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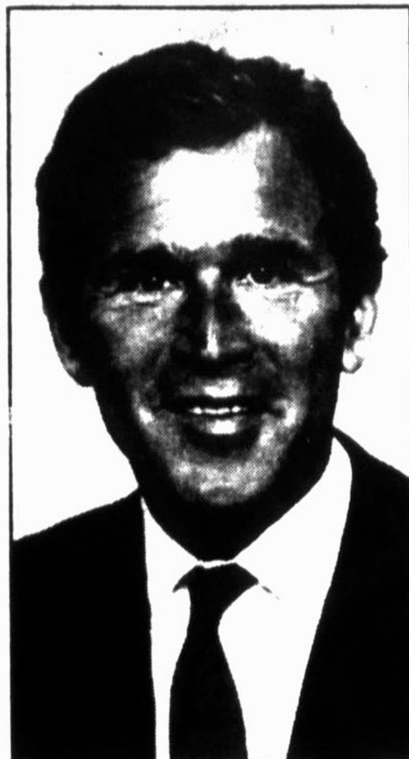
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CHAMBER BANQUET



GOV. GEORGE BUSH
Keynote speaker

Chamber's tickets sell out rapidly

If you want a ticket to this year's Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce banquet, then you'll have to hope someone with a ticket decides not to go.

Tickets for the Feb. 20 banquet, at which Texas Gov. George W. Bush will be the keynote speaker, went on sale at 8 a.m. Monday. By 10 a.m. Tuesday, all 980 tickets had been snatched up, according to Don Cumpston, chamber executive director.

Cumpston said a waiting list for tickets has been set up, but tickets will be available only if a purchaser decides not to attend the banquet and returns the ticket.

"Anyone who bought a ticket and for whatever reason can't go should return the ticket, and we'll return the money," Cumpston said. Some businesses bought blocks of tickets, some of which might not be used, Cumpston said. "If a business bought 30 tickets and only 28 of them will be used, we really want those two tickets returned so the people (on the waiting list) can buy them," he said.

The banquet will begin at 7 p.m. Feb. 20 at the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn, southeast of Hereford.

Cumpston worked for several months to get the governor to be the banquet speaker.

Bush, eldest son of former President Bush, was elected governor in 1994, defeating incumbent Ann Richardson.

In this year's bid for re-election, Bush has taken opposition in the Republican primary. His real challenge will be in November's general election when he faces Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, a Democrat.

If Bush defeats Mauro, and polls show him with a commanding lead, he will become the first Texas governor ever elected to consecutive four-year terms.

HISD construction plans building

By DIANNA F. DANDRIDGE
Staff Writer

Plans are building for the Hereford Independent School District and with the help of a \$14.5 million dollar grant, many needed school projects will get under way.

The school district qualified for the grant last September and part of those qualifications included setting

the tax rate at 8.9 cents.

According to Superintendent Jack Patton, much still needs to be done before HISD actually receives the money.

The first step was to hire Joe Mills of San Antonio as the architect to complete construction plans.

Mills already has completed a long-term facility needs study, which

involved all the buildings of the district, and is acquainted with district goals and needs.

Grant funds will be used to expand and renovate Hereford Junior High, renovate and possibly enlarge the fine arts center at Hereford High School, add a new physical education center at the high school and a new Vocational/Tech Prep Lab.

The plans, which have utilized suggestions from teachers and principals, are a long way from being completed.

Initial drawings at the junior high call for 21 new classrooms, library expansion and renovation, two science labs and two shops at an estimated cost of \$3.5 million.

The new vocational/tech prep lab

will be built on the west side of the bus facility and will add approximately 80,000 square feet in two buildings.

The new facility will cost about \$5.62 million, but will allow new and old vocational programs to be grouped together.

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Enjoying sunshine at work

Kathy Gallagher (left) and Kristi Milton enjoy the sunshine Tuesday afternoon while they work at the site of the new medical office complex adjacent to Hereford Regional Medical Center. The two women, employees of Electrical Specialists of Hereford, were readying a breaker box for installation in the new building. Construction manager Shannon Wilburn of Wilburn Investments says the new office complex will be ready for its occupants by April 1.

Photo by Don Cooper



FDA says generic drugs just as good

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Food and Drug Administration, frustrated with a battle over a generic version of the popular blood thinner Coumadin, has written 200 medical groups with a blunt message: Generic drugs are just as good as the brand names.

In an unusual letter faxed late last week to doctor organizations and every state board of pharmacy, the FDA insisted questions about generic drug equality are misplaced.

"There are no documented examples of a generic product manufactured to meet its approved specifications that could not be used interchangeably with the corresponding brand-name drug," wrote Dr. Stuart Nightingale, FDA associate commissioner. "Additional clinical

tests or examinations by the health care provider are not needed when a generic drug product is substituted for the brand-name product."

Drug giant DuPont Merck is waging a fierce battle to protect its \$500 million-a-year Coumadin market from Barr Laboratories' new, cheaper generic version known as warfarin, the active chemical in Coumadin.

DuPont Merck turned to state legislatures, arguing that the anti-clotting drug is part of a medical class informally called "narrow therapeutic index" drugs, meaning that slightly too high a dose can be dangerous and slightly too little is ineffective.

The idea was to persuade states to forbid pharmacies from substituting

any NTI drug with a cheaper generic unless doctor and patient approved. Three states have passed such laws - North Carolina, Texas and Virginia - and at least nine others are considering them. Those states are California, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma and Tennessee.

"We are saying you have a chance of an adverse event when you switch products without knowing what's going on," said DuPont Merck spokeswoman Susan Pritchard. "All we're asking for is informed consent of a switch. We don't understand why people would be opposed to knowing which product you're going to be on."

The FDA says it wrote state medical groups because lawmakers

are repeatedly asking the agency to clear up generic drug information. Pennsylvania officials even called the FDA late one evening as the legislature was debating an NTI bill. The bill failed.

FDA also examined more than 400 samples of 24 brand-name and generic drugs, and the generics met "the established standards of purity and quality," Nightingale wrote.

Barr, meanwhile, unveiled a clinical trial Tuesday that examined patients who switched from Coumadin to warfarin. The two were equal, concluded Dr. Joel Neutel of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Long Beach, Calif. His study, published in the journal Cardiovascular Review & Reports, was funded with a \$500,000 Barr grant.

NEWS

in brief

Saudis' partnership sought, but not necessarily needed

WASHINGTON (AP) - Saudi Arabia would be an important partner in any prolonged U.S. air assault on Iraq, but President Clinton could go ahead with a military strike even if the Saudis withheld permission to use their bases.

The United States has Navy combat planes aboard two aircraft carriers in the Persian Gulf - with a third carrier due to arrive this week - and Air Force fighters and bombers based elsewhere in the Gulf region.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright returned from the Middle East Tuesday night, apparently without securing Saudi clearance to stage strikes from Saudi territory. Saudi officials told her they needed more time to think about it.

Saudi Arabia is the most important American ally in the Gulf, and U.S. Air Force planes and support systems based there would be especially useful - but not vital - in an air campaign against Iraq that lasted more than a few days.

Administration officials said Tuesday they still expect to gain a Saudi go-ahead - authority to use their air space and to fly support and communications aircraft, if not attack planes, from Saudi bases.

El Nino-driven storm wreaks havoc on coast

GUERNEVILLE, Calif. (AP) - A vast El Nino-driven rain storm provided made-for-TV drama in California, with helicopter rescues like that of two young girls plucked from the surging Los Angeles River.

But Linda Brazil's experience during the powerhouse storm that finally eased Tuesday night was more typical. She scrambled to save what she could from her flooded home in Williams, 50 miles north of Sacramento.

"By the time we got our stuff out, it was up to the top of my hips," Brazil said of the surging water. "We saved our pot-bellied pig, Victor. He was up on his hind legs with his front legs on the corral fence when we found him."

From San Diego to the Oregon line, Tuesday's downpours sent rivers over their banks, sparked mudslides, flooded freeways and forced thousands to head for high ground.

One man was killed when a tree fell on his house, and another was swept away by floodwaters and presumed dead. The former publisher of the Manteca Bulletin, Darrell Phillips, 62, fell off a foot bridge into a raging creek in Calaveras County.

BEEF BROUHAHA

Oprah says show was for consumers, not for cattlemen

AMARILLO (AP) - As comfortable on the witness stand as she is in front of the camera, Oprah Winfrey said she was thinking of meat eaters and not cattlemen when she aired a show that referred to mad cow disease.

The talk show host testified Tuesday that her producers had hands-on responsibility for putting the show together, and she also acknowledged that there could have been more pro-beef comments.

Her testimony was to resume today.

Cattlemen have sued Ms. Winfrey, her production company and vegetarian activist Howard Lyman over the April 1996 show on "dangerous foods." Lyman said that mad cow disease was a risk to U.S. beef and could make AIDS look like the common cold. Ms. Winfrey swore

off hamburgers on the show.

The cattlemen contend the program caused already slumping cattle prices to fall to 10-year lows. They are suing for \$10.3 million and other damages under a state law that protects agricultural products from false and defamatory remarks.

"I wasn't thinking about the beef industry," Ms. Winfrey told jurors. She said she had little to do with putting the show together and instead relied on a "team of producers."

"I was thinking about the consumers of beef," she said. "I speak for myself, and I've been successful for many years because I am concerned about the people."

"I don't go into a show thinking about corporations and people's money."

Ms. Winfrey responded strongly when Joe Coyne, a lawyer for the

cattlemen, attempted to show that the episode had been stripped of reassuring comments from experts about U.S. beef's safety in favor of Lyman's more alarming comments.

"As we have seen in this courtroom, we could talk about it for a year and not tell everyone everything about the disease," Ms. Winfrey said. "What we tried to do in a 10-minute segment is set up what the disease is and whether it could happen here."

"In a perfect world, could we have included more? Yes," she said.

The disease has ravaged cattle herds in Britain for a decade. It is blamed for about 20 human deaths overseas, but has never been detected in the United States.

The jury also watched videotaped

testimony from James Kelley, the producer who edited the show. He said Ms. Winfrey blamed him for doing a poor job.

"Oprah said she thought it was a bad edit," Kelley said.

Kelley was grilled by Coyne about his decisions to delete statements by two pro-beef experts about U.S. policies to protect beef from becoming tainted.

"Although I took out some of their words, I felt like these points were made in other parts of the show," Kelley said. "I felt like it was a balanced show, that it was point and counterpoint."

Kelley said he believes he will be fired once the lawsuit is concluded, adding that he believes Ms. Winfrey has kept him employed to make sure he didn't turn against her at trial.

Hispanics: America's family-friendly group

WASHINGTON (AP) - America's Hispanics trail the rest of the nation when it comes to getting married, but when they do tie the knot, they are more likely to have children, Census figures show.

Just 50.8 percent of Hispanics age 18 and over were married and living with their spouses as of March 1997, the Census Bureau reported today. Among non-Hispanics the rate was 56.4 percent.

But when it comes to households, 36.0 percent were married couples with children among Hispanics, compared with 23.8 percent for other households.

Many Hispanics are young migrants, and usually men migrate first, only later sending for their wives or girlfriends to form families, observed Census demographer John Reed. That results in delayed marriage.

The figures were included in the report "Selected Characteristics of the Population of Hispanic Origin, March 1997," which updated parts of earlier analyses.

The report estimated there are 19.1 million Hispanics age 18 and over in the United States; 30.6 percent are single, compared to 22.7 percent of non-Hispanics.

Among Hispanics, 7.6 percent were divorced, compared to 10.1 percent for others and 7.3 percent married but living alone (3.4 percent for non-Hispanics).

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Local Roundup

Drawing to be held

Hereford Band Boosters will hold their "Scholarship Beef" raffle drawing during half time of the boys varsity basketball game Friday. Tickets will be on sale during both the girls and boys games that evening. Two winning tickets will be drawn.

Bluebonnet waiver day

Students at Bluebonnet Intermediate School will not attend classes on Friday, due to a special waiver day. Students will be dismissed Thursday and classes will resume Monday at the regular time.

Textbook presentation

The public is invited to attend a publisher's presentation of elementary textbooks on Feb. 6, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hereford Independent School District administration building. These books are currently under consideration for adoption by the district.

WTRT cooperative scholarships

West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative is now accepting applications for scholarships totaling \$8,000 to be awarded in May, 1998.

Scholarships are open to students whose parents or guardians are WTRT members, or, to WTRT members themselves. Applicants must be seniors set for graduation this spring, already completed High School or have their GED.

The 1998 scholarships are open only to eligible qualified applicants in the Hereford, Friona, Bovina, Farwell, Lazbuddie, Dimmitt, Adrian and Vega school districts.

An official application form and two letters of recommendation, must be submitted. One letter must be from a teacher, principal, or counselor from their high school.

Applications may be picked up at the WTRT office or the counselors offices in Friona, Bovina, Lazbuddie, Farwell, Dimmitt, Adrian or Vega.

Applications need to be turned in by April 10, 1998. Applicants may be asked to attend an interview at the discretion of the WTRT board.

Panhandle Livestock convention

The Panhandle Livestock Association is celebrating its 83rd year at its annual convention, Feb. 7, at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. A full day of activities is planned to provide fellowship between ranching families, while informing members of current issues pertinent to ranchers in the Texas Panhandle.

Prairie Heirs of the Palo Duro will perform at noon and an Arts roundup will be on display through the day.

This year's fund raiser includes a drawing for a trip for two to the 1998 National Finals Rodeo, including airfare and hotel accommodations; a night on Amarillo for two; Jewelry by Jack Craft and art by Martha Keim.

A cocktail buffet is planned for 6:30 p.m. with the dance beginning at 7:30. Music will be provided by wild country.

For more information and reservations, contact Edward McIntyre at (806) 659-2083.

Reunion performance set

Hereford Stars will have a reunion performance at half time of the Lady Whiteface basketball game Friday against Randall. All former Stars are asked to come to the front hallway of the gym at half. They will be introduced as a group and help in the half time show.

Snow advisory

A snow advisory is in effect tonight, accumulations of 1 to 3 inches, low in the mid-20s.

Thursday night, 30 percent chance of snow, decreasing cloudiness and low in lower 20s.

5-DAY FORECAST

Friday, partly cloudy, high in mid-40s.

Saturday, partly cloudy, low in the mid-20s and high in the mid- to upper 30s.

Sunday, mostly clear and warmer, low in the upper 20s to lower 30s and high in the lower to mid-60s.

TUESDAY RECAP

High, 52; low, 27; no precipitation.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Feb. 3, 1998 include the following:

Police Department

--A motor vehicle struck and damaged a gas meter at a residence located in the 400 block of Avenue J.

--Theft of services was reported at a business located in the 200 block of North Main.

--A 23-year-old woman was assaulted by another woman in the 700 block of Avenue G.

--A suspicious person was reported

scratching at a window of a residence in the 100 block of Northwest. The suspect turned out to be the reporting party's daughter who was trying to scare her younger sister.

--Theft of gasoline was reported in the 800 block of North Texas.

Accidents

--A two car accident was reported in the 800 block of North Texas.

--A two car accident was reported in the 500 block of East Sixth.

Fire Department

--9:42 a.m. Fire fighters responded to a smoke scare at 337 Stadium Drive.

TCPB office moves to Lubbock

The Texas Corn Producers board members have voted to relocate their office from Dimmitt to Lubbock.

The move is being made partly to locate closer to producer-funded corn breeding programs and overall state corn research centers.

"Since most board meetings are conducted in the High Plains area, and since the TCPB directors and staff must often travel to and from this area and other locations across the state by air, the board voted to move its office to Lubbock to have

easier access to a major transportation center at Lubbock International Airport," said Joe Reed, board director.

TCPB decided it was important for its offices to have immediate access to additional corn research outlets, especially a new corn breeder program in Lubbock, which the TCPB helped fund, said Reed.

"Through support from TCPB, Texas A&M university recently created a position for a new corn breeder to be headquartered in Lubbock," said Reed. "His job, and that of another Texas corn breeder, to be headquartered in College Station is to develop corn hybrids specifically for Texas, hybrids that will withstand the pressures we sometimes see from drought and heat stress, insects and diseases."

"This is a corn breeding program that TCPB specifically requested and should have a vital impact on the future of Texas Corn production. With an office in Lubbock, TCPB will have virtually a hands-on input in the corn breeding program," said Reed.

Lubbock is the site of the new USDA plant stress laboratory which has been established in cooperation

with Texas Tech University, Texas A&M University and other entities.

"This laboratory will facilitate the combined efforts of the two Texas A&M corn breeders and 10 or more plant breeders and researchers who will aim at improving corn and other crop production in Texas," said Reed.

TCPB executive director, Jerry Don Glover, said the move from Dimmitt to Lubbock, the TCPB office will have immediate access to the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in Lubbock as well as close proximity to Halfway research laboratory and important research facilities in Amarillo, Bushland, and Etter.

TCPB will have easier access to research centers in central south and coastal areas.

"TCPB's mission is to increase the producers profitability through education, promotion, research, and marketing," said Reed. "Corn producers are the focus of all our needs. The board believes the relocation to Lubbock will help it accomplish its goals more efficiently."

The date for the move has yet to be set and details will still need to be worked out, said Reed.



Stickers for hats.

Jacque Bezner, a senior at HHS and a member of the student council hand delivered \$107 to Karen Sherrod, executive director United Way. The money was collected from students who were willing to pay a dollar for a sticker which would allow them to wear a hat during school.

Pedophile goes to prison for 17 years

PHOENIX (AP) - A Phoenix man who confessed to having sex with more than 200 teenage boys is heading to prison for 17 years.

The plea agreement Tuesday in Maricopa County Superior Court came out of a two-year nationwide sting to track down and arrest pedophiles.

Bus driver James Norman Moore, 56, admitted to police that he had sex throughout the years with teenage boys as young as 15 in Arizona, California and Texas, court documents show.

Moore, who has a tattoo of the Virgin of Guadalupe on his chest, preyed mostly on disadvantaged Mexican boys and "street hustlers," offering to buy them shoes or some other item in exchange for sex, court records say.

Moore was arrested after undercover U.S. Postal Service agents posing as a company called "Island Male" sent letters to Moore offering pornographic videos for sale of boys engaging in various sex acts.

Moore mailed a \$27 check for two videos and was subsequently arrested, and his Phoenix home was searched. Phoenix police found photographs of boys in his home and he admitted performing sex acts on numerous young males.

His arrest in 1996 generated controversy when then-state U.S. Attorney Janet Napolitano declined to prosecute the case.

A story that aired on ABC's 20/20 in May 1996 suggested that her office refused to cooperate in the child-pornography sting because it targeted homosexuals.

Napolitano then called a news conference, saying her office was "20/20'd," and that the allegation was "just flat wrong."

Napolitano also said that penalties for such crimes under Arizona law are far harsher than federal penalties, so some federal investigations result in state charges being filed.

On Tuesday, Moore entered the plea agreement, saying that he did not really have the support of his lawyer in pursuing other avenues.

Moore showed no remorse and has complained that he is being treated too harshly and being targeted because he is homosexual. He told court officials that all of his sexual contact with adolescent boys was "consensual."

Police, however, described Moore as a "sexual predator" who admitted having sexual contact with more than 200 boys and likely will re-offend when released.

Moore was one of 45 people arrested in 36 states in Operation Special Delivery.

The 20/20 story included an interview with Karyn Cassatt, a U.S. Postal Service agent who said she was forced to take the case to Maricopa County Attorney Rick Romley because Napolitano declined to approve a search warrant for Moore's home.

Cassatt also said on the broadcast that she was told by one of Napolitano's prosecutors that the office was philosophically opposed to prosecuting such cases because they involved crimes of male adults against boys and therefore were targeted against homosexuals.

Mom gets probation

WAXAHACHIE, Texas (AP) - Deborah Ann Martindale of Midlothian has been given five years probation for leaving her newborn baby on a church's front steps last spring.

She faced 2 to 10 years in prison, but prosecutors recommended probation in exchange for her guilty plea to child abandonment.

Police said it was Ms. Martindale's concern for the infant that led to her arrest two weeks after the child was left.

The woman, who was 33 at the time, called Child Protective Services repeatedly for information on how the baby was doing. She always hung up, but police eventually traced the call to a factory in Ellis County where she worked as a laborer.

Ms. Martindale, a single mother with two other children, had been free on bond since her arrest last April.

"We felt that it was an appropriate punishment that fit the crime," said Don Maxfield, chief felony prosecutor for Ellis County.

"She has demonstrated that she has not been in criminal trouble before. The circumstances of the crime are such that we don't feel she is a future threat," Maxfield said.

The baby was found wrapped snugly before a church service on April 13 on the steps of First United Methodist Church, not a five-minute drive from Ms. Martindale's home in

Midlothian.

Ms. Martindale had hidden her pregnancy from family, co-workers and friends and had given birth at home alone, CPS officials and Midlothian police said last year.

Police said the mother checked on her baby's health in the newspapers and on TV after leaving him.

Police spend grant money

Funds provided to the Hereford Police Department by a U.S. Department of Justice Local Law Enforcement Block Grant will be used for equipment purchases according to a presentation by Capt. Pat Michael during a public hearing Tuesday night.

Hereford Police Department will have \$19,096 available to use for these equipment purchases. The grant program is supplying \$17,186 and \$1,910 will come from the City.

According to Michael, the amount included in the annual police department budget for capital expenditures is spent primarily on vehicles.

Plans are for funds from the block grant to help provide updated computer software and portable radios, Michael said.

Student puts hobby to work for NASA

AUSTIN - Modifying radio-controlled cars to make them faster was University of Texas engineering student Jeff Gensler's childhood preoccupation.

Last year, it paid off. Gensler, a junior mechanical engineering honor student from Irving, helped space engineers guide the remotely controlled Sojourner rover as it explored a patch of Mars.

Gensler is proof that attending a top engineering school such as UT brings opportunities other undergraduates might miss. He's part of a cooperative arrangement between UT and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration that helps selected engineering students get a head start on their careers.

"Our recruiters skim the cream of the students," said Donald Bickler, a mechanical engineer who is supervising Gensler at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. "I want a dedicated, on-the-fringe-nerd of an engineer who eats up the problems."

Months before the Pathfinder spacecraft arrived on Mars on July 4, 1997, Gensler helped space engineers test a twin of Sojourner on the rocky terrain of Amboy Crater, a dead volcano in the California desert.

So when Pathfinder bounded onto the rocky surface of the Red Planet in a cocoon of protective airbags and released Sojourner, California engineers controlling it by radio were ready.

"Part of my job was picking out places to experiment with it," Gensler said. "We'd decide on this spot or another. So, indirectly, I had something to do with where it went, which was pretty neat."

Sojourner performed soil and rock chemistry experiments and radioed the results to the nearby lander for relay to Earth.

When the main batteries powering Pathfinder - the first of NASA's new breed of "faster, better and cheaper" space probes - finally died Sept. 27, Gensler was pleased to see that Sojourner, at least, still was working.

Space agency engineers determined that the rover named for Sojourner Truth, a 19th-century African American who fought to abolish slavery, probably still was circling the lander, attempting to communicate with it.

Pathfinder operated on the Martian surface nearly three times its design life of 30 days, and Sojourner ran 12 times its design life of seven days.

Gensler later was named as a co-author of a report in the journal Science on the mission's findings, whose main conclusion was that, millions of years ago, Mars' current dry and dusty surface apparently was as wet as Earth's.

But much of the data returned by the probes still is being analyzed. That's also part of Gensler's job.

He's helping translate Sojourner's data on soil composition, which was radioed to Earth in numbers reflecting the resistance the soil gave to the rover's 3-inch-diameter wheels. The data will be turned into engineering concepts for future rover designs.

When he's not crunching Sojourner's data, or going to class, Gensler works in the lab of F.Z. Sreenivasan, a UT assistant professor of mechanical engineering. The lab focuses on the mechanics and

controls of robots, rather than specific applications.

"He's as good as having a graduate student around because he has had so much experience," Sreenivasan said.

Gensler plans to return to the Jet Propulsion Lab in May, where Bickler has plenty of work lined up for him.

The lab already is working on NASA's next, more sophisticated rover that's planned to launch for Mars in the spring of 2001. This one will be larger and will carry tools for taking core samples of Martian rock and storing them for an attempted return to Earth in 2005.

"Jeff may be doing some computer drafting work with that," Bickler said. "We like to immerse the students in spacecraft design right off the bat. They learn the complexities by working on the designs."

Meanwhile, Gensler shares a campus-area apartment with his brother, Joe, a senior in mechanical engineering, who also plans to work on space exploration.

"He just hired on with Boeing in Houston," Jeff Gensler said. "where he'll be working on launch vehicles for spacecraft, which is kind of ironic."

Neither plans to be an astronaut. For Jeff Gensler, robotics is enough.

"It's neat to explore a place without going there yourself," he said. "Eventually we'll have robots able to do a lot of things humans can."

Local Business Briefs

Gene Anderson, manager of the Credit Bureau of Hereford, Inc. has been presented with certification for the new Fair Credit Reporting Act by Associated Credit Bureaus, Inc., Washington, D.C.

Anderson has successfully met the conditions of eligibility and has passed the required examination to receive the certification. He is also certified by the national agency as a consumer interviewer.

The new federal Fair Credit Reporting Act covers an array of consumer credit rights and procedures.



TEXAS LOTTERY

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery: 12-13-17-23-24
AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 6-6-8

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THURSDAY-Frito pie, fried okra, whole kernel corn, cabbage/fruit slaw, whole wheat bread, carrot cake; or wieners with sauerkraut, apricots.

FRIDAY-Catfish fillet with lemon wedge, macaroni and cheese, buttered peas, coleslaw, cornbread, lemon ice box pudding; or sliced ham, D'zerta pudding.

MONDAY-Beef stew with potatoes, carrots, onions, celery and tomatoes, cheese sticks, fried okra, coleslaw, cornbread, apricots, oatmeal cookies; or chicken stew, diabetic cookie.

TUESDAY-Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered baby carrots, frosted lime-walnut salad, roll, Boston cream cake; or stuffed bell peppers, D'zerta salad, peaches.

WEDNESDAY-Chicken strips with gravy, mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, tossed green salad, roll, brownies, peaches; or meat loaf, Jello.

ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil painting 9-11 a.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

FRIDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., Thrift Store 9 a.m.-5 p.m., HSCA board meeting 9 a.m., TRIAD program 12 noon.

SATURDAY-Games 12 noon-4 p.m., dance 7:30-11 p.m., games 7:30-11 p.m.

MONDAY-Pool classes, line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class 1-4 p.m., Hereford Retired School Employees Assn. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

TUESDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., decorative tile painting 1-3 p.m., Beltone 10 a.m.-12 noon, NARFE 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, ceramics 1-3 p.m.

Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: After I was widowed, cooking became a real chore. I love to cook, but there are just no recipes around for one person. So I began thinking of other ways to use the larger recipes.

The answer is little pastry cups made of pizza dough, tortilla dough or pie crust. Roll out the dough like pie crust and cut into 4-inch rounds (I use a glass). Place the dough rounds on the BOTTOM of a muffin pan that has been sprayed with nonstick cooking spray, then place another muffin pan (sprayed on the inside with nonstick cooking spray) over the dough. Bake at 400 degrees for 10 minutes and cool on a wire rack.

These little pastry cups can be filled with just about anything, then frozen and taken out whenever. I make snack pizzas with them, fill them with chicken a la king, chipped beef, etc. They can be heated in a regular oven or a toaster oven. Heat for 20 minutes at 350 F, straight out of the freezer.

When I make beef stew, I put the leftovers in an aluminum potpie pan, put a circle of pie crust on top and freeze. I now have a beef potpie. I hope these hints will help other people who live alone. — Sherren Ross, Pascagoula, Miss.

Thanks for sharing these great single-meal ideas. These would also be great to make ahead for anyone with a busy schedule. — Heloise

Dear Heloise: Love your column! May I share a hint?

I place baking soda in the refrigerator to absorb odors. When replacing it, I pour it into one of my scouring-pad holders. The soda is then recycled for a quick and handy scouring powder for pots and pans.

Baking soda is too wonderful to waste. — Maurine Carter, Ventura, Calif.



AMBUCS donation

The American Business Club (AMBUCS) of Hereford recently donated \$100 to the Boy Scouts. AMBUCS is sponsoring future Scouting projects including a chapel to be built in Veterans Park. Randy Laing, right, Bill Caraway and several Scouts are pictured accepting the check from AMBUCS president Nancy Buchanan.

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I am 43 years old. My husband, "Harry," is 63. The problem is that Harry is losing his ability to perform sexually without a considerable amount of help from me. This does not bother me. I don't mind "helping." What really concerns me is that Harry has decided he needs more sexual excitement than our marriage can provide.

Several weeks ago, Harry started to take a woman he met through work out to dinner -- "just to talk." He claims there is nothing physical going on, but I think he is lying. I've told him that unless he stops seeing this woman and gets tested for venereal disease, I refuse to have sex with him. He says I am being unreasonable. I think I'm being quite sensible.

This impasse has put a real strain on our marriage. Please don't suggest counseling. I've already done that, and he won't go. What should I do now? — Hurting in Houston

Dear Houston: No wife should be expected to remain silent while her husband regularly takes another woman out to dinner "just to talk." You need more help than I can give you. Ask your family doctor to recommend a marriage counselor, and go without Harry and ask for guidance. I have a hunch Harry's decline in the virility department has a lot to do with his sudden attack of "roving eye." (They call this "The Old Goat Syndrome.")

Dear Ann Landers: A while back, you printed a letter from a grieving mother who had just buried her 28-year-old son. He had died due to a misdiagnosis of a cancerous mole by an HMO doctor. She hoped that by writing you and sharing her experience, other lives could be saved. I would like to thank her personally for telling her story because one of the lives she saved was mine.

I, too, had been concerned about a mole on my upper arm. My HMO doctor told me it was nothing to worry about. While this particular mole did not appear to be as advanced as the pictures of melanomas he showed me, it did have certain characteristics of melanoma -- asymmetrical in shape, irregular borders, a change in color -- and it was larger than a quarter inch in diameter.

I suggested to my doctor that he remove the mole before it became a problem. He reluctantly agreed and indicated I'd have to make another appointment. He did not refer me to a dermatologist or surgeon. When I left his office, I figured I'd make the appointment in early fall so I wouldn't be sporting a fresh scar all summer.

That mother's letter in your column prompted me to make an appointment with a dermatologist immediately. It turned out the mole on my arm was malignant and

required two surgeries.

While no words of comfort can mitigate that mother's grief over losing her son, I believe her experience saved my life. Had I waited until fall to remove the mole, it may have been too late. Please print this letter so she might see it and know what a difference she made in my life. — Grateful in Jefferson City, Mo.

Dear Grateful: And I am grateful to you for writing. You can be sure that among the hundreds of thousands of people who read your letter today, at least a dozen had "suspicious" moles that will be checked out promptly. Some are most assuredly cancerous. Thanks for the lives you saved.

Gem of the Day (Credit Zsa Zsa Gabor, a veteran of several divorces who said she never hated a man so much that she would give his jewelry back): "I am a wonderful housekeeper. Every time I get a divorce, I keep the house."

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.)

Appreciation day set at HRMC

Hereford Regional Medical Center Auxiliary will host an employee appreciation day for all HRMC employees, it was announced during the auxiliary's meeting Monday. Appreciation day will be Feb. 13. Food and drinks will be served from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m.

During the business meeting, Auxiliary members also voted to continue the policy of offering four

scholarships of \$500 each to current Hereford High School students who plan to pursue a career in the medical field. Post graduate students of HHS who are enrolled in a medically related field of study are also eligible to apply for scholarship consideration.

Committee reports showed a total of 190 hours volunteered and 28 baby books distributed.

Mary Williamson read the Auxiliary Prayer. Irene Reinart introduced special guest Leona Schilling.

Members present were Janis Bell, Mary Jane Burrus, Grace Covington, Margarette Daniels, Billee Johnson, Jo Lee, Anna Robinson, Anna Stindt, Bonnie Sublett, Quintina Waits, Reinart and Williamson.

Hospital Notes

Report from Hereford Regional Medical Center for Feb. 4:
Admitted: Cynthia Vasquez, Claudia Martinez.
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The public is invited to attend Monday's program, which will offer simple, guilt-free ways a woman can pamper herself. There will be a \$2 per person fee charged for the cost of supplies. An RSVP is requested at 364-3573 by Friday.

Stress can be rinsed away with bath and beauty aids, according to Sherry Harder, Oldham County Extension Agent in Family and Consumer Sciences, who will demonstrate "Pamper Yourself." Mrs. Harder will share information on a variety of toiletry mixtures which can be created at home.

Guests will be invited to make their own candles during a hands-on segment entitled "Shimmering Delights," presented by Marilyn Neal,

CEA-FCS from Castro County. Candles can be functional, fragrant, decorative and add a romantic glow to any setting.

"A Little Taste of Heaven" will be offered by Beverly Harder, CEA-FCS for Deaf Smith County, with a flavorful sampling of delectable sweets and coffees.

"By learning ways to occasionally be good to ourselves we can cope better with stress, relieve fatigue and lift our spirits," Mrs. Harder explained. "At times, we all need a little tender, loving care so that we can pass TLC on to those around us."

The "Ladies' Night Out" series will be conducted throughout the year with emphasis on managing stress, personal finances, clothing and textiles and home decorating. The series will also include the Fall Cooking Extravaganza to be held in October.

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Karen Sherrod, executive director of Deaf Smith County United Way, expressed her appreciation to the students of Tierra Blanca Elementary for their contribution to the fund. The students sold suckers and collected \$207.15 for the United Way. Representing each of the grades were Alyson Hernandez, Jonathan Ortiz, Shawn Manning and Warren McDonald.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 4, the 35th day of 1998. There are 330 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 4, 1789, electors unanimously chose George Washington to be the first president of the United States.

On this date:

In 1783, Britain declared a formal cessation of hostilities with its former colonies, the United States of America.

In 1801, John Marshall was sworn in as chief justice of the United States.

In 1861, delegates from six southern states met in Montgomery, Ala., to form the Confederate States of America.

In 1932, New York Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt opened the Winter Olympic Games at Lake Placid.

In 1938, the Thornton Wilder play "Our Town" opened on Broadway.

In 1941, the United Service Organizations (USO) came into existence.

In 1945, President Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin began a wartime conference at Yalta.

In 1948, the island nation of Ceylon - now Sri Lanka - became an independent dominion within the British Commonwealth.

In 1974, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was kidnapped in Berkeley, Calif., by the Symbionese Liberation Army.

In 1983, singer Karen Carpenter died at age 32.

In 1987, pianist Liberace died at age 67.

Ten years ago: Senate Republican

Leader Bob Dole twice confronted Vice President George Bush on the floor of the Senate, accusing his GOP presidential rival of condoning a campaign attack that amounted to "groveling in the mud."

Five years ago: A jury in Atlanta found General Motors negligent in the fuel-tank design of a pickup truck and awarded \$105.2 million to the parents of a teen-ager killed in a fiery 1989 crash.

One year ago: A civil jury in Santa Monica, Calif., found O.J. Simpson liable for the deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman, awarding \$8.5 million in compensatory damages to Goldman's parents. Six days later, the jury added \$25 million in punitive damages to go to Nicole Brown Simpson's estate and Goldman's father. President Clinton delivered his State of the Union address. Seventy-three Israeli soldiers were killed in the collision of two helicopters.

Today's Birthdays: Civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks is 85. Feminist author Betty Friedan is 77. Actor Conrad Bain is 75. Actor Gary Conway is 62. Former Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich., is 60. Singer Florence LaRue (The Fifth Dimension) is 54. Comedian David Brenner is 53. Former Vice President Dan Quayle is 51. Rock singer Alice Cooper is 50. Actor Michael Beck is 49. Actress Pamela Franklin is 48. Actress Lisa Eichorn is 46. Rock musician Henry Bogdan (Helmet) is 37. Country singer Clint Black is 36. Actress Gabrielle Anwar is 28.

Thought for Today: "Character consists of what you do on the third and fourth tries." - James Michener, American author (1907-1997).

To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am a 72-year-old woman, and my doctor has suggested that I have a bone density test. Would you discuss in your column what that test involves? — D.S.

ANSWER: A bone density test detects the sturdiness of your bones or the lack thereof — osteoporosis. It's information valuable to a 72-year-old to prevent bone fractures.

If osteoporosis is discovered, then you would launch a pre-emptive strike by fortifying your bones with calcium and taking medicines that strengthen bones.

There are several kinds of bone density tests.

An X-ray gives a rough estimate of bone strength. However, it's not a sensitive test. X-rays do not pick up osteoporosis early. They detect it only when 30 percent of bone mass has already been lost.

A popular, more-sensitive test is dual X-ray absorptiometry, known as "DEXA." Neither you nor I want to jump into the test's complicated physics. Let's leave that to radiologists.

Suffice it to say that a DEXA test gives a clear picture of the calcium content of bones.

No special preparations are needed to take a DEXA test. Your involvement is simple: You lie on a table while an imager passes over your body, taking pictures of your bones. The test is not the least bit uncomfortable. It's over in 20 minutes or less.

You need not worry about X-ray exposure, since a DEXA test uses less than 20 percent the radiation of

an ordinary chest X-ray.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My wife answered an advertisement for research on memory loss. She was accepted after a brain scan, an EKG, a physical exam and blood tests.

She wore a patch and was restricted from eating dairy products and other foods. After six months, she was taken off the patch.

Our family physician referred her to a neurologist, who sent her for an MRI brain scan and came to the conclusion that she has Pick's disease. I would appreciate any information about this. — V.P.

ANSWER: Pick's disease is an uncommon illness that can be mistaken for Alzheimer's disease, especially in its initial stages.

Early signs include an indifference to personal appearance and inappropriate responses during day-to-day interactions with others.

Later, irritability becomes a prominent feature. Finally, memory fails.

A brain scan with magnetic resonance imaging is helpful in making the diagnosis of Pick's disease. The scan shows a loss of nerve cells in the frontal and temporal brain lobes.

There is no effective treatment for the disease.

Get a second opinion. Early on, a diagnosis of Pick's disease is iffy even when the brain scan shows changes typical of it.

For details on Pick's disease, call the National Organization for Rare Disorders at (800) 999-6673.



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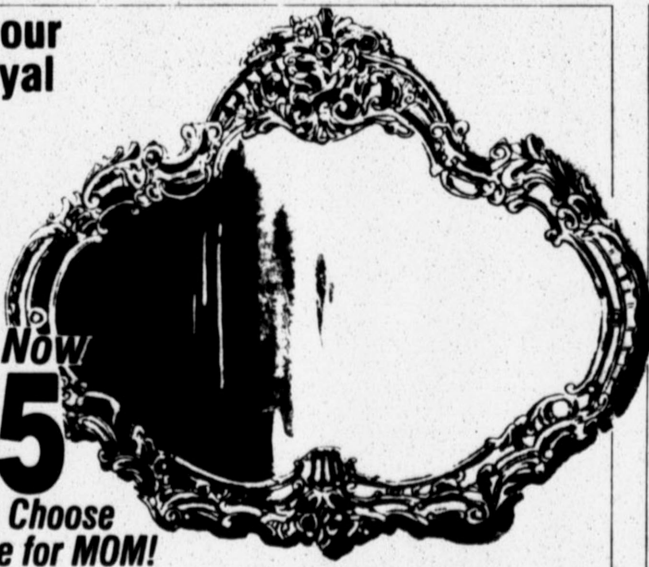
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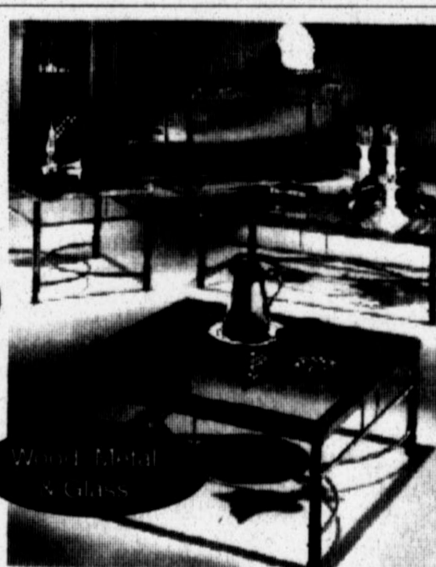


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 Detroit 1, Florida 1, tie
 Los Angeles 6, Calgary 3
 Chicago 4, Phoenix 2
Wednesday's Games
 Washington at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
 Boston at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
 Tampa Bay at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
 Montreal at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
 Ottawa at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
 St. Louis at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
 San Jose at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
 N.Y. Rangers at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

NBA

Tuesday's Games
 Phoenix 110, Toronto 105
 Charlotte 93, Boston 89
 Orlando 91, Atlanta 90
 Milwaukee 82, New York 78
 Houston 110, Vancouver 97
 Portland 98, New Jersey 97
 L.A. Clippers 111, Utah 102
 San Antonio 105, Golden State 96
 Indiana 115, Sacramento 93
Wednesday's Games
 Dallas at Boston, 6 p.m.
 Cleveland at Washington, 6 p.m.
 Miami at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
 New York at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
 Chicago at Utah, 7 p.m.
 Sacramento at Denver, 8 p.m.
 Indiana at Seattle, 9 p.m.
 Portland at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

NCAA Basketball

EAST
 Buffalo 104, Rochester 75
 Delaware 92, Hofstra 77
 Drexel 72, Towson 71
 Hartford 85, New Hampshire 73
 Maine 56, Vermont 48
 Manhattan 86, St. Peter's 76
 Northeastern 81, Boston U. 77
 Rhode Island 94, St. Joseph's 76
 Rider 71, Fairfield 46
 Seton Hall 68, Georgetown 57
 Temple 61, Massachusetts 47
 West Virginia 90, Pittsburgh 72
SOUTH
 E. Illinois 64, Tennessee St. 56
 E. Kentucky 83, Tenn.-Martin 77
 Murray St. 95, Morehead St. 81
 Samford 73, Jacksonville St. 64
 South Carolina 65, Vanderbilt 61
 William & Mary 68, Old Dominion 58
MIDWEST
 Cleveland St. 79, Dayton 78
 Iowa 79, Wisconsin 76
SOUTHWEST
 Oklahoma St. 86, Colorado 74, OT
FAR WEST
 No major team scores reported from the FAR WEST.

IN BRIEF

Arizona signs Benes

PHOENIX (AP) -- The Arizona Diamondbacks plucked one of the top pitchers from the free-agent market, signing Andy Benes to an \$18 million, three-year contract Tuesday.

Arizona, which joins the NL West this season, has committed \$113 million to just four players: Benes, third baseman Matt Williams (\$49.5 million for six years), shortstop Jay Bell (\$34 million for five years) and right-hander Willie Blair (\$11.5 million for three years).

"We're thrilled to have Andy Benes," Arizona general manager Joe Garagiola Jr. said. "He is a proven, quality No. 1 major league starter who wants the ball, will take the ball and, once you've given him the ball, doesn't want to give it back."

Benes, a 30-year-old right-hander, got a deal with an average salary that matches Toronto's Randy Myers for 11th among pitchers.

Bowling standings

Results through week of Jan. 27

Tuesday Night Mixed
 1. Beauty and the Beast 38-14, 22,753 total pins; 2. Team No. 4 32-20, 20,151; 3. Pin Shakers 31-25, 20,293; 4. Team No. 2 28-24, 21,512; 5. Hap Hazards 27-25, 21,741; 6. NCOs 25-27, 18,121; 7. Unique Creation 23-25, 17,336.

High team series: Beauty and the Beast 1,850; High team game: Beauty and the Beast 647; High ind. series: Ray Blevins 568; Sandi Blevins 496; High ind. game: Ray Blevins 213, Sandi Blevins 212.

Monday Night Mixed
 1. WTRT 38-14, 22,753 total pins; 2. Team No. 4 32-20, 20,151; 3. Pin Shakers 31-25, 20,293; 4. Team No. 2 28-24, 21,512; 5. Hap Hazards 27-25, 21,741; 6. NCOs 25-27, 18,121; 7. Unique Creation 23-25, 17,336.

High team series: WTRT 1,447; High team game: WTRT 521; High ind. series: Charlene Sanders 561; High ind. game: Jeanette Rogers 212.

Wednesday Night Ladies
 1. Algo Different 26-5, 13-5; 2. Pin Busters 25-5, 14-5; 3. Lets Play Ball 24-5, 15-5; 4. Rolling Pins 20-20; 5. Lucky Ladies 20-20; 6. Three Grandmas And A Baby 19-5, 20-5; 7. Bowl "U" Overs 12-24; 8. HRMC 11-25.

High team series: Let's Play Ball 2,608; High team game: Not provided; High ind. series: Nancy Walters 546; High ind. game: Billie Crawford 211.

Wednesday Night Mens
 1. Three Stooges 13-5, 2-5; 2. Good, Bad & Ugly 11-5; 3. Dumb & Dumber 8-8; 4. Three Blind Mice 5-11; 5. Bad Boys 4-12; 6. O'Duels (not provided).

High team series: not provided; High team game: not provided; High ind. series: Gary Ruckman 636; High ind. game: Fred Morris 227.

Results through Jan. 22

Bulldozers
 1. Frogs 27-9, 17-2; 2. Ogleby 24-5, 11-5, 23,810; 3. J&S Hydraulics 23-13, 20,486; 4. Fuzznuts 22-14, 16, 112; 5. Hereford State Bank 21-5, 14-5, 20,631; 6. Dimmitt Ready Mix 20-5, 15-5, 21,276; 7. New Holland 20-18, 19,629; 8. Poarch Brothers 20-16, 18,993; 9. Frog Stompers 19-17, 17,856; 10. Dawn Cattle Feeders 17-5, 18-5, 18,122; 11. Diana's Gifts & More 15-5, 20-5, 19,618; 12. Beef N More 10-26, 19,306; 13. Waterboys 7-5, 24-5, 15,419; 14. Blind 0-32, 0.

High team series: Ogleby 2,916; High team game: Ogleby 1,040; High ind. series: Gary Ruckman 691; High ind. game: Gary Ruckman 268.

*--Incomplete results

Novelist Clancy buys Vikings for \$200M +

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) -- In one of his novels, Tom Clancy got the Minnesota Vikings to the Super Bowl and then destroyed them with a nuclear weapon.

The best-selling author hopes to write a different ending to the Vikings' next Super Bowl trip now that the current owners have accepted his bid to buy the team.

Clancy's NFL-record offer of slightly more than \$200 million all but ended one of the league's most unusual ownership structures and allowed Clancy to fulfill a long-held ambition of buying an

NFL team.

"Of course I'm excited," Clancy said from his home in Baltimore, moments after learning his offer was accepted Tuesday morning. "This has been a dream of mine for a long time."

The group Clancy heads now needs approval from 23 of 30 NFL owners. Marc Ganis, a limited partner in Clancy's group who represented the author during negotiations this week, said approval could come during the

See VIKINGS, page 6A

Donahue leaves without job

IRVING (AP) -- The Dallas Cowboys coaching search took a mysterious turn Tuesday as former UCLA coach Terry Donahue caught an early commercial flight to California following yet another interview with owner Jerry Jones, well into his fourth week trying to figure out how to replace Barry Switzer.

Donahue spent the night at Jones' mansion after a third meeting but his hasty exit fueled speculation things didn't go well. Only Jones, sons Stephen Jones and Jerry Jones Jr., and Donahue know for sure.

Jones, who hired Jimmy Johnson and Switzer although they had no NFL coaching experience, did not return calls. He had said a new coach

would be hired by mid-week, but whatever happened with Donahue seemed to rule out an imminent decision.

"There is no timetable estimate for the near future. I'm not at liberty to say whether there will be more interviews," team spokesman Rich Dalrymple said.

Jones also claims to have a "mystery" candidate he can fall back on if all else fails. And he insists he will have a coach that will have the players and fans "sitting up in their seats."

Donahue was set to fly to Indianapolis on Thursday with the Cowboys for the NFL combine and it wasn't known if that trip was still planned.

Green Bay offensive coordinator Sherman Lewis and former San Francisco coach George Seifert have had two interviews each. Lewis got to spend two nights at the Jones palace while Seifert has yet to be summoned there.

"I haven't talked to Jerry since last Friday," Lewis said. "It's frustrating waiting."

Donahue had a 20-year career at UCLA but never won a national title as had Johnson and Switzer, who quit Jan. 9 after going 6-10 in his fourth and final season as the team's coach.

Donahue, who coached Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman in college, resigned from UCLA after the 1995

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Photo by Julius Bodner

Hereford's Misti Davis uses the left hand on a drive to the basket against Stratford's Lynz Browning during a non-district game Tuesday night at Whiteface Gymnasium.

Girls trampoline 2A Stratford

By BOB VARMETTE
Sports Writer

Intimidation. Never underestimate the power of a team to beat itself even before they take the floor.

Not that the Class 4A No. 3 Hereford Lady Whitefaces needed the help in defeating the Stratford Lady Elks 63-36 in non-district girls basketball action Tuesday night in front of a crowd of 125 at Whiteface Gymnasium.

"Stratford's better than that," Hereford head coach Eddie Fortenberry said. "They came in extremely intimidated. . . . Their kids didn't play as well as they should have."

Fortenberry got no disagreement from Stratford head coach Lance Horsford.

"We played intimidated," Horsford said. "We came in to play the No. 3 ranked team in the state,

STRATFORD (19-5): Sanchez 0-0-0-0, Kimball 0-1-0-0, King 1-10-0-2, Lasley 0-2-0-0, Bell 1-1-0-0, 2, Brownlee 2-3-0-0, 4, Stoy 0-3-0-0, Browning 5-8-2-2, 12, Sikora 2-5-0-4, Naugle 1-2-6-8, Baskin 2-3-0-4, Totals 14-38 8-36.
HEREFORD (26-3): Baker 2-3-0-4, Bailey 0-0-1-2, Guzman 1-3-0-2, Eicke 1-3-0-2, Betzen 6-10-4-17, Rampley 5-10-5-17, Davis 2-7-2-2, 7, Rives 2-4-2-6, Hill 0-1-0-0, Walker 2-5-2-2, 7, Fangman 1-3-0-0, Totals 21-48 16-20, 63.
 Halftime--Hereford 32, Stratford 16. 3-Point goals--Stratford 0-6 (Stoy 0-2, Sikora 0-2, Kimball 0-1, King 0-1), Hereford 5-14 (Rampley 2-3, Betzen 1-3, Davis 1-3, Walker 1-3, Eicke 0-1, Rives 0-1). Fouled out--None. Rebounds--Stratford 25 (Naugle 5), Hereford 21 (Rampley 8). Total fouls--Stratford 13, Hereford 10. Turnovers--Stratford 32, Hereford 18. A--125 est.

and were not supposed to beat them, so we go play like that."

The flustered Lady Elks, out of District 1-2A, turned the ball over 32 times. And that wasn't the total extent of their problems.

Stratford shot 14-for-38 (36.8 percent) from the field, missing

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Testimony continues at Sprewell hearing

NEW YORK (AP) -- One of the lawyers who played a key role in the baseball strike of 1994-95 went to bat Tuesday for Latrell Sprewell on Day 6 of his arbitration hearing.

Eugene Orza, the associate general counsel for the Major League Baseball Players Association, was one of three witnesses to testify in a session that lasted 11 hours.

Orza, who was not available for comment because of a gag order imposed on all parties to the hearing, was expected to give testimony backing up Sprewell's claim that his one-year punishment was unprecedented and excessive -- even in cases of player-coach conflicts in the NBA.

Rockets welcome Olajuwon back by routing Vancouver, 110-97/Page 6A

and in other sports.

In baseball, for example, the commissioner's office never issued any penalty when New York Yankees pitcher Ed Whitson brawled with Billy Martin, breaking the manager's arm, Texas infielder Lenny Randle punched manager Frank Lucchesi and Cincinnati pitcher Rob Dibble wrestled with manager Lou Pinella.

Like all those players, Sprewell

was punished by his team. The Warriors initially suspended him for 10 games for attacking Golden State coach P.J. Carlesimo at practice, then terminated the remainder of his four-year, \$32 million contract.

The NBA then suspended Sprewell for one year, and his attorneys are arguing that there is no precedent -- in the NBA or anywhere else -- for a player being punished by both his team and the league.

Carlesimo was expected to travel to New York on a red-eye flight Tuesday night after the Warriors played a home game against the San Antonio Spurs.

His testimony was expected to take

up the bulk of Wednesday's hearing.

NBA commissioner David Stern and deputy commissioner Russ Granik are among the witnesses who could be called to testify Wednesday or Thursday.

Tuesday's other witnesses were Robin Baggett, the Warriors' general counsel, Ron Klempner, an attorney for the basketball players union and Horace Balmer, the league's director of security.

Baggett, who testified for 2 1/2 hours Monday, finished his testimony in the morning. He was questioned for a total of 4 1/2 hours over two

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Hill, Silva lead NCA to pair of wins at Plainview

From staff reports

PLAINVIEW -- Nazarene Christian Academy won a pair of basketball games Tuesday night, taking boys and girls contests from Plainview Christian Academy.

In the girls game, NCA defeated Plainview Christian, 28-17. Alyssa

Hill led NCA with nine points. Lauren Torbert and Carlie Henson each added six points and Callie Hansard had five.

Esrael Silva's 18 points led NCA in the boys game to a 42-30 victory. Teel Merrick also scored in double figures for NCA with 11 points.

Christopher Kerr, Nathan Cole and Josh Casey each scored four points for NCA.

Both NCA teams will travel to St. Andrews Episcopal School in Amarillo for games Thursday. The girls will play at 4:30 p.m. The boys

game will follow the conclusion of the girls contest.

NCA's girls and boys will play their final games of the season at home Tuesday when they host Bible Heritage Academy in a girls-boys doubleheader beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Martin lawyers say carts provide no advantage

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) -- Attacking the argument that golf carts give players an unfair advantage, Casey Martin's lawyers put on witnesses Tuesday who said carts neither improve performance nor provide relief from great fatigue.

"I prefer to walk," said Eric Johnson, the Nike Tour's leading money winner. "It helps me with my rhythm. You get a full effect of the elements."

He also said walking helps him get a better feel for the course and noted that in last year's PGA Tour qualifying tournament all 160 players had the option of riding in a cart and only seven or eight took it.

Martin, who suffers from a rare circulatory disorder that has shriveled his right leg, has said he too would prefer to walk rather than ride, but it is just too painful. He is expected to take the witness stand himself late Wednesday or early Thursday.

Martin limped to court for a second day of trial on his lawsuit against the PGA Tour in which he is using the Americans with Disabilities Act in an attempt to ride a cart on the pro golf tour.

The PGA Tour contends that walking is a fundamental part of the

"I can't think of any time in my golfing career when I ever felt I hit a shot where I felt I was winded."

-- Eric Johnson

game, testing each player's stamina, and that allowing Martin to ride would give him an unfair advantage. It is up to Martin's lawyers to show it isn't.

Under questioning from Martin attorney William Wiswall, Johnson said he considers walking as a part of the game "only as a purpose to get to the next shot."

Johnson said golf rarely makes him tired and sweaty, unless it is a hot day, and tournaments even on the PGA Tour give golfers rides in carts when there is a long distance between the green of one hole and the tee of the next.

"I can't think of any time in my golfing career when I ever felt I hit a shot where I felt I was winded," Johnson said.

Martin's attorneys bolstered Johnson's statements with testimony from Gary Klug, professor of

physiology at the University of Oregon, who has specialized in the study of muscle fatigue.

"Because of the low level of physical activity required in golf, it is not an activity that would be considered particularly taxing physiologically," Klug said.

Klug said because Martin walks with a limp, he expends more energy than someone else, but added that you could not measure the different levels of fatigue experienced by two golfers without being able to measure their levels of stress and motivation, which cannot be done.

Asked if a cart would give Martin an advantage, Klug noted that Martin walks about 100 yards per hole even when he is riding, and is likely to expend more energy because he cannot do the exercise to get in good condition.

During cross-examination by PGA Tour attorney William Maledon, Klug refused to concede that walking four to five miles in the course of 18 holes of golf would generally produce fatigue.

"Not in an activity that represents as low an energy expenditure as golf," he said.

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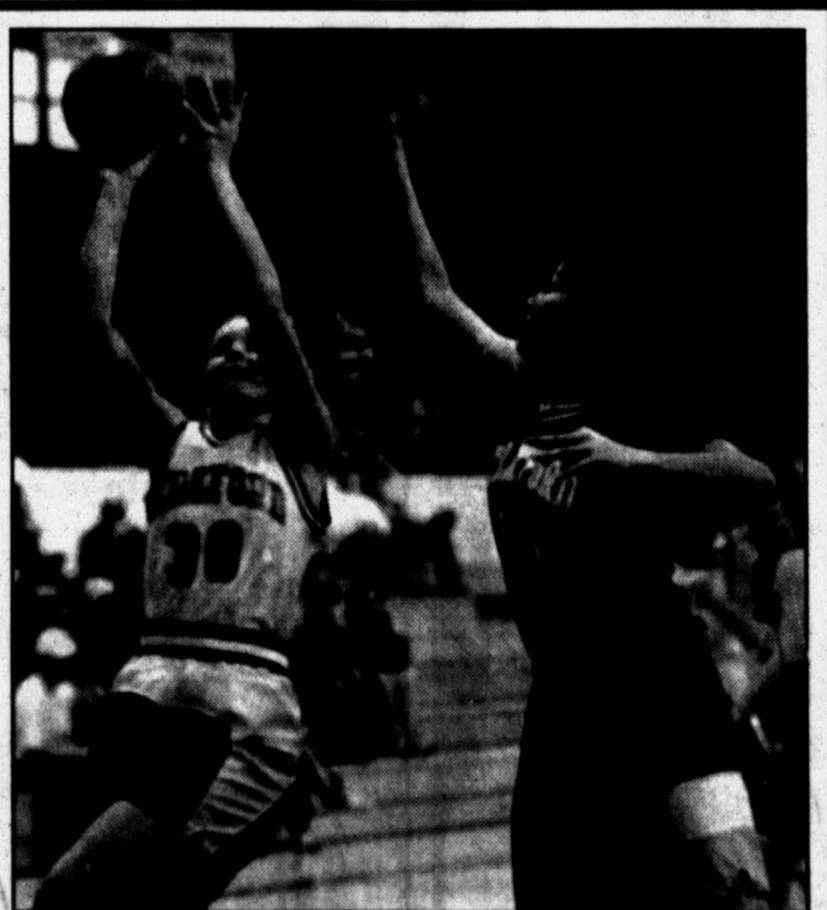


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Too late

Stratford's Keisha Naugle can't get to Hereford's Julie Rampley before her shot Tuesday night during a non-district game at Whiteface Gymnasium. Rampley had 17 points as Hereford won 63-36 to up their season record to 26-3 going into Friday night's District 1-4A game with Canyon Randall.

Girls

several easy attempts inside. "When you short arm layups, you're definitely scared to death," Horsford said.

Seniors Catie Betzen and Julie Rampley led Hereford (26-3) with 17 points each. Misti Davis and Tori Walker each added seven for the Lady Whitefaces.

Stratford (19-5) was topped by 12 points from 5-9 sophomore Lynz Browning. Keisha Naugle added eight for the Lady Elks.

Hereford jumped out 6-0 on Stratford, hitting 3-for-4 from the field. By the end of the first quarter, seven Lady Whitefaces had scored as Hereford went into the second period with a 20-8 margin.

"I wanted to see step up and take on a quality opponent with some courage and confidence," Horsford said. "We didn't. We've got an opportunity to do some things in 2A, but if we don't step up and play good teams... it's not going to happen."

Fortenberry substituted freely during much of the game. All 11 players that dressed played and nine scored.

"A couple of them were starry-eyed when we threw them out there," Fortenberry said. "It was good to see them come in and get that out of their system because those are kids that are going to have to help us next year."

The Lady Whitefaces stretched their advantage to 32-16 at halftime, getting 11 points from Rampley who was 4-for-7 from the field in the first two quarters.

Rampley only took three shots in the second half, scoring three points, but Betzen led Hereford out of the locker room, tallying 13 points in the final two quarters on 4-for-4 shooting from the field. Rampley assisted Betzen on three of her second-half baskets.

Vikings

NFL owners meetings March 20-27 in Orlando, Fla. However, the league might need more time to review the deal.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said the league had received no official word of the sale by late Tuesday afternoon.

Clancy, also a minority owner of the Baltimore Orioles, plans to put his share of the Orioles in a trust, Ganis said. He added that the NFL has indicated that would be enough to avoid the potential conflict of owning teams in different markets.

Clancy outbid two other finalists by as much as \$25 million. One of those bidders was Vikings president Roger Headrick, who declined comment through a team official Tuesday.

Ganis, president of Chicago-based Sports Corp. Ltd., said Clancy wanted Headrick to continue handling the team's day-to-day business. Headrick acknowledged in an internal memo Tuesday that Clancy wanted to keep the team's management intact, but Headrick didn't indicate whether he would accept that role.

Clancy also plans to keep coach Dennis Green, who nearly quit amid the sale uncertainty before announcing last week he would fulfill the final year of his contract in 1998. Green also declined comment through a team official.

"There is no thought at this moment that there are going to be any wholesale changes," Ganis said. "This team, in many respects, is run very, very well. It's had some limited resources, but it's run very well on those limited resources. We think we can expand those resources and make the team even more successful on the field."

That's what Clancy hopes to bring to the Vikings: cash. The Vikings have been to the NFC championship just once since 1977, and the team's low revenues at the Metrodome have hampered its ability to improve even though it has reached the playoffs in five of Green's six seasons.

"The former ownership didn't have any cash or revenue to sign some big-name free agents," said Philip Maas, one of the 10 current owners. "The new group will."

Clancy's role as the sole majority owner -- each of the 10 current owners own equal shares -- also will make decisions easier.

Clancy will own the largest share of the Vikings.

"If (Rampley's) not shooting the ball, she's getting somebody involved," Fortenberry said.

Both coaches used the respite from district play to set up the rest of their district schedules, which for Hereford ends with Canyon Randall Friday night.

"I thought in the second half we could've come out with a little more intensity," Fortenberry said. "But there's no doubt Friday night they'll come out pumped."

Hereford committed 18 turnovers for the game, but Fortenberry said he wasn't uncomfortable with that.

"I think that's a little of that lack of intensity," he said. "We got a little lax there to start the second half."

Turnovers don't have me that worried right now. One thing he did seem concerned with is fan support for Friday night's final district matchup with the Lady Raiders. With realignment announced Monday, this will be the final district game for the two teams for at least two years.

"Randall's playing well right now," he said. "They're playing like they did at the first of the season... If you've never shown up to watch us, you better be here Friday and fill this place up, not at halftime of our game. Let's be here when our starts because we need you Friday."

Horsford said about the only thing he saw favorable was the performance of his reserves in the third and fourth quarters.

"In the second half, our bench played well," he said. "In the fourth quarter, we started taking the ball to the hole with our post players a little bit, but we've got to start doing that early in the game. We can't wait till the game is not in question anymore before we decide to relax and play."

Sprewell

days. Klumpner testified after Orza. His testimony was expected to include a recounting of the efforts the union made to arrange a meeting between Sprewell and Stern before the suspension was announced.

Union officials have maintained that when they reached Granik on the telephone to arrange a meeting, they were told it was too late -- a punishment (the one-year suspension) had already been decided upon.

Balmer, who oversaw the league's investigation of the incident, was on the stand for almost two hours but did not complete his testimony. He will be the first witness when the hearing resumes Wednesday morning.

Sprewell, who has attended every day of the hearing, was besieged by camera crews in the morning as he walked down the lobby of the General Motors building, where the hearing is being held on the 25th floor.

"Why are you pushing me, man?" he asked as the camera crews slowed his walk to the elevator.

Martin

The PGA concedes that the Martin is disabled and has suffered the effects of the Klippel-Trenaunay-Werner Syndrome his entire life.

Rather than a vein along the bone of his lower right leg, Martin has a jumble of varicose veins along the surface. The valves that normally keep the blood from flowing backward don't work, so the blood tends to pool in his lower leg whenever Martin stands, causing painful swelling and bleeding into his knee and lower leg.

The magistrate who will decide the case has given Martin the chance to ride a cart on the second-tier Nike Tour pending the outcome of this trial.

Last month, the 25-year-old golfer won the tour's event in Lakeland, Fla., and quickly was embraced by the public.



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Houston burns Grizzlies, 110-97

HOUSTON (AP) -- Charles Barkley welcomed Hakeem Olajuwon back the best way he knew how. And so did Houston Rockets fans.

Barkley had 25 points and 15 rebounds as the Rockets celebrated the return of Olajuwon from the injury list with a 110-97 victory over the Vancouver Grizzlies on Tuesday night.

"I had a very good feeling just to be back on the court," said Olajuwon, who missed 33 games after undergoing knee surgery on Nov. 24.

Olajuwon had 10 points on 5-of-7 shooting and six rebounds in 19 minutes. He entered the game with 5:05 to play in the first quarter and received a 60-second standing ovation, getting first rebound moments later and his first basket with two minutes remaining in the quarter.

"It obviously gives us a physical lift but he also gives us just as much of a mental lift," Barkley said. "He's like anybody else. He's not in the best game condition. That's going to take time, probably three weeks to a month but he's going to be a big help."

The Rockets led 57-50 at halftime before Barkley scored 15 points in the third, keying a 15-6 run to start the period that helped the Rockets take an 84-71 lead into the fourth quarter.

"It's just his presence that makes a difference," Clyde Drexler said. "People don't go through the lane with reckless abandon anymore. Even

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Donahue

season. He has been working as a college football analyst for CBS.

Dallas also needs an offensive coordinator to replace Ernie Zampese, who has gone to New England. The team hired Clarence Shelmon of the Seattle Seahawks on Tuesday as running backs coach to replace Joe Brodsky, who has gone to Chicago.

Jones would like to interview Brian Billick, who was Minnesota's offensive coordinator last year but whose status is unresolved for next season. Jones has yet to get permission to interview Billick, who has said he would like to come to Dallas.

Complicating the issue is the fact that the Vikings are in the process of being sold to a group led by author Tom Clancy.

The team also announced Tuesday it has extended the contracts of defensive coordinator Dave Campo, linebackers coach Jim Bates, kicking/offensive quality control coach Steve Hoffman, offensive line coach Hudson Houck and secondary coach Mike Zimmer.

Donahue, 53, took UCLA to 13 bowl games, with a record of 8-4-1 in the postseason games. However, his teams never won a national title.

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Press dinner light on Clinton jokes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reporters and politicians attending a formal press dinner to salute Congress refrained from heavy banter on President Clinton and allegations of illicit sex in the White House.

But the speakers at Tuesday's Washington Press Club Foundation event made sure the issue wasn't left untouched.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said Clinton has prepared a message for Iraqi President Saddam Hussein: "You're about to feel the weight of America's military might unless you are willing to submit an affidavit in the Paula Jones trial."

Mistress of ceremonies Molly Ivins, a Fort Worth Star-Telegram columnist, and her Republican congresswoman, Rep. Kay Granger, aimed gentle shots at their hometown cattlemen, who are engaged in a lawsuit with talk show host Oprah Winfrey over her remarks about mad-cow disease.

Whatever scandals may hit the nation's capital, Ivins said. "At least no one in Washington has sued Oprah Winfrey for 'dissing' cows."

Added Granger: "Only in Texas is it illegal to criticize dead meat."

Court-martial delayed for former top soldier

FORT BELVOIR, Va. (AP) — Ignoring his neutral role, an Army legal adviser who recommended a sexual misconduct court-martial for Sgt. Gene McKinney was gunning for the former top soldier, the defense said at the start of McKinney's military trial.

Defense lawyers said Tuesday that Col. Frankie Hoskey improperly catered to one of McKinney's chief accusers, arranging expensive, private cross-country flights and other special treatment for Sgt. Christine Fetrow.

"It's more in line with a prosecutor trying to curry favor with a witness so that she will provide the testimony that the government wants," said defense lawyer Charles Gittins.

Ms. Fetrow is scheduled to be the Army's first witness.

NEWS in brief

Computer glitch poses threat to flights

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — More than half the nation's flights could be prevented from take off at the turn of the century because the Federal Aviation Administration is lagging in its efforts to fix the Year 2000 computer problem, *USA Today* reported in today's editions.

At a Congressional hearing today, lawmakers planned to quiz FAA officials on how to address the glitch, which results when computers cannot process dates after 1999.

The aviation administration had anticipated it would adjust the most critical of the computer systems by Nov. 1999. But independent auditors say the FAA will not make the deadline and is only 7 percent through the upgrades now.

Actor hospitalized, arrested on drug charges

NEW YORK (AP) — Actor Daniel Baldwin was arrested on drug charges a day after reportedly going on a drug-crazed rampage that left him hospitalized.

Baldwin was charged at his hospital bed Tuesday night with criminal possession of a controlled substance as well as drug paraphernalia. If convicted of the two charges, he faces up to two years in prison.

The actor's condition was upgraded Tuesday night from critical to stable, said Brice Peyre, a spokesman for St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital.

Asked earlier whether his brother might need help for a drug problem, Billy Baldwin said only: "That's my family's business, quite honestly."

Buffett speculates silver to continue its rise

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Legendary investor Warren Buffett decided the time was right to buy silver, so since July he bought 130 million ounces of the precious metal — and has seen the price rise more than 50 percent.

In a surprise announcement released after commodities markets closed Tuesday, Buffett's Omaha-based investment company, Berkshire Hathaway Inc., said it has been buying silver in anticipation that its price would rise as demand outpaces supply.

So far, his bet is sound.

Tearful Lewinsky embraces father

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A tearful Monica Lewinsky began her homecoming by giving her father a long bear hug in full view of a media circus that she has tried to avoid for two weeks.

A crush of reporters and photographers looked on as she jumped out of a car Tuesday and hugged her father, Dr. Bernard Lewinsky, for 10 seconds in front of her Brentwood home.

Democratic fund-raiser facing criminal charges

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — After fleeing to China while Congress investigated his political fund raising, Yah Lin "Charlie" Trie is back to face criminal charges of illegally funneling foreign money into the 1996 Democratic presidential campaign.

Sought for nearly a year as a witness by House and Senate committees that investigated campaign fund-raising abuses, Trie surrendered to FBI agents Tuesday in a surprise return to this country.

Congress closer to naming airport after Reagan

WASHINGTON (AP) — After days of talks, Democrats and Republicans reached an agreement that brought the government one step closer to renaming Washington National Airport after former President Ronald Reagan.

A vote could come as early as today on the idea. Republicans have been trying since last week to bring the bill to the Senate floor for a vote before Reagan's 87th birthday on Friday.

But Democrats blocked it after Republicans balked at a suggestion to rename the Justice Department after Robert F. Kennedy, a former senator and attorney general and the brother of the late President John F. Kennedy.

Keeping an eye on Texas

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Readers suggest how 'Seinfeld' should close its run

By FRAZIER MOORE
AP Television Writer

Thanks for nothing!
A few weeks ago, we asked you to tell us how "Seinfeld" should say goodbye. We invited your suggestions for how, come May, the curtain should fall on Jerry, George, Elaine and Kramer after nine hilarious seasons of the sitcom so famously about nothing.

You told us. The "Seinfeld" gang, you said, should be blessed with sudden wealth, lasting love, belated self-awareness. Or suffer punishment, death, eternal afterlife in Bizarro World. From you, we got plenty of nothing. And nothing's plenty for us. ("Seinfeld" airs on NBC at 8 p.m. CST Thursday, with an extra episode at 7:30 CST tonight.)

Of the scores of responses, many followed similar tracks. Several of you said the "Seinfeld" buds should win at Lotto or score in some other get-rich-quick scheme. This would trigger a series-ending breakup of the dysfunctional foursome, enabling them to get

on with their lives, or rather, get a life.

Maybe true love will ignite between Elaine and Jerry or George or Kramer or even - get OUT! - the portly, despicable postman, Newman.

Or maybe Elaine isn't who Newman pines for, ventures Shelley Ginsburg of Los Angeles: "He inadvertently announces through a loudspeaker at Monk's diner that he's gay and in love with Jerry."

Yes, dear correspondents, you know your TV history. Several of you called for Jerry to wake up in bed not with his one-time girlfriend Elaine, but with Suzanne Pleshette, to whom he exclaims that he has just had one way-out dream!

Or he might emerge from a shower in the sprawling manse he and Elaine share outside of Dallas, revealing that the "Seinfeld" we've watched all these years was Elaine's fevered dream.

"Maybe they should all have a group hug and then sing, 'It's a Long Way to Tipperary' as they walk out the door," offers Linda Anderson of Midland, Texas. "Jerry, as the last one out, would take one long last

look around the apartment and then turn off the lights."

Or, borrowing from Gilligan, Mike Beatrice of Venice, Calif., introduces the most uplifting finish for these pathetically entrenched Manhattanites: "They all get off the island."

Jack McPherson of Coupeville, Wash., was inspired by a classic film:

"The last episode should be a fantasy which begins with Elaine being struck by a New York taxi. She awakens to find herself in the Land of Oz, where she meets a Tin Man named Jerry, a Scarecrow who calls himself Kramer, and a Cowardly Lion known as George. Then, upon reaching the Wizard's castle and pulling back the curtain, there stands Newman smiling his evil grin."

Superman comics fan Jerry gets sucked into Bizarro World, writes David Tackett of Edmond, Okla., "where

Jerry is the annoying postman, and Newman is the comedian."

Similarly, Brad Haskin of Oak Harbor, Wash., proposes that a final episode would reveal "that Jerry's true identity is Superman, and that Newman is actually Lex Luthor in disguise. Jerry wraps Newman up with his own mail bags and flings him into outer space."

Looking ahead, Wendy LaTulippe of Burlington, Vt., imagines the gang in a nursing home. "Jerry is bald, not very funny, and obsessed with the facility's 'inefficient and not-so-antiseptic' practices. Elaine spends most of her time angrily plowing down other residents with her walker. They often sit together on the porch, talking about ... well ... nothing."

Befitting a series where even mortality is a source of bleak humor, other submissions call for their joint demise (a plane crash?), or for one member of the gang to go mad and off all the others.

NBC takes top spot in news

NEW YORK (AP) - On at least one busy week, NBC's nightly news program opened up some distance in a tight ratings race with its rivals.

The "NBC Nightly News" had its widest margin of victory over ABC's "World News Tonight" in more than a decade as networks continued intensive coverage of the sex and lies allegations against President Clinton last week.

Tom Brokaw's news show had a 9.7 rating and 18 share for the week, well above ABC's 8.5 rating and 16 share and the largest margin since Christmas week in 1987. The "CBS Evening News" had an 8.2 rating and 16 share.

While NBC has led in the news ratings over most of the past year, the race has generally been much tighter. Brokaw attributed the win to a news-intensive broadcast, the network's strength in other programs like "Today" and interest fostered by the MSNBC all-news cable channel.

"I think all of that is taking hold," he said Tuesday. NBC easily won the week's prime time competition, too, though the fledgling WB network scored its highest Nielsen Media Research ratings ever.

In prime time, NBC had a 10.4 rating and 17 share, well ahead of CBS' 8.8 rating and 14 share. ABC had an 8.2 rating and 14 share, followed by Fox's 6.6 rating

and 11 share.

The surging WB had a 3.7 rating and 6 share. UPN had a 2.4 rating and 4 share.

A rating point represents 980,000 households, or 1 percent of the nation's estimated 98 million TV homes. Share is the percentage of in-use televisions tuned to a given show.

For the week, the WB was the top-rated network among teen-agers. Its teen soap opera, "Dawson's Creek," scored an unusually high 5.9 rating. It had the advantage of airing Tuesday night when most of the WB's broadcast rivals showed Clinton's State of the Union address.

"ER" and "Seinfeld" were the week's most-watched programs - no surprise there. But the NBC comedy "Just Shoot Me," considered a possible replacement for "Seinfeld," fared particularly well in its new time slot of Thursday at 8:30 p.m.

For the week of Jan. 26-Feb. 1, the top 10 shows, their networks and ratings were:

"ER," NBC, 22.1; "Seinfeld," NBC, 21.9; "Veronica's Closet," NBC, 17.8; "Friends," NBC, 16.9; "Just Shoot Me," NBC, 16.5; "Touched By an Angel," CBS, 16.0; "60 Minutes," CBS, 15.4; "CBS Sunday Movie: The Love Letter," CBS, 14.4; "Dateline NBC" (Monday), NBC, 12.2; "American Music Awards," ABC, 12.1.

Comics

The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



Marvin

By Tom Armstrong



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Barney Google and Snuffy Smith

By Fred Lasswell



WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 4

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
Movie: Animalympics (1979) Billy Crystal	(25) Movie: D3: The Mighty Ducks 'PG'	Growing	Growing	Walt Disney Presents	Zorro					
News	Ent. Tonight	3rd Rock	Seinfeld	3rd Rock	Working	Law & Order	News	(35) Tonight Show		
Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Ocean Realm	Billy Wilder-Comedy				Great Performances		Lynching	Newshour	
Griffith	Griffith	NBA Basketball Chicago Bulls at Utah Jazz				NBA Basketball: Trail Blazers at Lakers				
News	Fortune	Spin City	Dharma	Drew Carey	Ellen	Primetime Live	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
Fam. Mat.	Coach	Movie: Harlem Nights (1989) Eddie Murphy. **	Honeymoon	News	Beverly Hills, 90210	Heat				
News	Home Imp.	Movie: My Sister Sam (1998) Ekaterina Gordeeva.	Chicago Hope	News	(35) Late Show					
Mad-You	Simpsons	Beverly Hills, 90210	Party of Five	Hercules-Jmys.	Frasier	Cops	Real TV			
College Basketball Clemson at Georgia Tech	College Basketball St. John's at Boston College				Sportscenter					
Waltons	Rescue 911	Diagnosis Murder	Hawaii Five-0	700 Club	Bonanza					
(5-15) Movie: Fluke (1995)	Movie: Forget Paris (1995) Billy Crystal, Debra Winger.	Dead Man's	(45) Fast Track	(35) Movie: Lap Dancing						
Reflections on Ice: A Diary	Movie: That Thing You Do! Tom Everett Scott. *** 'PG'	Movie: The Trigger Effect ** 'R'	First Look	Movie:						
(5-00) Movie: Multiplicity	Movie: Lady Sings the Blues (1972) Diana Ross, Billy Dee Williams. 'R'	Movie: Mission: Impossible Tom Cruise. *** 'PG-13'								
(5-00) Movie: Souther	Movie: Hollywood or Bust (1956) Dean Martin. ***	Movie: Abbott & Costello-Who's Got the Funny? (1940) Bud Abbott, Lou Costello. ***								
Dukes of Hazzard	Life of Kenny Rogers	Prime Time Country	American Originals	Dallas	Dukes					
Gimme Shelter	Wild Discovery	Discover Magazine	Disaster Proof?	Justice Files	Wild Disc.					
Law & Order	Biography	American Justice	Foot Soldier	Law & Order	Biography					
Great Lifetime Makeover	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: When Husbands Cheat (1998) Patricia Kalember.	Almost	Golden Girls	Golden Girls					
Last Word	Sports	Goin' Deep	Women's College Basketball Texas at Texas Tech	FOX Sports News	Sports					
Babylon 5	Movie: The Road Warrior (1981) Mel Gibson. *** 'R'	Babylon 5								
Doug	Rugrats	Hey Arnold!	Happy Days	Wonder Yrs.	Wonder Yrs.	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	Newhart	Van Dyke
Highlander: The Series	Walker, Texas Ranger	(7-59) Movie: The Hunted (1998) Harry Hamlin.								
Esmeralda	Maria Isabel	Alguna Vez	Fuera	Lente Loco						
War Years	In Search of History	Smart Bombs	True Action Adventures	Weapons at War	In Search					
RPM 2Night	Snowboarding	NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at Dallas Stars								

THURSDAY

FEBRUARY 5

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Gool Troop	Wonderland	Marmaduke	Pooh	Bear	Katie-Orbie	Chip 'n' Dale	Madeline	Marmaduke	Pooh	Jungle Cubs
Today				Leeza		Geraldo Rivera	Sunset Beach	Days-Lives		
Barney	Arthur	Sesame Street	Puzzle Place	Reading	Charlie	Mr. Rogers	Arthur	Barney	Days-Lives	
Gilligan	3's Co.	Little House on the Prairie	Mama	Mama	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Matlock	Movie:		
Good Morning America			Live -- Regis & Kathie Lee	Martha	Gayle King	People's Court	News			
Tiny Toon	Captain	BugsDaffy	Animaniacs	PinkyBrain	Batman	Griffith	Geraldo Rivera	News		
This Morning				Ricki Lake	Price Is Right	Young and the Restless	News			
Bobby	Casper	101Dalmats	X-Men	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Kenneth C.	Paid Prog.	Judge Judy
Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	NCAA		
Rescue 911	Waltons	700 Club				Carol Bnt.	Diagnosis Murder	Home		
(6-15) Movie: The Other	(15) Movie: Ruby Jean and Joe Tom Selleck. 'PG-13'	Movie: Our Man Flint (1966) James Coburn, Gila Golan.								
Movie: It Takes Two Kirstie Alley. ** 'PG'	First Look	Movie: The Cherokee Kid Smbad. 'PG-13'	Movie: Space Jam Michael Jordan. 'PG'							
(6-00) Movie: ** Hurry Down	Movie: Swimsuit: The Movie 'NR'	Movie: The Yearling (1946) Gregory Peck, Jane Wyman.								
Movie: Sirocco (1951) Humphrey Bogart. ***	Movie: The Merry Widow (1952) Lana Turner. ***	Movie: Gaby (1956) Leslie Caron. ***								
(Off Air)	Ready-Road 'Vid-Morn	Crook & Chase	Dallas	Aleene's Crafts	Am. Country					
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Assignment Discovery	Home Matters	Interior Mot.	Interior Mot.					
Columbo			Cosby Mysteries	Quincy	Northern Exposure	Law & Order				
Baby Knows	Kids These	Sisters	Our Home	Thirtysomething	Almost	HopeGlori	Night Court			
FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Fit TV		
Gilligan	Gilligan	CHIPS	Lonesome Dove: Series	Spenser: For Hire	Movie: Flood (1976) Robert Culp. ***					
C. Brown	Rugrats	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Muppets	Wubbulous Binyah	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Allegre		
Webster	Facts of Life	Gimme B.	Strangers	Wings	Wings	Major Dad	Major Dad	Movie: Down, Out & Dangerous (1995)		
(6-00) Despierta America			Maite	Agujetas de Color de Rosa				Marimar		
Classroom	History Showcase	Roots				Real West		Spies		
Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Crunch	Training	Perfect	Bodyshape	Fitness	Flex Appeal	Outside the Lines	NBA 2Night	

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
Tale Spin	Donald	Chip 'n' Dale	Tale Spin	Gool Troop	Timon	Aladdin	Dinosaurs	Growing	Growing	Brotherly
Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Maury				Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC News	
Body Elec.	Painting	Keeping Up	Writers	Writers	Literary	Literary	Sandiego	Science Guy	Wishbone	Mag. Bus
(12-00) Movie: ** Duel at Diablo (1966)	Flintstones	Flintstones	Looney	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	
Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Port Charles	Pictionary	Rosie O'Donnell	News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	
News	Empty Nest	Empty Nest	Beauty and the Beast	Beverly Hills, 90210	Fam. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Salty			Am. Journal	Edition	News	CBS News	
Judge Judy	Medicine Woman	Little House	Spider-Man	Metallic	Rangers	Life-Louis	Fresh Pr.	Rosanne		
Final Four	NCAA Honors Dinner	PGA Golf Buck Invitational -- First Round	ShopDrop	Shopping	Big Valley	Bonanza-Lost	Carol Bnt.	Carol Bnt.		
(12-00) Home & Family										
Movie: Forget Paris (1995)	(45) Movie: Cheech & Chong's The Corsican Brothers	Movie: Back to the Beach Frankie Avalon	Movie: Vice Versa Judge Reinhold. 'PG'	(15) Movie: It Takes Two						
Movie: Big Top Pee-wee	Movie: Back to the Beach Frankie Avalon	Lifestories	Movie: The Bad News Bears *** 'PG'	Movie: Memoirs-Invis.						
(12-15) Movie: Desert Bloom Jon Voight	Movie: Backlash: Oblivion 2 Meg Foster.	Movie: The Bad News Bears *** 'PG'	Movie: George-Inv.							
(4-5) Movie: Tea and Sympathy (1956) Deborah Kerr, John Kerr. *** 'R'	Movie: The Vintage (1957) Mel Ferrer, Pier Angeli. ***									
(12-00) America's Country Hits	Crook & Chase	Dallas	Club Dance	Dukes of Hazzard						
Home	Housesmart!	Interior Motives	Great Chfs	Great Chfs	Travelers	Dukes				
Law & Order	Columbo		Cosby Mysteries	Quincy	Northern Exposure					
Night Court	Movie: Fugitive Among Us (1992) Peter Strauss. ***	Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Supernmt	Debt			
Fit TV	Sports	Skating	NHL Shots	W. Wilson	K. Sampson	Pro Sports	NBA Action	Sports	FOX Sports	
Movie:	Movie: Heaven With a Gun (1959) Glenn Ford. ***	In the Heat of the Night	Kung Fu: Legend	Lois & Clark-Superman						
Rupert	Muppets	Looney	C. Brown	Gadget	Tiny Toon	Garfield	You Afraid?	Rocky's Life	Figure It Out	Tiny Toon
Movie:	Movie: The Unholy (1988) Ben Cross, Hal Brook. **	Baywatch	Saved-Bell	USA High	Baywatch					
Marimar	Amor Mio	Gente Bien	Cristina	Primer Impacto	Club	Noticiero				
Spies	Air Combat	Roots		Real West	Spies	Spies				
NBA's Great	Drag Racing	Auto Racing ARCA Bando Mar-Hyde Daytona 200 Qualifying				NASCAR	On the Pole	Motoworld		

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62	Movie: Bambi (1942) 'G'		(15) Movie: James and the Giant Peach		(40) Movie: The Rescuers *** 'G'		Movie: The Horsemasters		Zorro		
63	News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Frasier	Seinfeld	Veronicas	ER	News	(35) Tonight Show		
64	Newshour With Jim Lehrer	Eyewitness	World	Mystery!				Foto	Charlie Rose	Newshour	
65	Griffith	Griffith	(05) Thunder				(05) Movie: The Blues Brothers (1980) John Belushi. ***				
67	News	Fortune	Prey		Movie: Target Earth (1998) Christopher Meloni.		News	Seinfeld	Nightline		
68	Fam. Mat.	Coach	Sister, Sis.	Smart Guy	Wayans	Harvey	News	Beverly Hills, 90210	Heat		
69	News	Home Imp.	Promised Land		Diagnosis Murder		48 Hours	News	(35) Late Show		
70	Mad-You	Simpsons	Figure Skating: Breaking the Ice: The Women of '94		Earth: Final Conflict		Frasier	Cops	Real TV		
71	Sportsctr.	College Basketball Mississippi at Arkansas			College Basketball Southern Mississippi at Tulane		Sportsctr.	Basketball	Bonanza		
72	Waltons	Rescue 911		Movie: Flood: A River's Rampage (1997), Kate Vernon		700 Club					
73	Movie: Ruby Jean and Joe	Movie: Jerry Maguire (1996) Tom Cruise, Cuba Gooding Jr. *** 'R'		(20) Movie: Blind Faith Courtney B. Vance.							
74	(5-15) Movie: It Takes Two	Movie: Space Jam Michael Jordan. 'PG'	First Look	Comedy Hour		Best of Autopsy		Movie:			
75	Movie: Memoirs-Invis.	Movie: Bird (1988) Forest Whitaker, Diane Venora. *** 'R'				Movie: Terror Train Ben Johnson. **					
76	Movie: George-Hers	Movie: Going Hollywood (1933) Bing Crosby. ***		Movie: Hearts of the West (1975) Jeff Bridges. ***		Movie:					
77	Dukes of Hazzard	Championship Rodeo	Prime Time Country	Today's Country		Dallas			Dukes		
78	Gimme Shelter	Traveling the Dingy Fence	Strange	Movie Magic	Wings	Justice Files		Dingo Fence			
79	Law & Order	Biography	New Explorers	Unexplained		Law & Order		Biograph			
80	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Memories of Midnight (1991), Omar Sharif ***	Almost		Golden Girls	Golden Girls				
82	Boxing Fight Time		NBA Action	Last Word	Sports	College Basketball UCLA at Oregon					
83	Babylon 5	Movie: Gone With the Wind (1939) Clark Gable, Vivien Leigh. ***									
84	Doug	Rugrats	Alex Mack	Happy Days	Wonder Yrs.	Wonder Yrs.	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	Newhart	Van Dyke
85	Highlander: The Series	Walker, Texas Ranger		Wonder: First Blood (1982) Sylvester Stallone. ***		Silk Stalkings		Highland			
86	Esmeralda	Maria Isabel		Alguna Vez		Benvenuto		P. Impacto	Noticiero	Al Ritmo	Al Ritmo
87	Art Combat	In Search of History		Combat Crew		History Undercover		World at War		In Search	
89	RPM 2Nite!	Stronoman	Stronoman	Stronoman	College Basketball Duke at North Carolina		Billiards		NBA Search		



Dressed to beat the band

The Hereford High School Honor Band, though dressed for yearbook pictures, will be participating in the Solo & Ensemble

competition on Saturday on the WTAMU campus. More than 300 jr. high and high school students will compete in the event.

Clinton, Congress sharing goals

WASHINGTON (AP) - Many congressional Republicans agree with some of President Clinton's budget priorities ranging from child care to using tobacco settlement funds, a political overlap that helps explain why GOP criticism of his spending plan has been somewhat muffled.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and White House budget chief Franklin Raines defended Clinton's \$1.73 trillion fiscal 1999 blueprint on Capitol Hill Tuesday, the day after he unveiled it. Republicans hit the package for lacking sufficient tax cuts and increasing the size and reach of government, but the oft-used "dead on arrival" tag was not uttered.

"His way of solving these problems is not acceptable to most of us," said the House Budget Committee chairman, Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio.

That was a far cry from declaring the president's proposal one that must be rewritten from scratch.

And it underlined how Republicans share many of Clinton's broad goals, even though they would achieve them differently. Child-care tax credits, increases for Head Start and transportation, an expansion of charter schools operating under looser government control, and using money extracted from the tobacco industry are all Clinton proposals that many

Republicans could embrace.

The response also reflected the popularity of many of Clinton's poll-tested initiatives. Making it even harder for Republicans to attack was the package's \$9.5 billion surplus for 1999, which, if achieved, would be the first in three decades.

"If you use the focus-group attitude to budgets and pick everything that's popular, obviously you can have a highly popular budget, and that's what he's got," said Rep. Bob Livingston, R-La., who chairs the House Appropriations Committee. "That leaves it to us to do the dirty work" and make sure there is no excessive spending.

Kasich added a new twist on tobacco Tuesday. He suggested to reporters that if a settlement with the tobacco industry cannot be enacted, Republicans might consider simply raising the cigarette tax and using the proceeds for an income tax cut.

Clinton has proposed using \$65.5 billion over five years that may come from tobacco legislation, plus billions more from increased taxes and user fees, to finance an array of programs. They include school construction, day-care block grants to states and an array of anti-smoking initiatives.

The administration officials expressed confidence that their agenda would prevail.

Administration moves to counter GOP attacks

WASHINGTON (AP) - This year's budget debate is quickly focusing on two broad themes. From the Republicans, we hear that Americans face the heaviest tax burden since World War II. The White House counters that the typical family's federal tax bill is the lowest in two decades.

The argument goes to the heart of the differences between Republicans and Democrats over the budget.

Republicans, seeking a smaller

government, assert taxes are excessive by historic standards and should be cut now that the administration predicts a \$9.5 billion surplus.

Democrats are pointing out that the average middle class family's taxes are low by historic standards to justify the plethora of new social initiatives in Clinton's \$1.7 trillion budget plan.

Today, House Ways and Means Committee chairman, Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, is expected to

advance the GOP's tax-cut case. Archer will release a Joint Tax Committee study showing how 33.2 million taxpayers would pay higher marginal tax rates than they otherwise would because of complex phase-outs and other limits on tax credits and deductions.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, who appeared Tuesday before the Senate Budget Committee, moved to counter the Republican offensive. He cited a new Treasury Department

study that focused on the tax burden of a typical American family rather than the entire range of corporate and individual taxpayers.

"For a median-income family of four ... the federal income and payroll tax burden will be lower in 1998 than at any time in the past 20 years."

The Treasury study contends a family of four making \$53,720, which qualifies for a \$400 per-child tax credit, would pay an average income tax rate of 7.80 percent in 1998.

Ex-envoy's donations probed by Justice Department

WASHINGTON (AP) - The controversy over the late Ambassador M. Larry Lawrence's credentials and burial at Arlington National Cemetery now includes a criminal investigation at the Justice Department, documents and interviews show.

The department's task force investigating campaign finance irregularities wants to know whether the Clinton administration did anything improper for Lawrence, a big Democratic Party donor, a federal law enforcement official told The Associated Press on Tuesday. The official spoke on condition of anonymity.

The State Department, in a letter obtained by the AP, also confirmed there was a Justice Department probe.

Lawrence received a waiver to be buried at Arlington on the basis of his claim to have been wounded during World War II while serving in the Merchant Marine, a volunteer group of seamen who deliver cargo and supplies. No evidence surfaced to back up his claim, and both the Coast Guard and State Department now say he never served.

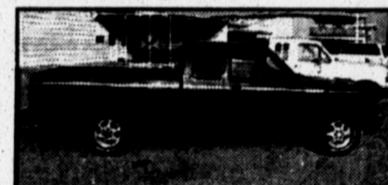
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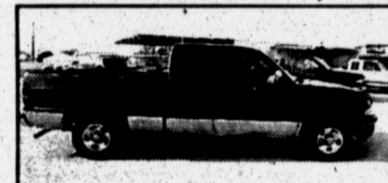
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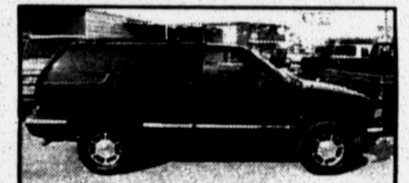
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Duluth, Minnesota is named in honor of Daniel Greysolon, Sieur Duluth, a French trader who visited the site about 1679.

Clifford, Altman to pay \$5 million in BCCI case

WASHINGTON (AP) - Consummate political insider Clark Clifford, who whispered into the ears of presidents for years, has agreed with his former law partner to pay \$5 million to settle civil fraud charges in the BCCI international banking scandal.

In a quiet end to an affair that rocked the capital in 1991-92, the Federal Reserve Board announced the settlement on Tuesday. The 91-year-old Clifford and his protégé Robert Altman will pay the money to compensate what the Fed called the "innocent" depositors and creditors of the now-defunct Bank of Credit and Commerce International.

Agencies warned to keep home health services

WASHINGTON (AP) - For two years, a home health aide had come to John Anderson's home three times a week to care for his wife, who lost the ability to control most bodily

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functions to multiple sclerosis.

But then the home health agency abruptly announced they would have to cut services, saying Medicare would only pay enough for a nurse to change her catheter once a month.

Anderson, a 73-year-old from Largo, Fla., didn't know what to do.

"I tried to take care of her, but it became more and more difficult," said Anderson.

Anderson was able to get the agency to start sending weekly help again, after Medicare officials told Anderson he could insist on all the care his wife's doctor had prescribed.

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

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.

2-4 CRYPTOQUOTE

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E N U Y A J U T I N N ? V F I L F E M I
V F I J E H I I Y I H L - V F I

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THE SO-CALLED NOUVELE CUISINE USUALLY MEANS NOT ENOUGH ON YOUR PLATE AND TOO MUCH ON YOUR BILL.—PAUL BOCUSE

WHERE'S THE OUTRAGE?

Conservatives: Clinton popularity revealing much about Americans

By RON FOURNIER
AP Political Writer
WASHINGTON - With defeat almost certain, Bob Dole raised an anguished question late in the 1996 campaign: How could a president so often accused of misconduct be so popular? "Where is the outrage?" he demanded.

The question is back. Frustrated by President Clinton's record-high poll numbers, conservatives suggest that the Monica Lewinsky controversy may reveal as much about Americans as it does about their president.

"He has winked at his own behavior and invited us to wink back," self-styled Republican moralist William Bennett told the Conservative Political Action Conference. "Many Americans have decided, for their own reasons, to follow him downhill."

Former Republican presidential candidate Alan Keyes said, "If the American people are right now handing approval to a president who has brought us as low as this president has, then they do not pass a judgment on the president - they pass a judgment on themselves."

In Congress, too, where criticism of Clinton generally has been more muted, there are similar comments. "Anybody who believes that Clinton's alleged infidelities should be excused has already announced their total lack of character," said Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C.

Conservatives are baffled by polls showing a seemingly contradictory view of Clinton: While many voters don't believe his denials about an affair with Ms. Lewinsky, a majority of Americans believe he has the honesty and integrity to serve as president.

Three out of five respondents to a recent *Los Angeles Times* poll agreed that it is possible for Clinton to behave unethically in his personal life while maintaining integrity in his presidential duties. A slightly larger number didn't think he should resign or be impeached if he was lying about an affair with Ms. Lewinsky.

Some conservatives say the polls may simply reflect a presumption of innocence, and they expect Clinton's support to plummet if credible evidence emerges against him.

"The American people are still waiting for information. That's OK. That's understandable," said Randy Tate, executive director of the Christian Coalition. "But as more information is known, I predict his approval rating will drop like a lead balloon."

"American people are very honest and patient and want to give people the benefit of the doubt," said William Beckman, a conservative voter from Lake Mills, Wis. "Even I, a person with an extreme dislike for Clinton, don't want to see him hanging in effigy."

Others consider the polls a symptom of cynicism

toward all public officials.

"We hold our husband to a higher standard" than public officials, said Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa. "That is the real sin here."

Democrats, led by the White House, look at the polls and declare that voters are interested in Clinton's programs - not his sex life.

"They know this: The president has proposed an extraordinary agenda. They support that and they want us to get the work done," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle said Monday.

Pollster Andrew Kohut agreed: "Most people are focused on the good times and the fact that Clinton has done many of the things they want. They don't want to deal with this."

With rhetoric bordering on contempt, Bennett calls such a rationale selfish.

"He's disreputable, but the economy is going fine, we're getting more day cares and we're getting a toll-free domestic abuse hotline," Bennett said with a mocking tone. "So we close our eyes and just vote for him. That's a lesson in corruption."

Ann Martin, 18, a conservative college student from Lynchburg, Va., said the public's attitude leads her to worry about the country.

"When we have a leader who lies, what does it say about us?" she said. "When we don't care, what does that say about our ability to choose a leader?"



Soft money ban urged

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WASHINGTON (AP) - Lawyers at the Federal Election Commission have proposed barring political parties from raising huge unregulated "soft money" donations, a move that could have a dramatic effect on how campaigns are financed.

Soft money is one of the fastest-growing methods of financing politics, accounting for a record \$262 million for Democrats and Republicans in 1996. It is also the most controversial and was at the center of last year's investigations into Democratic fund-raising practices.

Under the proposal issued by the FEC general counsel's office, national committees of both parties could no longer take five- and six-figure checks from wealthy supporters, denying them millions of dollars that they now use to pay for television ads, voter drives and administrative expenses.

"It's a surprising and dramatic possible move," said Kent Cooper, executive director of the Center for Responsive Politics, a nonpartisan research group that studies the role of money in politics.

President Clinton and several lawmakers petitioned the FEC last summer to prohibit soft money as a bipartisan campaign finance bill banning soft money languished in Congress. The 52-page proposal, released Jan. 26, is the agency's first stab at responding to the requests and comes as the Senate is slated to vote on the bill in early March.

Clinton applauded the lawyers' proposal Tuesday and urged the FEC to approve it.

"I am very pleased that the agency's general counsel has proposed a new rule prohibiting national parties from raising soft money," said Clinton. Though he opposes soft money, the president has helped the Democratic Party raise millions of dollars in donations, saying the party must compete with Republican fund raising.

"I ask the members of the commission to step up to their responsibility and act, within their legal authority, to end the soft-money system," the president said.

There is no certainty the commission will act - or even has authority to do so.

BOARD

This addition will give Hereford one of the best vocational/technical prep centers in the state," Patton said. "It will put us in an excellent position to let colleges use our facilities."

The new physical education complex will be designed for use as practice courts and physical education facilities only.

A number of teams now have to go to Stanton, the YMCA or First Baptist Church to practice, while younger teams often have to abandon evening practice, because courts are being used by others teams.

According to Patton, the grant will only pay for seating for up to 150 people and because HISD needs practice courts and physical education facilities, this would be the best use of funds.

The physical education complex calls for three practice courts, restrooms, dressing rooms and storage space. It will add about 45,000 square feet at a cost of \$3.375 million.

Patton said the small seating capacity is a preventive to keep district from building stadiums and

sports centers rather than improving educational buildings.

Renovation of the fine arts center will include new lighting, curtains and ceiling of the auditorium and possibly an addition or completely new band hall/choir room.

Once again, the auditorium renovations do not include additional seating. School board members are considering the use of local money to expand the building and add additional seating.

Renovating the fine arts center, including the additional 12,000 square feet, will cost about \$750,000. "These renovations and additions won't fix all the problems, but it will have a tremendous impact on the district," Patton said. "These improvements should have the district in good shape for at least the next 15 years - barring unforeseen growth in the district."

In other business, the board agreed to accept bid on a new metal roof and a new built up roof for Northwest Elementary School.

Aikman School will be getting their roof repaired for \$100,000. The repaired roof will have a 10-year warranty.

IRS says tax packets have wrong labels

WASHINGTON (AP) - As many as 1 million taxpayers may discover this year that despite their attempt to pay taxes on time, their returns could be sent right back unopened.

About 1 million tax forms were sent with mistakes on the stick-on return address labels used to mail the completed returns back for processing, the Internal Revenue Service said Tuesday. The problem was blamed on an outside printing contractor.

The IRS said the faulty labels were sent to taxpayers on the West and East coasts who have more complex returns.

The error involves an incorrect bar code printed on the mailing labels that carry the address of a regional IRS service center, where returns are processed.

The incorrect bar code below the service center address actually contains the taxpayer's ZIP code instead of the ZIP code for the service

center. As a result, the postal service may send the completed tax return back to the taxpayer.

IRS spokesman Steve Pyrek said taxpayers wouldn't face a penalty if the return didn't land in IRS hands by the tax filing deadline, so long as the return originally was postmarked by April 15.

The printing contractor, which wasn't immediately identified, plans to send corrected labels to taxpayers within the next few weeks, the IRS said. But in the meantime, taxpayers can still use the labels, so long as they cross out the incorrect bar coding. The labels contain the correct printed ZIP codes for the service centers, but the bar codes are incorrect.

According to the IRS, the incorrect labels are in two types of tax packages: the Form 1040-5 and 1040-10. These numbers are printed on the back covers of the tax packages.

Names in the news

ISABELLA ROSSELLINI

NEW YORK (AP) - Isabella Rossellini, actress daughter of the late Ingrid Bergman, testified that her twin sister's ex-husband once threatened to kill his son and then himself.

The crisis arose years ago when her sister, Ingrid Rossellini Aborn, allowed her ex-husband to have an unsupervised visit with their little son Tommaso. Ms. Rossellini testified Tuesday in Alberto Acciarito's harassment trial.

After that visit, a screaming and cursing Acciarito telephoned the actress from a hotel and "said he would throw the child out of the window and then commit suicide," the actress-model testified.

"I signaled my husband to call police and I tried to keep him on the phone so he would not jump out of the window," Ms. Rossellini testified. She said a friend went with police to pick up the boy, who in 1986 was almost 7.

Acciarito, 44, a film director and producer who lives in Rome, is charged with aggravated harassment and three lesser charges for allegedly calling and threatening his former wife.

Acciarito's lawyer, Carol Zimmerman, said he merely tried to overcome the obstacles Mrs. Aborn erected to keep him from a relationship with their son, now 18.

TOMMY SMOTHERS

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, Calif. (AP) - Tommy Smothers will face a single trial on two sisters' allegations that he sexually abused them while he was their stepfather in the 1970s.

A judge has agreed to combine the complaints, which seek unspecified damages from the comedian. No trial date has been set.

Smothers' lawyer, Dale Kinsella, said Tuesday that the claims are frivolous and that he is confident his client will be cleared.

Alana Monson DeLima, 27, claimed in March 1996 that Smothers touched her inappropriately on three separate occasions when she was about 4. In September her sister, Murlyne Wilcock, 30, accused Smothers of sexually abusing her on a single occasion.

A judge combined the cases Jan. 13 at the request of the women's lawyer, William Cole.

Kinsella said Ms. DeLima's claims were part of an attempt to extort money from Smothers. After the complaint was filed, there were "threats to go to the tabloids unless a settlement could be reached," the lawyer said.

But Cole said both women have recalled the incidents and talked about them to friends for years.

"To believe that this is a conspiracy you would have to believe they formulated and began to execute this plan when they were children," he said.

THE THREE TENORS

MEXICO CITY (AP) - The Three Tenors will have a majestic backdrop for a Mexico concert: the ancient Pyramid of the Moon at Teotihuacan.

The lavish concert won approval despite opposition from scholars who feared the crowds could damage the site near Mexico City, Teresa Franco, director of the National Institute of Anthropology and History, said Tuesday.

About 19,000 spectators are expected for the concert in late March by Plácido Domingo, Jose Carreras and Luciano Pavarotti. The famed tenors will be accompanied by the Orchestra of the Belles Artes Theater, directed by James Levine. The production is expected to cost \$8 million.

Concertgoers will pay \$50 to \$1,500 for seats on the Street of the Dead in what was a great metropolis between the years 150 and 700. The Televisa network will televise the performance.

Franco said \$2.5 million of the proceeds are to be used to preserve the site, and she insisted steps would be taken to avoid damage from the crowd.

PELE

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) - The federal tax bureau reportedly is investigating reports that a business partner of soccer star Pele failed to list millions of dollars in business activities.

Helio Viana of Pele Sports & Marketing is under investigation for allegedly failing to report taxable income in 1992 and 1993, the O Globo newspaper said Monday.

Paulo de Sousa Freitas, head of the bureau's office in Rio de Janeiro, declined to comment on the reported investigation. And Celio Salles Barbieri, an attorney for Viana, denied his client had done anything wrong.

Pele spokesman Jose Natal do Nascimento said the soccer star was traveling and would not comment on the case before Tuesday.

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Taylor's & Sons

We're STRETCHING your DOLLAR!!

No Rain Checks! While Supplies Last. We Gladly accept Lone Star & WIC Cards Prices effective Feb. 4th - 10th.

Something BIG is Coming to Taylor & Sons
Saturday & Sunday • Watch for details in Friday's Newspaper edition.



Family Pack Boneless Chuck Steaks

\$1.29 SAVE 70¢ lb.

lb.



Family Pack Boneless Shoulder Steaks

\$1.49 SAVE 50¢ lb.

lb.



Family Pack Pork Steaks

99¢ SAVE 60¢ lb.

lb.

SAVE 80¢

10 lb. Russett Potatoes

98¢

Family Pack Pork Country Style Ribs

SAVE 80¢ lb.

\$1.19

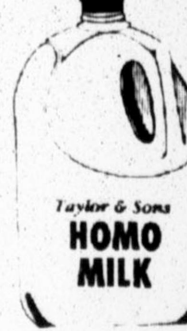
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SAVE 15¢

Golden Ripe Bananas

24¢

lb.



Taylor's & Sons Milk
Homo or 1% Gallon

SAVE 40¢ gal.

\$2.39

Family Pack Ground Chuck

SAVE 50¢ lb.

\$1.49

lb.

SAVE \$1.00

30 ct. Eggs

2/\$5.00

Taylor & Sons Bread

SAVE 58¢

2/\$1.00

Best Choice Turkey

SAVE 40¢ lb.

69¢

lb.

Panhandle Flour

SAVE \$1.00

\$3.99

25 lb. bag



Reg. or Diet Pepsi
7Up or Mountain Dew

SAVE 50¢

99¢

2 liter

Boneless Beef Brisket Packer Trim

SAVE 70¢ lb.

99¢

lb.

Coors & Budweiser Beer

18 ct. Reg. or Light While Supply Last!

SAVE \$4.00

\$7.99

New York Strips Boneless

\$2.99

SAVE \$2.00 lb.

lb.