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City OK's budget, tax rate

By Donald M. Cooper
Hereford Brand Managing Editor

It's official and now the city has to live with it.

Members of the Hereford City Commission voted unanimously Monday to adopt the budget and tax rate for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

The tax rate is 41 cents per $100 assessed valuation, unchanged for the past few years. However, because of an increase in the total assessed valuation of property in Hereford, the rate represents a 2.47 percent increase over the effective tax rate of 39.8 cents per $100 valuation. The effective tax rate is the rate required to generate the same amount of revenue as in the previous year. An earlier estimate put the increase at 6.22 percent.

Because the proposed rate represents an increase over the effective tax rate, the city conducted a public hearing last Monday, but only two residents attended to express opinions.

The Fiscal 2000 budget projects general fund revenue for the next fiscal year will be $4,813,573, an increase of about $87,000 from the FY 1999 budget.

Of the revenue, the city expects to collect slightly more than $1 million in ad valorem taxes; $1.2 million in garbage billing; $700,000 in sales tax/mixed drink tax; and $700,000 from operating transfers, primarily from the water/sewer fund.

On the expenditure side, Nolen recommends spending $4,573,968, which would leave a $239,605 surplus when the year ends Sept. 30, 2000.

The water and sewer fund is expected to have $2,781,000 in revenues with expenditures of $2,428,332, leaving a surplus of $352,668.

The total revenue for Fiscal 2000 is projected at $7,594,573 and total expenditures are estimated to be $7,002,300, leaving a year-end balance of $592,273.

Mayor Bob Josserand said the budget surplus is part of a city plan to establish a reserve fund to help finance construction of a new wastewater treatment plant.

He said the city's treatment plant is antiquated and it is likely the state will require replacement within a few years.

The commissioners approved a $60,000 grant from the Hereford Economic Development Corp. to Hereford Farmers Co-op Gin to help complete an expansion project.

The gin's expansion project is expected to increase its processing capacity to 35,000 bales of cotton.

In other business, the commissioners:

• Condemned property at 236, 237 and 238 Catalpa. The owners have 30 days from receipt of a notice to demolish the structures. If there is no compliance, the city will handle the demolition;

• Upheld the city Planning & Zoning Commission's denial of a zoning change requested for property in the 900 block of South Jackson. The owners sought the zoning chance to allow installation of modular housing.

• Tabled a request for a zoning change at 615 E. Park. Ronnie Hathaway sought the change so he could open a used car lot. The planning commission had denied the request, but the city commissioners tabled the matter pending further review;

• Retained McGinty & Associates to conduct the audit of city finances for a fee of $12,500. The Hereford accounting firm has provided the audit services for the past seven years;

• Approved a $334,835.36 budget for the HEDC; and

• Reappointed Joe Artho and Craig Smith to the HEDC board, and appointed David McDonald to complete the unexpired term of Gilbert Tijerina.

Today's weather

OUTLOOK

Mostly clear skies

Tonight, mostly clear with a low 40 to 45, light and variable wind.

Wednesday, mostly sunny with a high in the upper 70s, south wind 5-10 mph.

Extended forecast

Thursday, partly cloudy, low around 50, high 80 to 85.

Friday and Saturday, partly cloudy, lows in the lower to mid-50s, highs in the lower to mid-80s.

Hereford weather

Monday's high, 62; low, 47; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

Abatement hearing set for Monday

A public hearing on Top of Texas Inc.'s tax abatement application will be conducted at 6 p.m. Sept. 27 in the county courtroom at Deaf Smith County Courthouse, 235 E. 3rd.

The hearing will be conducted by the Hereford Independent School District, City of Hereford and Deaf Smith County.

The county Tax Abatement Board voted unanimously Sept. 16 to recommend approval of the five-year, 50-percent abatement request.

The public hearing on the abatement request is required before the taxing entities make their decisions.

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New furniture arrives — Joe Valdez (left) and Larry Vallejo, employees of the Hereford Independent School District, move new furniture into the new addition at Hereford Junior High School. The addition includes new classrooms.

HEDC

■ Cumpton will be a frequent flyer during next couple of weeks

By Donald M. Cooper
Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Don Cumpton will be a frequent flyer over the next couple of weeks.

Cumpton will be making two flights, one out of state, to visit with officials of two small manufacturing operations that are considering relocations.

In a report to the Hereford City Commission, Cumpton said Monday night there is nothing definite, but he will make an out-of-state trip Wednesday to tour a manufacturing plant. He said he will be discussing possible relocation and financial incentives with the plant management.

DON CUMPTON
"Both (prospects) are non-agriculture-related, and that's good. We need to diversify our economy."

He said he also will be making another trip – however, this time it will be in-state – to meet with officials of another small manufacturing operation and tour the facility.

"Both (prospects) are non-agriculture-related, and that's good," Cumpton said. "We need to diversify our economy. ... There's still a lot of work to be done."

Cumpton also reported HEDC will move into its new quarters at the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce within days. The HEDC has occupied an office in Hereford City Hall for several years, but it will move into an office in the newly expanded chamber building.

HEDC will pay $400 per month in rent and an additional $1,650 per month for other services, such as clerical and secretarial and supplies.

Cumpton said Farmland Industries, which purchased the former Frito-Lay grain complex on U.S. Highway 60 East, and Archer Daniels Midland, which will operate a grain center near the junction of County Road 1 and U.S. Hwy. 60 West, have begun construction at their sites.

Farmland is adding a rail spur to increase its grain-handling capacity, while ADM will build elevators and a rail spur at its site.

Farmland should have its construction completed in the first part of December; ADM by mid-January 2000.

Danforth tours site of Waco tragedy

WACO (AP) — The special counsel investigating whether an official cover-up followed the 1993 Branch Davidian siege has toured the ruins on the same day a federal judge authorized a delay in part of a pending lawsuit filed by survivors and relatives of the dead.

John C. Danforth spoke Monday with Eugene and Filomena Hipsman of Chester, N.Y., who were visiting the compound for the first time since their 27-year-old son, Peter, died six years ago in the gunfight that began the siege.

"I'm real sorry about the loss of your son," Danforth, 64, told the couple.

Danforth's appearance at the siege site comes on the heels of his request last week for the delay in lawyers' fact-finding in the civil lawsuit filed against the government.

The former senator urged U.S. District Judge Walter Smith in Waco to issue an order delaying for 30 days any discovery and witness interviews by government and plaintiffs' lawyers in the upcoming trial. He also requested permission to interview all witnesses first.

"I have no desire to hamper your investigation in any way," Smith wrote in a two-page letter to Danforth, a former Missouri GOP senator. "You have taken on a difficult, thankless job and I applaud you for being willing to do so.

"It is my fervent hope that your investigation, and certainly to a lesser extent, the civil proceedings here will help restore the public's confidence in its government," the judge wrote.

Danforth, several aides and Ed Dowd, deputy assistant investigator, first circled the site about 10 miles east of Waco in a McLennan County Sheriff's Department helicopter and then walked around it with Sheriff Jack Harwell.

"He wanted the lay of the land. That's all it was," said the sheriff, who arranged the tour. "He's sticking with his word. He's not looking for judgment calls. He's looking for facts on what he said he was after last week: the dark questions about what the government did."

Health Smart proposal draws county approval

By Julie L. Carlson
Hereford Brand Staff Writer

After hearing a lengthy presentation Monday, the Deaf Smith County Commissioners accepted a bid for a county health insurance plan.

Rick Holder of Rick Holder with RH Administrators, which has managed the county's self-insured plan, presented different insurance bids for the commissioners to consider.

Holder was accompanied to the meeting by Bobby Clark, vice president of sales and marketing for Health Smart Preferred Care Inc. Holder recommended the county accept the bid from the Lubbock-based Health Smart as the preferred insurance company, citing its strong network in West Texas, deeper discounts for PPOs (Preferred Providers Organization) and higher benefits for in-network physicians.

After a two-hour question-answer discussion with Holder and Clark and county employees, the commissioners unanimously accepted the Health Smart proposal.

The plan's benefits include a 10- and 15-percent rate on presciption cards (a card holder pays 10 percent on generic brands and 15 percent on brand-name prescriptions); full PPO rates; and a $300 deductible.

In other business, the Law Library fee was raised to $35 per case. This increase is the maximum allowed.

The commissioners had been scheduled to adopt the Fiscal 2000 budget and tax rate, but no action was taken because the motion to adopt died for lack of a second. The commissioners will take up the budget and tax rate at 9 a.m. Monday.

Task force to eye TAAS tampering

HOUSTON (AP) — A new state task force will investigate tampering with results on academic exams, erroneous dropout rates and reports that some school districts calculate inaccurate instructional and administrative costs.

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander planned to launch the committee's year-long probe with announcements today at the Houston Independent School District and other urban districts. Barry Thompson, former chancellor of the Texas A&M University System, will chair the task force.

Mark Sanders, spokesman for the comptroller's office, told the *Houston Chronicle* the announcement is not directed at Houston's district.

"We're just in Houston because you can't have a statewide study and ignore the largest school district in Texas," he said.

Terry Abbott, HISD spokesman, said the district welcomes any such scrutiny.

"We always look forward to any second set of eyes looking at any issues that can help education," he said.

The task force's creation comes during a year of investigations involving tampering of the Texas Assessment of

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Local roundup

West Central book fair

West Central PTO is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair this week. Book fair hours will be 8:30 a.m to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m to noon Friday. Parents and the community are welcome.

NCA annual auction

The public is invited to attend the annual Nazarene Christian Academy Auction Saturday, Sept. 25, 1999, in the auditorium and parking lot of the church. Appliances, services and vehicles are listed as items to be auctioned. There will also be baked goods, casseroles and rummage sale items. The auction begins at 10 a.m. All proceeds go to support the NCA.

Tops changes meeting place

TOPS will begin meeting at the Senior Citizens Cneter beginning thursday at 9:45 a.m.

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News in brief

Residents abandon tiny town

PLAYAS, N.M. (AP) — Soon, the cookie-cutter stucco houses will be empty. The playgrounds and baseball diamonds silent. The six-lane bowling alley closed for good.

Those who live in this little company town in southwestern New Mexico — many of them for more than 20 years — are making plans to leave. The Phelps Dodge Corp. copper smelter down the road, the only thing that brought them to this spot in the middle of the desert, has closed.

"It's a shame. It's a beautiful little town," said Carren Nicklas, who is moving her family to Arizona.

A slump in copper prices — from $1.20 a pound in 1996 to a 12-year low of 61 cents a pound in May — has prompted producers to lay off thousands of workers and scale back production across the Southwest this summer.

Broken Hill Proprietary Co. has laid off 2,600 workers in Arizona and Nevada — 2,200 of them in the company town of San Manuel, Ariz., population 4,000. Phelps Dodge has cut 1,650 jobs in Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, and Asarco Inc. has laid off 150 miners near Tucson, Ariz.

Copper is widely used in wiring and plumbing. The price decline has been attributed to overproduction, including the opening of several new mines in South America, and a slowdown in demand from Asia because of the economic turmoil there.

Elsewhere:

DRUG LOBBYING: The manufacturer of the diet drug phen-fen continued to lobby the government for relaxed limits on its drugs at a time when there was growing evidence that the drug was linked to fatal lung disease and heart damage. The Dallas Morning News reported that the company knew as early as 1996 about the connection between the diet drugs and the serious ailments.

Construction goes on

Construction continues -- Amidst the uncertainty caused by school district financial woes construction of the new physical education facility continues as crews use cranes to move cross beams into place and an unidentified worker tightens bolts holding the beams in place. The new facility will be used for physical education classes and athletic practice but will not be used for games because of seating restrictions.

Sears halts sale of trenchcoat dolls

HOFFMAN ESTATES, Ill. (AP) — Sears has halted sales of a trenchcoat-wearing, gun-toting action figure over complaints the doll resembles the gunmen at a Colorado high school, company officials said today.

The 12-inch doll comes with a ski mask, black trench coat, body armor, shotgun and rifle. The doll, in the Sept. 1 holiday catalog, is part of a series of collectible figures called "Heroes and Villains" that include dolls representing World War II and Vietnam War soldiers.

Jan Drummond, a spokeswoman at the company's suburban Chicago headquarters, said Sears officials decided to stop selling the doll last week after three people complained.

"Their concerns were very sincere and heartfelt," she said.

Drummond said it was never Sears' intent to pattern the dolls after students Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold, members of the so-called Trench Coat Mafia, who killed 12 classmates and a teacher at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo. before taking their own lives April 20.

"But taking a look at it, we decided it was inappropriate," Drummond said.

The dolls sold for $29.99 and were recommended for children ages 5 and up.

Kim Carpenter of Longmont, Colo., said she complained after her 8- and 10-year-old sons saw the action figure in the catalog and told her it looked like a "Trench Coat Mafia doll."

Harris and Klebold used two sawed-off shotguns, a semiautomatic pistol and a black semiautomatic rifle in their rampage. The figure's clothes are similar to those they wore.

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Obituaries

ANNA KATHERINE HUCKERT
Sept. 21, 1999

Services for Anna Katherine Huckert, 84, of Hereford are pending with Gililland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Huckert died Tuesday at the Hereford Care Center.

She was born April 19, 1915, in Welston, Mo., to Charles DeDoe Hardesty and Elizabeth Lola Mitchell. She came to Deaf Smith County in 1936. She married Frank Huckert Sept. 13, 1937, in Hereford.

Mrs. Huckert was a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church and a homemaker.

Survivors include four daughters, Mary Katherine Sauer of Annadale, Va., Betty Lance of Amarillo, Patsy Morgan of Lubbock, and Barbra Barnett of Plano; three sons, Joe Frank Huckert of Summerfield Robert Huckert of Hereford and David Huckert of Lamesa; 14 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in June of this year.

JOE FRANK KNOLL
Sept. 18, 1999

SHAMROCK – Services for Joe Frank Knoll, 63, of Shamrock were today at the Church of Christ in Dozier with Terry Newell of Shawnee, Okla., officiating. Burial was in the the Shamrock Cemetery by Wright Funeral Directors.

Mr. Knoll died Saturday.

He was born in Shamrock and raised in Greasey Corner Junction in the Samnorwood Community, where he graduated from Samnorwood School in 1954. He received an associates degree from Clarendon College and attended West Texas State University. He married Anita Lois Amerson in Dozier in 1959. He worked for the Firestone Company of Amarillo before being transferred to Oklahoma.

In 1969 he moved to Knoll, where he farmed and raised livestock and managed Lutie Cotton Gin. He also served as Collingsworth County Commissioner for eight years, the Samnorwood School Board for 12 years and he served in the National Guard for nine years.

He was a member of the Samnorwood Lions Club, the Rotary Club in Shamrock and was a 32nd degree Mason.

He was a member of the Dozier Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Joe Frank "Jody" Knoll Jr. of Canyon and Steven Arnold Knoll of Hereford; one daughter, Stacey Renea Knoll Morgan of Shamrock; his mother John Faye Green of Shamrock; one sister, Joan Inman of Amarillo; five grandchildren.

AMY MICHELLE NEWHOUSE
Sept. 18, 1999

PAMPA – Services for Amy Michelle Newhouse, 16, of Pampa were today in the First Baptist Church with Pastor Lonny Robbins, and Pastor Tim Kettenring of Trinity Fellowship officiating. Burial will be in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Miss Newhouse was born in Kerrville and moved to Pampa in 1994. She was active in Teen Leadership, Girls for Christ, Business Professionals of America, Thespian Society and was manager of the Pampa High School Volleyball team.

Survivors include her parents Kevin and Nancy Hull of Amarillo and Bubba and Teresa Newhouse of Clarendon; four sisters, Sara Newhouse of Lubbock, Katy Newhouse, Nicole Newhouse, and Abby Hull, all of Pampa; her grandparents, Kenneth and Sue Rodgers of Throckmorton, Bright and Cloe Ann Newhouse of Clarendon, Mary Sue Hull of Hereford and Jack and Charlotte Capps of Atkinson, Ill.

The family suggests memorials be made to Baptist St. Anthony's Pediatric Intensive Oncology Unit of Amarillo; or the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

BETTY KELLEY
Sept. 17, 1999

Services for Betty Kelley, 73, of Hereford were Monday in the Rose Chapel of Gililland-Watson Funeral Home with Rev. Jeremy Grant of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial was in Rest Lawn Memorial Park.

Mrs. Kelley died Friday at her home.

She was born Aug. 11, 1926, in Culzbach-Rosenberg-Germany to Johann Lipold and Babette Pilhofer. She married Doug Kelley on Feb. 6, 1954, in Culzbach-Rosenberg-Germany and came to Deaf Smith County in 1954. She was a Lutheran and a language teacher.

Survivors include her husband Doug Kelley of Hereford; two daughters, Doris Hamilton of San Antonio and Barbra Quintana of Amarillo; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Sept. 17-20, 1999, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT
Arrests

– Two juveniles were taken into custody in the 200 block of Avenue F. and charged with disorderly conduct.

– A 30-year-old man was arrested in the 800 block of South 25 Mile Avenue and charged with public intoxication and false identification to a police officer.

– An 18-year-old man was arrested in the 300 block of Stadium Drive and charged with public intoxication.

– A 44-year-old man was arrested in the 400 block of Avenue E and charged with assault.

– A 47-year-old woman was arrested in the 400 block of Avenue E and charged with assault and resisting arrest.

– A 25-year-old man was arrested in the 400 block of Avenue D and charged with domestic assault.

– A 21-year-old man was arrested at Grand and Avenue D and charged with unlawfully carrying a weapon.

– A 37-year-old man was arrested in the 200 block of Avenue D and charged with public intoxication.

– A 24-year-old man was arrested in the 200 bloc of Avenue D and charged with public intoxication.

– A 33-year-old woman was arrested in the 500 block of North Lee and charged with assault.

– A 42-year-old woman was arrested on East Highway 60 and charged on a number of traffic warrants.

– A 42-year-old man was arrested on East Highway 60 and charged with assault.

Incidents

– A runaway was reported in the 100 block of Avenue G.

– An aggravated robbery was reported in the 800 block of Brevard.

– A runaway was reported in the 400 block of Long.

– Lost property was reported in the 1300 block of West First.

– Theft was reported in the 400 block of Avenue H.

– Cruelty to animals was reported in the 300 block of Avenue C.

– Criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of Sampson.

– Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of Irving.

– Theft was reported in the 200 block of Avenue F.

– A forgery was reported in the 600 block of West First.

– Death by natural causes was reported in the 700 block of Blevins.

– Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

– Failure to stop and Render Information was filed in the 100 block of Avenue G.

– Abandoned children were reported in the 600 block of East Fourth.

– A report of unlawful restraint was reported in the 700 block of North Miles.

– Theft was reported in the 100 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.

– Theft was reported in the 2000 block of East First.

– Assault was reported in the 1300 block of West First.

– Two reports of terroristic threats were made in the 700 block of LaPlata.

– A robbery was reported in the 100 block of Ross.

– A robbery was reported in the 800 block of South Main.

– An assault was reported in the 500 block of Brevard.

– Harassment was reported in the 900 block of West First.

– A traffic accident was reported in the 100 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

– A traffic accident was reported on Elm and Moreman.

– A traffic accident was reported in the 400 block of Witherspoon.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
Arrests

– A 45-year-old man was arrested and charged with assault and hindering apprehension.

– A 21-year-old woman was arrested and charged with violation of probation on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

– A 27-year-old woman was arrested on a surrender of surety out of Potter County.

– A 20-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation on a public lewdness and a possession of drug paraphernalia charge.

– A 32-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation on a possession of a controlled substance, cocaine.

– A 21-year-old woman was arrested and charged with theft by check, over $20, under $500.

Incidents

– An aggravated assault on a peace officer was reported.

– A burglary of a residents was reported.

– A burglary of a motor vehicle was reported.

– Criminal mischief was reported.

– An assault was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

– 9:30 a.m. Firefighters responded to a reported wreck 2 miles east on U.S. Highway 60. Nothing was located.

– 9:31 p.m. Firefighters responded to Fourth and Miles for an alarm malfunction.

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Texas lottery

Cash Five

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery:

1-7-27-30-31

Pick 3

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

0-9-6

Lotto Texas

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The jackpot was worth $7 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were:

1-14-19-22-31-40.

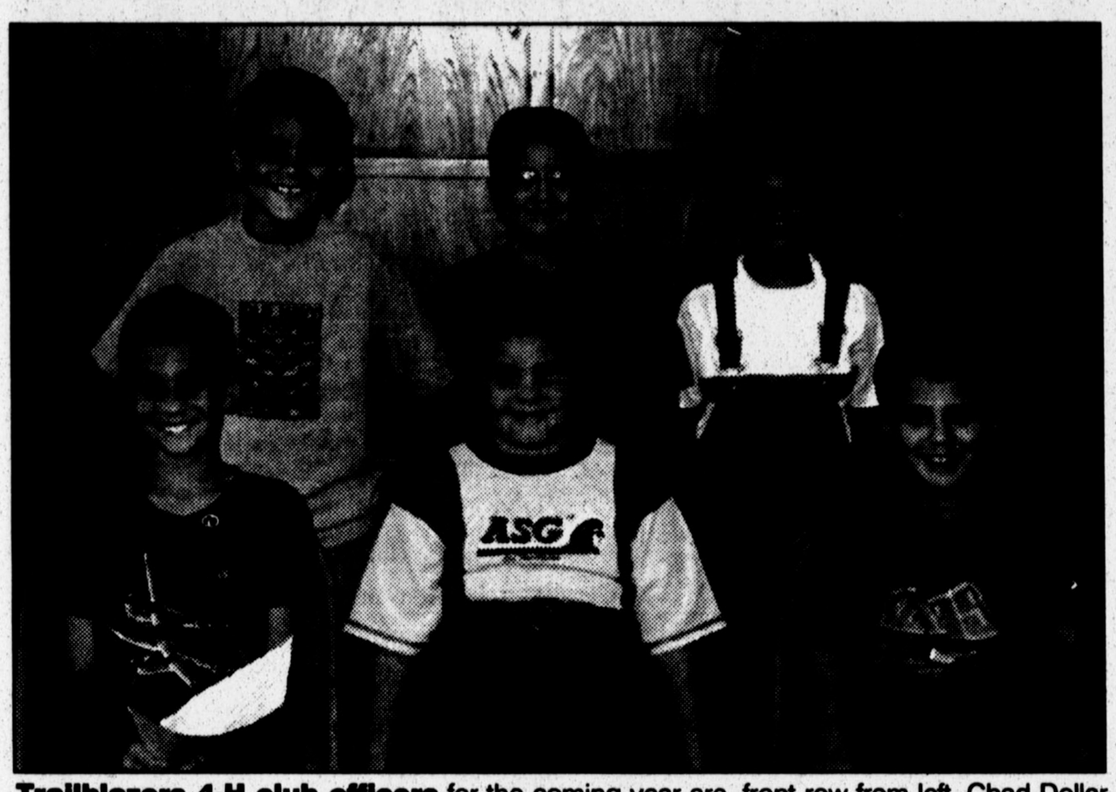
Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $10 million.

Pick 3

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

0-9-4

4-H club chooses name



Trailblazers 4-H club officers for the coming year are, front row from left, Chad Dollar, president; Kelly White, vice president; Ryan Hoelscher, secretary; back row from left, Jordan Duggan, reporter; Shane Wilcox, Council delegate; and Randall King, alternate Council delegate.

4-H Trailblazers

The newest club to 4-H, the Trailblazers, began their first meeting by choosing a name for themselves.

The temporary name for the club was Boys Interest until a unanimous decision was made by the members to name the club "Trailblazers" since they are the first group of members to be in the club. Officer elections followed soon after their name was decided on.

Officers elected include: Chad Dollar, president; Kelly White, vice president; Ryan Heolscher, secretary; Jordan Duggan, reporter; Shane Wilcox, Council delegate; and Randall King, alternate Council delegate. Other members are Kevin Prisk, Matthew Pena, and Justin Johnson.

In other business, the club discussed projects, such as gun safety and photography lessons from Jim Steiert, to work on and participate in throughout the year. The next meeting will be on Monday, Oct. 18 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Aggie Moms

The Golden Spread Aggie Moms gather for their first meeting of the 1999/2000 school year, 7pm, Monday, September 27, at K-Bob's Steakhouse in Hereford.

The Golden Spread Aggie Moms support Texas A&M University students through special needs networking, an area student directory including members joining by October 15, care packages during fall final exams, scholarships, and recogniton of incoming freshmen and seniors with an annual icecream social.

All area Aggie Moms are encouraged to come and share "Aggie Brags." We welcome any Texas A&M mother interested in joining.

Dues for active members are $5/year. Inactive members pay $30/year to help furnish care packages.

For further information, contact Ginger Olson, president, 647-2698, Carla Scott, recording secretary, 578-4530, or Mariellen Homfeld, first vice president for membership, 289-5918.

KUB Award Winners

The Hereford Beautification Alliance has announced the names of the recipients for the KUB (Keeping Us Beautiful) Award for the week of Sept. 12:

The KUB Award is given to acknowledge those individuals and businesses who take the time and effort to maintain their property.

Property is judged for neatness, free of weeds and junk, lawn mowed, no junk cars parked on premises, and flowers (in season) and shrubs.

No major prizes are awarded but recipients receive an award letter.

Winners for the week of Sept. 19 are:

*T. E. Brisendine, 805 S. 25 Mile Avenue

*Gilbert Luna, 504 Jackson

*Edward Wuerflein, 136 Oak

*Rumaldo Lucero, 504 Sampson

The Alliance congratulates these winners for the high standard they are setting.

Study Club begins

The Hereford Study Club met in the home of Willie Braddy for the first meeting of the year. The new officers hosted a luncheon for the members. The newly elected officers are: Betty Martin, president; Helen Spinks, vice president; Barbara Allen, secretary/reporter; Virginia Winget, historian; Elizabeth Hellman, corresponding secretary; and Mary Story, parliamentarian.

Helen Spinks presided for the program. The theme of the year is "Zooming on to the Year 2000."

Each member received a yearbook. Those present were Braddy, Spinks, Robinson, Hellman, Winget, Doris Bryant, Hazel Ford, Mildred Garrison, Betty Gilbert, Martin, Carole McGalvary, Mary Story and Gladys Setliff.

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Ann Landers

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Dear Ann Landers: I married very young and had a daughter. The marriage didn't last. I remarried a few years later, and my second husband adopted "Eleanor." She is now 52 years old, and has never asked about her birth father, although I would have been happy to tell her whatever she wanted to know. My ex-husband never wanted anything to do with us. He refused to pay child support, even though it was mandated by the divorce decree. He moved back to his hometown, and that was the last I heard of him.

A few weeks ago, Eleanor told me she needed information about her father's medical history, and I found his address and phone number through the Internet. She telephoned him, and they spoke briefly. It seems he has been remarried for 45 years and has three sons and several grandchildren. He said he never told his children about his first marriage or that he has a grown daughter, and asked Eleanor to keep it quiet. She promised to honor his request.

I am upset about this, and Eleanor is deeply hurt that her father wants nothing to do with her, even after all these years. I decided to write to my ex-husband and send him a photograph of Eleanor and her children, along with her phone number. I asked him to please reconsider. We have heard nothing.

Isn't it is a shame that on top of rejecting his daughter, his sons aren't supposed to know they have a sister? Should I get their addresses and give them to Eleanor, or let sleeping dogs lie? — In a Quandary in Colorado

Dear Quandary: This man did not pay any child support, and showed zero interest in his daughter while she was growing up. He's made it plain that he wants no part of her now. It would serve no purpose to drag his sons into this sad situation. I say, "Let sleeping dogs lie."

Dear Ann Landers: Please help us get the word out about a recent change in the law that will benefit surviving spouses of deceased veterans.

In 1990, surviving spouses who remarried were no longer eligible for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC). As of Oct. 1, 1998, the Veterans Benefits Act permits restoration of DIC payments to a surviving spouse if the remarriage is terminated through death, divorce or annulment.

This is an important resource for veterans' surviving spouses who often have limited means of support. We are concerned that Veterans' Affairs (VA) may not be able to reach all of these spouses, and hope that your column will let them know they may once again be entitled to this benefit. Those who think they are eligible should contact their local VA Regional Office or call VA toll-free at 1-800-827-1000.

On behalf of the entire Department of Veterans Affairs and the millions of veterans and family members who rely on us, thank you for helping us spread the word on this important change. — Togo D. West Jr., Secretary of Veterans Affairs

Dear Secretary West: Thank you for giving me the opportunity to tell my readers that they may be eligible for these benefits. I appreciate your concern for the welfare of these surviving spouses, and hope your letter will help get the word out.

Dear Ann Landers: Here's another letter for your stupid criminal files. A couple I know had their car stolen. On the front seat were their tickets to a Boston Red Sox baseball game. After their car was taken, my friends went with the police to the ballpark, and sure enough, the car thieves were sitting in their seats. Is that rich, or what? — Brookline, Mass.

Dear Brookline: Beautiful. Who won?

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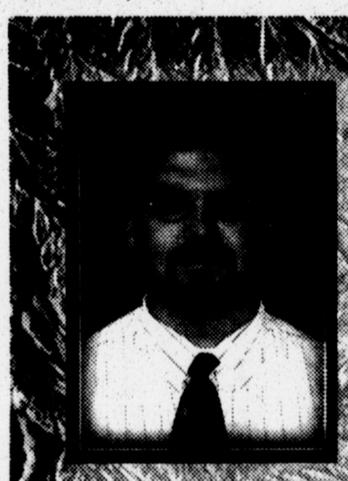

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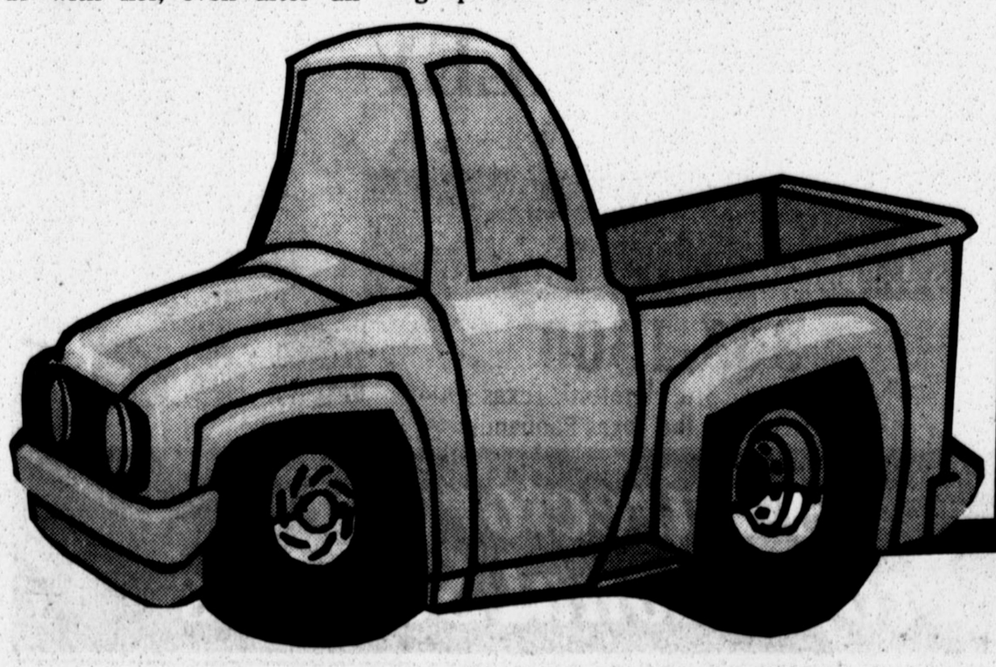

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New Arrival in Canyon

Jason and Stephanie Trice of Canyon are the proud parents of a baby girl, Jayci Drew, born September 9. She weighed five lbs. 12 oz. was 19 inches long. Her grandparents are John and Pam Wilson of Dawn, Ted and Buffy Trice of Dumas and Sherry Lemons of Canyon. Great Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Ward of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Trice of Canyon. Vera Castleberry, of Plainview, is the Great Great Grandmother.

'Tell-A-Friend Friday' to be held Oct.1

During Breast Cancer Awareness month in October, the American Cancer Society, Texas Division, Inc., is launching a statewide campaign to reach Texas women with potentially lifesaving information.

"Tell-A-Friend Friday" will be held Oct. 1, a day on which women are asked to call and encourage friends and family members to have regular screening mammograms.

"We hope to reach more than 11,300 women, the same number of new cases of breast cancer expected to be detected in Texas in 1999, and encourage them to get a mammogram," Diane Lowell of Lubbock, chairman of the statewide effort, said.

Research shows that women are more apt to get a mammogram if they are urged to do so by a doctor, friend or family member. Tell-A-Friend Friday is a simple program by which women volunteer to call at least five of their friends and acquaintances and encourage them to get a mammogram.

The benefits of mammography are paying off, as statistics show that the survival rate of breast cancer is almost 100 percent when detected early.

"The only way we can further reduce the death rate from breast cancer is by getting more women to have annual mammograms and Tell-A-Friend Friday is a way to accomplish that goal. More importantly, now that Medicare covers the cost of annual screening mammograms, we're hoping that even more women will avail themselves of this important procedure," Lowell said.

Businesses are also encouraged to participate by allowing employees to make the calls from the workplace on Oct. 1 and throughout the month on the following Fridays.

Annual screening mammograms for women age 40 and older are the key element of the American Cancer Society guidelines, which also an include annual exam by a health care professional and monthly breast self-examination.

For more information and to volunteer for Tell-A-Friend Friday, call the American Cancer Society a 1-800-ACS-2345. Or visit the website at www.acs-tx.org.

Octoberfest '99 scheduled at Lake Brownwood

Folks 50 and over are invited to experience nature at its best this year "deep in the heart of Texas" during Octoberfest '99, according to Beverly Harder, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences.

The event, sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be Oct. 18-21 at Lake Brownwood.

Opportunities will include hands-on learning centers where one can learn painting, woodworking, holiday crafts, and other exciting projects. Education programs on topics such as horticulture, photography, nutrition, finances and other current interests are a popular highlight.

Fishing on Lake Brownwood adds popularity to this event. Lighted tennis courts, horseshoes, billiards, volleyball, shuffleboard, dominoes, and card and table games are all available. Fun and educational tours are planned.

A special "Walk on the Wild Side" theme featuring a costume contest will provide a festive atmosphere to the event. The theme party and the closing banquet will feature exciting activities and entertainment.

If interested, call the county Extension office at 364-3573.

Constitution Week observed

As Constitution Week is observed Sept. 17-23, these Constitution Sidelights, furnished by Los Ciboleros Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, feature signers of the Constitution. These men who gathered in Philadelphia from May to September 1787 are remembered for their dedication in creating a Constitution which established the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of American citizenship.

*Robert Morris was born in Liverpool, England, in 1734 and came to American in 1747 at the age of 13 with very little money. As a result of his exceptional business and administrative ability, he built up a network of businesses in Europe and the United States that made him very wealthy.

Morris served as a member of the Continental Congress and voted against independence on July 1, 1776. He purposely was absent the next day, however, to facilitate an affirmative ballot by his delegation. Morris was a key congressman specializing in financial affairs and military procurement and worked closely with General Washington.

As a delegate to the Constitutional Convention, he attended practically every meeting but spoke only twice in debates and did not serve on any committees. Following the signing of the Constitution, he declined Washington's offer of appointment as the first Secretary of the Treasury and took a U.S. Senate seat instead where he served from 1789-95. He died in 1806 at the age of 73.

*George Clymer was a signer of both the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution, In the Continental Congress he rarely spoke but got his points across during committee meetings, especially those pertaining to commerce, finance and military affairs.

During the Constitutional Convention Clymer rarely missed a meeting. He seldom spoke but when he did, he did so effectively and played a modes role in shaping the final document. He served in the first U.S. House of Representatives from 1789-91. He died in 1813 at the age of 73.

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Herd gets Raided

■ Canyon Randall survives Herd onslaught to score sweep of Hereford, 17-15, 15-13

By Yuri Soto
Hereford Brand Sports Editor

CANYON — With district play starting tonight, the Hereford Lady Whiteface volleyball team has more areas to work on.

Those areas were very evident when the Lady Whitefaces dropped their match on Saturday afternoon to the Canyon Randall Raiders, 17-15, 15-13 at Randall High School.

"I think both teams played pretty tough," said Randall Coach Shelly Williams. "It was a situation were they got the big lead and we came back and in the second game, we got the big lead and they came back to challenge us. Both teams are showing maturity just by hanging in the game."

It didn't start that way for the Lady Whitefaces.

Kills by Michelle Bernhardt, Tori Walker and Pam Klein, coupled by a Klein-Sarah Griffin block assist, gave the Lady Whitefaces what it seemed to be an commanding 6-2 lead in the first game, an advantage that swelled to 8-2 after two Randall errors.

After that, things got interesting for both teams.

Key defensive digs and forced errors by the Raiders cut the gap to 8-6, putting them back in the game.

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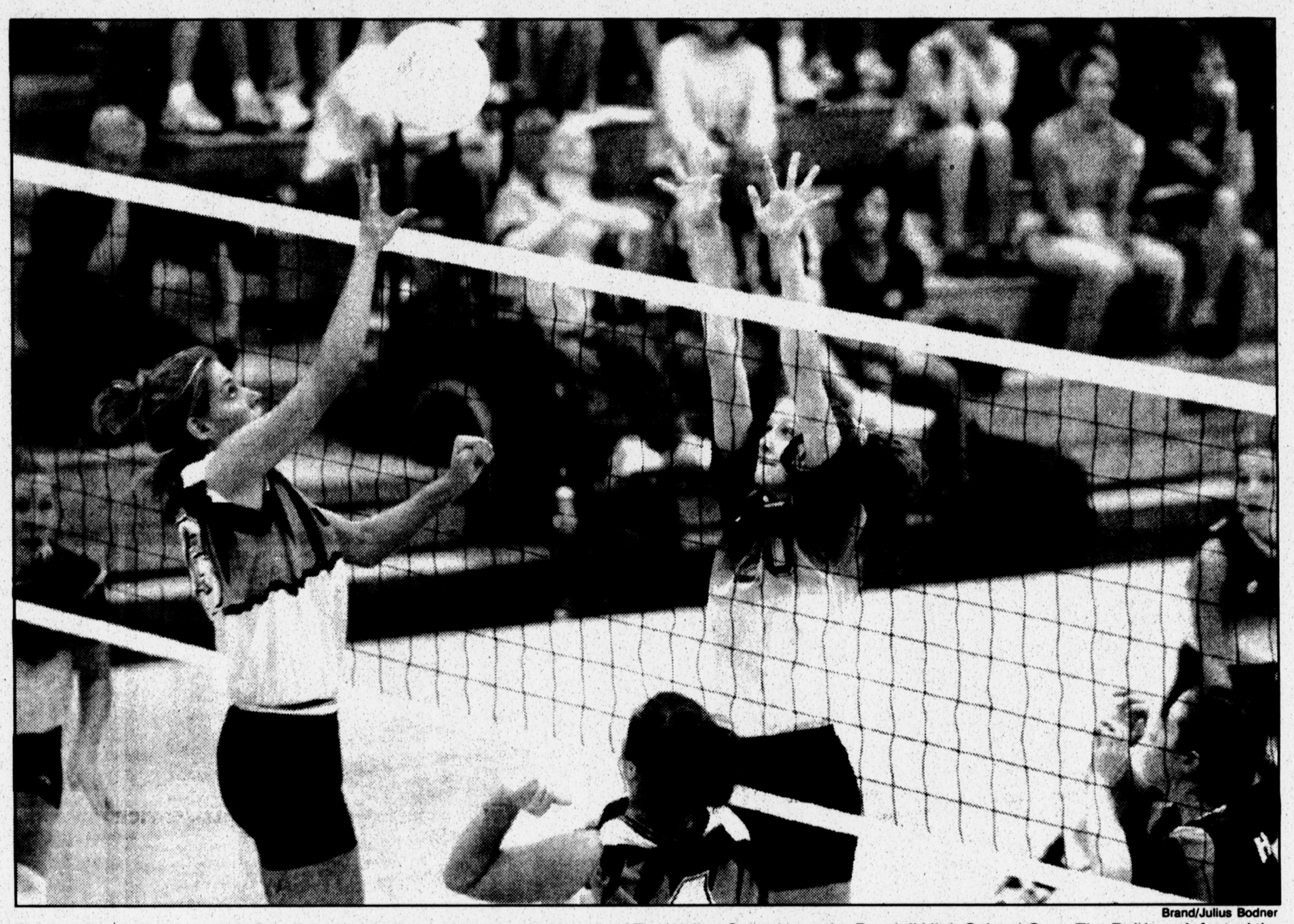

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Canyon Randall's Magan McCormick hits a ball over the extended hands of Tori Walker Saturday at the Randall High School Gym. The Raiders defeated the Lady Whitefaces 17-15, 15-13. Hereford travels to Dumas today at 6 p.m. to take on the Demonettes in their district opener.

Tennis team gets swept at Dumas

From Staff Reports

DUMAS — Another weekend passed, and another tough outing was experienced by the Hereford tennis team.

The Whitefaces traveled to Dumas to face the Demons and Demonettes, only to lose every match, 19-0 on Saturday.

In girls' singles, Ivory Isaacson went through a tough three-set match and lost 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 to Chrissy Nies. Lindsee Goforth also went three sets in her match and lost to Jeannie Fewell, 6-0, 3-6, 6-4.

The rest of the girls singles results included Kimberly Scott losing to Jamille Pool, 6-2, 6-2; Kylee Auckerman dropped her match 6-4, 6-0 to Jamie Ames; DeNae Brinkman lost to Brittany Mitchell, 6-0, 6-0 and Katherine Fry lost to Alicia Schubert, 6-1, 6-0.

Boys doubles included Matt Coggins beating Nelson Beville, 6-4, 6-1; Riley Hall lost to Ryan TeBeest, 6-2, 6-2; Shelby Melban beat Ian Isaacson , 6-0, 6-0; Aaron Kozak bested Clay Cosby, 6-1, 6-0; Clayton Blackshear lost to Cody Crouch, 6-0, 6-2 and R.J. Rodriguez lost to Justin Boardman 6-0, 6-0.

Boys doubles saw Coggins-TeBeest defeat Hall-Beville 6-2, 6-2 and Blackshear-Rodriguez lost to Melban-Kozak, 6-1, 6-0.

Girls doubles saw Goforth-Fry lost to Ames-Mitchell, 6-1, 6-0; Brinkman and Brianna Finley Martin and York of Dumas, 6-0 6-3.

Auckerman and Cosby lost their mixed doubles match to Fewell and Crouch, 6-0, 6-4.

Yosten takes King Invitational

From Staff Reports

Brionne Yosten

LUBBOCK — The cross country teams did not run as teams. But the Hereford Whitefaces sent individuals to the King Invitational in Lubbock to run, and brought positive results.

In the girls' division, Brionne Yosten again was successful on the two-mile field, taking first place in the event with a time of 11 minutes and 55 seconds.

Ruby Crox finished seventh and finished at 12:44. Janet Blakely followed suit with eighth place and a racing time of 12:47.

Rounding up the varsity runners included Amy Crox (14th, 13:09) and Shari High (67th, 15:09).

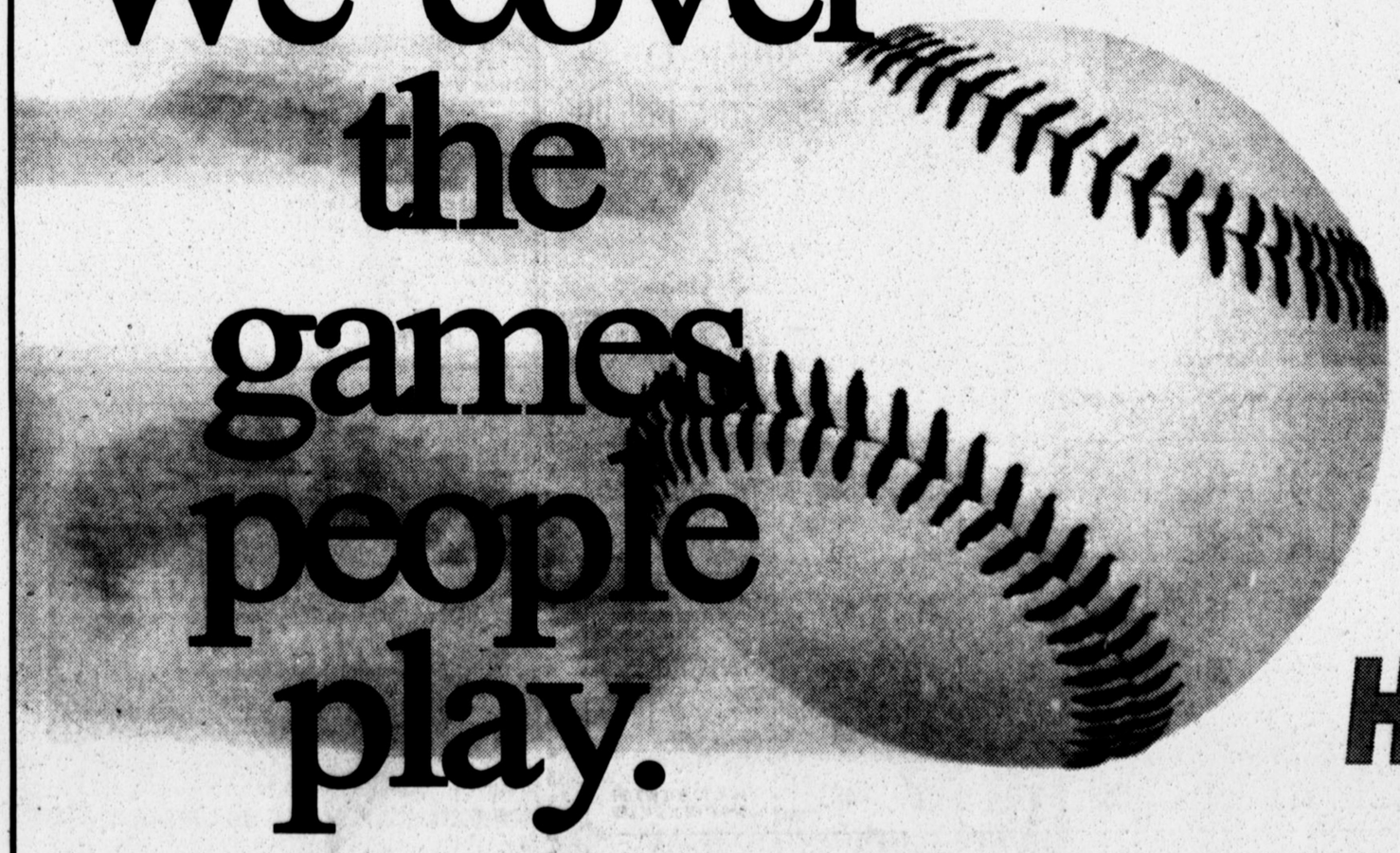
The varsity boys' top finisher was Anthony Gonzalez, timing in at 17:10 and finishing sixth place in the three-mile course. Jose Ozuna was the other varsity runner to place at 26th with a time of 18:22.

Rounding up the varsity boys were Tony Escamilla (18:39), Carlos Perez (19:42) and Fabian Aguijo (23:04). None of them placed.

The junior varsity girls also ran at the meet. They included Lisa Dominguez (16:06), Jami Riley (14:49), Audrey Cabezuela (16:07) and Nancy Martinez (17:32). Places were not available.

The next competition for the Hereford cross country teams will be Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Amarillo Invitational.

We cover the games people play.



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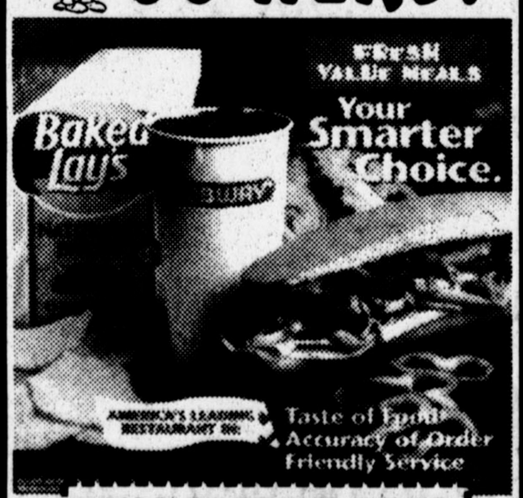

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Cowboys pluck Falcons

Emmitt Smith moves fourth in all-time run list

IRVING (AP) — Denver isn't the only Super Bowl team in trouble.

The Atlanta Falcons were wiped out 24-7 Monday night by the Dallas Cowboys, marking the first time both defending conference champions have started the following season 0-2.

But that's not the worst of it for the Falcons.

Quarterback Chris Chandler couldn't play because of a strained hamstring, and running back Jamal Anderson joined him on the sideline after spraining his right knee early in the first quarter of the weak offensive performance.

As for Dallas, things are looking good.

The Cowboys are 2-0 for the first time since 1995, their last Super Bowl season, and their defense didn't look anything like the group that got torched by Washington in the opener.

Then again, Dallas was stopping an Atlanta offense led by Tony Graziani and Byron Hanspard, third-year players with empty resumes compared to Pro Bowlers Chandler and Anderson.

Graziani was 7-of-16 for 90 yards. His second pass was intercepted, leading to a Dallas field goal, and he fumbled early in the third quarter, setting up the touchdown that put the Cowboys up 17-0.

The left-hander's biggest highlight was making it to the third quarter, something he failed to do in his previous two starts. The thrill was short-lived, though, as Danny Kannell replaced him after two possessions.

Kannell, who beat Dallas twice with the New York Giants in 1997, was almost as ineffective. He short-circuited one decent drive with an interception, then rebounded with a 45-yard touchdown pass to Tim Dwight with four minutes left, the first time the Falcons crossed the Dallas 30 in the game.

The Falcons threatened again but on a third-and-goal from the 4 with 1:01 to play, defensive end Greg Ellis returned an interception 87 yards for the final Dallas touchdown.

Things might have been different if the defense had to worry about Anderson.

The reigning NFC rushing champion was lost six minutes into the game without even being hit. On his third carry, Anderson planted his right foot, cut left and immediately knew something was wrong. He was grabbing his knee before he even landed on the artificial turf of Texas Stadium.

His bulldozing style was especially missed on three third-and-short situations when the Falcons were down 10-0. Atlanta instead had a nearly intercepted pass, a no-gain by Hanspard and Graziani's fumble.

The Falcons defense was the only reason the game remained close.

After gaining 541 yards against Washington in a 41-35 overtime victory, the Cowboys had just 231 yards. Troy Aikman went from 355 yards passing to 109, his lowest total since the last game of the 1997 season. He was 10-of-22 and threw two interceptions, giving him five for the year, matching last season's total.

Instead of sustaining long drives, Dallas cashed in on Atlanta mistakes.

Graziani's interception led to a 23-yard field goal by Richie Cunningham midway through the first quarter. A second-quarter missed field goal by Morten Andersen turned into a 2-yard touchdown run by Emmitt Smith.

Smith scored again on a 7-yard run early in the third quarter a few plays after Graziani's fumble.

Smith had 29 carries for 108 yards, his second straight 100-yard outing. He also passed Tony Dorsett to become fourth on the NFL's career rushing list at 12,783 yards. Dorsett was at the game to take part in a half-time celebration honoring the Cowboys' 40th anniversary.

Andersen's 49-yard miss was his third this year. He had only five last year.

Cunningham left a 47-yarder wide right late in the third quarter.

With the victory, Cowboys coach Chan Gailey took a 1-0 lead over his former Little League baseball coach Dan Reeves. The Americus, Ga., natives had never met as head coaches.

Dallas — which had a rough injury week itself, learning that Daryl Johnston and Quentin Coryatt are out for the season — may have played its last game without Deion Sanders.

The All-Pro cornerback and punt returner said his aching left big toe should be ready to go by the Cowboys' next game, Oct. 3. Dallas has a bye this week.

A new injury for the Cowboys was offensive lineman Erik Williams straining his right quadriceps in pre-game warmups. He was replaced by Tony Hutson. Another lineman, Everett McIver, left in the second quarter with a strained hamstring.

Raghib Ismail reaggravated the left shoulder he separated in training camp on a 38-yard catch that set up Smith's first touchdown, but he returned later in the quarter.

Letters to the Sports Editor

Volleyball player reacts to column

Hello,

I read the newspaper the other day and I saw your article about the volleyball girls.

I am a volleyball player on the freshman team. I did not like your article at all.

Every single volleyball player on the varsity team has worked their tail off to make it up all the way to their level of play.

In your article you said that Tori Walker does everything by herself.

I agree that she is an awesome player. But it takes the whole team, not just one person and I believe that they would not be as far as they are if Walker is the only one working.

— Bethany Fitzgerald

Officers like to thank Hereford for making Senior Supper a success

The Hereford High School Senior Class of 2000 would like to thank you, "our community," for making the Senior Supper a success.

We are also grateful to those who donated items.

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— Riley Hall, Valerie Guzman and Toni Eicke, Sr. Class Officers.

Lewis takes third at Tri-State Roping Competition

From Staff Reports

AMARILLO — Hereford ropers Monty Lewis and Rodey Wilson got their share of success at the Tri-State Fair Calf Roping Invitational.

Wilson finished third place, totaling 43.15 seconds in four rounds and winning a total of $1,480.

Wilson was the second round winner with a time of 9.77 and collecting $888. He finished third in the fourth round, compiling a time of 10.38 and winning $444.

Lewis won the first round roping with a time of $1,184. He finished fourth in the third round, timing in at 9.93 and winning $296,

Kendrick wins football contest

Janet Kendrick of Hereford won week three of the Hereford Brand's weekly football contest.

She missed five games with a total tie-breaker score of 52. She wins a cash prize of $35.

The total tie-breaker score was 51 thanks to the Whitefaces 34-17 victory against Wolfforth Frenship on Friday, Sept. 17.

L.V. Watts got second place thanks to a tie-breaking score of 49. He missed five games. He wins a cash prize of $25.

Third place went to Pam Klein, who also missed five games and got a total tie-breaking score of 38.

Mary English also missed five games, but had a tie-breaker score of 32.

There were a total of 115 participants in this week's contest. Twenty-two contestants missed six games.

The top three winners this week will be eligible for the Grand Prize of $1,000 at the end of the year.

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Boys golf take second at Pampa Triangular

From Staff Reports

PAMPA — The Hereford Whitefaces boys golf team took a big step in their fall season as they finished second in triangular one of the Pampa Golf Triangular at the Pampa Country Club on Saturday.

The Whitefaces finished shooting 333. Dumas took that triangular, finishing 320.

Individually, Peyton Ward was a second-place medalist in the first triangular, shooting 77. Charlie Romero of Dumas took the first place medalist, shooting 75.

Rounding off the Hereford individual golfers were Thomas Maldonado, who shot 83; Tyler Keeling shot 86; Kevin Hoffman and Brad Reinart shot 87.

The Hereford Whitefaces boys' golf team head out Saturday to Plainview. The girls' golf team start at Pampa Saturday.

Raiders

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A couple of kills by Toni Eicke put the Herd up 11-7, and Randall caught up with them on dig errors and blocks by the Raiders, put the score 11-9 in favor of Hereford.

A Michelle Bernhardt kill put the Lady Herd up again 13-9, and an error on Randall's Haylee Hartline put the Whitefaces up again 14-11.

"They came out aggressive and came after us and we really didn't prepare for them," Bernhardt said. "We need to make sure to correct the mistakes we've been doing."

From there, Randall dominated the rest of the way.

With Hereford leading 14-13, both teams exchanged sideouts until Magan McCormick of Randall tied the game. An ace by Anika Holmes out the Raiders up 15-14.

"We didn't put a lot of emotion into our play, I didn't think we prepared ourselves to play this morning," Hereford Coach Brenda Kitten said. "It wasn't just offense or on defense. It was just a slow, emotionless performance."

Hereford tied it again at 15-all, but a dig error on Hereford and an ace by Randall's Tammy Wilson ended the first game.

The second game saw Randall dominate, jumping out to a monstrous 10-2 lead, thanks to block aces from Holmes and Hartline.

Hereford's two points came from unforced errors by the Raiders. Hereford struggled to score points.

Walker then took over with kills and block aces. Griffin and Bernhardt's offense, along with diving digs from Ashley Gonzalez and McKenzie Tabor, closed the score to 13-10 in Randall's favor.

"Everywhere we were playing in the game, we were just slacking," Gonzalez said. "We didn't come out prepared."

A Klein ace and Bernhardt kills tied things at 13 all, but net violation on Hereford and a block error ended the match.

Hereford committed 45 errors.

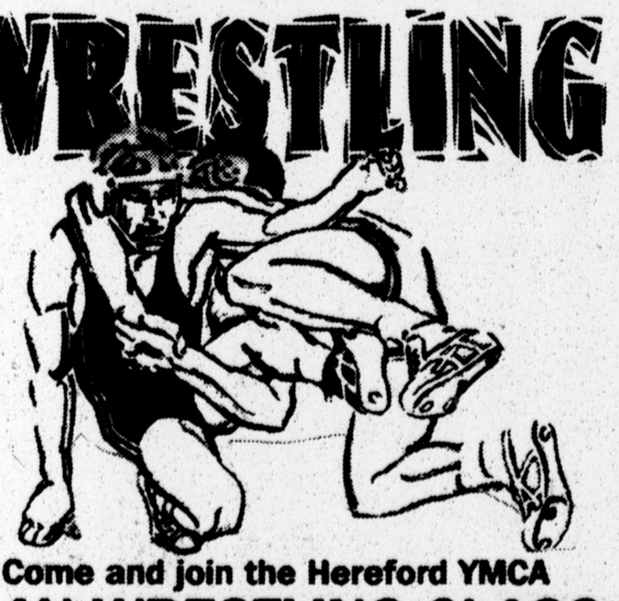
"We only have a day to prepare for the next opponent and work on things," Kitten said. "I just hope our kids learn a lesson from this."

Bernhardt led the Lady Whitefaces with 12 kills. Gonzalez nailed 16 digs in a defensive effort.

With district play starting today, Kitten hopes the Lady Whitefaces run the engines to a second gear. Hereford travels to Dumas, where the first serve is scheduled for 6 p.m.

"It's just a matter of being better prepared," Kitten said. "I hope that because it is district, we should put more emotion in our play."

WRESTLING



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Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The Deaf Smith County educated a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the Deaf Smith County by 4.31 percent on August 30, 1999 @ 9:00 AM. The Deaf Smith County is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in the tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 27, 1999, at 9:00 AM at Deaf Smith County Courthouse.

TELEVISION/COMICS

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 21

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
2	Newshour With Jim Lehrer		Life of Birds		Nova				Charlie Rose		Newshour
3	Animals	Show-Funny	Life, Camera	Life, Camera	Return to Lonesome Dove				700 Club		Show-Funny
4	News	Ent. Tonight	Just Shoot	3rd Rock	Will & Grace	O'Malley	Dateline		News	(:35) Tonight Show	
5	Movie: Brink! *Erik von Detten.*			(:40) Movie: Mr. Headmistress ★★			(:15) Movie: Brink! *Erik von Detten.*				Zorro
6	Fresh Pr.	(:35) Major League Baseball New York Mets at Atlanta Braves						(:35) Movie: The Longest Yard (1974), *Eddie Albert* ★★★			
7	News	Fortune	Spin City	Its Like	Dharma	Dharma	Once and Again		News	Seinfeld	Nightline
10	News	Home Imp.	JAG		60 Minutes II		Judging Amy		News	(:35) Late Show	
13	3rd Rock	Simpsons	Wrlds. Scarliest		When Good Times Go Bad		Mad	M*A*S*H	Frasier	Cops	Real TV
13	Billiards		Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced						Sportscenter		Baseball
15	Movie:	Movie News	Movie: Desperate Measures ★½ 'R'			(:45) Movie: Fatal Affair *C. Thomas Howell.* 'NR'				Movie: Hurricane Streets	
20	(5:00) Movie: Ever After		Real Sports		Movie: There's Something About Mary *Cameron Diaz.*				Sex & City	Reverb	
21	Movie: ★½ Small Soldiers		Movie: Dead Innocent *Nancy Beatty.*			Movie: Boogie Nights (1997) *Mark Wahlberg, Burt Reynolds.* ★★★½ 'R'			Movie:		
23	Movie: Pride-Prejudice		Movie: The Champ (1931) ★★★½			Movie: The Mighty McGurk (1947) ★★★			Movie: The Life of Jimmy Dolan (1933)		
25	Waltons		Life of Conway Twitty		Prime Time Country		George Jones		Dallas		Dukes
26	Wild Discovery		Invisible Places		New Detectives		FBI Files		Invisible Places		Detectives
27	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		City Confidential		Law & Order		Biography
27	Movie: Lies of the Heart: The Story of Laurie Kellogg				Movie: Moment of Truth: Stalking Back (1993) ★★				Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
32	Sports	Last Word	Slant	Cowboys	Hardcore Football		Goin' Deep		FOX Sports News		Sports
33	ER		Movie: Mortal Thoughts (1991) *Demi Moore.* ★★★				(:15) Movie: Mortal Thoughts (1991) *Demi Moore, Glenne Headly.* ★★★				
34	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Skeeter	Brady	I Love Lucy	Jeffersons	Taxi	M.T. Moore	Happy Days	WKRP
35	JAG		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: Iron Eagle (1986) *Louis Gossett Jr., Jason Gedrick.* ★★					Baywatch	
36	Sonadoras		Camila		Tree Mujeres		Primer Impacto Noc.		P. Impacto	Noticiero	Mejor-Ritmo
37	20th Century		War Strikes Home		Korean War: Fire & Ice		Radar		Civil War Journal		War Strikes
45	Star Trek		Sliders		Highlander: The Series		Fri. the 13th Series		Star Trek		Sliders
50	Caroline	Caroline	Buffy the Vampire Slayer		Mission Hill	Jamie Foxx	News		MacGyver		Heat

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 22

	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
2	Body Elec.	Paint!	My Studio	Noddy	Reading	Arthur	Wishbone	Zoom	Arthur	Creatures	Wishbone
3	Bobby	Life-Louie	3 Friends	Pee-wee	Oggy	Candy	3 Friends	Believe It	Addams	Boss?	Boss?
4	Days-Lives	Passions		Denny & Marie		Maury		Oprah Winfrey		News	NBC News
5	Katie-Orbie	Amazing	Ducktales	Timon	Aladdin	Going Wild!	Ready-Not	Tortoisons	GrowPains	GrowPains	Smart Guy
6	Hunter	Movie: Perry Mason: Case of Skin-Deep Scandal				Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Full House	Full House	Roseanne	Roseanne
7	Jeopardy!	One Life to Live		General Hospital		Rosie O'Donnell		Brown	Judge Judy	News	ABC News
10	Bold & B.	As the World Turns		Guiding Light		Sally		Hollywood	Texas	News	CBS News
13	Mathis	Forgive or Forget		Divorce	Roseanne	Power	Beast Wars	Digimon	Woody	Nanny	Grace Under
13	Baseball		NFL Great	In. Skating	In. Skating	Extreme	Extreme	NFL Great	Up Close	Sportscenter	
15	Movie: Long Wlk Hme		Movie: Joe Torre: Curveballs			Movie: Hanky Panky (1982) *Gene Wilder, Gilda Radner.*				Movie: Saturday Night	
20	(12:00) Movie: The Rainmaker 'PG-13'			(:15) Sleep Dealing		Movie: Antz *Voices of Woody Allen.* 'PG'		Happily		Movie: Berry-Dragon	
21	Bach	Movie: My Life (1993) *Michael Keaton, Nicole Kidman.*				Movie: Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves *Kevin Costner.* ★★½ 'PG-13'					Movie:
23	Movie:	Movie: Watch on the Rhine (1943) *Paul Lukas.* ★★★★				Movie: Period of Adjustment (1962), *Jane Fonda* ★★½				Movie: Far-Madding	
25	Waltons	Dallas		Crook & Chase		McCoys	McCoys	Dukes of Hazzard		Alice	Alice
26	Home	Design		Interior Motives		Great Chefs	Great Chefs	Gimme Shelter		New House	Fix-It-Line
27	Law & Order	Northern Exposure		Quincy		Equalizer		Murder, She Wrote		Simon & Simon	
27	Movie: Liar, Liar: Between Father			Intimate Portrait		Ellen	Ellen	Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
32	Ultimate	Cowboys	Longhorn	Texas Tech	Baylor	Aggie	Hardcore Football		720 Degrees	Sports	FOX Sports
33	(12:00) Movie: The Towering Inferno			Kung Fu: Legend		L.A. Heat		In the Heat of the Night		Due South	
34	Kipper	Doug	Doug	Hey Arnold!	Ace Venture	Thornberrys	Rocket	You Afraid?	Brady	All That	Catdog
35	Boston	Movie: Voodoo (1995) *Corey Feldman.* ★½				Baywatch		Pacific Blue		Xena: Warrior Princess	
36	Pais	Una Luz en el Camino		Gordo	El Blablazo	Cristina		Primer Impacto		Fuera	Noticiero
37	Bombs	20th Century		In Search	In Search	FBI-Story	Crimes	Weapons at War		Smart Bombs	
45	LostSpace	Sightings		Movie: Mr. Stitch (1995) *Rutger Hauer, Nia Peeples.* ★★				Seaquest DSV		Quantum Leap	
50	News	(:10) Major League Baseball St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs						Tenth Inning	Parent	Wayans	Fresh Pr.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 22

	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
2	Barney	Teletubbies	Sesame Street		Arthur	Dragon	Barney	Teletubbies	Noddy	Zoboo	Mr Rogers
3	Donkey	3 Friends	Itsy Bitsy	CBN Special	700 Club		Baby Knows	Itsy Bitsy	Itsy Bitsy	Wiggles	Storytime
4	Today				Later Today		Sunset Beach		Judge Lane	News	Days-Lives
5	Timon	Pooh	PB & J Otter	Out of Bx	Bear	Mermaid	Pooh	PB & J Otter	Out of Bx	Bear	Madeline
6	Fam. Mat.	DiffWorld	Little House on the Prairie		Little House on the Prairie		Mama	Mama	Matlock		Hunter
7	Good Morning America				Live – Regis & Kathie Lee		The View		Brown	Brown	News
10	This Morning				Dr. Joy Browne		Price is Right		Young and the Restless		News
13	Magic Bus	Business	Martha Stewart Living		People's Court		Benny Hinn	Life in Word	Kenneth C.	Robison	Mathis
13	Sportscenter		Sportscenter		Sportscenter		Sportscenter		Sportscenter		Racehorse
15	Movie: Gamera: Guardian			Movie: Captiva Island *Jesse Zeigler.* 'PG'			Movie: Godspell *Victor Garber.* ★★★ 'G'			Movie: Long Wlk Hme	
20	Happily	Movie: Antz *Voices of Woody Allen.* 'PG'			Movie: Lassie *Thomas Guiry.* ★★★ 'PG'		Making		Panic		Movie:
21	Movie:	Movie: The Razor's Edge *Bill Murray.* ★★½ 'PG-13'				(:45) Movie: Masterminds *Patrick Stewart.* ★★½ 'PG-13'			Bach in Auschwitz		
23	Movie: The Good Earth (1937) *Paul Muni, Luise Rainer.* ★★★★					Movie: Bordertown (1935) ★★★			Movie: The Sisters (1938) ★★★		
25	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Dukes of Hazzard		Alice	McCoys	Dallas		Aleene's Creative Living		Waltons
26	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Assignment Discovery		Home Matters		Design		Interior Motives		Home
27	Northern Exposure		Quincy		Equalizer		Murder, She Wrote		Simon & Simon		Law & Order
27	Designing	Designing	Next Door	Attitudes	Party of Five		Chicago Hope		Unsolved Mysteries		Movie: Liar
32	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Golf Scene	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Last Word
33	CHIPs		Reasonable Doubts		In the Heat of the Night		Movie: The Towering Inferno (1974), *Paul Newman* ★★★				Movie:
34	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Kipper	Blue's Clues	Little Bear	Franklin	Guilah	Busy World	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Franklin
35	Videos	Videos	Almost	Something	Ned-Stacey	Fired Up	Wings	Wings	Working	Naked Truth	Single Guy
36	(6:00) Despierta America				Maite		Travesuras del Corazon		Luz Maria		Pais
37	Year by Year		Real West		In Search	In Search	FBI-Story	Crimes	Weapons at War		Bombs
45	Mummies	Ghostbstrs	Wonder Woman		Forever Knight		DarkShad	DarkShad	Twilight Z.	Beyond	LostSpace
50	Fam. Mat.	Parent	Fam. Mat.	Cosby Show	Knight Rider		Matlock		Dream Maker		News

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	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
2	Newshour With Jim Lehrer		Seeking Solutions					Talk	Charlie Rose		Newshour
3	Animals	Show-Funny	Life, Camera	Life, Camera	Movie: The Ditchdigger's Daughters (1997)				700 Club		Show-Funny
4	News	Ent. Tonight	Dateline		West Wing		Law & Order		News	(:35) Tonight Show	
5	Movie: Mighty Joe Young *Charlize Theron.* ★★½ 'PG'				(:05) Movie: Beetlejuice *Michael Keaton.*			(:45) Movie: The Worst Witch *Diana Rigg.*			Zorro
6	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	(:05) Movie: Jeremiah Johnson (1972) *Robert Redford, Will Geer.* ★★★				Movie: A Fistful of Dollars (1964) *Clint Eastwood.* ★★★				
7	News	Fortune	Two Guys	Norm	Drew Carey	Oh Grow Up	20/20		News	Seinfeld	Nightline
10	News	Home Imp.	Country Music Association Awards						News	(:35) Late Show	
13	3rd Rock	Simpsons	Beverly Hills, 90210		Get Real		Mad	M*A*S*H	Frasier	Cops	Real TV
13	Sportsctr.	Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced						Major League Baseball Teams to Be Announced			
15	Movie: Saturday Night		Movie: Dead Man on Campus ★★ 'R'			Movie News	Movie: The Big Hit *Mark Wahlberg.* ★★ 'R'			Beggars and Choosers	
20	Movie: Berry-Dragon		Arliss	Sex & City	Movie: Shoot to Kill *Sidney Poitier.* ★★½ 'R'				Chris Rock	Oz	
21	Movie: Man-Red Shoe		Movie: Turner & Hooch *Tom Hanks.* 'PG'		Express		Movie: Susan's Plan *Nastassja Kinski.* 'R'			Pleasure	Movie:
23	(5:00) Movie: Far From the Madding Crowd (1967)				Movie: Harvey (1950) *James Stewart.* ★★★½				Movie: The Inspector General (1949)		
25	CMA Awards Preview		Championship Bull Riding		Championship Bull Riding		Championship Bull Riding		Dallas		Rodeo
26	Wild Discovery		All Expeditions, All Adventures						All Expeditions, All Adventures		
27	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		American Justice		Law & Order		Biography
27	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Weddings-Life.		Movie: Where the Truth Lies (1999) *Marisa Matlin.*				Attitudes	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
32	Major League Baseball Houston Astros at Pittsburgh Pirates						Last Word	In the Zone	FOX Sports News		Sports
33	ER		Movie: Stand by Me (1986) *Wil Wheaton.* ★★★				Movie: A Slight Case of Murder (1999) *William H. Macy.*				Movie:
34	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Rocket	Brady	I Love Lucy	Jeffersons	Taxi	M.T. Moore	Happy Days	WKRP
35	JAG		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: Housesitter (1992) *Steve Martin.* ★★½				Baywatch		Stalkings
36	Sonadoras		Camila		Tree Mujeres		El Super Blablazo		P. Impacto	Noticiero	Mejor-Ritmo
37	20th Century		Navajo Code Talkers		Korean War: Fire & Ice		Battlefield Medicine		Great Ships		Navajo
45	Star Trek		Sliders		Highlander: The Series		Fri. the 13th Series		Star Trek		Sliders
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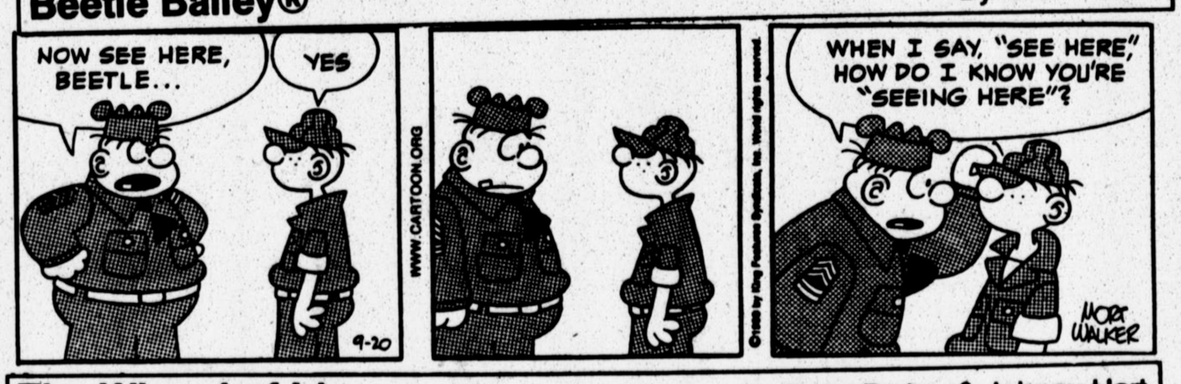

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42 Hammer end
43 Put away

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3 Foul caller
4 Oscar role for Scott
5 Fall flower
6 Boxer Spinks
7 Helix
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10 Cooking need
14 Synonym expert
16 Candidate of 1992
17 Make speeches
19 Cockpit worker
20 Twenty
21 Beer party need
22 Farm butter
23 Nearest star
25 Polo of history
28 Hurry up
29 Havana honcho
31 Stuck-up person
33 Fundamentals
34 Spigot
35 Grand — Opry
36 "The Raven" writer
37 Pull
38 Small bill
39 Cracked

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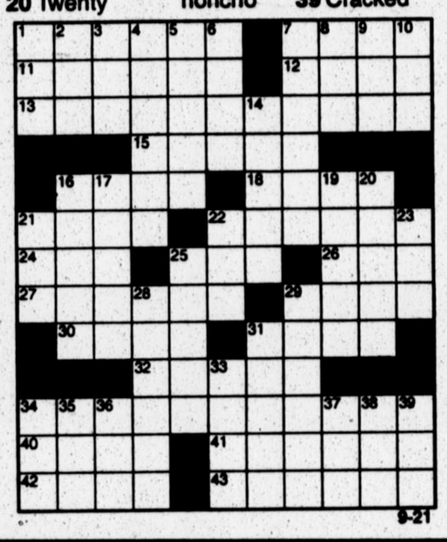
Saturday's answer



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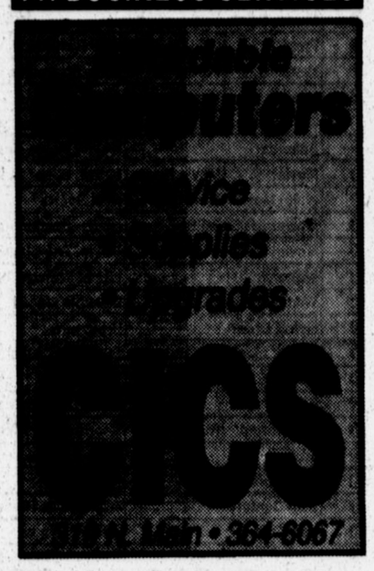

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- Give the price. A newspaper consultant says 70 percent of classified readers won't respond to an ad with no price.
- Use key words to describe what you're selling. The key words for a car are make, model, year, body style, color, mileage and price. If it's a house, key words are location, type of construction, number of bedrooms and baths, and condition.
- Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.
- Don't be misleading. Think accurate and factual when you write. Be sure to include a phone number and the best times to reach you.

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X R
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

9-21 **CRYPTOQUOTE**

CFG UKXXGQGMWG DGCRGGM NYV EMOGNGV EMU SYOAQC KV CFEC SYOAQC FEV EM EWCKPG, NKPKMO WANCAQG — VYAQWG AMHMYRM

Saturday's Cryptoquote: MY ANKLES CRUNCH, MY KNEES CRUNCH, MY STOMACH GURGLES CONSTANTLY. I'M NOT GETTING OLDER — I'M GETTING NOISIER. — BOB HOPE

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CATTLE FUTURES

CATTLE-FEEDER (CME) 50,000 lbs.; cents per lb.

Sept	79.20	79.40	79.10	79.37	– .27	79.75	69.00	1,771
Oct	79.30	79.30	78.65	79.12	– .65	80.92	69.30	9,042
Nov	80.42	80.42	79.80	80.22	– .40	81.55	69.90	3,888
Ja00	80.40	80.70	80.27	80.65	– .67	81.95	74.35	2,595
Mar	79.95	79.95	79.55	79.95	– .55	81.00	74.15	868
Apr	79.80	79.95	79.62	79.90	– .45	81.00	74.40	354
May	79.75	80.00	79.75	80.00	– .37	80.95	76.30	437

Est vol 2,915; vol Fri 2,303; open int 19,044, – 16.

CATTLE-LIVE (CME) 40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.

Oct	66.45	66.85	66.25	66.57	– .82	68.37	61.90	44,397
Dec	67.50	67.77	67.27	67.55	– .92	69.50	64.15	43,972
Fb00	67.70	67.90	67.45	67.75	– .75	69.30	65.50	18,025
Apr	69.15	69.50	69.00	69.22	– .42	70.80	67.30	10,786
June	67.00	67.10	66.70	66.75	– .55	68.60	65.30	4,546

Est vol 14,698; vol Fri 13,390; open int 122,670, +69.

HOGS-LEAN (CME) 40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.

Oct	44.25	45.20	44.10	44.65	+ .97	56.95	38.80	16,613
Dec	42.90	44.00	42.80	43.25	+ .60	57.40	36.80	22,513
Fb00	47.00	47.65	47.00	47.47	+ .45	58.50	41.05	8,475
Apr	48.45	48.95	48.45	48.55	+ .17	59.05	42.80	3,374
June	55.77	56.17	55.75	56.17	+ .40	65.90	52.10	1,713
July	55.25	55.35	55.15	55.20	+ .15	65.40	51.80	971
Aug	54.50	54.60	54.30	54.50	+ .37	63.00	52.30	473

Est vol 8,269; vol Fri 7,333; open int 54,194, +446.

GRAIN FUTURES

CORN (CBT) 5,000 bu.; cents per bu.

Sept	198½	204	197	203½	+ 5½	280	184	1,810
Dec	210¼	211	209¼	210¼	....	291½	194	108,266
Mr00	222¼	222¼	221¼	221¼	– 1	270	206	85,172
May	226½	226¾	227¼	227½	– 1¼	261	213	17,524
July	233¼	233¾	232¼	232½	– 1	278½	219	17,445
Sept	238	238	237	237	– 1	257	225	2,651
Dec	246¼	246½	243¼	243½	– 1¼	279½	232½	10,070

Est vol 44,000; vol Fr 54,485; open int 323,183, +11,207.

SOYBEANS (CBT) 5,000 bu.; cents per bu.

Sept	482	483½	477	481¼	– 1¼	616½	401¼	271
Nov	486	490½	481¾	487	– ½	680	405¼	89,429
Ja00	495	500¼	492	497¼	....	632	415	20,473
Mar	500½	507¼	499	504½	– ¾	598	423½	9,336
May	506	511½	504	509	– 1	554	432	12,52[illegible]
July	511½	518	509½	514½	– ¾	647	440	11,34[illegible]
Aug	512½	518½	512½	517	+ ½	541½	441	426
Nov	521	524	517½	520	– 4	631	453	3,789

Est vol 37,000; vol Fr 31,802; open int 147,613, +2,633.

WHEAT (CBT) 5,000 bu.; cents per bu.

Sept	261	262	259	259	– 3½	344	240¾	444
Dec	275½	276½	272	272¼	– 3¼	352	257	91,045
Mr00	292¼	292¼	288	288¼	– 4	340	270¾	25,978
May	299½	301½	297¾	297¾	– 3¾	322	280½	2,729
July	310	311	307½	307¾	– 4¼	347	287½	8,787

Est vol 14,000; vol Fr 16,479; open int 129,359, +379.

METAL FUTURES

GOLD (Cmx.Div.NYM)-100 troy oz.; $ per troy oz.

Sept	....	....	....	254.40	– .10	261.00	253.80	10
Oct	255.10	255.50	254.70	255.00	– .10	308.40	253.00	6,528
Dec	255.30	256.50	255.20	255.80	– .10	306.00	253.00	129,376
Fb00	256.80	257.30	256.20	256.60	– .10	312.00	254.50	26,151
Apr	258.20	258.90	257.80	257.90	– .10	311.00	256.00	5,281
June	....	....	....	259.20	– .10	472.50	257.00	12,874
Aug	....	....	....	260.60	– .10	308.80	260.40	4,466
Oct	....	....	....	262.20	– .10	305.20	263.00	192
Dec	....	....	....	263.70	– .10	474.50	261.70	9,965
Fb01	....	....	....	265.30	– .10	266.80	266.80	730
June	....	....	....	268.80	– .10	447.00	272.50	2,180
Dec	....	....	....	274.20	– .10	429.50	276.50	4,331
Ju02	....	....	....	280.00	– .10	285.00	285.00	1,956
Dec	....	....	....	286.00	– .10	328.50	284.00	1,330
Ju03	....	....	....	292.50	– .10	297.00	297.00	657
Dec	....	....	....	299.20	– .10	340.00	3000.0	1,589
Ju04	....	....	....	306.40	– .10	....	....	816

Est vol 11,000; vol Fr 20,993; open int 209,462, +5,556.

SILVER (Cmx.Div.NYM)-5,000 troy oz.; cents per troy oz.

Sept	509.5	510.0	509.5	508.5	– 0.1	698.0	480.0	149
Dec	512.0	514.0	511.0	512.2	– 0.1	720.0	477.0	48,140
Mr00	515.5	517.0	514.0	514.5	– 0.1	570.0	491.0	16,613
May	....	....	....	515.1	– 0.1	557.0	500.0	2,171
July	515.5	515.5	515.0	515.2	– 0.1	590.0	500.0	2,177
Sept	....	....	....	515.5	– 0.1	544.5	500.0	948
Dec	517.0	517.0	517.0	515.7	– 0.1	685.0	490.0	2,405
Ji01	....	....	....	515.7	– 0.1	574.0	524.0	1,155
Dc01	....	....	....	515.7	– 0.1	680.0	498.0	751
Dc02	....	....	....	516.7	– 0.1	613.0	495.0	492
Dc03	518.0	518.0	518.0	516.7	– 0.1	560.0	513.0	343

Est vol 4,000; vol Fr 6,517; open int 75,452, +205.

FUTURES OPTIONS

CATTLE-FEEDER (CME)
50,000 lbs.; cents per lb.

Strike Price	Calls-Settle Sep	Oct	Nov	Puts-Settle Sep	Oct	Nov
7850	0.90	....	....	0.02	....	....
7900	0.52	1.00	....	0.15	0.87	....
7950	0.22	....	....	0.35	....	....
8000	0.07	0.57	1.52	0.70	1.45	1.30
8050	0.02	....	....	....	....	....
8100	0.00	0.27	....	....	....	....

Est vol 256 Fr 243 calls 96 puts
Op int Fri 3,657 calls 8,483 puts

CATTLE-LIVE (CME)
40,000 lbs.; cents per lb.

Strike Price	Calls-Settle Oct	Dec	Feb	Puts-Settle Oct	Dec	Feb
65	1.80	3.25	....	0.22	0.72	....
66	1.10	2.55	3.00	0.52	1.02	1.27
67	0.55	1.87	....	0.97	1.32	....
68	0.22	1.30	1.77	1.65	1.75	2.02
69	0.07	0.90	....	....	2.32	....
70	0.02	0.55	0.95	3.45	2.97	3.15

Est vol 1,600 Fr 851 calls 1,370 puts
Op int Fri 28,760 calls 39,940 puts

CORN (CBT)
5,000 bu.; cents per bu.

Strike Price	Calls-Settle Nov	Dec	Mar	Puts-Settle Nov	Dec	Mar
190	....	21	32	....	⅞	⅞
200	....	13	23½	1½	2¾	2
210	4¾	6¾	16½	4½	6¾	5
220	1⅛	3⅛	11	11⅛	13⅛	9⅛
230	....	1⅛	7⅛	....	21⅛	15⅛
240	⅛	⅛	4⅛	....	30⅛	22⅛

Est vol 13,000 Fr 7,516 calls 5,065 puts
Op int Fri 209,328 calls 172,530 puts

GOLD (CMX)
100 troy ounces; $ per troy ounce

Strike Price	Calls-Settle Nov	Dec	Feb	Puts-Settle Nov	Dec	Feb
245	11.20	12.20	14.40	0.50	1.40	3.00
250	6.80	8.10	10.70	1.00	2.50	4.30
255	3.50	4.80	8.00	2.50	4.30	6.10
160	1.40	3.10	5.40	5.80	7.00	8.50
165	0.40	1.00	3.00	9.60	10.50	12.00
170	0.40	1.10	2.50	14.40	15.30	16.40

Est vol 6,300 Fr 5,833 calls 304 puts
Op int Fri 408,798 calls 109,985 puts

GOP candidate urges posting 10 Commandments in schools

WEST DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Religion and government have been enmeshed since the nation's founding, and the Ten Commandments "are how we got to where we are today" and should be posted in schools, publisher Steve Forbes says.

Forbes called the commandments "the foundation of our civilization" and said youngsters cannot properly learn the nation's heritage without them. He said the United States is no different from Muslim countries, where religion is central to public life.

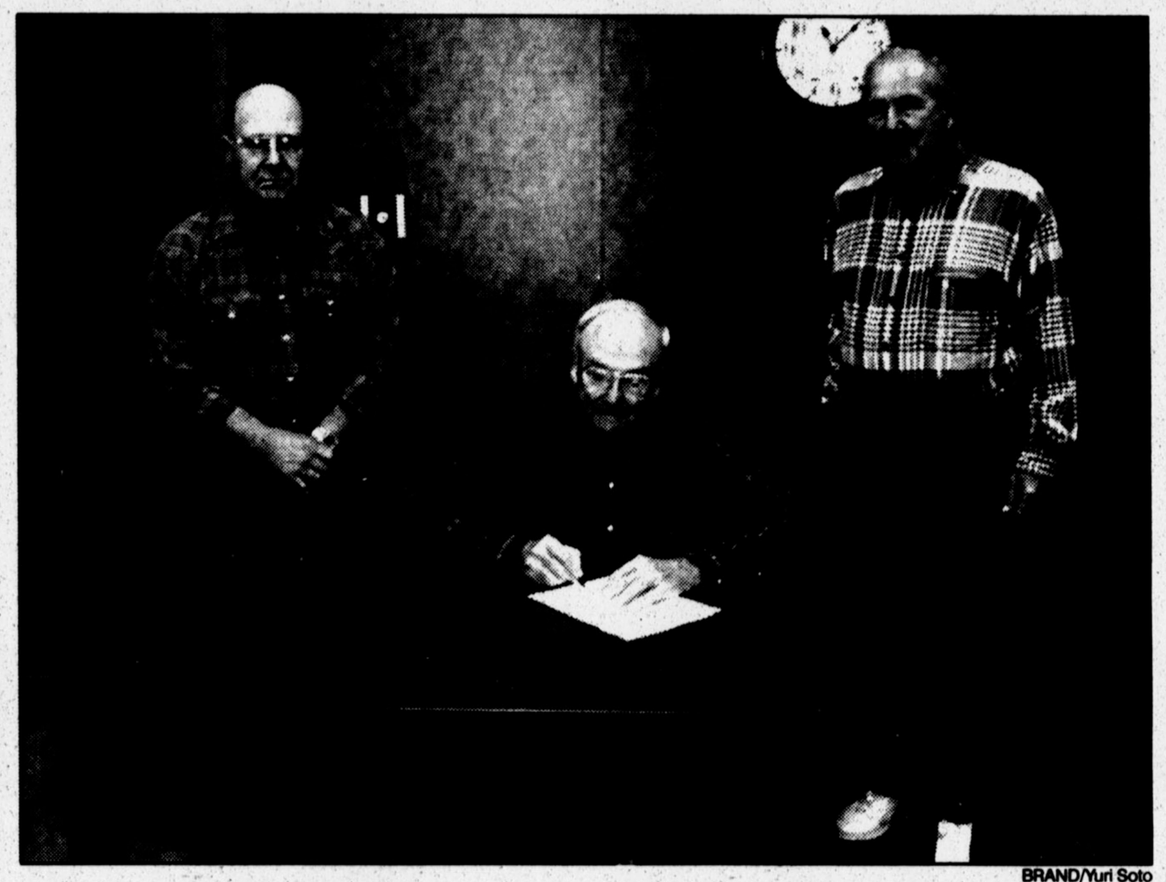
"If you went to, say, a country that has the Muslim religion, and you go to a school, you might expect to see the Koran there. You wouldn't be surprised," said Forbes. "It's part of their culture. It's the same thing here."

The wealthy publisher and candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, at a suburban school for an event billed as boosting school technology, said: "The importance of education is more than keeping your mind nimble, but in instilling a strong sense of what is right and what is wrong." And it is in carrying out that values education, Forbes said, that leads to the controversy about posting the Ten Commandments in schools.

"In schools, you should have an understanding of from whence we came, and it starts with the Ten Commandments," said Forbes.

He said that religion has been a central theme of American political life since its inception. "Our founders understood this," he said, noting the Declaration of Independence having several references to God.

During questioning by pupils at the school, Forbes was asked about his views on school prayer. He endorse that as well as posting the Ten Commandment in schools, a major goal of social conservatives who are important in Republican politics.



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VFW anniversary recognized — Hereford Mayor Bob Josserand signs a proclamation observing the 100th anniversary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Watching as Josserand signs the proclamation are Stan Fry Sr. (left) and Melvin Charest. The VFW was organized in 1899 by veterans of the Spanish-American War. The organization is dedicated to serving American veterans and their families.

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Academic Skills at some schools and speculation that some districts may be underreporting dropout rates.

The Texas Education Agency already has begun a probe of dropout data in 16 districts, including Houston, Clear Creek, North Forest, Pearland, Channelview and Sheldon. Austin and Ysleta school districts were given unacceptable ratings this year because their data-reporting problems were especially severe.

Dying man stops bid to block execution

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A career criminal already dying from liver failure brought on by lifelong drug and alcohol abuse was headed for the Texas death chamber today for the slaying of a Baytown woman.

Richard Wayne Smith, 43, has dropped all appeals to his conviction for the Dec. 2, 1992, murder of Karen Birky, allowing the state to execute him instead of waiting to die from his condition.

The execution is scheduled for sometime after 6 p.m. Smith would be the 25th convicted killer put to death in Texas this year and the fourth this month.

"In essence, by waiving his appeal he will be getting a state-assisted suicide a law-abiding citizen would not have available to him," said Smith's attorney, Guy Womack. Smith declined an interview request from The Associated Press.

Complications of hepatitis C, probably contracted by sharing heroin needles during a lifetime of drug and alcohol abuse, have kept Smith in a wheelchair since May. Smith decided last December to speed up his execution.

Former prosecutor Jim Mount said drugs were Smith's downfall in more ways than one.

"Rickie was a guy who couldn't stop doing dope, and when he did dope he became a very mean man," said Mount, now in private practice.

According to prosecutors, Smith is seen on a surveillance camera robbing the Baytown convenience store where Ms. Birky, 38, moonlighted so she could buy supplies for her special education students at Lamar Elementary in Houston.

Ms. Birky complied with Smith's demand for money before he apparently walked her into the parking lot. Witnesses testified seeing Smith fire one shot into Ms. Birky's neck before fleeing in a stolen Jeep Cherokee.

Raisa Gorbachev dies of leukemia

MOSCOW (AP) — The body of Raisa Gorbachev, wife of former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, was flown from Germany today in preparation for her burial this week in Moscow.

A Russian government plane sent by President Boris Yeltsin landed at Moscow's Vnukovo airport late this afternoon. Gorbachev and the couple's daughter, Irina Virganskaya, accompanied the casket from Muenster, Germany, where the 67-year-old Mrs. Gorbachev died of acute leukemia on Monday.

"The first feeling is one of enormous grief and irreparable loss," Gorbachev said today as he left the hotel where he had stayed since his wife was taken to Muenster on July 25 for treatment.

The public will be able to pay last respects to Mrs. Gorbachev on Wednesday, and a memorial service is set for Thursday. Mrs. Gorbachev will then be buried in the Novodevichy Cemetery, where many prominent Russians are interred.

The death of Mrs. Gorbachev was marked with an outpouring of sympathy in newspapers and on television, and among ordinary Russians.

A spokeswoman at the Gorbachev Foundation offices said a steady stream of calls and faxes were coming in from across Russia. Gorbachev, who arrived in Muenster with two suitcases, left with several large boxes he said were full of letters of support received during his wife's treatment.

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Popular TV series plays loose with Hispanic slur

By Lynn Elber
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Viewers taking part in this week's Hispanic boycott of major broadcast networks, dubbed a "brown-out," are protesting the new season's lack of minority characters.

That means they'll miss tonight's premiere of "Will & Grace" on NBC, for which they might be grateful.

In a scene that plays with startling insensitivity, tart-tongued character Karen Walker notices that her Salvadoran maid has paused for a conversation.

"Hey, you're on the clock, tamale. Get to work," snaps Karen (Megan Mullally).

In the melting-pot Southern California neighborhood where I grew up, epithets like "tamale" were fighting words. Turns out they still are.

"Oh, no," Federico Subervi, a University of Texas media professor, said after hearing the sitcom exchange. "It's an ethnic slur. ... I don't know what it is with these scriptwriters. What's in their heads?

"The writers and the network executives, the ones who have the final word, they don't get it. They really do not get it," Subervi said. "When Latinos and others are saying increase our numbers, it does not mean increase our stereotypical representations."

The verbal sparring between Rosario Salazar and her boss on "Will & Grace" (8 p.m. CDT) isn't a fair fight, a case of tit for tat. Rosario responds to Karen's very personal barb with a weak "Listen, lady, I'll squash you like a wormy apple."

Asked about the use of the word "tamale," which was included in a preview tape of the episode distributed by NBC, series executive producer David Kohan said a longer version of the scene called Karen to task for her ignorance. It was edited for time.

Although no offense was intended, he was not minimizing anyone's objections to the scene, Kohan said.

Rosario and Karen have a prickly but caring relationship, one that is "much more even-handed" than tonight's episode indicates and which will be shown in the future, he added.

A more thoughtful approach clearly is needed, said Lisa Navarrete of the National Council of La Raza, the group coordinating the two-week boycott of ABC, CBS, Fox and NBC that continues through Saturday.

She said the sophomore series about the friendship between homosexual Will (Eric McCormack) and heterosexual Grace (Debra Messing) takes care to include a range of gay characters and is otherwise smartly written.

"It's unfortunate that a show that has done quite a bit to break stereotypes about gays would resort to such cheap shots at the Latino community," she said.

U.S. trade deficit swells

WASHINGTON (AP) — America's trade deficit ballooned to a monthly record of $25.2 billion in July as a flood of foreign cars, machinery and consumer goods pushed imports to an all-time high. The U.S. deficit with Japan, China and Western Europe all set records.

The Commerce Department reported today that the trade deficit grew by 2.4 percent in July, surpassing the June imbalance of $24.6 billion.

America's trade imbalance has climbed to new highs for seven straight months, pushing the gap between imports and exports to an annual rate of $247 billion, far above last year's record deficit of $164.3 billion.

American manufacturers and farmers have been struggling to cope with the loss of markets caused by the Asian financial crisis, while U.S. consumers, bolstered by the lowest unemployment level in three decades, have been snapping up foreign products.

The soaring trade deficit is the only blot on an otherwise stellar economic performance as Americans enjoy the longest economic expansion in peacetime history.

The trade deficit has created major political headaches for the Clinton administration, which has had to deal with rising cries in Congress for protectionist legislation to help U.S. industries, including steel. Congress has created a 12-member panel of prominent trade experts to look at the causes of the deficit and recommend solutions.

Imports in July rose by 1 percent to an all-time high of $104.2 billion as U.S. demand for foreign autos, capital goods and consumer goods all set monthly records.

This surge swamped a 0.5 percent rise in exports of U.S. goods and services to $79 billion, their highest level since last November.

"It's the same story. The U.S. economy is stronger than the rest of the world so we continue to buy more than we sell," said First Union economist David Orr.

The growth in the deficit in July was unexpected. Many analysts had been forecasting a slight narrowing after a string of record monthly highs.

Interest rates rose on the inflation-sensitive bond market this morning as the dollar fell against the Japanese yen and the trade figures were released. Yields on 30-year Treasury bonds rising to 6.10 percent from 6.07 percent late Monday.

The politically sensitive deficits with Japan climbed 8 percent in July to a record high of $6.8 billion, while the gap with China rose an even larger 11.4 percent to a record $6.3 billion.

President Clinton met last week with Chinese President Jiang Zemin as both countries agreed to restart negotiations over China's entry into the World Trade Organization, a membership the United States says China will not be granted until it agrees to do more to remove high barriers to sales of American manufactured goods in China.

The deficit with Western Europe also set a record high, soaring by 38.2 percent in July to $6.8 billion. America also set a record deficit with its largest trading partner, Canada, of $3.3 billion, a 27.9 percent increase.

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Service recognized — Larry Paschel (left), who retired in May after 43 years with the U.S. Postal Service, receives a certificate of appreciation from James Downs, customer service supervisor at the Hereford Post Office.

Death count from Taiwan quake rises

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News digest

TAIPEI, Taiwan— High-rise apartment buildings were knocked off foundations and roads buckled into waves of asphalt when a powerful earthquake struck Taiwan today, killing at least 1,123 people and destroying hundreds of homes.

With a preliminary magnitude of 7.6, the quake was the strongest to hit Taiwan in a decade and was about the same strength as the devastating tremor that killed more than 15,000 people in Turkey last month.

The quake's epicenter was centered 90 miles south of Taipei, the U.S. Geological Survey's National Earthquake Information Center said. It struck about 1:45 a.m. local time (1:45 p.m. EDT Monday), while most of Taiwan's 22 million people were sleeping.

Dazed Taiwanese — many wearing only underwear or pajamas — stumbled into dark, chaotic streets, shaken awake by the quake.

Most of the deaths occurred near the epicenter close to the central city of Taichung and nearby Nantou county — an area that has seen a burst of development in recent years, often with shoddy constructions.

More rain falling on North Carolina

TARBORO, N.C.— More rain fell on North Carolina today, a dismal and unwelcome sight to Isabelle Baker and other owners of more than 30,000 homes damaged from the floods following Hurricane Floyd.

Baker did find comfort in the words of President Clinton, who said during a visit to Tarboro on Monday that the government would stand by those displaced by the deluge through federal aid.

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"It was a blessing for him to come here," said Baker, whose home is submerged in nearby Princeville. "I really believe he will get all he can to help us."

Forecasters said up to 4 inches of rain were expected today from a passing cold front and moisture from Tropical Storm Harvey. It could cause more flooding in a region that was soaked by 20 inches of rain last week as Floyd raised rivers to record levels, submerging roads, homes, businesses — and people.

More than 60 people were killed from the Bahamas into New England when Floyd charged up the East Coast, and flooding continues to plague parts of New Jersey and New York. But the aftermath appears worst in North Carolina, where at least 35 people have died.

Peacekeepers in East Timor region

DILI, East Timor— Tanks, trucks and armored personnel carriers rumbled off warships in Dili today as international forces took control of East Timor. Jubilant citizens cheered the peacekeepers and mocked the demoralized Indonesian troops.

Australian soldiers took over warehouses pillaged by militia gangs and their Indonesian army backers, while other troops arrested gangmembers, stripped them of machetes and homemade guns.

In Dili, hundreds of refugees streamed out of the hills where they had sought refuge, returning to watch the U.N.-mandated force, which first began arriving Monday, take control of the charred capital after the militias' three-week campaign of terror.

With 24 years of iron-fisted Indonesian rule ending, Indonesian President B.J. Habibie urged lawmakers in Jakarta today to accept East Timor's overwhelming vote for independence in an Aug. 30 referendum. He said acceptance would help restore the country's international image.

Members of Indonesia's highest legislative body must still approve the independence vote in a session expected by November. Opponents have said the presence of peacekeepers violates national sovereignty.

Money-laundering scheme probed

WASHINGTON— Congress is examining what may be the biggest money-laundering scheme ever in this country, allegedly involving Russian gangsters illegally channeling billions of dollars through the Bank of New York.

After weeks of speculation, a top Russian intelligence official said Monday that U.S. investigators have material suggesting Russian businesses laundered money through the big American bank.

No one has been charged in the alleged scheme, which became public in news reports on Aug. 19. U.S. investigators have not commented publicly on the case, in which as much as $10 billion allegedly was funneled through the Bank of New York, the 15th-largest U.S. bank.

Two high-level executives of the bank's Eastern European division, Natasha Gurfinkel Kagalovsky and Lucy Edwards, were suspended, and Ms. Edwards was subsequently fired for alleged falsification of bank records and failure to cooperate with internal investigators.

The issue has become a political flashpoint between Washington and Moscow and prompted Republican leaders to denounce the administration's policy of supporting aid to Russia.

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