarillo Tascosa's Georgia Moore during a recent match. The Lady Whitefaces defeated Lubbock Coronado to win the championship of the Maiden Tournament in Seminole Saturday.

## Lady Whitefaces win Maiden Tournament

**From staff reports**  
SEMINOLE -- Hereford defeated Lubbock Coronado 5-15, 15-11, 16-14 to win the championship of the Maiden Tournament in volleyball Saturday.  
Junior Tori Walker led Hereford with 17 kills in the match. Makesha Rives added 12 kills and Lyndi Carlile had 11 for the Lady Whitefaces.  
Christy Schumacher and Rives led Hereford with 15 digs each. The Lady Whitefaces won two pool matches and split another Friday to advance to the quarterfinals against Monahans.  
Hereford defeated Monahans 15-6, 15-2 with Carlile leading the Lady Whitefaces with seven kills. Schumacher had six kills for Hereford and Rives had 11 digs.  
In the semifinal match, Hereford ousted Midland High, 15-5, 15-12. Walker led the Lady Whitefaces with 12 kills and Carlile added eight kills. Rives led Hereford with 12 digs.

## Mac jacks No. 61 to tie Maris

ST. LOUIS (AP) -- No. 61 flew off Mark McGwire's bat Monday, matching Roger Maris' home run record and leaving just one question: How soon will it be his alone?  
History came quickly. McGwire launched Mike Morgan's pitch 430 feet to left field in the first inning, tying the hallowed mark that has stood for 37 years.  
McGwire immediately threw his hands in the air after connecting and then, with a fist thrust high, began his triumphant trip around the bases.  
Big Mac got a high five from Cubs first baseman Mark Grace as he rounded the bag and got another high five from former St. Louis teammate Gary Gaetti as he approached third.  
The 50,530 roaring fans at Busch Stadium stood all the while, except for those in the midst of a wild scramble for the ball. Chicago's Sammy Sosa, whose 58 home runs have pushed McGwire down the stretch, joined the celebration by applauding his rival from right field.  
McGwire's 10-year-old batboy son, Matt, was waiting at home plate where the Cardinals slugger ended his trek with a two-footed hop. McGwire hoisted his boy in a big hug, while groundskeepers rushed onto the field to replace the bases -- no doubt headed to the Hall of Fame.  
Matt arrived from California just in time to see his Dad make history.  
"I was down there getting my bat," McGwire said. "He said, 'How you doing?' I gave him a kiss, told him I loved him. The next thing I knew, I hit a home run."  
The Cardinals spilled out of the dugout to mob McGwire and it took him a few moments to make it to the bench. But he didn't stay there long, springing back out to salute Sosa and the Maris family, watching from seats on the first-base side.  
In a touching tribute to the man he matched, McGwire acknowledged Maris' children by pointing his right index finger to the sky, tapping his heart three times and blowing a kiss.  
"He tapped his heart, like Dad was in his heart," said Kevin Maris, a son of the former New York Yankees slugger.  
Indeed, that was the message: "I know he's with me and that's really all I can say -- thank you to all the Marises," McGwire said.  
McGwire homered in the Cardinals' 144th game and now has 19 left to become the home run champion. And when he does, certainly no asterisk will be needed.  
Maris hit No. 61 on the last day of a 162-game schedule in 1961. Toward the end of that season, Commissioner Ford Frick declared

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### Whiteface football

**TUESDAY**  
Junior High Scrimmages: 8th grade B team vs. Borger, 5 p.m. here. 8th grade A team vs. Borger, here, 6:30 p.m.  
7th grade B team at Borger, 5 p.m. 7th grade A team at Borger, 6:30.  
**THURSDAY**  
9th grade B team, Plainview, here, 6:30. 9th grade A team at Canyon, 5 p.m.  
Junior Varsity vs. Andrews at McKenzie Junior High, Lubbock, 5 p.m. (5402 W. 12th St.)  
**FRIDAY**  
Herd vs. Andrews, here, 7:30 p.m.

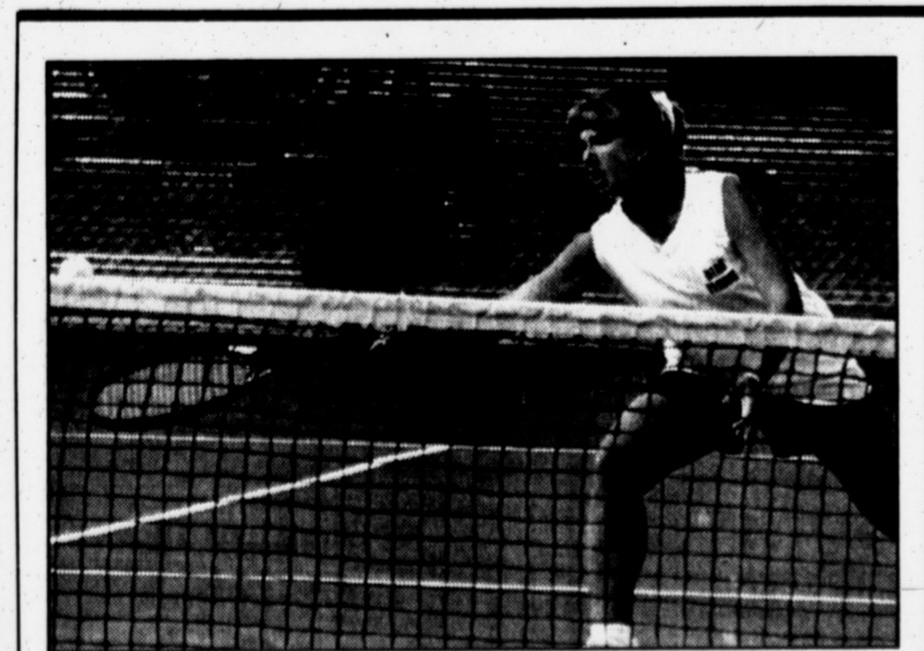


Photo by Julius Bodner

**IVORY ISAACSON** of Hereford returns a shot during a team tennis match with Canyon Randall at Whiteface Courts recently. The Hereford boys and girls teams are at Pampa today, and will play Amarillo Palo Duro in Amarillo Saturday.

## Helling, Rangers blank Twins, 6-0

ARLINGTON (AP) -- Rick Helling solved the Rangers' bullpen problem.  
After watching relievers waste two-run leads in consecutive games, Helling pitched a three-hitter and Juan Gonzalez homered as Texas beat the Minnesota Twins 6-0 Monday.  
"Before the game, the writers were asking me who was going to pitch the eighth today," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "Rick Helling took care of that in big style."  
Rangers relievers have lost four straight decisions and seven of eight, blowing three of their last five save chances.  
Helling (18-7) made them a non-factor, striking out eight and walking three in his second shutout and third complete game of the season. He became the fourth 18-game winner in the AL this year, and helped Texas close within three games of first-place Anaheim in the AL West.  
"You don't expect it on a day when it's 100 degrees, but they weren't making me throw a lot of pitches," Helling said. "But they were up there hacking and that helped me get some quick innings."  
Helling also credited offseason conditioning that has increased his ability to withstand the Texas heat.  
"I pride myself on my durability," said Helling, who has pitched eight innings or more in 22 of 30 starts. "That's why I work out in the offseason and work out so hard between starts. I've always been healthy, and that

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# Hereford BRAND FOOTBALL CONTEST

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Prizes not claimed within 5 working days become null and void. Entrants outside the county can appear in person or enclose a self-addressed envelope with entry. Be sure to guess total score in the tie-breaker game. Staff members of the Hereford Brand and their families are not eligible. Decision of the judges is final.

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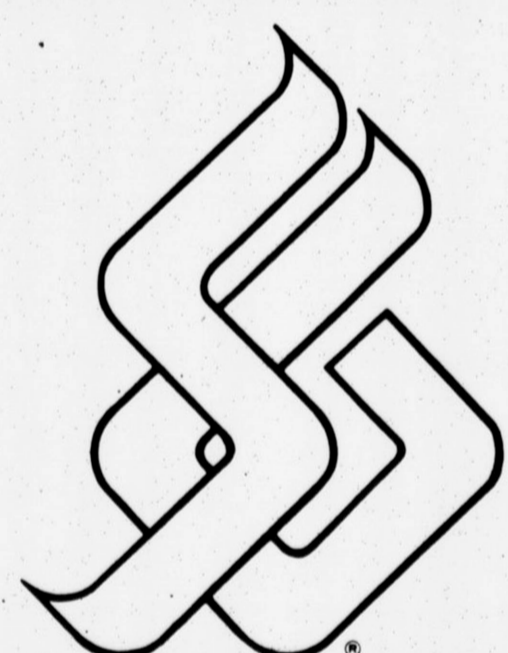
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 11-C-SPAN  
 12-C-SPAN II  
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 17-TBN  
 18-SHOWTIME  
 19-Community Bulletin Board  
 20-HBO  
 21-CINEMAX  
 22-CNBC  
 23-Turner Classic Movies  
 24-The Nashville Network  
 25-The Discovery Channel  
 26-Arts & Entertainment  
 27-Lifetime  
 28-Fox Sports SW  
 29-Headline News  
 30-TNT  
 31-Nickelodeon  
 32-USA Network  
 33-Univision  
 34-CMT  
 35-MSNBC  
 36-The Learning Channel  
 37-The History Channel  
 38-The Cartoon Network  
 39-Toon Disney  
 40-Animal Planet  
 41-Odyssey  
 42-EWTN  
 43-OVC  
 44-ESPN2  
 45-Galavision  
 46-MTV  
 47-VH-1

## TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 8

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Nova	Oliver Sacks-Mind	America No. 1	Charlie Rose	Newshour					
Show-Funny	Show-Funny	Mr Bill	Life, Camera	Movie: Desperate Choices: To Save My Child (1992)	700 Club					
News	Ent. Tonight	Frasier	Mad	Frasier	Just Shoot	Dateline			(35) Tonight Show	
Movie: Freaky Friday Shelley Long ** 1/2	(35) Movie: Wish Upon a Star ** PG			101Dalmats	101Dalmats	Walt Disney Presents			Zorro	
Major League Baseball Atlanta Braves at Montreal Expos				Movie: The Dirty Dozen (1967) Lee Marvin, Ernest Borgnine. *** 1/2						
News	Fortune	Home Imp.	Soul Man	Spin City	Dharma	Maximum Bob			News	Seinfeld
Fam. Mat.	Coach	Dawson's Creek		17: Faces-Fall		News			Beverly Hills, 90210	Heat
News	JAG			Movie: Under Siege (1992) Steven Seagal. ***		News			(35) Late Show	
Mad	Simpsons	King of Hill	Costello	Guinness World Records	Xena: Warrior Princess	Frasier	Cops		Real TV	
Sportsctr.	Outside the Lines	Dog Show	Billiards	Baseball Tonight	Sportscenter				Baseball	
Movie: Ghosts-Miss.	Movie: Floating Away Rosanna Arquette			Movie: The Haunted Sea Joanna Pacula	Situations				Hot Springs	
(5:00) Movie: ** The Saint	Movie: The Edge (1997) Anthony Hopkins, Alec Baldwin			Movie: 8 Heads in a Duffel Bag ** R	(40) Movie: Breakdown 'R'					
Movie: Dom. & Eugene	Movie: The Return of the Living Dead 'R'	Rosewood		Movie: The Stranger Kathy Long ** 'N'	Emmanuelle				Movie: Wings-Eagles	Movie: They Were Expendable (1945) Robert Montgomery. *** 1/2
				Movie: Sands of Iwo Jima (1949) John Wayne. ***						
Waltons	Today's Country	Prime Time Country	George Jones	Dallas	Dukes					
Gimme Shelter	Wild Discovery	New Detectives	Hard Time	Justice Files	Wild Disc.					
Law & Order	Biography	Inside Story	Murder, She Wrote	Law & Order	Biography					
Party of Five	Chicago Hope	Any Day Now	Maggie	Oh Baby	Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls			
Sports	FOX Sports	Major League Baseball Cincinnati Reds at Houston Astros		FOX Sports News						
ER	Movie: Tootsie (1982) Dustin Hoffman, Jessica Lange. ****			Movie: The Goodbye Girl (1977) Marsha Mason. *** 1/2						
Doug	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Skeater	Brady	Wonder Yrs.	Happy Days	Laverne	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	M.T. Moore
Xena	U.S. Open Tennis Men's Fourth Round and Women's Quarterfinals									
MI Pequena Travessa	Vivo por Elena	Desencuentro	Primer Impacto Noc.	P. Impacto	Noticiero	AJ Ritmo				
20th Century	U.S. Invaded!	Men Who Killed Kennedy	Modern Marvels	Civil War Journal	Invaded					
Human Nature	AnimalDr	Emergency	Vets	Vets	Mara Nights	AnimalDr	Emergency	Vets		

## WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 9

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
Body Elec.	Paint!	Cars	Nutrition	Nutrition	Accounting	Accounting	Sandiego	Science Guy	Washbome	Magic Bus
Menace	Casper	Ghostbusters	Eek!stravag	Bad Dog	Walter M.	Three Friends & Jerry	Pea-ree	Outrageous!	You Said	
Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Goof Troop	Aladdin	Dinosaurs	GrowPains	Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC News	
Tale Spin	Chip 'n' Dale	Timon	Goof Troop	Aladdin	Dinosaurs	GrowPains	Off the Wall	Mad Libs	GrowPains	Brotherly
Matlock	Movie: They Only Kill Their Masters (1972) ** 1/2			Dreams	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.
Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Howie Mandel			Rosie O'Donnell		News	ABC News	
News	Empty Nest	Empty Nest	Beauty and the Beast	Beverly Hills, 90210	Fam. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Sally			Am.Journal	Edition	News	CBS News	
Judge Judy	Forgive or Forget	Little House on the Prairie	Cartoon Cabana			Spider-Man	Rangers	Fraser	Grace Under	
Auto Racing	NASCAR - Southern 500	Jet Skiing	Racehorse	Best of B3			NFL Inside Access	Up Close	Sportsctr.	
Movie: North to Alaska	(45) Movie: Invaluable Mom Dee Wallace Stone. ** 1/2	PG	Movie: My Magic Dog Bryan Mendez 'G'					Movie: The Baby Dance		
Mothers	(15) Movie: The Perfect Mother Tyne Daly			Movie: Mother (1996) Albert Brooks, Debbie Reynolds				Movie: One Fine Day 'PG'		
Movie: Wings-Eagles	Movie: Big Top Pee-wee ** PG			Movie: Close Encounters - Special Ed.				(45) Movie: The Fifth Element 'PG-13'		
Movie: Two	Movie: Scene of the Crime (1950) Van Johnson. ***			Movie: Julie (1956) Doris Day, Louis Jourdan. *** 1/2				Movie: Interrupted Melody		
Waltons	America's Country Hits	Crook & Chase	Club Dance	Dukes of Hazzard	Dallas					
Home	Housesmart!	Interior Motives	Great Chefs	Travelers	Wings					
Law & Order	Biography	McCloud	Equalizer	Quincy	Northern Exposure					
(12:00) Movie: ** 1/2 True Betrayal (1990)	Intimate Portrait	Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Ellen	Ellen			
V-Max	Cowboys	Longhorn	Hardcore Football	Football	Aggies	Go!n' Deep	Xtreme	Last Word		
(12:00) Movie: ** Beyond Belief (1976)	Kung Fu: Legend	Due South	Clara Sue	Garfield	Lois & Clark-Superman	Babylon 5				
Allegre	Gadget	Tiny Toon	CharlieB	Doug	Garfield	You Afraid?	Rocko's Life	Figure It Out	Tiny Toon	
(10:00) U.S. Open Tennis Men's and Women's Quarterfinals										
Leonela	Destino de Mujer									
4 Yrs	20th Century	Movie: Citizen Cohn (1992) James Woods, Joe Don Baker. ***								
Wild About	Amazing	AnimalDr	AnimalBite	Zooventure	Lassie	Shamu TV	Horse Tales	Pet Line	Amazing	Pet Shop

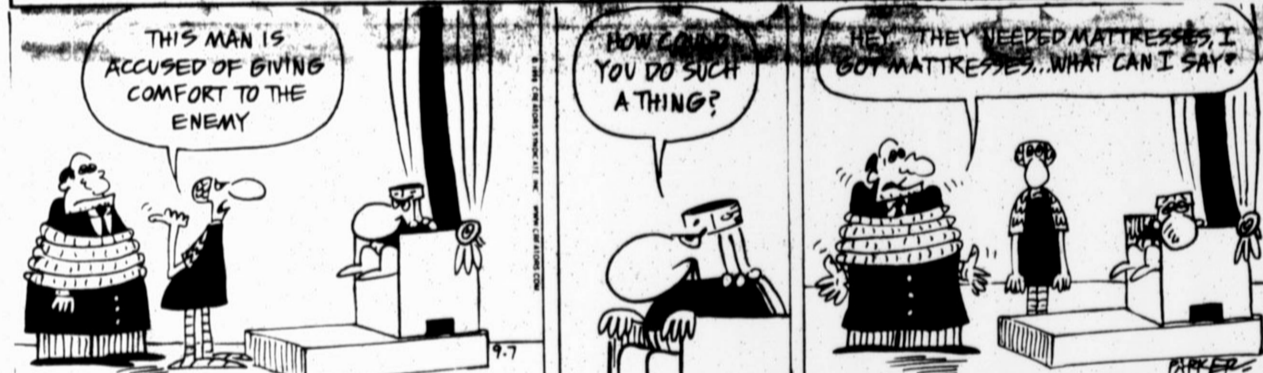
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Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Wild Islands	Magnificent Journeys	Into the Rising Sun	Charlie Rose	Newshour					
Show-Funny	Show-Funny	Mr Bill	Life, Camera	Movie: Love-Struck (1997) Cynthia Gibb	700 Club					
News	Ent. Tonight	Dateline	Law & Order	Law & Order	News				(35) Tonight Show	
Movie: Escape to Witch Mountain	(35) Movie: Explorers Ethan Hawke. ** 1/2	PG	Gargoyles	Walt Disney Presents	Zorro					
Griffith	Griffith	(05) Movie: Cobra (1986) Sylvester Stallone. *	(10) Movie: Missing in Action 2: The Beginning (1985)	Movie:						
News	Fortune	Dharma	Two Guys	Who's?	Primetime Live				News	Seinfeld
Fam. Mat.	Coach	Wayans	Jamie Foxx	Wayans	Harvey	News			Beverly Hills, 90210	Heat
News	Home Imp.	JAG		Public Eye	Chicago Hope				News	(35) Late Show
Mad	Simpsons	Movie: Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit (1993) **		Hercules-Jrrys.	Frasier	Cops			Real TV	
Sportsctr.	Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced			Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced						
Movie: The Baby Dance	Movie: My Best Friend's Wedding Julia Roberts. 'PG-13'			Pick-a-Flick	Situations	Love Street				
Movie: One Fine Day 'PG'	Movie: Till There Was You Jeanne Tripplehorn. 'PG-13'			Movie: Devil in the Flesh Rose McGowan	Chris Rock	Movie: Off the Menu				
Movie: The Fifth Element	Movie: The Sunchaser Woody Harrelson. ** 'R'			Movie: Raven Hawk Rachel McLaughlin. 'R'	Movie: Off the Menu					
Movie: Interrupted Melody	Movie: Some Came Running (1958) Frank Sinatra. ***			Movie: A Fistful of Dollars (1964) Clint Eastwood. ***						
Waltons	Life-Deana Carter	Prime Time Country	Celebrities Offstage	Dallas	Dukes					
Gimme Shelter	Wild Discovery	Discover Magazine	UFOs: Down to Earth	Justice Files	Wild Disc.					
Law & Order	Biography	American Justice	Murder, She Wrote	Law & Order	Biography					
Party of Five	Great Lifetime Makeover	Movie: Giving Up the Ghost (1998) Marg Helgenberger		Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls				
Sports	FOX Sports	Major League Baseball Milwaukee Brewers at Houston Astros		FOX Sports News						
ER	Movie: Body Snatchers (1993) Gabrielle Anwar. ***	Babylon 5		Movie: Body Snatchers (1993) ***						
Doug	Rugrats	Hey Arnold!	Strange	Brady	Wonder Yrs.	Happy Days	Laverne	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	M.T. Moore
Xena	U.S. Open Tennis Men's and Women's Quarterfinals									
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20th Century	Ancient Drugs	Men Who Killed Kennedy	Modern Marvels	Weapons at War	AndrDrugs					
Human Nature	AnimalDr	Emergency	Breed	Wild-Set	Lion Queen	AnimalDr	Emergency	Breed		

## WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 9

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Barney	Arthur	Sesame Street	Puzzle Place	Reading	Teletubbies	Mr Rogers	Arthur	Barney	Gardens	
Harveytoon	All Dogs Go	Mork	700 Club		Kangaroo	Station	Mr. Moose	Adv. Mumfie	Bobby	
Today					Leeza	Sunset Beach	Judge Lane	News	Days-Lives	
Goof Troop	Mickey	Mermaid	Pooh	Bear	Katie-Orbie	Chip 'n' Dale	Madeline	Mermaid	Pooh	Jungle Cubs
Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Little House on the Prairie	Little House on the Prairie		Mama	Mama	Matlock			Matlock
Good Morning America					Live - Regis & Kathie Lee			Howie Mandel		News
Tiny Toon	Captain	BugsDaffy	Animaniacs	PinkyBrain	Batman	Griffith	Griffith	Geraldo Rivera		News
This Morning					Ricki Lake	Price is Right	Young and the Restless	News		
Bobby	Life-Louie	101Dalmats	X-Men	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Life in-Word	Kenneth C. Robison	Judge Judy		
Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Auto Racing		
(8:35) Movie: ** Orlando	(15) Movie: The Great White Hope James Earl Jones				Movie: Water Michael Caine. ** PG-13	Movie: North to Alaska				
Movie: Little Bigfoot 2: Journey Home	Movie: The Next Karate Kid Noriyuki 'Pat' Morita. 'PG'	Movie: 'Til There Was You Jeanne Tripplehorn. 'PG-13'			Movie: Free Willy 3: The Rescue 'PG'	Movie: The Ultimate Lie				
(5:45) Movie: *** The Emigrants 'PG'	Movie: When Worlds Collide *** 'G'	Movie: Nobody Lives Forever (1946) ** 1/2			Movie: The Two Mrs. Carralls (1947)					
(Off Air)	Club Dance	Crook & Chase	Dallas	Aleene's Creative Living	Waltons					
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Interior Mot.	Start	Home Matters	Interior Motives	Home				
McCloud					Equalizer	Quincy	Northern Exposure	Law & Order		
Designing	Designing	Attitudes	Attitudes	Party of Five	Chicago Hope	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie:			
Sports	Sports	Sports	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.		Last Word
CHIPS	Spenser: For Hire	In the Heat of the Night	Movie: City Heat (1984) Clint Eastwood. **	Movie:						
CharlieB	Rugrats	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Busy World	Muppets	Gullah	Busy World	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Rupert
Facts of Life	Facts of Life	Gimme B.	Strangers	Wings	Wings					
(6:00) Despierta America										
Year by Year	Real West	Movie: Citizen Cohn (1992) James Woods, Joe Don Baker. ***								
Animal	Acorn	Pet Con.	Horse Tales	Pet Line	Wild About	Amazing	AnimalDr	Pet Con.	Horse Tales	Pet Line

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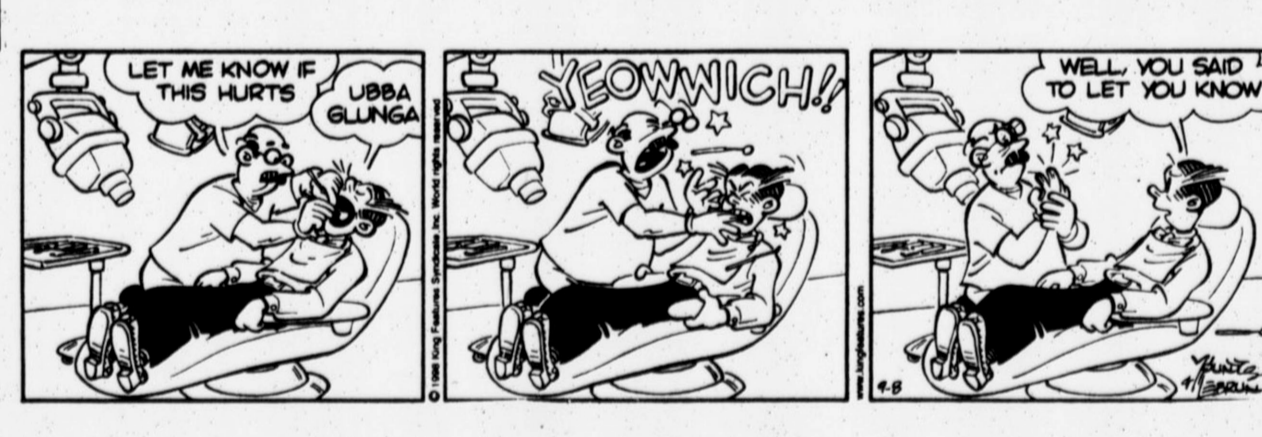
### Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake



### Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker



### Barney Google and Snuffy Smith By Fred Lasswell





# Broncos survive Patriots, 27-21

DENVER (AP) -- This was the old John Elway, not old John Elway, at quarterback for Denver.

Playing more like a 28-year-old than a 38-year-old, Elway threw for 257 yards and a touchdown as the Broncos beat New England 27-21 Monday night to begin defense of their NFL title and what is more than likely to be Elway's final season.

Terrell Davis added two rushing touchdowns as Denver beat New England for the 11th straight time dating to 1980.

But the Patriots, who had lost their previous three games to Denver by a combined 105-24, gave the Broncos plenty.

They committed three critical penalties on special teams, two of which cost them 48 yards and were offside on another punt that let the Broncos continue a touchdown drive. Adam Vinatieri also missed a 39-yard field-goal attempt and had another blocked by Trevor Pryce.

And they were disorganized on the sidelines, using up all their second-half timeouts with over six minutes left in the third quarter.

Still, even with all those mistakes, this wasn't easy for Denver, which had a 17-0 lead early in the second quarter on a 12-yard pass from Elway to Shannon Sharpe, a 9-yard run by Davis, and Jason Elam's 53-yard field goal.

New England cut it to 17-7 at halftime when Drew Bledsoe's 55-yard pass to Shawn Jefferson set up Robert Edwards' 1-yard TD run.

Then, on the first series of the second half, the Patriots drove 73 yards in seven plays for a score -- Bledsoe's 24-yard pass to Troy Brown that made it 20-14.

But Elam countered with a 42-yard field goal and the Broncos clinched it on Davis' 1-yard score, which came one after a vintage Elway play -- a scrambling third-down pass to Ed McCaffrey at the 1 as he was pursued by three Patriots. That drive was aided by another New England mistake, a late hit on Elway by Willie McGinest.

New England added a TD with 1:59 left on Bledsoe's 10-yard pass to Vincent Brisby, but the lack of timeouts killed them, especially when McCaffrey recovered the onside kick.

Elway was 13-of-18 for 158 yards in the first half as the Patriots brought up eight men to the line of scrimmage to shut down Davis.

He hit McCaffrey for 44 yards to set up Elam's first field goal. Later in the period, he found Justin Armour for 23 yards, then scrambled 13 yards to set up his 12-yard TD pass to Sharpe, which he threaded among three defenders.

The TD that made it 17-0 came three plays after McGinest was offside on a punt by the Broncos to give Denver a first down at the New England 38. Three completions by Elway and then Davis went around left end and squeezed into the end zone.

Davis finished with 75 yards on 22 carries.

## Mac

that any record would have to carry a "distinctive mark" if it did not beat Babe Ruth's mark of 60 in 154 games.

In all, McGwire has homered 15 times in the last 20 days. This latest one came at 1:22 p.m. CDT, with much of America surely tuning in to ESPN to watch the chase at-bat by at-bat.

"What better way to say happy birthday," his son said.

It also made it a nice day for Mike Davidson, a 28-year-old fan from St. Louis who wound up with historic souvenir, which he planned to give to McGwire.

The Cardinals won 3-2, blunting the Cubs' bid to increase their lead in the NL wild-card race. Fittingly, all but one of the runs scored on homers, with Eli Marrero and Delino DeShields connecting for the Cardinals and Gaetti doing it for Chicago.

The two teams play again Tuesday night, giving McGwire and Sosa another chance to highlight the greatest homer chase ever, topping even the race between Maris and Mickey Mantle in 1961.

McGwire and Sosa have homered on the same day 20 times this year, twice connecting in the same game.

It's easy to keep track of how they stand, too, by looking at the out-of-town scoreboard in center field. Right below an inning-by-inning listing of the Florida-Colorado

game, there's a section where it's posted -- McGwire 61, Sosa 58.

McGwire and Sosa, who have become friends throughout their friendly rivalry, spent the early part of the morning holding a news conference together. Sitting bicep to bicep, they took turns praising each other.

"Wouldn't it be great if we just ended up tied," McGwire said. "I think it would be beautiful."

With how many homers, guys? "Seventy would be a nice number," McGwire said.

After that, it was time to take care of business.

Looking more relaxed than the day before, when he went hitless, McGwire put on a dazzling display in batting practice, homering on 11 of 15 swings.

Sosa watched McGwire's show from next to the batting cage and then didn't do badly himself, hitting several balls out of the park.

McGwire finished 2-for-4 in adding a later ground single -- he has 53 singles this season, compared to 61 homers -- while Sosa went 1-for-5 with a single. Sosa struck out with a runner on the third to end the game.

The landmark shot provided a nice present to McGwire's father, John. He was sitting in the stands celebrating his birthday -- No. 61, naturally.

# Mary English claims top award in football contest

The race for the \$1,000 grand prize is on after Mary English won the first round of the Hereford Brand's annual 13-week football contest.

English missed three of the 25 games and chose Texas Tech to win by 21-14 on the tiebreaker. Pete Vargas Sr. also missed three but was higher on the tiebreaker total. Lois Hillwig and five others missed four games, but Hillwig took third place with her tiebreaker total

The three winners earned \$35, \$25 and \$15 in Hereford Bucks. Others who missed four games were Wayne Henderson, W.H. Kitchens, Buddy Pickens, Earl Stagner and Pete Vargas Jr. Eight entrants missed five games each, and 18 players missed six of the games.

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Williams won the final six points of the tiebreaker in her 6-1, 7-6 (7-4) win over No. 12 Mary Pierce, celebrating her win by shimmying to the net.

"I really shouldn't have done the dance, I should have waited until later," she said. "I didn't plan to do the dance. I planned to win the second set really easy."

Williams' quarterfinal opponent will be No. 4 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, who won 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 over No. 15 Anna Kournikova.

Also advancing to the quarterfinals was No. 2 Lindsay Davenport, who won 6-1, 6-4 over No. 10 Nathalie Tauziat and next will play Amanda Coetzer.

Sampras lost only 20 points on his

serve in the match and closed out his 600th career win with three consecutive aces -- including one at 135 mph. He won 41 of 48 points on his first serve in the match.

Safin, 18, who wowed crowds at this year's French Open with a string of upsets en route to the fourth round in his Grand Slam debut, showed off plenty of power, including 10 aces. But he was no match for the steady Sampras.

Williams took advantage of 19 unforced errors and two double faults to win the first set in 24 minutes against Pierce, who twice had her wrist treated by a trainer. Pierce was down a break in the second set when rain interrupted play.

Pierce was a different player after the break, and so was Williams -- who had 31 unforced errors in the second set, as compared to just two in the first set. The second set lasted 1 hour, 11 minutes.

## Rangers

goes back to keeping myself in shape."

Juan Gonzalez's 41st homer increased his major league-leading RBI total to 149, the most in the AL since Ted Williams and Vern Stephens of Boston each drove in 159 in 1949.

Mark McLemore also hit a two-run homer in the seventh for Texas.

"With all that's happened the last few days and with the heat today, it would have been easy for this team to go through the motions," Oates said. "I don't know who's going to win the division. I don't have a crystal ball. But this group of guys plays with integrity and character in spite of the doubters, and there are a lot of them."

Texas broke through in the seventh

against LaTroy Hawkins (7-14) with the help of two errors. Lee Stevens doubled, took third when Bill Haselman reached on shortstop Pat Meares' bad throw and scored when third baseman Brent Gates dropped catcher Javier Valentin's attempted pickoff throw.

Luis Alicea followed with an RBI single, was bunted to second, and scored on Tom Goodwin's single. McLemore hit a two-run homer for a 5-0 lead and Gonzalez followed with his solo shot.

Hawkins allowed five runs and eight hits over 6 1-3 innings.

"I was throwing a lot of strikes," he said. "I was trying to keep the ball down and change speeds. But the seventh inning just didn't go right."

## Johnson, Astros one-hit Reds, 1-0

HOUSTON (AP) -- Randy Johnson pitched a six-hitter for his fourth straight shutout in the Astrodome since Houston acquired him, leading the Astros over the Cincinnati Reds 1-0 Monday.

Johnson (7-1) struck out 14 and walked one -- intentionally. It was his 17th double-digit strikeout game this season, the 100th of his career.

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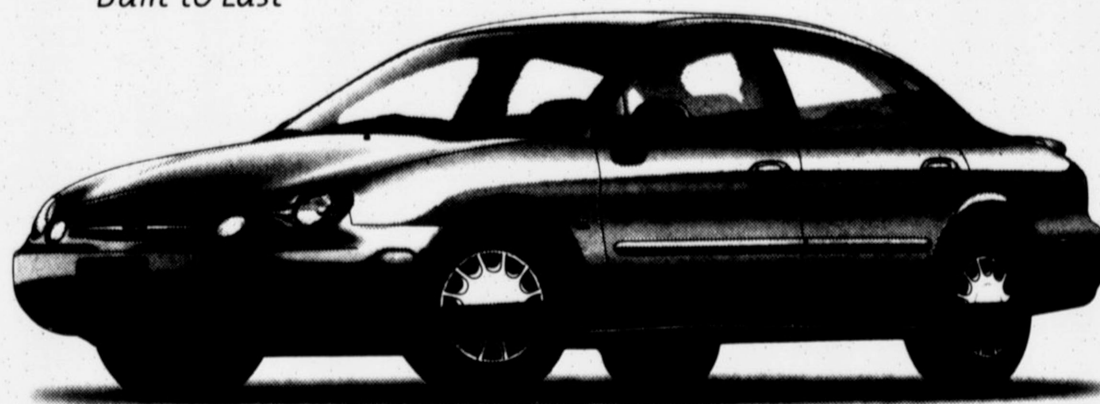
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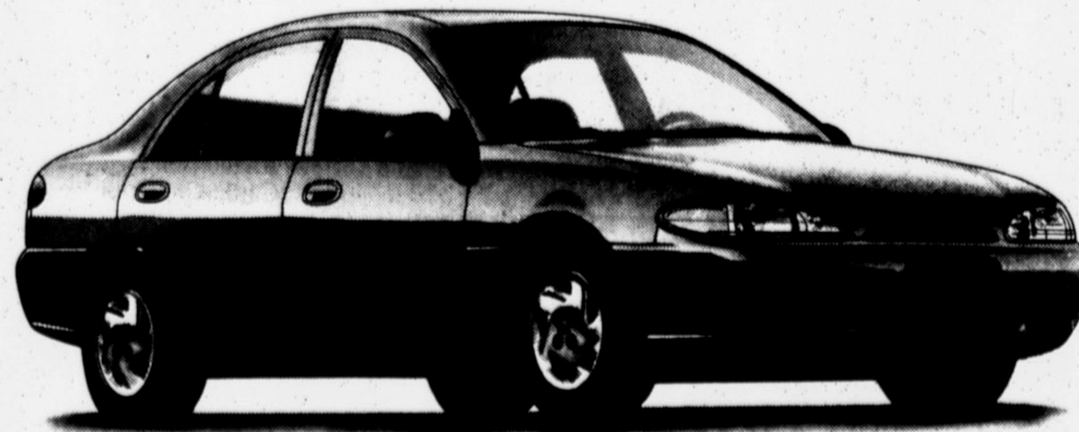
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Both Henry J. Lyons and Brenda Harris asked for forgiveness from the National Baptist Convention U.S.A.'s board Monday after he admitted the lengthy, "improper" relationship.

Harris also apologized to Lyons' wife, who has been accused of setting fire to a \$700,000 Florida home Lyons owned with another woman.

Teen-agers suspected in deaths of six

AURORA, Colo. (AP) - Two teen-agers allegedly shot four other teens and a woman to death in a rampage at two homes in this Denver suburb. One of the suspects was later found dead in a field.

Witnesses who saw the attack at one home Monday told police "two kids wearing bandanas" barged into the house carrying shotguns and opened fire, police spokesman Bob Stef said.

"They just walked in, fired the shots and walked out. Apparently it happened pretty quickly," Stef said.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Names in the News

SCARY SPICE

LONDON (AP) - Scary Spice says being pregnant has made her live up to her nickname.

Melanie Brown, who is expecting along with group mate Posh Spice (Victoria Adams), says both battled to remain cheerful when morning sickness hit.

"We both turned into dragons, it was quite funny," she told BBC radio in her first comments about her pregnancy. "It is nice having a close friend going through the same things you are."

Scary is three months pregnant. She was coy about plans to marry her boyfriend, dancer Jimmy Gulzar.

"We want to get married before Christmas but not this soon," she said.

Adams and her fiance, soccer star David Beckham, plan to marry next year.

CLAUDIA SCHIFFER

JERICHO, West Bank (AP) - Claudia Schiffer is expected to join several Israeli entertainers at next week's opening of the first casino in the autonomous Palestinian areas.

The casino just outside the West Bank enclave of Jericho is to open Sept. 15. Operators hope to attract Israelis and foreign tourists.

The \$150 million Oasis project, run jointly by private investors, an Austrian company and the Palestinian Authority, is considered a step towards Palestinian economic independence. However, it has come under fire from Islamic militant groups who say gambling goes against Islam.

Israeli gamblers have been looking for new places to spend their money since Turkey, once a gambling hot spot, closed its casinos several months ago.

"THE TEMPTATIONS"

TRAFFORD, Pa. (AP) - Don't expect "The Temptations" mini-series to be as uplifting as the Motown quintet's legendary music.

The NBC project documents the harrowing days of many of the Temptations' original members.

Front man David Ruffin died from a drug overdose at age 50; Paul Williams, who was bounced from the group in 1971 for alcoholism, killed himself two years later at age 34. Two other original members also died.

In one poignant scene, a drunken

Williams stumbles around a party singing "For Once In My Life."

"It's like you're in the room and you want to leave the party, because it's painful to watch," said Allan Arkush, the director. "This movie will only work if the storytelling does not stop between songs."

The four-hour mini-series, which is filming in suburban Pittsburgh, is set to air in November.

JOYCE MAYNARD

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (AP) - Joyce Maynard isn't shy about revealing private details about her life.

The author, whose new book documents her affair with reclusive writer J.D. Salinger, has documented her eating disorders, a failed marriage and her breast implants in a syndicated newspaper column and a Web site.

"It's my particular response to having grown up in an alcoholic family where my father's drinking was a secret," Maynard told the San Francisco Chronicle.

In the book "At Home in the World," Maynard says she fell in love with Salinger's writing voice when they starting corresponding when she was 18.

"If you can imagine the effect of the voice of Holden Caulfield, then imagine Holden Caulfield sending you letters every day to your college mailbox," she says, referring to the narrator in Salinger's "The Catcher in the Rye."

TRACEE ELLIS ROSS

NEW YORK (AP) - She may be Diana Ross' daughter, but when it comes down to getting acting jobs, Tracee Ellis Ross has to audition like everybody else.

"Any child who uses their name in a way to get them places, it will get back to them," Ross, 25, told Monday's Daily News. "It doesn't really mean anything if you can't get the work done."

Ross has landed several jobs in television and film, most recently playing a track star in the NBC movie "Race Against Fear."

"I'm in this for the long haul," she said. "This is a career choice. If that takes me to a series, that would be great. I love comedy. The ideal place for me might be in a sitcom. Whatever, I'm going with the flow."

GOP holds lead in most state races

In a state office gaining attention because of Texas Gov. George W. Bush's possible presidential ambitions, Republican Rick Perry continues to have a slight edge over Democrat John Sharp for lieutenant governor, according to a new poll.

The survey by The Dallas Morning News and Houston Chronicle shows Perry, the Republican agriculture commissioner, leads Sharp by 45 percent to 36 percent. Nearly 20 percent are undecided.

Sharp, the state comptroller, is the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor. The victor would replace Bush if he runs for and captures the White House in two years.

Bush leads Democrat Garry Mauro 70 percent to 21 percent among likely voters, the survey shows, with only 9 percent undecided.

The telephone survey of 700 likely voters, conducted Aug. 30-Sept. 3 by the New York-based polling firm of Blum & Weprin Associates Inc., has a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

Polling indicated that Bush's popularity may translate into support for other Republicans, especially Perry and GOP comptroller candidate Carole Keeton Rylander.

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: AN OPTIMIST IS A PERSON WHO STARTS A CROSSWORD PUZZLE WITH A FOUNTAIN PEN.—SOURCE UNKNOWN

The tax man waits

Whoever catches No. 62 to pay

By H. JOSEF HEBERT Associated Press Writer

Along with millions of baseball fans, the Internal Revenue Service also is watching for Mark McGwire to smack his historic 62nd home run. But what interests the IRS most is what happens to the baseball.

According to the IRS, a fan who snags the record-setting ball and returns it to McGwire may be subject to a federal gift tax if the ball is determined to be worth more than \$625,000. Thus the tax man would come even if the fan doesn't get any money for the ball.

"The giver is responsible for paying any applicable tax on any large gift," IRS spokesman Steven Pyrek explained Monday.

Until the ball leaves the playing field, it is owned by Major League Baseball. But once in the stands it becomes the property of any fan who catches it or comes up with it in what is likely to be a mad scramble.

A person receiving a baseball or any other gift owes no taxes as long as he or she keeps it.

But a gift tax applies to any property given away that is worth \$10,000 or more and a person must pay tax on any profit made on property that is sold. It makes no difference to the IRS whether the item is cash, a piece of jewelry or a record-setting baseball shagged by a bleacher fan.

Whoever catches McGwire's 62nd home run ball will have a number of options, all of which may have tax implications:

- Keep the ball. The fan owes no tax immediately, but the ball will become part of his estate, and be taxable

after death.

- Sell the ball. The fan would owe taxes on any profit, likely putting him in the highest tax bracket, nearly 40 percent. If sold for \$1 million - as some have said the historic ball might be worth - Uncle Sam would get about \$400,000.

- Give it away. The fan would face a 40 percent gift tax. While the first \$625,000 would be exempt because of a lifetime gift tax credit, the fan as a result would lose the right to use that credit as part of his future estate settlement. For a \$1 million ball, \$375,000 would be subject to the tax. That would amount to \$150,000 in taxes.

The only way to avoid the IRS would be to give the ball to a charity, which under the tax codes would not have to pay a tax if it turned around and sold the ball for a profit.

"One of the biggest problems would be coming up with the value of whatever is given," Pyrek said. He could not say how much - if anything - a fan would have to fork over to the IRS unless it can be determined how much the ball is worth.

There's no assurance, of course, that McGwire will hit No. 62, but he has 19 games left to do it.

On Monday, Mike Davidson, 28, came up with McGwire's 61st home run ball that tied Roger Maris' record and passed Babe Ruth. Davidson said he planned to return the ball to McGwire and wanted nothing in return.

Some collectors have suggested the ball hit Monday could be worth as much as \$100,000.

Congress flush with awards

WASHINGTON (AP) - Assailed as anti-green by Democratic critics, Rep. Mike Pappas recently received a welcome boost: the "Environmental Achievement Award" from a group named for former president and conservationist Theodore Roosevelt.

To the Republican party, eager to help the New Jersey freshman retain his seat, the award hardly could be called a surprise. It was created, named and given to Pappas by two fellow Republicans - Sen. John Chafee of Rhode Island and Rep. Sherwood Boehlert of New York.

Critics may call this a do-nothing Congress, but in Washington, awards still rain down like runner-up trophies at a little League dinner. It was only a matter of time before lawmakers created some to give each other.

Along with scorecards that grade members of Congress on certain votes, interest groups have devised a laundry list of plaudits to bestow on lawmakers on their good side - even mock awards to shame those on their bad side.

The accolades may sound exclusive, but many are not. Some go to 200 or more members of Congress. They carry names ready-made to help win elections, connoting traits like:

- STRENGTH. The "Guardian of Small Business Award" from the National Federation of Independent Business. The "Golden Bulldog Award" from Watchdogs of the Treasury.

- PATRIOTISM. The "Thomas Jefferson Award" from Food Distributors International. The "Spirit of Enterprise Award" from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

- BENEVOLENCE. The "Responsible Choices Award" from Planned Parenthood Federation of America. The "Legislative Visionary Award" from the National Association for the Self-Employed.

Some Democratic lawmakers wear their "Deficit Hawk Award" from the Concord Coalition as a badge of fiscal responsibility, much to the consternation of Republicans. Many tax-cutting conservatives do not get this award because in the Concord Coalition formula, tax cuts without corresponding cuts are as irresponsible as spending increases.

At the other end of the spectrum, liberals were confounded by the creation of the Coalition of Republican Environmental Advocates, a new group that will bestow the "Teddy" or "Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Award."

Democrats' issues fall victim to the Clinton-Lewinsky flap

WASHINGTON (AP) - Battling for Democratic election-year issues, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy stood at his desk and accused Republicans of "gagging the Senate" by blocking health care legislation and a minimum wage increase while at the same time promoting a bankruptcy bill sought by well-heeled banks.

But Kennedy's attack was forgotten just as soon as he finished, his remarks lost in fellow Democratic Sen. Joseph Lieberman's widely anticipated condemnation of President Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky as "immoral."

The back-to-back speeches, late Thursday afternoon on the Senate floor, underscored a dilemma facing Democrats in this campaign season marked by presidential scandal. How do they keep the focus on the issues they hope to take to the voters this fall - and away from Clinton's personal problems?

"We just have to take this one day at a time, and that's what we're doing," said Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, speaking with reporters shortly after he concluded an appearance touting his party's education proposals.

"Obviously, there's a level of concern about the situation we find ourselves in, but I wouldn't say we're distracted."

Evidence is beginning to mount that Clinton's woes will hurt Democrats at the polls. Officials in both parties say polling indicates voters are more concerned now about issues of ethics and honesty than earlier in the year.

The concern is wiping "issues Democrats would like to see off the agenda," says Republican pollster Ed Goetas.

"The reason I think that Republicans are favored in open and close challenger seats is Democrats can't ever surface, they never can get any attention," said Bob Teeter, a GOP pollster. "As soon as a Democrat tries to get out, tries to advertise, tries to campaign, the only thing he ever gets asked is, 'what do you think about Clinton?'"

Nor is the fallout from Clinton's troubles the only interference Democrats are encountering.

Republicans have their own election-year list of goals - including tax cuts, the bankruptcy bill, overriding Clinton's veto of a ban on so-called "partial birth abortions" - and complain the Democrats are stalling.

"I hope they - and the president - will reconsider," Majority Leader Trent Lott said in the weekly Republican radio address. "A strategy of stall, complain and blame is not what this country needs."

There's no doubt about the

commitment Daschle and fellow Democrats are showing to their issues.

Last week alone, Daschle was blocked by Republicans in a bid to bring HMO legislation before the Senate; was stymied in an effort to gain a debate on campaign finance legislation; attended a news conference with an opera singer and a poet touting education legislation; and appeared at a news conference calling for action to help farmers hard hit economically.

"The circumstances continue to worsen and the demand for action continues to grow," said Daschle, who represents farm-rich South Dakota.

This coming week promises more of the same for the Democrats: Kennedy is expected to attempt to attach his minimum wage proposal to the GOP-backed bankruptcy bill. Daschle and other Democrats will attend news conferences relating to election-year proposals on crime and education.

A vote is expected on campaign finance legislation, although supporters of the bill sounded pessimistic about the chances for prevailing over GOP opposition.

"We're still going to do events promoting our legislative agenda and (reporters) can choose to cover them or not," says Daschle's spokeswoman, Ranit Schmelzer. "But we'll still do them."

At the same time, Democrats concede it is hard to ignore the fallout generated by Clinton's personal troubles.

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# Divers retrieve black box from wreckage

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia (AP) - Divers have retrieved Swissair Flight 111's flight data recorder despite an emergency that endangered their lives, but experts say the "black box" contains no information from the final six minutes of the doomed flight.

Crash investigators had high hopes after the data recorder was recovered from the ocean floor Sunday. But laboratory examinations on Monday revealed that there was no data from the last minutes right before the MD-11 jumbo jet plunged into the ocean off Nova Scotia late Wednesday, killing all 229 people aboard.

Vic Gerden, the chief crash investigator, said the data recorder stopped once the plane dropped below 10,000 feet altitude. A strong possibility, he said, was that the plane lost electrical power at that time.

However, Gerden said the data recorder was in good condition and should provide useful evidence about 100 types of information ranging from altitude and airspeed to whether the plane's smoke warning lights were on.

At the crash site, in the Atlantic five miles off shore, divers equipped with hand-held sonar searched Monday for the plane's other black box - the cockpit voice recorder. The signals from the device have been detected, but bad weather forced suspension of the diving until Wednesday at the earliest.

## Reservoirs offer good fun for recreation

WASHINGTON (AP) - Nearly 40 years ago, the federal government dammed the Crooked River in central Oregon to create a reservoir - a godsend for farmers who wanted the water for irrigation.

But the Prineville Reservoir turned out to be a darn good fishing hole, too.

"People from all over the state come and fish it," said John Marsh of Prineville, Ore., who catches 5-pound bass there.

Lots of others have discovered that the 1,782 lakes the government built in decades past for hydroelectric power, shipping, irrigation and flood control are good fun for recreation, too.

Buoyed by a national enthusiasm for water sports, Bureau of Reclamation lakes draw 80 million visitors

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annually, up 12 percent in the past five years. The reservoirs account for nearly half of the nation's lake fishing outside the Great Lakes.

The government is eager to draw even more visitors, but many of the parks and boat launches at these lakes are showing their age and need costly repairs.

## Muscular dystrophy telethon raises record \$51.5 million

LOS ANGELES (AP) - An exuberant Jerry Lewis thanked contributors who helped raise a record \$51.5 million during his annual muscular dystrophy telethon.

The 33rd Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Association Labor Day Telethon ran for 21 1/2 hours, with singers, magicians and comedians including Bill Maher, Carrot Top and Louie Anderson.

Other telethon performers included Ray Charles; and in taped segments from New York, Chicago, Las Vegas and Nashville, appearances by Celine Dion, Leann Rimes, Enrique Iglesias, Jose Feliciano and Pam Tillis.

## Labor Day weekend brings families back to town

DAWSON, N.M. (AP) - When Carol Meyers graduated from Dawson High School in 1946, her hometown was a bustling coal company town where as many as 6,000 people lived and worked.

By the time she graduated from college, mining giant Phelps Dodge had closed its operation in Dawson. Before long, the company dismantled the town's homes, schools, churches, opera house, gas station, golf course, swimming pool, tennis courts, hospital, hotel, railroad station, gymnasium, offices and bridges.

Today, not much remains of Dawson except for a ranch hunting camp and scattered stone foundations.

## Negotiators to resume Northwest Airlines talks

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - Although President Clinton does not want to intervene in the Northwest Airlines pilot strike, he is sending a represen-

tative to talk to both sides in the 12-day-old dispute.

After a break for Labor Day, talks between Northwest and the Air Line Pilots Association were expected to resume today, but not face to face. Mediators planned to meet independently with both sides in hopes of coaxing them back to the bargaining table.

A representative from the White House was also expected to be present. North Dakota's senators, Kent Conrad and Byron Dorgan, spoke to President Clinton by telephone Monday night and said the president was concerned the strike may drag on.

## American divers left behind thought killed by shark

CAIRNS, Australia (AP) - An American couple left behind during a scuba diving trip to the Great Barrier Reef were probably killed by a shark, a diving and marine life expert said today.

"My personal feeling is they were taken by a tiger (shark) in the first 24 to 48 hours," Ben Cropp, a veteran diver and marine documentary filmmaker, said at a coroner's inquest into the couple's fate.

"Dead or alive you wouldn't last too long out there (before being eaten by a shark)."

Thomas Lonergan, 33, and his wife Eileen, 28, of Baton Rouge, La., were last seen on Jan. 25 when they went diving off the boat Outer Edge at St. Crispin Reef, 45 miles northeast of Port Douglas.

## IRA dissidents declare 'complete' cease-fire

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) - Without offering any apology, the Irish Republican Army dissidents responsible for Northern Ireland's

worst terrorist attack called a "complete" cease-fire today.

In a statement issued to the Irish state broadcaster RTE, the dissidents dubbed the Real IRA said they had decided on a "complete cessation of all military activity."

## Menacing river threatens to swamp Bangladeshi capital

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) - Government workers and local residents fought to strengthen the Bangladeshi capital's dam today, and officials said all of Dhaka was in danger of being swamped by the Sitalakhoia River.

More than half of the city of 9 million people was already under knee- to waist-deep water after heavy monsoon rains.

Much of Bangladesh, a country the size of Wisconsin, has been flooded since monsoon rains began July 10. The floods have killed 800 people and high water has displaced or marooned at least 30 million people.

## Second mother tells of switched baby remains

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) - The parents of a baby whose remains were almost sent home with the wrong couple have hired a lawyer to investigate. The attorney also represents a mother whose baby was switched with another couple's at the same hospital.

Wendy Conley said she and her husband have retained Cynthia Johnson to get information about how the March 22 mistake by the University of Virginia Medical Center could have occurred.

Ms. Johnson also represents Paula Johnson (no relation), whose baby girl was switched at birth three years ago with another baby at the same hospital.

## SURPLUS

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House Republicans had been demanding up to \$700 billion in tax relief over the next decade, but recently have signaled they will spend the final weeks of this congressional session fighting for a smaller \$78 billion cut.

Even those more-modest plans may fall by the wayside in the rush to adjournment, some analysts believe.

But they are much less certain what might happen in future years, given interest groups' demands to pare back last year's steep spending cuts and the GOP's demand for big tax cuts.

Indeed, it is political realities more than economic uncertainties that leave many doubtful the tide of black ink will actually ever come to pass.

"The political system will probably not be able to resist the temptation to spend the surpluses," Reischauer said.

## BEEF

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As of Thursday, Kansas and Nebraska feedlots and packers had agreed that for two weeks formula pricing will not be used for sale of cattle.

Burt Rutherford, public information officer with Texas Cattle Feeders Association, said that Texas feeders have not boycotted, but that is mainly because of the varied marketing methods commonly used in the state.

"Feedyards here use all available methods," Rutherford said. "Live cattle pricing is probably the majority, but we also use forward contracting and formula pricing."

Meat packing industry leaders contend the current cattle market situation is not due to the method of buying the cattle, but rather because of excess meat supplies.

Economists back up the supply and demand theory by estimating only 25 percent of packing company purchases are completed through formula pricing methods. An oversupply of all meat products remains the dominant factor.

Locally, the Texas Cattle Women's Association is talking to cattle dealers and private markets trying to explain the benefits of the beef checkoff, while many cattle producers are trying to call for a nationwide referendum which could change the way cattle sales are reported.

John McBride, public information officer with Livestock Marketing Association in Kansas City, said the variable marketing methods is the key to preventing situations such as the one in Nebraska and Kansas.

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numbers have become nothing more than an economic indicator," Goetas says.

The poll imparts still other bad news for Democrats: Clinton's troubles have elevated moral values to the top of the voters' agenda. When voters were asked to name the most important problem in the nation, moral and religious issues jumped 10 percentage points since the bipartisan poll's results in January. At 14 percent, it now ties with crime and drugs as the nation's key problem.



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