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Dole lays claim to GOP nod with primary wins

By MIKE FEINSILBER **Associated Press Writer**

says his quick wrap-up of the GOP presidential nomination shows he offers "the right agenda for the next generation," but he admits the prospect of being president is

What looms is the selection of a running mate and a renewed threat of a Ross Perot third-party candidacy.

Solid victories in four Midwestern states on Tuesday, coming exactly a month after a humiliating loss to commentator Pat Buchanan in New Hampshire, nailed down the party's nomination for the 72-year-old Dole. He had first sought it 16 years ago.

The moral of the story is if you ... don't give up too easily, you can still make it," Dole said in an interview broadcast today on "CBS This Morning."

"It's scary in the sense that you want to be sure you can do it," he added. "I'm convinced I can."

With Buchanan reduced to nuisance status, Dole is planning to make the Senate his bully pulpit.

For now "I'm going to be a full-time senator," Dole said, in line with his strategy of using his carry the fight to President Clinton.

Both of the November rivals are leaders within the government, so each is able to undercut the other, way," Dole said as returns from intertwining even more than usual the Ohio, Illinois, Michigan and

requirements of politics.

In a first skirmish today, the rivals Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole agreed to a White House meeting for one more effort to settle their yearlong dispute over how to balance the government's budget and still preserve their competing priorities.

Dole's intention is to use Republican congressional majorities to put before Clinton bills bearing the GOP stamp.

The idea is to make the Democratic president choose between going along or being vulnerable to the label of defender of the status quo.

White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta said the unique situation would challenge both Dole and Clinton.

"I think it's going to be a test of his leadership," Panetta said of Dole on NBC's "Today" show. "Certainly, it's a test of the president's leadership, whether or not there's cooperation there to get the job

done.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Dole predicted that Clinton's edge in head-to-head polls against him would melt away now that Dole is the clear candidate. 'We're going to be hard at work convincing the American people we Republican leadership position to have the right agenda for the next generation and the next century," he

"The fall campaign is under business of government with the Wisconsin nailed down his 22nd

ident to file for the District 4 at. He lives in District 1, but

consecutive victory. "It is 230 days to defeating Bill Clinton."

Buchanan, already working the immigration issue in California, wasn't ready to concede that Dole had it wrapped up just yet, although he accepted that Dole was "very, very close." An AP count put Dole's delegate total at 1,005 to 109 for Buchanan, with 996 needed to

Dole doesn't plan to campaign in California until Friday, three days before the voting.

Two Buchanan aides - spokesmen Greg Mueller and John Condit - said Buchanan had done well enough in the industrial Midwest to make him vice presidential material.

Buchanan's appeal to blue-collar Democrats and Perot voters should 'send a message to Dole that he needs Pat on the bottom half of the ticket," is the way Condit put it.

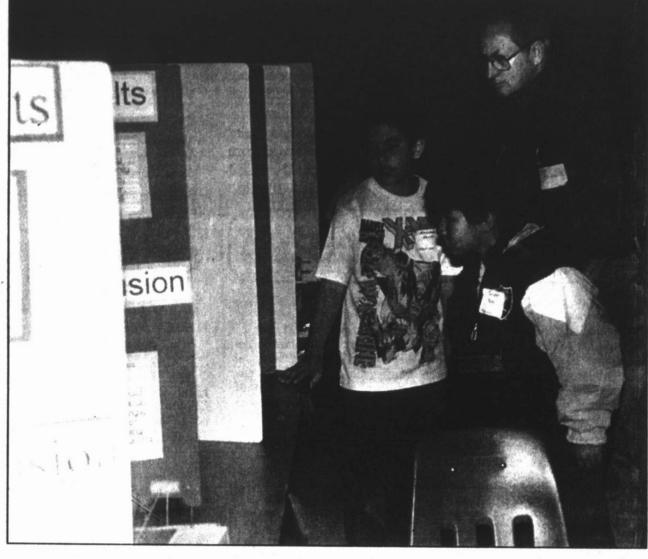
Buchanan said such talk was grossly premature. ... We are doing battle for the nomination.'

"What's still at stake is the heart and soul of the Republican Party and where the party is headed," Buchanan said on NBC. "Half of the voters said yesterday they did not believe Bob Dole had any ideas. ...I've got to speak for those folks at the convention.

The vice presidential decision promises to vex Dole. Midwestern voters, in surveys as they left polling places, made it clear that retired Gen. Colin Powell has strong appeal.

Angie M. Alonzo -- also a residen
of District 1 -- and Leroy Lucero
The only other contested race
to date in the school election is
hetween incumbent Raul Valdes
and challenger Charlie Arelland
in District 2.

e April 15-30 in the count



Talking with the judge

Shirley Intermediate School fourth-graders Fausto Mendoza, left, and Tony Cuellar talk with judge Howard Birdwell about their entry in the HISD science fair on Tuesday. Thirdthrough sixth-graders from throughout the district entered projects in four divisions -- life science, earth science, chemistry and physical science. Winners were chosen in each division, then as best of each age group and a best of show.

Local students square off in HISD science fair

The children have worked long and hard to prepare their entries and now the dust has cleared in the HISD district-wide science fair.

A team of 14 judges gathered at the HISD administration building banquet hall Tuesday to judge the 146 entries that were competing for top honors in the science competition.

Participants this year were in grades 4 through 6, with third-grade enrichment students invited as well.

They entered in one of four categories -- life science, earth science, chemistry and physical

Judges looked at creative ability Intermediate School, had claimed top thought/engineering goals (30 points), thoroughness (15 points), skill (15 points), clarity (10 points) and an interview with the judge/oral presentation (20 points).

The scoring system is the same as is used in the High Plains Regional Science Fair, set for Saturday at Amarillo College.

Hereford will send about 50 students to that fair.

When everything was finished, the Bailey, a fifth-grader at West Central science entry.

(30 points), scientific honors, being named Best of Show with her life science exhibit. Best of third grade went to Clay

Yenzer and Tanner Black of Northwest School for their physical science entry. Best of fourth grade winner was

the life science entry by West Central students Jordan and Joshua Hicks.

In fifth grade, Becky was the grade

Best of sixth grade went to West Central students Contessa White and judges had determined that Becky Michelle Bernhardt for their physical

Hospital board gives OK to pay incentives for workers

BY SPEEDY NIEMAN **Editor-Publisher**

Deaf Smith County Hospital District directors, in a regular monthly meeting Tuesday night, approved a pay incentive program for employees, selected Durbin & Co. of Lubbock to prepare the annual audit again this year, voted to make a Title V application, and discussed a new law on privacy rights for patients.

In other business, directors heard routine reports on operations, financial statements, accounts payable, Hereford Health Clinic, and the medical staff.

Jim Robinson, administrator, presented the pay incentive plan which is based on a team approach to cutting budgeted expenses, with employees earning 60 percent of the net gain above budget and the hospital retaining 40 percent. All \$9,168 will be held in reserve.

employees benefit from the plan, or none receive the incentive pay.

several months and received employee feedback, said the goal is to encourage efficient operations. While tied to savings in overtime pay and other expenses, the plan also requires a 90-percent patient satisfaction rating. Half of the savings are held in reserve for employees, with the cost report audit at the end of the year determining by Medicaid. It would be operated how much of the reserve savings would be distributed.

The plan was approved effective with the first quarter of the year. Figures outlined by Rodney Bailey, chief financial officer, revealed the net gain above budget was \$45,843. Employees will earn 40 percent, or \$18,337, for the first quarter, and

Based on total salaries, each employee would receive a quarterly Robinson, who studied the plan for incentive check amounting to 2.14 percent of his/her salary. For example, if an employee earned \$5,000 during the quarter, his incentive check would be \$107.

> Robinson explained the Title V application, if approved, would provide for the hospital to treat pregnant women and children up to 21 years of age who are not covered through the rural health clinic.

The administrator explained the new law on privacy rights of patients, Senate Bill 667, and directors authorized him to work with the local newspaper and radio station in following the intent of the law. One policy has patients sign a form on

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Trustees re-elected

Nick Yosten, left, and Anthony Acker, center, were re-elected to Position 1 and 2 during the 58th annual membership meeting for Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative in the Hereford Bull Barn Tuesday evening. Pictured with the new officers is Steve Louder, co-op president and general manager.

DSEC re-elects trustees at annual meet

Tuesday night in the Hereford Bull Barn with 1,601 members and guests per year, ten years prior. in attendance.

won re-election to the board of trustees during the meeting and \$1.5 million in capital credit refunds were distributed.

"The amount of people attending tonight shows us how strong our cooperative really is," said co-op president and general manager Steve Louder in his report to the member-

The Deaf Smith Electric Coopera- co-op in the last four years reflected attendance. tive held its 58th annual meeting a 4.12 percent increase per year compared to a 2.2 percent increase

"We are trying to meet the demand Nick Yosten and Anthony Acker for ensuring long term reliable service to our members," he said. "We want to do this at competitive

Louder also said that the co-op has three factors that helps it meet the needs of its members -- rotating capital credit and sound financial planning, competitive rates and

superior service. A catered meal of fish, chicken Louder said that the growth of the and beef was served to those in

The election was conducted by coop lawyer Terry Langehennig.

Yosten, who was opposed by nominee Mike Brumley for the Position 1 seat, lives west of Hereford where he farms, raises cattle and operates a trucking business.

Running against Acker for the Position 2 seat was Tommy Hoelting. Acker lives on and operates a family farming business four miles west of Nazareth.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by the Dixie Melody Boys gospel group.

Local Roundup

Spring starts; still no rain

Hereford recorded a high temperature of 51 degrees on the last day of winter Tuesday, and welcomed the first day of spring with an overnight low of 22 degrees, according to KPAN Radio. For tonight, forecasters are calling for Old Man Winter to hang around, with clear skies and a low around 30 degrees with south to southwest winds at 10-15 mph. For Thursday, look for mostly sunny skies and warm with a high in the mid-70s with southwest winds of 10-20 mph and gusty and no rain in the forecast.

Bluebonnet sets anniversary

The public is invited to join Bluebonnet Intermediate School as it celebrates its 30th anniversary on Thursday. Activities will begin at 2 p.m. with dedication of a mural at the school. From 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. there will be school tours, birthday cake and an historic video. A spaghetti supper will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. by donation to raise money for the mural fund. An all-school program will be presented at 7:30 p.m.

News Digest

GALVESTON - Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro is calling for a review of barge traffic in the Houston Ship Channel amid a rash of recent accidents - including this week's Galveston Bay oil spill.

WASHINGTON - President Clinton's election-year \$1.64 trillion budget tips the scales at more than 10 pounds, spanning 2,196 pages. The fiscal 1997 budget runs the gamut from sweeping policy directives to the minutiae of whether foreign embassies who owe the District of Columbia tens of thousands of dollars in parking tickets should be forced to fork the fines over with interest. But one thing it doesn't address is political viability.

HARLINGEN - The U.S. Customs Service is stepping up efforts to combat nuclear smuggling both internationally and within this country, the agency's top official says.

Emergency Services

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

HEREFORD POLICE

A 25-year-old male was arrested in the 600 block of Star on a Moore County warrant for no seat belt.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 1500 block of East First.

Class B criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of Irving. Death by natural causes was reported in the 200 block of Avenue

Class B theft was reported in the

600 block of Irving. Officers issued nine traffic

citations. There was one minor traffic

accident reported. **DEAF SMITH SHERIFF**

A 31-year-old female was arrested

for theft by check. A 31-year-old male was arrested

By MICHAEL HOLMES

Associated Press Writer

report from his special property tax

study group, Gov. George W. Bush

is forming a committee to study the

taxes are too high and wants to find

a replacement for them. He said his

committee will hear what Texans

think about property taxes and the

But it will make no recommenda-

"Our job is to measure public

"Our job is not to come to any

sentiment," said Elton Bomer, the

state insurance commissioner

appointed by Bush to chair the new

specific conclusions. Our job is not

to propose legislation," Bomer said

for Gov. George W. Bush:

barrier to home ownership

of all property taxes paid today."

expansion in the state.

Business Activity Tax

the cost of its purchases.

ness Gross Receipts Tax

tax production uniformly throughout the economy ...

possible alternatives.

tax committee.

Tuesday.

Bush believes school property

AUSTIN (AP) - Armed with a new

on a bench warrant.

issue.

A 22-year-old male was arrested for surrender of surety (driving while license suspended).

A 38-year-old male was arrested for public intoxication.

A 38-year-old female was arrested for theft by check and bail jumping. A 39-year-old male was arrested for criminal mischief and resisting

A 27-year-old female was arrested for sale of alcohol to a minor.

A 31-year-old male was arrested for theft by check.

Theft was reported. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Volunteer firefighters were called out at 3:38 p.m. to a traffic accident at 14th and Avenue F that turned out

Alfonso Bosquez, Gary Grant, Cristina Guerrero, J.D. Henslee, Blasa R. Mancillas and Yolanda Rodriguez.

Bush said he hasn't decided how

Local school property taxes now

total about \$10 billion a year. After

several months of work, Bush's

special tax working group issued a

report Tuesday that suggested three

tax. The report defined business

activity as "the sum of all its internal

costs, including profit," and

- Imposing a gross receipts tax on

Making changes in the current

estimated it to be about 40 percent of

all business and investment income.

6.25 percent state sales tax, such as

expanding the levy to items not now

company's gross receipts.

AUSTIN (AP) - Here are some excerpts from the report issued Tuesday

by a special study group that analyzed school property tax relief options

CURRENT PROPERTY TAX

rate of over \$2.30 per \$100 of property value in Texas in 1995.

"The property tax applies to homeowners and business property alike, at an average

"The tax adds an estimated 30 percent to a typical mortgage payment - a significant

"For businesses the tax falls heavily on capital investment, posing a barrier to economic

"Over the past decade, Texas property tax rates have more than doubled. The chief

driver of the higher rates has been the school tax - which accounts for about three-fifths

THE OPTIONS

assessed on all business forms - corporations, partnerships, proprietorships and other types

be calculated as the difference between gross receipts and purchases of raw materials. Put

another way, it includes the 'value added' by a firm - the extent to which its sales exceed

"A business activity tax, like a gross receipts tax, is a broad-based levy that could be

"A firm's business activity is the sum of all its internal costs, including profit. It can

"The concept behind the tax draws from the European value added tax, designed to

"A gross receipts tax, like a business activity tax, is a broad-based levy that could be

- Creating a new business activity

options for replacing the money:

many members the panel will have or

who they will be. He said it would

hold hearings in all parts of the state

and report back by autumn.



Bumper bearers

Police Lt. Bennie Barrick, left, and Cpl. Terry Brown carry a bumper from the car at right out of the roadway following a two-vehicle accident Tuesday afternoon. The car, driven by 65-year-old Rosa Rodriguez Delapaz of Hereford was struck by a car driven by Stephanie Renee Bixler, 17, of Hereford after Delapaz failed to stop for a stop sign at 14th and Avenue F. Delapaz was cited for failure to yield right of way at a stop sign, while Bixler was cited for failure to display drivers license on demand. There were no injuries reported.

GOP leaders skeptical of Clinton invitation to balanced budget talks

By DAVE SKIDMORE

Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) - While harshly dismissing President Clinton's 1997 budget plan, GOP congressional leaders are responding dutifully to the president's invitation for one last try at reviving balanced-budget talks.

But in advance of today's White House meeting, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole and House Speaker Newt Gingrich sounded skeptical.

"If the president's serious about a real budget, a real balanced budget, not just adding up arithmetic, not raising taxes, not adding additional spending, then obviously I'm prepared, and I think the speaker's prepared to have meaningful discussions," said Dole, R-Kan., who on Tuesday night clinched the GOP presidential nomination.

For his part, Clinton used the release of his election-year budget earlier Tuesday to tell Republicans once again that they could strike a balanced-budget deal if only they would accept his smaller tax-cut proposal and less-severe savings in Medicare, Medicaid, education, environmental protection and other Democratic priorities.

"We must seize the opportunity

stalemate of the past year that produced two partial government a tax cut, though his, at roughly \$100

... Who's he kidding?'

Even as the president was outlining his 2,196-page, \$1.64 trillion 1997 spending blueprint, the Senate was struggling Tuesday to bring the ugly, months-long brawl over the 1996 budget to a close.

It passed, 79-21, legislation providing \$166 billion to operate dozens of agencies and departments through the fiscal year that ends Sept. 30. A week and a half ago, the House passed a much more austere version.

Now, if they are to avoid another shutdown, lawmakers from both chambers must iron out a compromise that Clinton won't veto. That likely won't be done until next week and, in the meantime, GOP leaders plan to send Clinton a stopgap spending bill keeping the government running through March 28.

Senate Democrats, supported by moderate Republicans, succeeded in adding more than \$3 billion - not in the House bill - for environmental protection, education and ob-training.

The White House publicly ignored the Senate action and instead focused on the president's 1997 budget that claims to eliminate annual deficits by

Like Republicans, Clinton offers

balanced budget; Clinton vetoed it. GOP's. He would help middle-class families with pre-teen children, college tuition payers, small businesses and some small savers.

> But multinational corporations, sophisticated Wall Street investors and luxury car buyers would pay

As is typical of election-year budgets, the president's plan highlights popular spending initiatives while down-playing the painful cuts that would be needed to produce the first balanced budget since 1969.

The administration proposes spending more for computers in classrooms, \$1,000 college scholarships for the top 5 percent of high school graduates, advanced technology research and grants helping communities to hire more police

Much of belt-tightening pain would be delayed. The administration projects an initial increase in the deficit, to \$164.2 billion in 1997 from \$158 billion this year, before the tide of red ink begins to steadily recede.

And of the \$593 billion in overall seven-year savings, nearly two-thirds would occur in 2001 and 2002 - after a Clinton second term, if there is one.

"The simple fact of the matter is that the president puts off until the next century the heavy lifting of reducing the size and scope of government, said House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio.

revenues to the state. This is an

opportunity for Texas to replace

taxes. This is not a tax increase," he

away an option that would make the

entire tax system fairer for low- and

middle-income people, said Dick

Lavine of the Center for Public Policy

go in already ruling out what's used

in 40-some other states," he said.

tax system - roughly a third property

tax, a third sales tax, a third income

"There's some reason why all these

other states use three different kinds

of taxes and Texas is trying to stumble

along with just two. I think the governor

ought to be able to keep an open enough

mind to let all three taxes be

March 19, 1996

died Tuesday at her home in

10 a.m. Friday in St. Anthony's

Cemetery with Deacon Jessie

Guerrero of San Jose Catholic Church

officiating. Gililland-Watson Funeral

Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mexico. She attended San Jose

Hernandez of Hereford; her father,

Margarito Hernandez of Lubbock; a

brother, Walter Hernandez, and four

sisters, Liliana Hernandez, Sully

Hernandez, Genesis Hernandez and

Daisy Hernandez, all of Hereford, and

her grandmother, Rebecca Hemandez

The child was born in Monterrey,

Survivors are her mother, Maria

Jhoana Margarita Hernandez, 11,

Graveside services will be held at

'Most other states have a balanced

'It's not much of a study if you

Ruling out an income tax takes

said.

Priorities.

Retail sales rebounded in February

By JOHN D. McCLAIN Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) - Retail

sales rebounded 0.8 percent in February as consumers returned to the malls and stores after January's East Coast blizzard and severe weather

The Commerce Department said today that sales totaled a seasonally adjusted \$201.1 billion, up from \$199.5 billion in January when sales dipped 0.1 percent, the first decline since last September.

The February increase generally had been expected and was the largest since an identical gain last November. Sales rose 0.7 percent in December.

The department also said the January decrease was smaller than the 0.3 percent originally estimated.
Automobile dealers said their sales

shot up 2 percent after managing only an anemic 0.1 percent gain in January. Excluding the auto component, overall sales rose 0.4

Department and clothing stores also reported strong gains in February. Major retail chains had reported earlier their sales in February were the healthiest in

months. The latest report added support to arguments that the economy is growing moderately and does not need the added stimulus of further Federal Reserve interest rate cuts.

Until recently, many analysts had expected Fed policy-makers to nudge rates down for a third time since December when they next meet on March 26.

Marilyn Schaja, an economist at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Securities Corp. in New York, said that despite the strong sales in February, "We continue to expect consumer spending to grow only gradually throughout the remainder

If so, economic growth likely will be modest this year, since consumer spending represents about two-thirds of economic activity.

Sales of durable goods - items such as autos and appliances expected to last more than three years - jumped 1.4 percent in February after falling 0.6 percent a month earlier. It was the best performance since a 1.9 percent gain last August.

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which they indicate whether or not they want their names listed as

In the operations report, Robinson noted that admissions were down in February and 105 lower than the yearto-date total from last year. The trend toward out-patient care was attributed for part of the decrease. The average daily census for year-to-date was 21.3, compared to 22.1 last year.

Outpatient and emergency room visits were about the same for the year, while lab tests increased by 1,296. Ambulance runs are 114 ahead of last year, while home health visits increased by 2,266.

The financial report for February showed a loss of \$84,527 from operations alone. With tax money and other revenues added, a net gain of \$35,530 was reflected.

Robinson reported that the annual Health Fair will be held April 9 at Hereford Community Center, with about 40 exhibits expected. He lauded the efforts of several physicians and about 25 staff members in responding to an emergency situation Saturday.

All board members were present.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

10-16-26-32-34 (ten, sixteen, twenty-six, thirty-two, thirty-four).

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

4-3-3 (four, three, three)

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people a moment of real bipartisan the administration's economic achievement," Clinton said. projection or the more pessimistic However, Gingrich, R-Ga., Congressional Budget Office forecast **PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL** recalling the protracted budget is used.

we now have to give the American 2001 or 2002, depending on whether

shutdowns, said, "We passed a billion, is about half the size of the

"It's one thing to say, 'I'm against

property taxes.' And that's easy. The

question is, are they against high

property taxes in relation to other

any alternative: The new tax must be

'revenue neutral," raising no more

money than it replaces; the new tax

must be fair and simple to under-

stand; and a personal income tax is

tax laws is a hard fight. "I'm

cautioned by many experts that

writing new tax policy is a difficult

win approval from the Legislature.

House Speaker Pete Laney and Lt.

Any property tax relief plan must

Bush acknowledged that changing

Bush repeated his requirements for

Texas," Bush said.

options?" Bush said.

venture," he said.

"The budget experts have Gov. Bob Bullock, who presides over

Bush to form committee to study tax issues analyzed the facts. Now it is time to the Senate, both issued brief

looking at the issue and saying they

will be interested in the committee's

gauge the feelings of the people of statements applauding Bush for

"I am more than happy to be responsible for this committee. And I think they (legislative leaders) are happy I am," Bush said. "They've got plenty of input. I listen to them all the time on this subject. They know more about it than I do."

Two blue-ribbon committees have studied the Texas tax system in the past decade, but few substantiative changes resulted. Bush said his new panel will be different. Times, and the assignment, have changed, he said.

Over the last 10 years, property taxes in Texas have doubled, and yet property values have declined. The environment is different," Bush said.

"In the past, tax studies have been

formed to raise taxes, to increase discussed," Lavine said.

Hereford.

Catholic Church.

on a single factor receipt basis. Receipts from sales outside of Texas would not be taxed, to eliminate interference with interstate commerce and to enhance economic competitiveness JHOANA M. HERNANDEZ

"Essentially, the tax would apply to a business's revenue flow, except that some standard deduction could be considered for administrative ease and to limit the impact on smaller

Sales Tax Alternatives

"Texas has one of the nation's highest sales tax rates, but ranks about in the middle

limited to the most populous states, Texas' sales tax base is relatively broad). "With a state rate of 6.25 percent, Texas ties with Illinois for the fifth highest sales tax rate in the nation. Texas' combined state and local rate also ranks among the nation's

"Texas exempts some big-ticket items other states include in their sales tax, such as

"Eliminating all sales tax exemptions and exclusions would provide an annual revenue stream in excess of \$12 billion. This is greater than the amount expected to be raised by the local school property tax. The sales tax rate could be reduced at the same time in order

Property tax relief options listed in report **Obituaries** "Gross receipts would include all business and investment income, apportioned to Texas

"The sales tax is a consumption-based tax, paid to the seller at the time a taxable item

"However, for reasons of public policy, such as economic competitiveness, regressivity and ease of tax administration, it may not be feasible to expand the sales tax to such an

of all states in terms of the breadth of the sales tax base (if, however, the comparison is

food, residential utilities and gasoline; however, Texas does tax several types of services many other states do not.

to be revenue neutral.

Lifestyles



Breads will be featured

Orange Biscuits will be the featured recipe of County FCE chairman, Jo Lee, at the Annual FCE Tasting Bee scholarship fundraiser Thursday from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in Hereford Community Center. Tickets will be available at the door. The Tasting Bee will feature bread recipes. Proceeds from the chef salad luncheon, tasting bee of breads, and cookbook of bread recipes will go towards the scholarship which will be awarded a graduating senior.

Senior Citizens

MENUS

THURSDAY-Beef stroganoff, buttered noodles, seasoned peas and carrots, tossed salad, peach crisp; or chicken, applesauce.

FRIDAY-Baked cod with lemon pepper, parslied potatoes, seasoned spinach, jellied citrus salad, hush puppies, carrot cake; or ham loaf,

lemon pound cake. MONDAY-Baked ham, northern beans, buttered broccoli, cabbage and carrot salad, mixed fruit, cookies; or

BBQ chicken, diet cookies. TUESDAY-Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, fruit salad, coconut meringue pie; or fish, D'Zerta pudding with

potatoes, seasoned green beans, cranberry gelatin salad, pumpkin crunch with topping; or pork roast with gravy, D'Zerta pumpkin custard with topping.

ACTIVITIES THURSDAY-Pool classes, exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil painting 9-11 a.m., Young at Heart

Choir 1-2 p.m. FRIDAY-Pool classes, line dancing 10-11 a.m.

SATURDAY-Games 12 noon-4

MONDAY-Pool classes, line dancing 10-11 a.m., doll class 12:30-4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY-Pool classes, exercise and giblet gravy, glazed sweet 1-3 pm.
WEDNESDAY-Pool classes, WEDNESDAY-Turkey, dressing class 10-10:45 a.m., Beltone Hearing

Health fair open exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., craft and ceramics classes 1-3 p.m.

Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: My mother is in a nursing home with advanced Alzheimer's disease. She is very confused, but I know it helps her to see family. Her face lights up when they walk into the room.

My only brother hardly feels the need to visit Mother at all. He says that it's difficult for him to see her in this condition and that she doesn't know whether he has visited or not.

My brother's wife has been in the family for almost 30 years, but she says it upsets her too much to see Mother so unlike herself, so she doesn't go either. Mother gets her grandsons mixed up and thinks they are other people. They now use this as an excuse not to visit, which seems inconsiderate to me.

I'm not complaining, Ann. I will take care of my mother no matter what. But it would be very helpful if other members of the family would give me a little relief and drop by to see her once in a while.

Mother was very good to her children, the in-laws and the grandchildren. She baby-sat and helped financially whenever there was a crisis. She always put her family first. Now she has been totally abandoned by these people, and it breaks my heart.

I'm sure this same situation occurs in many other families -- grown children ignoring their elderly parents because they believe the old folks don't know the difference. Please publish this letter and express your views. -- Every City, Worldwide

DEAR WORLDWIDE: Those who suffer from Alzheimer's may not recognize individuals who have been very close to them for years, but they do know when they are loved.

These unfortunate people sense warmth and compassion. It is never

Pilot Club sets '42' game night

sponsor a "42" Game Night from 7 Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, p.m.-10 p.m. Thursday in Hereford III, 60611-0562. Community Center.

A door prize drawing for \$100 in Hereford Bucks will be held from tickets purchased for this game night

This will be the last game night until fall, so make plans to attend.

Proceeds from Pilot Club fundraisers are used to support projects which benefit the local community.

wasted. I urge all my readers who have family members or friends who have been stricken with this cruelest of all diseases not to abandon them because they believe, "it doesn't matter." Nothing could be further from the truth. It does matter -- and it will matter even more when that loved one is gone and you know you did your best to make him or her feel valued and loved.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: Occasionally, you print an odd-ball item your readers get a kick out of. Here's one I saw in the paper from Inez, Ky., about a dog who shot a man. No foolin'.

It happened on a hunting trip when a spaniel named Rusty stepped on the trigger of a shotgun and shot 45-year old Phillip Smith in both legs. Smith is recovering, but he cannot believe this freakish thing happened to him.

It seems Rusty retrieved the bird that Smith had shot. When Smith tried to take the bird out of Rusty's mouth, the dog got feisty and put up a fight. During the struggle, Rusty stepped on the trigger, and the next thing Smith knew, he had been shot in both legs.

If there's a lesson here, I guess it's don't put your rifle on the ground where a dog can step on it. -- Mr. X

DEAR MR. X: They say when a dog bites a man it's not news, but when a man bites a dog, that's news. I guess it's even bigger news when a dog shoots a man. The police said they weren't planning to arrest the dog, and Smith laughingly said he wasn't going to press charges. He must have quite a sense of humor to see something funny about this.

DEAR READERS: A recent news flash made me feel old: Mickey Mouse is eligible for Social Security.

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Promise Keepers tell Wake Up Rally plans

The Amarillo Regional Promise Keepers Task Force has scheduled its '96 Wake Up Rally for 6:30 p.m.-10 p.m., April 26, in the Amarillo Civic Center Coliseum, announced co-chair Pat Davis.

This will be the regional task force's third Wake Up Rally, lesigned to gather men from different denominational, ethnic and cultural backgrounds together for a time of worship, renewal and recommitment.

Men will also be informed about the Promise Keepers organization and the upcoming national conferences for 1996, according to Davis.

Featured speakers at the event will be Oklahoma State University head football coach Bob Simmons, and Dudley Hall, president of Successful Christian Living Ministries in Euless.

Simmons is a former assistant coach under Bill McCartney at the University of Colorado.

Thank You

One of the greatest satisfactions a man can know is that he has done well in his job, and is appreciated by those he has served and is associated with. Thanks to all of you who have come by the library, sent notes and cards, made calls, and stopped us on the street to let us know. It makes it hard to leave, but it makes it easier to take on a new responsibility. Special thanks to Rebecca Walls, Judy Minchew, and the Friends of the Library for the uplifting reception. And thanks to those who have offered to help us move when the time comes--whatever your motive!

Joe, Linda, Betsy and Anne Weaver



of Rape Crisis/Domestic Violence is calling to sell tickets to It's Annual Magic Show brought to Hereford by "Magic Spectacular" from Houston, Texas. This Fund Raising Project endorsed by The Hereford Police and Deaf Smith Sheriff. We are a United Way Agency and need your support! The show

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· A free health fair will be offered in Nazareth Saturday by the Amarillo VA Medical Center.

The health fair is open to all area veterans and their spouses, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the American Legion Post 528 in Nazareth. Services to be offered include

cholesterol/blood sugar screening and blood pressure tests. Information on a wide range of illness and diseases will be distributed. Veterans who have never received

care by the VA should bring a copy of discharge papers to the health fair.

ADD/ADHD group to meet

The Parents Support Group of ADD/ADHD patients will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the H.I.S.D. Administration Building.

Parents with children who have been diagnosed with ADD or ADHD are welcome to attend.

Names in the News

NEW YORK (AP) - Paul Reiser is busy collecting material, and diapers, for his new book on being a

The "Mad About You" star says even changing his infant son Ezra can be literary fodder for the book he plans to call "Parenthood."

"It's one of the few tangible things you can do," Reiser says in the March 23 issue of TV Guide. "It's like, 'OK, I see your problem now. You're sitting in a pile of unwanted toxic waste. I can come here and help you out.'

"When you're just talking to him you don't just go, 'Oh, you're beautiful,'" Reiser says. "You go, 'Who is beautiful? Who's a beautiful baby?' And this kid's looking at you like, 'What, is everything a quiz?"

Reiser recently signed a \$5 million deal to write the book, a follow-up to his 1994 bestseller "Couplehood."



5th grade winners

Fifth grade students at Nazarene Christian Academy who were winners in the Science Fair are, front row, Whitnee Goforth-Demonstration; Teel Merrick-Experiment; back row, Esrael Silva-Model; Lauren Torbert-Collection.

at the Senior Citizens Center 426 Ranger Saturday, March 23rd 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm (Children 5 & Under FREE) Golden K Kiwanis Club

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Sports



Basketball champs

The Magic defeated the Lakers 38-28 for the championship of the Hereford YMCA 13-under boys basketball league. The Magic consists of (front row, left to right) Joshua Snell, Juan Ayala, Terrence Wilhelm, Armando Torres, Dustin White, (back) coach James Hernandez, Isiah Garza, Geoffrey Marquez, Freddy Garcia, Marcus Smith and coach Grady Brown. Not pictured is Lorenzo Maldonado.

Girls' golf team starts off 2nd

The Hereford girls' golf team started off in second place in the District 1-4A race after the first district round was played Tuesday.

The Herd girls totaled 367 at Palo Duro Creek in Canyon. That puts them nine strokes behind Borger (358) and five strokes ahead of Pampa (372). Dumas was a distant fourth at 412.

There will be three more district rounds played. The next one will be Saturday in Pampa, when both the girls and boys play.

By The Associated Press

standing ovation. It was that kind of

a day for the Colorado Rockies' Bill

a guy throws two innings and the players applauded him on the

bench," Rockies manager Don Baylor said Tuesday. "That shows

he's got a lot of guys pulling for

Bret Saberhagen not expected to return until midseason, if at all, Swift

is the key to a pitching staff that had

a franchise-best 4.95 ERA last year.

went 9-3 last season and put together

a seven-game win streak, which

included a five-game stretch with a

middle of your rotation is invalu-

able." Colorado pitching coach Frank

Funk said. "We need some veterans,

and he's a guy that a pitching staff

with not a lot of experience can rally

Game 3 of the NL Divisional

playoffs, Swift retired six of the

seven Oakland hitters in a 9-8 victory

one inning, Swift earned a second by

retiring three straight batters after a

retire the side in order in the second,

but said he is still feeling the effects of offseason arthroscopic shoulder

"Any time you throw up zeroes, it's nice," he said. "I wish I could

have felt a little bit better. It's not 100

percent, so the outcome is great, but I'm a ways from being where I need

Swift is tentatively scheduled to

"If I can go out there and throw

three next time, I can get it up to five

innings by the time we leave this place," he said. "It's possible I could probably pitch the last game in Montreal (April 7). We'll see."

After the way Swift pitched Tuesday, Funk didn't dismiss a return

"This was a giant step forward," Funk said. "He showed that he can start to get hitters out now, and now

throw again Saturday against Oakland, but that will depend on how he feels Wednesday after his 29-pitch

leadoff walk to Ernie Young.

Although scheduled to pitch just

Swift needed just 12 pitches to

Pitching for the first time since

Although his ERA was 4.94, Swift

"A guy like Billy Swift in the

With two-time Cy Young winner

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by the Rockies.

Two innings, 29 pitches and a

"I've never been on a club where

Rockies' Swift throws

well against Athletics

Jami Bell shot a round of 88 to lead Hereford, and that was the thirdbest round of the day. Dumas' Jamie McInturff was on top with an 81, followed by Borger's Janie Cooke at 86. Sarah Moore of Borger shot an 88 to tie Bell.

Hereford also got a 91 from Krista Beville, which was the seventh-best round - tied with Genie Deeds of Randall and behind the 90s turned in by Shelbie Allison and Melissa Gindorf, both of Pampa.

The other Hereford players were

we need to regroup and start planning

on him being in the rotation not too

John Habyan made up for a blown save by singling in the winning runs

The Rockies, who have won six of

seven games, built leads of 3-0, 6-2 and 7-3. But Jason Giambi hit a

two-run homer for the A's in the

continued his solid spring for Kansas

far down the line."

for Colorado in the ninth.

Stephanie Bixler, 93; Jacque Bezner 95; and Amy Killingsworth, 104.

Randall was only seven strokes behind Dumas at 419. Canyon was sixth at 436 and Caprock was seventh at 451. No B teams were listed with the A teams.

Adrian HS plans volleyball tourney

A volleyball tournament planned for May 2-4 at Adrian High School will benefit the Adrian senior class.

The entry fee for each six-player team is \$35, and the entry deadline is April 15.

The winning team receives seven T-shirts, and the second- and thirdplace teams each receive a volleyball.

To receive entry forms or more information, call the school at 538-

Raiders clip Herd in district opener

By JAY PEDEN
Sports Editor
The Randall baseball team put on a fielding clinic Tuesday at Randall High School, and Hereford didn't.

The Raiders made all the plays, while Hereford made nine errors in a 20-3 Randall win in the District 1-4A opener for both.

Hereford led 1-0 after the top of the first inning, but that was soon forgotten as Randall scored twice in the first inning, six times in the second and 11 times in the third. The game ended after five innings because of the 10-run mercy rule.

Randall improved to 10-7, while the Herd fell to 4-10.

The game started off good for us, and it's going to sound weird, but we played pretty well," Herd coach Pete Rodriguez said. "Randall made every play. Every ball we hit, we hit on a rope. They made every play."

On the other hand, Hereford was seriously hurt by errors. All six of the runs in the second inning were

The nine-error output came three days after Hereford committed 11 errors in a 16-7 loss to Sanford-Fritch. It's not as if Hereford isn't trying to improve, though.
"We hit 200 ground balls to each

fielder (in Monday's practice)," Rodriguez said. "We had a good workout - a great workout. We come in (thinking that) defensively, we're going to play well. But we make nine

Starting Herd pitcher Eric Ambold walked the first batter in the second inning, then hit the next. With one out, an infield single loaded the bases. On the next two plays, Hereford commits a throwing error as one run scores and drops a fly ball, and two more runs score.

If the Whitefaces make those plays, they're out of the inning with no damage. Instead, two more walks follow - the second forcing in a run then a single drives home two more runs. That makes the score 8-1.
In the 11-run third inning, Randall

benefitted from a walk, a hit batsman and five errors. The Raiders got six hits in the inning, including two triples by Brad Dewey, driving in three of the runs.

Hereford got two hits, and both drove in runs. In the first, Ronald Torres led off with a walk, went to second on a groundout and scored on Wade McPherson's double. In the fourth inning, Aaron Sorenson and Joseph Artho walked and both moved up a base on a wild pitch. They scored on a single by Ambold.

Hereford will host Canyon, a 7-4 loser to Pampa on Tuesday, for a game at 1 p.m. Saturday at Whiteface Field.

Tuesday's results Randall 20, Hereford 3 Pampa 7, Canyon 4 Borger 7, Caprock 3 Canyon at Hereford, 1 p.m.

HSA to meet on Thursday

The Hereford Sports Association will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Hereford Independent School District

administration building.
One of the topics of discussion will be the Cuby Kitchens Classic AAU basketball tournament, which has been set for April 26-28.

Anyone who will be involved with the tournament - whether as a coach or a parent - is urged to attend Thursday's meeting.

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seventh and Habyan gave up three ninth-inning runs before Colorado 1996 F150 4x4 XLT rallied against Jeff Montgomery. Royals 7, Tigers 6 At Lakeland, Fla., Mark Gubicza

City. Gubicza, the only player left from the Royals' 1985 World Series championship club, won while allowing three runs on four hits in three innings.

Indians 9, Cardinals 6 **1994 Town Car Signature** At St. Petersburg, Fla., Jack McDowell and Todd Stottlemyre had

shaky outings in Cleveland's victory over St. Louis. In four innings, Stottlemyre walked four - one with the bases loaded - and balked when he dropped the ball in his windup. McDowell also worked four innings, allowing five runs, three earned, on six hits.

Pirates 6, Rangers 1

At Bradenton, Fla., Jeff King had a run-scoring double in Pittsburgh's four-run first inning, and raised his exhibition average to .486 by going 2-for-3. Expos 7, Dodgers 3.

At West Palm Beach, Fla., Henry Rodriguez, who hit four homers in a 1995 exhibition for Los Angeles, connected for a three-run shot against

his former teammates. Reds 4, Mets 2

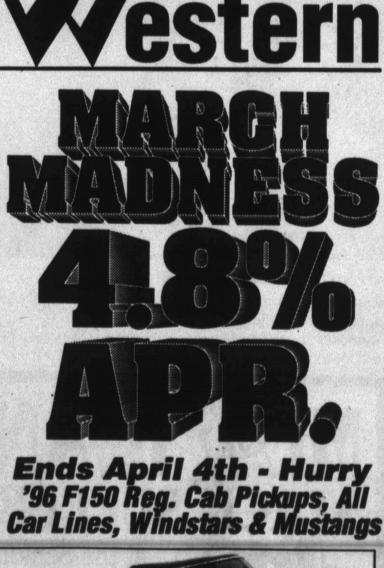
At Port St. Lucie, Fla., Jeff Branson capped a 3-for-4 day with a two-run homer in the ninth inning. Branson homered off loser Juan Acevedo.

Cubs 5, Giants 2

At Mesa, Ariz., Mark Grace continued his torrid spring pace by homering to break a 2-2 tie, and the Cubs made it stand up. Grace is now hitting .500 (18-for-36) for the spring. His homer came in the sixth inning off ex-Cub Jose Bautista.

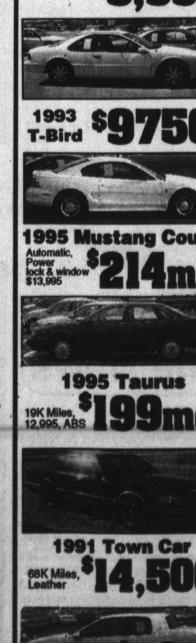
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NBA teams struggle to score

By CHRIS SHERIDAN AP Basketball Writer

No, those weren't NIT teams in NBA uniforms. The scores just make it seem that way.

Scoring 100 points was a rarity Tuesday night in the NBA. In fact, reaching 80 wasn't all that common. Only three of the eight winning teams reached 100, and three others didn't even make it to 90.

On the losing side, totals included season-lows of 67 by Sacramento, 71 by Seattle and 72 by Dallas. Vancouver managed only 77 and Minnesota had 78.

The flip side of the coin happened in Houston, where both teams reached 100 despite injuries that sidelined Hakeem Olajuwon, Clyde Drexler, Rony Seikaly and others. The Warriors beat the Rockets 105-102 in overtime.

For a while at the Summit, it appeared the Rockets were on the way to one of those anemic point totals. They trailed 74-53 with 3:17 left in the third quarter.

A surrender would have been understandable, especially since the Rockets learned just before gametime that Olajuwon would be sidelined by tendinitis in his knees.

Instead, Houston staged a dramatic final 10-1/2 minutes.

We just started having fun, we started locking it up on defense," said Robert Horry, who led the Rockets with 26 points. "Everybody just said 'Let's go have some fun.'

Eldridge Recasner hit a 15-foot jumper with 6.4 seconds left in regulation to cap the Rockets' comeback, but Joe Smith scored the first two points of overtime, and Golden State never trailed thereafter.

Recasner's basket with 10.1 seconds left in overtime cut the Warriors' lead to 104-102, but a free throw by Latrell Sprewell with 9.7 to go was the game's final point. Melvin Booker missed a last-second 3-point attempt for Houston.

Smith finished with 20 points, and B.J. Armstrong had a career-high 35.

'Give Houston credit. They were playing with a lot of pride. I thought we had the game udner control and we would play Houston even the rest of the game," Armstrong said.
"Before we knew it, it was a ball game again. We were expected to win, and there was a lesson to learn.

Bulls 89, Kings 67

Chicago broke the game open with a 21-0 run in the fourth quarter. The Kings scored only three points in the

The Bulls won their 40th straight

regular-season home game despite since returning from his six-game just 20 points from Michael Jordan suspension six games ago. and the absence of Scottie Pippen and Dennis Rodman.

"We are short-handed, we played four games in five nights. And we won all of them," said Toni Kukoc, who had another strong game in place of Pippen with 18 points, seven rebounds and five assists. He is averaging 19 points in the five games Pippen has missed. We were tired, but we still won by 20. You have to feel

The Bulls set records for fewest field goals allowed in a game (23), lowest field-goal percentage by an opponent (28 percent) and fewest points allowed in a fourth quarter

Lakers 94, SuperSonics 71

At Inglewood, Calif., Los Angeles joined Indiana and Dallas as the only teams to beat Seattle twice this season. Eddie Jones scored 26 points and Magic Johnson had 14 points and 10 assists. Seattle had won 13 straight games

against Pacific Division opponents. Trail Blazers 108, Timberwolves 78 At Portland, the Blazers won their

sixth in a row with their second straight blowout victory. Rod Strickland, who scored 20 points in 30 minutes, is averaging 21 points and 10.5 assists team."

Cavaliers 81, Mavericks 72

At Dallas, Danny Ferry scored 24 points and went 6-of-7 from 3-point range. The 153 points were the lowest combined total in Mavericks history. Dallas' 23 field goals were a season-low, and the Mavs lost their eighth in a row.

Magic 113, Pistons 91

Orlando also won its 40th straight regular-season home game, breaking it open midway through the third quarter.

Anthony Bowie infuriated the Pistons by calling a timeout with 2.7 seconds remaining so he could try for his first career triple-double. Detroit coach Doug Collins told his players not to defend, and Bowie took a fullcourt pass and tossed the ball to David Vaughn for a dunk. He finished with 20 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists.

"I'd like to formally apologize to Doug Collins, his staff, the fans and entire Detroit Pistons organization for the timeout," coach Brian Hill said. 'I thought it was totally uncalled for. I regret it ... and thought it really took away from what was a great win, an outstanding performance by our

Ham's backboard-shattering slam dunk has already been seen on television screens and in newspapers from coast to coast.

Next, the cover of Sports Illustrated, scheduled to hit newsstands today.

Ham, Tech's 6-7 senior forward, set the college basketball world agog Sunday with his stunning, gamedelaying slam in the first half of the Red Raiders' 92-73 NCAA East Regional second-round victory over North Carolina.

He will be the first active Texas Tech athlete ever to be featured on a Sports Illustrated cover, according to Ham landing on the broken notice)," he said. "You just don't see emergence.

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - Darvin Dave Mingey, senior publicist for the magazine.

Donny Anderson, a former All-American running back at Texas Tech, made the cover once, but after he was in the NFL with the Green Bay Packers.

"It's lovely," Ham told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal on Tuesday as he and his teammates prepared to leave for Atlanta and Thursday's Sweet 16 encounter with Georgetown. "I thank my team for everything. I play with a great group

glass-covered court in the Richmond (Va.) Coliseum, Mingey said.

"Smashing!" is the cover's main headline. The subhead declares: "The Sweet 16 is packed with powerhouses, including breakthrough Texas

Mingey said that writer Alexander Wolff, in SI's NCAA roundup story, refers to Ham's prolific dunk as the "Wham Bam, Glass-Breaking-I-Am-Ham Jam.'

Ham said he figured his backboard-shattering play would grab people's attention.

that everyday. It's unbelievable."

Ham has been in the spotlight ever since. After Sunday's win over the Tar Heels, he signed a portion of the shattered backboard that reportedly will be placed in the Richmond Coliseum trophy case.

In addition, Tech head coach James Dickey said that the ill-fated rim - which has seen its last shot will be sent to Tech as a memento of the occasion.

In the Jan. 29 edition of SI, Tech senior forward Jason Sasser was pictured inside, along with a short feature on the Raiders' national

Fresno St. finishes Michigan

By The Associated Press

It's easy to count the number of Big Ten teams playing today: None.

Nine Big Ten teams were invited to postseason basketball parties. None made it past the second round of their season. either the NCAA or the NIT.

bounced from the 64-team NCAA

And when Fresno State finished its 80-70 throttling of Michigan State Tuesday night, the last of four Big Ten teams in the NIT had completed

Gone are Penn State, Indiana, the banner for the Big 10," Michigan

I don't think too many people gave quarterfinal meeting at Fresno State us a chance.

"It's disappointing. I don't think we played our best game, and that kind of leaves a sour taste in your mouth, but give Fresno State credit."

Fresno State took everything else.

have been a real big win here because Bulldogs (22-10) advanced to a on Thursday against Nebraska, an 82-73 winner over Washington State. In a doubleheader played in

Providence, R.I., Rhode Island nipped College of Charleston 62-58 in overtime after St. Joseph's eliminated Dominick Young scored 21 points Providence 82-62. The winners will Michigan, Purdue and Iowa - all State coach Tom Izzo said. "It would and Kendric Brooks had 20 as the battle Thursday in Philadelphia.

in subpoenaed in

Michael Irvin will be subpoenaed to occupied by four people. testify Thursday before a grand jury about why he was in a motel room where a woman was arrested on drug

While investigating a motel manager's complaint early March 4 about possible prostitution and drug use, police in suburban Irving said

Dallas Cowboys wide receiver and drug paraphernalia in a room

A woman identified as Angela Renee Beck, 22, of Cedar Hill, a south Dallas suburb, was the only person arrested. 'The narcotics were found in her

property or immediately around her" and she claimed all the drugs belonged to her, Lt. Jimmy Perdue of

they discovered marijuana, cocaine the Irving Police Department said Tuesday night.

Now, Dallas County prosecutors say they want statements from Irvin, former Cowboys' tight end Alfredo Roberts and another woman.

"Somebody possessed those criminally responsible for the ags. There were four people in that narcotics," Kinne said. drugs. There were four people in that room, and I don't know if it was one of them or all of them. We're just trying to find out," first assistant

district attorney Norm Kinne said

Tuesday night. "We're not satisfied at this time as to who all is responsible. They are going to be asked to give their statements so that we can see who is

Irvin could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

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El Paso remembers 1966 NCAA victory over Kentucky

Relaxed players sent coach Haskins to locker room before Miners whipped 'Cats

By BILL KNIGHT El Paso Times

EL PASO, Texas - One by one, they filed through the turnstiles on March 19, 1966, 14,253 basketball fans packing their way into Cole Fieldhouse in College Park, Md., waiting to see Kentucky claim the NCAA basketball championship.

Kentucky had defeated Duke in the semifinals, a game all the experts said was for the national title. A small school from the western tip of Texasaptly named Texas Western College at the time - had defeated Utah in the other semifinal game. Few, though, were expecting much of a game in the

Kentucky was averaging 97 points a game behind All-Americans Pat Riley and Louie Dampier. Legendary coach Adolph Rupp was there to claim his fifth NCAA title. Down on the floor, the Texas Western Miners were going through their warmup drills - loose and relaxed. Back in the locker room, young coach Don Haskins was a caged tiger, waiting to attack Kentucky's Wildcats.

It was during this season, in fact, that Haskins began his habit of not coming out for pregame warmups. "Those guys would drive me nuts," Haskins said, laughing. "They'd be goosin' around out there and I just couldn't stand it. Finally, our trainer, Ross Moore, just said, 'Sonny, why don't you just wait inside while they warm up, so you don't get so mad?' I took his advice."

There were subtle adjustments and battles happening before the game even began. Haskins opted for speed, going with three guards, starting 5-6 sophomore Willie Worsley, along with the 5-10 Bobby Joe Hill and 6-1 Orsten Artis. Even the players were surprised. "I was shocked ... amazed ... surprised," Worsley said. "He said Willie and I thought he was

Even the opening tip showed that this game was going to be memorable. Riley, a 6-3 leaper, had not lost a tip all season. UTEP center David Lattin, at 6-7, was quite a leaper himself. And he was not about to let Riley beat him. "They told me I could never go back to the playgrounds in Houston if I let Pat Riley get me on that tip," Lattin said. "He knew he couldn't get it. So he tried to steal it." Riley was called for the violation, tipping the ball on the way

up. And the game was under way.
You see it today in an old
black-and-white film. "Kind of
appropriate, huh?" cracked Haskins. Five black players were on the floor for Texas Western that night. Seven blacks would play. Kentucky played nine - all white. It was a first.

"I was so naive at that time," Haskins said, "I didn't even realize it. I was just playing the best people, trying to win a national championship. I didn't realize it until later, when we got back home ... when I started getting enough letters to fill up trash cans ... hate mail ... hate mail from whites who were prejudiced ... hate mail from blacks who said I was exploiting the blacks."

It hardly fazed players on either team, though. They were just playing some basketball, trying to win a championship. The black-white issue was just something floating on the perimeter, something to be dealt with later. The game got off to a slow start. But Lattin livened things up quickly.

Hill tossed a lob to Lattin, who charged toward the bucket and threw down a ferocious dunk. He was fouled by Riley and made the free throw. Texas Western led 3-1. Grinning at the recollection, Lattin said, "Coach Haskins told me to take it in early and dunk it as hard as I

talking about Willie Cager. But I was ready to play, though." could and if anyone was in my way, just run over them." Kentucky. Togo Railey got up to get a drink of water, then passed out. "They

Kentucky was playing its 1-3-1 zone. TWC was playing its usual aggressive man-to-man, harrassing Kentucky at every movement. It was close in the early going. Riley and Dampier hit back-to-back jumpers, giving Kentucky a 7-3 lead with 16:18 to play. The two teams continued to feel each other out. But, already something appeared to be going in Texas Western's favor. The Miners were dictating the tempo against the run-and-gun Kentuckians.

Hill found Harry Flournoy down on the baseline and the 6-5 forward slammed it home, cutting Kentucky's lead to 7-5 with 14:24 left in the half. After a Riley free throw, Artis hit a 20-footer, cutting the Wildcat lead to 8-7. Nevil Shed, who had replaced Flournoy, made a free throw with 10:18 to go, giving the Miners a 10-9 lead. Then came two of the biggest plays of the game, plays that sent things the Miners' way for the rest of the night. Hill moved over and stole the ball from Kentucky standout Tommy Kron, drove down and made the layup, giving Texas Western a 12-9 lead. Dampier was bringing the ball back up the floor, got to mid-court, then Hill picked him clean, dropped it in on the left side and Texas Western was up 14-9 with just over 10 minutes left in the half. Kentucky scored, but Hill came back down, floated a lob to Lattin, who hammered home another dunk, giving TWC a 16-11 lead. Texas Western never trailed again.

Hill, a longtime employee of El Paso Natural Gas, shrugged off the steals: "I was just in the right place at the right time. No big deal. I just went for it. I liked Lattin's dunks." The Miners led 34-31 at the half. The high-scoring Kentucky team had made just 13 of 35 field goals, 37.1 percent. Texas Western did have one scare near the intermission, but it did not come from

a drink of water, then passed out. "They thought I'd had a mild heart attack," Railey said. "But the excitement just got to me.'

The Miners came out in control of the second half, but Kentucky cut the lead to a point, 46-45, with 12:26 left in the game. Then, the Miners slipped away again. Worsley made a pair of free throws, giving TWC a 52-45 lead. Riley made his first basket of the second half with 9:29 to play, cutting the lead to 52-47. But then

came Hill again, stealing the ball over in the corner, dribbling the length of the floor, pulling up to hit a 15-foot jump shot. TWC led 58-51 with 7:22 to go. Lattin dunked a tip-in and the Miners led 60-51 with 6:54 to go. Then, the Miners got a little sloppy. Three straight turnovers. But their

"Those guys almost drove me nuts," Haskins said. "They could play so well when they wanted to. Their complacency drove me totally

up the wall. I almost had a nervous breakdown."

Shed laughed later and said, "Coach was a screamin' demon bag of nerves. I'll tell you what, though. Pressure was nothing to us in the games. Nothing was tougher than having Coach Haskins yelling at us defense kept Kentucky from ever in practice. Hey, an arena full of really capitalizing. people? That was nothing."

Lattin made a pair of free throws with four minutes left, giving Texas

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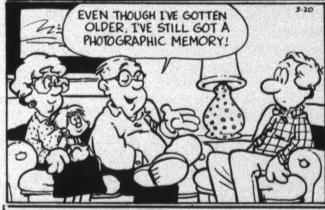
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7th grade winners

Seventh grade Science Fair winners at Nazarene Christian Academy are Macy Hill-Life Science and Kris Bridwell-Physical

Ready-to-wear shows offer variety of styles

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paparazzi.

ribbed-seam details.

looked quite good.

slightly flared pants.

including the original non-pretty

Gaultier model, actress Rossy de

TV screens with a video of the show

as it went on. Naomi Campbell's

mother, Valerie, beamed with a

parent's pride (she could see daughter

and leapt up after the show to kiss

Gaultier, who often designs for her.

"Fantastic and fabulous," she raved

as she sought the exit through the

over a shoulder revealed clothes,

there were of course some lovely

tailored pantsuits, with dart or

nipped waist and full skirt showed up over a leather trouser outfit.

chartreuse, brown and tomato graced shirts. A few military-style outfits

A great grass-green wool coat with

Cube-like abstract designs in

A lot of the clothes - and the

models' attitude - looked as mean as

the streets around this warehouse.

Beaded and mohair tops over fire-truck red patent pants might earn

you a mugging up here.
On another orbit, Naomi and the

others swung out in knits with

But the whole discombobulated

with an attempted mini-drama, in

which Helena Christensen was kissed

by a swain under a cloud of pink

feathers on a couch. She then emerged in a backless red velvet dress, and so what? This show lacked

Gaultier's usual authority and punch.

from various channels practically nonstop, fashion has become a common

currency available to all - superficially,

that is. Because the proof is in the fashion pudding, as shown on racks

Far-away factories may imitate ideas, even some styling and details. But for

those who want the Real Thing, these knock-offs will never make the final

When videos on confusing split screens or the occasional glimpse

Liza Minnelli was vastly amused

High-tech here meant a few split

By SUZY PATTERSON **AP Fashion Writer**

PARIS (AP) - With Saturday's winter ready-to-wear shows featuring sexy, clingy jobs at Herve Leger and oh-so-slick high quality at Hermes, things were about normal: confusing.

Everyone's out to create, and sometimes clothes get lost in the shuffle. But at Hermes, women are offered no-nonsense designs - lean, go-everywhere pantsuits with long ackets, and top-quality lambskin

leather all over the place.

Skirt suits? This revered leather-and-silk specialist's look great, just hitting the knee and paired with riding boots.

Cashmere, broadcloth, wool and Lycra, velvety calf, they're all here in Hermes's quality and quantity, in modest profiles. Throw on a brown Mongolian-goat jacket for a Saint-Germain-des-Pres look.

The great new silk blouse and foulard scarf prints have plenty of yellow and black, in dancer and musical instrument themes.

While darks in browns and navy predominate in this "bon chic, bon genre" (upper-class chic) collection, daffodil and canary yellow pop up in some delicious coats and sweeping

satin evening gowns. Herve Leger, a creative younger designer, is known for his clingy bandage-wrap outfits. He'll excite his fans with some of the cleverly wrapped, sexy evening dresses. White laserlike accuracy to look like hip wraps or plastron tops on black

jersey. New were the jade or aqua long military jackets with frog closures on black straight pants, and generously long orange coats over clingy black

dresses in chevron lacy patterns. The stretch "puzzle dresses" with their snaky swirls of flesh or other

colors were totally sophisticated. And for those who like to show legs, there are some lacy minis, with

black velvet bras and hip wraps to be Meanwhile, what happened to Jean-Paul Gaultier? This wild and

wicked showman failed to deliver his usual steamy or hilarious cut-ups in his late show in a low-down part of He dragged mobs of the press and

buyers up to an out-of-the-way warehouse, and placed them on cubes serving as benches. What most backbenchers saw was tops of heads.

These were dicey. They were little squared-off topknots on Naomi, Helena and the other supermodels **Hints from Heloise**

ant sandwich spread, something which could be served at a tea or a party. The main ingredients were chopped green olives and chopped

If you can locate it, would you please reprint it? — Deane Jordan, Lakewood, N.Y.

I'm happy to reprint this Olive Nut Sandwich Spread because it's one of

my favorite recipes too! The ingredients are:

6 ounces cream cheese, softened 1/2 cup mayonnaise

1/2 cup finely chopped pecans 1 cup sliced salad olives 2 tablespoons olive liquid from the

Dash pepper (Low-cal, low-fat cream cheese and mayo can be substituted.)

Just mix everything together and put in a tightly sealed container and pop in the fridge. This spread should keep for about a week if stored prop-

erly.
This and other great recipes can be found in my 8-page pamphlet, Heloise's All-Time Favorite Recipes. If you'd like a copy, please send \$2, along with a self-addressed, stamped (55 cents) envelope, to: Heloise/Recipes, PO Box 795001, San Antonio TX

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PO Box 795000 San Antonio TX 78279-5000 or fax it to 210-HELOISE

QUICK CHICKEN Dear Heloise: I read that someone

Dear Heloise: Years ago your likes to buy the big bags of chicken mother printed a recipe for a very when on sale but is running out of elegant sandwich spread, something cooking ideas. This is what I do.

I boil 10 or 20 pounds with salt, pepper, onion and garlic.
I debone the chicken and put it in

sandwich bags. Each bag is about 1 pound of meat. Put in the freezer until ready to use for sandwiches, soups, rice, broccoli, etc. There are endless possibilities. - Gerry Simmons, Texas City, Texas

Saves you time and money. Who could ask for a better hint? - Heloise

Golden K plans fundraiser meal

Golden K Kiwanis Club is sponsoring a Mexican Stack Supper from 4:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Saturday at the Hereford Senior Citizen Center.

Tickets are \$4. Children 5 and under eat free. Proceeds from the fundraiser will support local projects.



The oldest known harmonized music performed today is the English song Sumer is icumen in, which dates from 1240.

6th grade winners

Nazarene Christian Academy sixth grade students who were winners in the Science Fair are, front row, Dustin White-Demonstration; Sabra Brownlow-Model; back row, Aaron Landers-Experiment; Lindon Duggan-Collection.





To Your Good Health

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: As I understand it, the prostate is a walnutshaped gland wrapped around the urethra. When enlarged, the gland can compress the urethra, interfering with proper urination. I can't help wondering why they cannot prevent such compression with a short artificial sleeve to resist such pressure. It's probably a crackpot idea, but someone once said, "Simplicity is the essence of good design."
ANSWER: The idea is being stud-

ied and refined for just such use. The device is called a transurethral stent, an device that in another application keeps clogged arteries you comment? - L.L.

opened.
Placement of the transurethral stent presents a problem. You would not want to create urethral pain or interfere with delicate bladder con-

Few parts of the anatomy have drawn the interest the prostate has in recent years. We now have an amazing array of treatments, tests and surgical procedures for most gland problems. The practicing physician can become bewildered by

Another new tool being evaluated is a balloon-tipped device that expands at the urethral compression

You are wise. Simplicity often is the very essence of efficient design, in medicine as elsewhere.
For more on benign prostate en-

largement, see the report I'm sending you. Others can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 26, Box 5539, Riverton, NJ 08077-5539. Enclose \$3 and a self-addressed, stamped (55 cents) No. 10 envelope.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: For months now, I have been finding blood in my mouth. I am listing the medicines I take, as well as the medical attention I have had. Can

ANSWER: If switching doctors has left you with questions, it might be time to go back to your family prac-

Start with a thorough review, with an eye to direct and indirect sources of oral bleeding. You might have a low platelet count unable to seal the little cuts and scrapes of life, as with brushing. Normal brushing can damage enough oral tissue cells to cause

More arcane events, including a cascade of certain blood proteins, can disturb clotting function. These blood components work in conjunc-tion with platelets in clotting.

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Chauvinism or what? Russian expects NASA Astronaut Lucid to help keep spacecraft clean

By MARCIA DUNN

AP Aerospace Writer CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) -NASA astronaut Shannon Lucid faces more than science duties in her historic visit to the Mir space station: The Russians expect she'll help keep the place nice and clean because she's a woman.

Gen. Yuri Glazkov, deputy commander of the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center, said Lucid will brighten Mir during her five-month stay and that her male crew mates will be on their best behavior.

"The side effect we anticipate is that the fans will be taken care of in a more timely manner, because we know that women love to clean," Glazkov said Tuesday at a NASA news conference.

He did acknowledge that women can be better workers than men and that gender doesn't matter in space.

"We don't have to expect that there are going to be curtains on the windows due to the fact that there is a woman on board," he said. Lucid, due to leave for Mir on

Thursday aboard shuttle Atlantis, is set to become only the third womanand first American woman - to live on the 10-year-old space station. She said she never felt any

discrimination during the past year at the cosmonaut training center and doesn't expect any chauvinism on Mir, either.

"Maybe I'm just not perceiving things," she said, "but I don't have anything to complain about."

Her crew mates for most of her stay will be Yuri Onufrienko and Yuri Usachev, who arrived there late last

NASA astronaut Norman Thagard lived on Mir for nearly four months last year, the only American to spend time on the space station.

"The simple presence of a lady on board the Mir station helps ... our crew members because they simply pay more attention to the way they behave, they act, they speak and so on," Glazkov said.

The last time a woman - cosmonaut Yelena Kondakova - lived on Mir, her male crew mates returned to Earth "even more cultured than they used to be," Glazkov said. Her nearly six months in space, in 1994 and 1995, is an endurance record for

Despite claims by Glazkov and other Russian officials that women get a fair shake in the Russian space program, Kondakova is the only

woman in the cosmonaut office, and she's not awaiting another flight.

Another woman was just accepted, "which means women will fly," Glazkov insisted.

Lucid, 53, a biochemist who has flown four times on space shuttles and is one of NASA's original female astronauts, will be given a few station chores in addition to her U.S. science duties. She'll take care of the lifesupport and thermal-control systems and fulfill the duties of "engineer No. 2." That's third-in-command of a crew of three.

In the 35 years since Yuri Gagarin became the first human in space, the Russians have sent only four women into orbit, including the first woman in space, Valentina Tereshkova, in 1963. Sally Ride, the first American woman in space, did not fly until 20 years later.

Glazkov said more women haven't

been in space in the Russian program because missions are now much longer and seating on capsules to get to the space station is limited.

The women's stays were hardly stress-free: Svetlana Savitskaya got an apron from her male colleagues when she arrived in 1982 at the Salyut space station, and British chemist Helen Sharman had to listen to her Mir commander complain publicly in 1991 that space flight is

'hard work, not a woman's work." NASA, by contrast, has flown 26 women in space, all on relatively short shuttle trips. One was even a shuttle pilot.

As for Mir, the dusty, cluttered station ought to be really clean come July, when a French woman arrives for a short visit with two Russian cosmonauts, both male. It will be the first time two women live on Mir at



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Members and guests who attended the 58th annual Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative membership meeting heard the gospel music of the Dixie Melody Boys. Over 1,600 people turned out for the catered fish, chicken and beef meal and the election of two Trustees.

Earthquake kills at least 24 persons, leaves more than 10,000 homeless

By CHARLENE L. FU

Associated Press Writer BEIJING (AP) - A strong earthquake struck a centuries-old trading center along the Silk Road in remote northwestern China, killing at least 24 people, most of them young children watching television in their homes.

More than 78 people were injured and at least 10,000 left homeless in the quake Tuesday night that collapsed 50,000 buildings and cracked a dike, government seismologists said today.

The number of dead, injured and homeless was expected to rise when communications were restored to some of the hardest-hit areas near the epicenter of the quake, 35 miles northeast of the city of Kashgar in the Xinjiang region.

Seventeen of those killed were children under the age of eight, said Bake Aji, director of the Kashgar Seismology Bureau.

"They were home watching television and couldn't get out fast enough when the earthquake hit," Bake said. He said nine of the injured were hurt seriously by collapsing alls and roots.

Fifty-two aftershocks were recorded, including one with a who would not give his hometown, magnitude of 5.1, said Zhang told The Associated Press by

gy Bureau. The State Seismology cracks" in buildings in the city

Bureau warned there could be more. About 10,000 people were homeless after the quake damaged or destroyed their homes, Zhang said. He also said more than 50,000 buildings and homes in Jiashi county, south of the epicenter, collapsed, including 28 schools, suggesting the casualties could much worse.

A rescue worker in Jiashi, who gave only his surname, Shi, said, "There are no buildings left standing."

More than 6,300 head of livestock, mostly sheep, were killed in Jiashi, he said. Soldiers and officials were distributing tents to homeless families

Temperatures in the sparsely populated desert region with low-lying mountains were around freezing today and were expected to drop to 14 degrees F overnight.

Zhang said damage was estimated at \$18 million, but the figure is expected to rise.

In Kashgar, a city of 240,000 people, local officials said at least several hundred homes were damaged by the tremor. Residents said there was little visible damage

Robert Kerr, an American student Yunfeng with the Xinjiang Scismolo-telephone that he saw "a few minor

Residents described the quake as lasting from 15 seconds to more than a minute. It was felt as far away as Almaty, capital of the former Soviet republic of Kazakstan, 300 miles to the north.

The town closest to the epicenter is Artux, 15 miles or a bumpy half-hour bus ride north of Kashgar.

Cracks as wide as 19-1/2 inches opened up along a 2,000-foot section of a dike at a small reservoir. Water was leaking out and residents worked through the night to close the gaps, Zhang said.

Artux, a small trading town of 30,000, is inhabited mainly by ethnic Kyrgyz. Most live in one- or two-story mud brick homes with wood beam roofs covered with mud that could cause heavy casualties if they collapsed.

The remote area, about 2,000 miles west of Beijing near China's border with the former Soviet republics of Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, is a vibrant commercial crossroads along the old Silk Road that once connected East to West. Many of its inhabitants are Muslim ethnic minorities, including Uygurs and Tajiks.

The official Xinhua News Agency reported that seismologists earlier this year had predicted the quake, but did not say if residents were told to prepare for it.

Tucsday's quake followed a 6.1 magnitude quake along the Mongolian border last week and a 7.0 magnitude earthquake in southwestern Yunnan province on Feb. 3, which killed more than 300 people.

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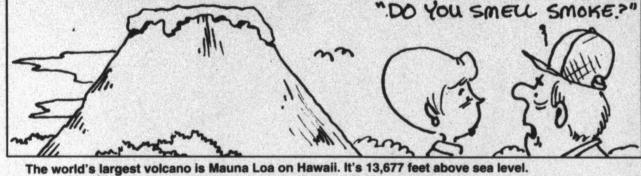
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By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling **TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION**

AUSTIN - Gov. George W. Bush is held in high esteem by Texans, according to new ratings in a Texas Poll telephone survey conducted Feb. 21 to March 1.

Bush's job-approval rating of 70 percent is the highest received by a Texas governor in the last 10 years. The survey was conducted for Harte-Hanks Communications by the Office of Survey Research the University of Texas.

Gov. Bush is flattered that the people of Texas think he is doing a good job," said the governor's press secretary, Karen Hughes.

Hughes said Texans seem to appreciate Bush's ability to work with the Legislature and his willingness to share credit with Democratic leaders, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who presides over the state Senate and House Speaker Pete Laney.

Bush's approval rating eclipses that of his recent predecessors: Ann Richards peaked at 60 percent in spring 1994; Bill Clements managed a 36 percent mark after taking office in 1987; and Mark White's highwater mark was 42 percent in the winter of 1986.

Poll respondents over age 60 gave Bush the highest marks of any age group. The breakdown by party affiliation was as follows: 88

mance; independents, 66 percent; and Democrats, 63 percent.

The poll also showed that Republican U.S. Sens. Phil Gramm and Kay Bailey Hutchison both have improved their job approval ratings from 53 percent each last summer to 57 percent for both officials today.

Topping the list as the most important problem in the state was crime, indicated 21 percent of the respondents.

Moses to Stop Granting Waivers

No more skipping final exams because of good grades.

Texas Education Commissioner Mike Moses said that next year he would no longer approve funding for students who have been exempted from taking finals because they have good grades.

More than 582 Texas public school districts have waivers from the commissioner that let them collect funding for those students on days they are absent during finals. Schools receive about \$25 a day per student.

"The state has been paying for days when students were not present. I don't feel comfortable with that. I don't believe I have the authority to do that, and besides, I have a philosophical problem with students' not taking final exams," Moses told the Dallas Morning

When students go to a university, they may find themselves unprepared to take required final exams, Moses said.

Gun Permit Report Issued

The Department of Public Safety reports 26,588 concealed handgun permit had been issued from Jan. 1 to March 6.

As of March 3, a DPS report said, white males had been issued 19,313 of 23,615 permits issued, and white and Hispanic males and females — grouped together — had been issued 22,662 permits. As of March 3, blacks held 438 permits and 397 of those were issued to percent favored Bush's job performales. Of the grand total, women

held 3,444 of the permits.

For the first time, the DPS released information on rejected applications for permits to carry. As of March 6, only 16 applications had been rejected.

In February, a Grand Prairie man became the first permit holder to be charged with using his gun illegally in the shooting death of a Dallas

By March 6, the DPS reported, 59,291 completed applications had been received.

Other Capital Highlights

· For the first time in history, Texas' Republican Primary on March 12 outdrew the Democratic Primary. Political observers say the presidential nomination battle, plus the unusually large number of contested local races on the Republican Primary ballot, attracted conservative Democrats to the GOP Pri-

 State Comptroller John Sharp has negotiated an arrangement to allow welfare recipients who use the state's Lone Star Card to do their grocery shopping in other states' border towns. Sharp said agreements had been signed with New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana to permit grocery stores to opt into the Lone Star card program.

 Gov. Bush has designated James Francis Jr. of Dallas to replace Robert Holt as chairman of the Public Safety Commission. Holt will remain on the commission, which Francis joined on March 29, 1995. Francis, a partner in an oil and gas company, served as a special assistant to former Gov. Bill Clements.

Donald R. Haragan has been appointed interim president of Texas Tech University and Texas Tech Health Sciences Center. Haragan, who currently serves as executive vice president and provost of Texas Tech, will serve until a permanent successor to Robert W. Lawless is appointed. Lawless has accepted the presidency of the University of Tulsa.

Medical profession seeing changes in jobs, salaries

By ROBIN ESTRIN **Associated Press Writer**

BOSTON (AP) - When Dr. Aram Chobanian graduated from medical school in 1955, young doctors had a world of opportunities - plenty of jobs in nice places with high salaries.

Stephen Pool doesn't have it so

Pool, 26, is one of thousands of students who will graduate from medical school this spring. He will enter a competitive job market with lower pay and job uncertainty - a market that Chobanian never imagined.

'We're now looking at a mode of practice that's almost entirely foreign to what was out there 20 years ago, said Pool, a senior at New York University School of Medicine.

Once seen as a golden profession, doctors have less autonomy and the once sacrosanct doctor-patient relationship has been corrupted as managed care grabbed a stronger hold of the medical market, doctors said.

Today, Pool and the approximately 17,000 other fourth-year medical students find out where they'll be doing their postgraduate residencies.

Now in its 45th year, "Match Day" can be a day of celebration for those who end up at the hospitals of their choice. For others, it can be grim reality check of the job market that awaits them. About 77 percent will get a position at one of their top three picks.

Surveys suggest there are simply too many doctors and medical schools.

A recent study in the Journal of the American Medical Association found that more than 10 percent of residents who train in a specialty could not find jobs in their fields in some parts of the country.

A study funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts last year recommended the "wholesale closing" of U.S. medical schools because of a physician surplus and said medical schools should admit 20 to 25 percent fewer students by 2005.

Upon graduation, 80 percent of young doctors are in debt - \$60,000 on average - and the median salary for residents is \$33,000. In 1994, physician median net income dropped by 3.8 percent from the previous year to \$150,000 - the first salary decline since the American Medical Association began collecting data.

The idea of laying off doctors was incomprehensible a quarter-century

ago, but hospitals, facing budget deficits and mergers, have recently been forced to make cuts.

The New England Medical Center in Boston, a teaching hospital for Tufts University, said in January it would eliminate 450 jobs, including a handful of doctors.

Chobanian, now dean at the Boston University School of Medicine, said it wasn't that way when he finished school.

'There were always positions available in the areas that we wanted to pursue," he said.

For the second year in a row, more than half of graduating students are pursuing the generalist fields, including internal medicine, family practice and pediatrics, which have scen steady growth since the early

Specialty fields like anesthesiology, diagnostic radiology and psychiatry are on the decline, according to the National Resident Matching Program. For example, the number of students entering anesthesiology dropped 53.8 percent between 1995 and 1996.

Ed Evangelista, a 25-year-old

senior at Tufts University's medical school, considered anesthesiology until he realized it may be difficult to find work.

"That was one of the big turnoffs," said Evangelista, a Michigan native who decided on physical medicine and rehabilitation instead. "It's really getting saturated out there."

But Dr. Regina Benjamin, a 39-year-old physician in Bayou La Batre, Ala., said the reported surplus of physicians may not be true, particularly in rural parts of the country, like her own town of 2,500 residents.

Despite the uncertainty, many young doctors are optimistic. Perhaps spurred by the popularity of TV shows like "ER" and "Chicago Hope," medical school applications are at an all-time

"Even if we don't make the kind of of money and have the kind of autonomy that people have had in the past, I still think that this is the greatest job in the world," said Dr. Lydia Vaias, 32, who graduated from Temple University School of Medicine in Philadelphia last spring.

Recovery of TexPool funds seen as costly, risky for state action

By JUAN B. ELIZONDO Jr.

Associated Press Writer AUSTIN (AP) - Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock says the risks and costs of going to court over tens of millions s might keep the state from pursuing repayment of money it lost in the 1994 bailout of an investment pool run by the Treasurer's office.

The Legislative Audit Committee heard testimony Tuesday from State Auditor Larry Alwin, Treasurer Martha Whitehead and Attorney General Dan Morales.

Alwin laid out for the committee his report, released earlier this month, which showed actions taken by Mrs. Whitehead cost the state \$97 million.

As treasurer, Mrs. Whitchead controls the state-run investment pool known as TexPool, an investment tool for local governments.

Alwin said Mrs. Whitehead operated the fund for at least 10 months outside normal safe investment standards, triggering a "run" by investors. To protect the fund and local

governments from serious losses, Mrs. Whitehead said she approved the use of state dollars to prop up the Morales called that move an illegal use of state money. He added on

Tuesday that it does not appear Mrs. Whitehead violated criminal laws. He said pursuing civil action to get the state's money back would be costly and risky for the state. Local

government entities could counter-

sue the state on the grounds that Mrs.

Morales said. He also said other out, leaving the state at significant

going to court could outweigh any benefits the state could get from suing local governments that benefited from Mrs. Whitehead's move.

"I wish I never heard of quicker the state gets out of this program the better. TexPool was a noble idea that went astray."

On Tuesday, Mrs. Whitehead continued to defend her move, saying she acted only after consulting with the offices of Alwin and Morales.

Both men deny giving any advice in support of the bailout.

"When things go wrong, we public officials should not go around putting the blame on others but should stand up and accept our fair share of the blame due us," Mrs. Whitehead told the committee. "I accept the fact that the state of Texas lost money to stop the run on TexPool. If there is someone to blame for refusing to allow the taxpayers of our cities, counties and school districts to suffer the losses I accept the responsibility."

But Mrs. Whitehead disputed Alwin's estimate of \$97 million in losses. She said the state lost \$55 million, adding that Alwin's calculations include paper losses that will not be realized.

Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock

Whitehead mismanaged the fund, asked Mrs. Whitehead if there was a higher authority who could determine strings of legal scenarios could play which figure was correct.

"Senator Montford, over the last 15 months I have referred to a higher Bullock said the costs and risks of authority on many occasions," Mrs. Whitehead joked. "As of yet I have not had any great vision that has been beamed down to me and I'll keep praying for it."

The treasurer's office established TexPool," Bullock said. "I think the TexPool in 1989 to give local governments a way to group their public money for investing.

The fund is maintained separately from other state funds and includes no state dollars.

The pool began losing money in 1994, partly because of heavy investments in areas sensitive to changes in the interest rate. Alwin said Mrs. Whitehead ignored warnings to reorganize the fund's investments to limit its losses.

Under the law creating the pool, investors agreed to share any losses based on the amount of money they

While the 1994 losses continued, local governments began removing their money from the fund. To ensure there was enough money for those local governments, Mrs. Whitehead authorized the purchase of \$2.2 billion of TexPool's securities with state dollars.

Nearly 1,300 municipalities were participating in the fund at that time.

The Treasurer's office said some 1,400 municipalities now participate in TexPool.





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Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamentary upon the Estate of JESSIE MAE DODSON, deceased, were issued to KAY LYNNE MOR-RISON PAGETT on the 18th day of March, 1996, in the proceedings in this cause, which proceedings are still pending, and that she now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same to her at the address below, given before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed

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lack of rainfall.

wheat and corn."

temperatures.

Doug Andrews of Waco, McLennan

County Extension agent. "Plus,

we've had five days of below freezing

temperatures and now we are

experiencing severe losses in our

from the drought or freeze will likely

be replanted for next year's crop in

wheat harvested will be saved for

planting," said Dusty Cullen of Marlin, Falls County Extension agent.

that had emerged was frozen by the

recent low temperature. After wheat

emerges, it goes through eight stages

before becoming a fully mature plant.

Each stage can withstand various

most fragile stage of wheat is the

vegetative stage. During the second

and third stages the wheat is more

protected from weather, but still can

be harmed. The last stages of wheat

are more hardy and can withstand

When a wheat plant endures low

temperatures during these young

stages the reproductive portion of the

plant is sterilized preventing it from

flowering. This prevention does not

greater variances of weather.

He went on to say the first and

hopes of better conditions.

Any wheat that has been saved

"I can essentially say that of any

According to Cullen, most wheat

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LEGAL NOTICE Town & Country Food, Inc., has made application with the Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a beer retailer's off-premise license to be located at 2901 E. 1st Street, County of Deaf Smith, and operated under the trade name of Town & Country Food Stores.

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EL PASO

Western a 66-56 lead. Haskins was still raving on the sidelines. But the Kentucky bench was getting quiet.

Soon, it was over. Texas Western 72, Kentucky 65.

Kentucky, with that 97 point a game average, shot just 38.6 percent for the game against the Miners' intense defense. Haskins smiled and said, "We didn't let them run with it. And, in the end, we were running

The celebration was on back in El Paso. The town went crazy, breaking into one big party. More than 100,000 people lined Montana for a parade when the team returned the next day.

The city has never, ever forgotten that special March night back in 1966 - and continues to embrace this team.

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HEREFORD

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) allow the wheat to reproduce, Cullen - The Texas Agricultural Extension

Service reports that wheat crops in "If the freeze occurs after this. North Central Texas are suffering stage, the plant will be stunted and because of below freezing temperanot produce a good harvest," Cullen tures and the lack of moisture.

Although much of the wheat has According to Andrews, McLennan been damaged, freezing temperatures County has lost most if not all of their have only multiplied the effects of the

"We have probably lost 50 percent "Texas has not had significant at the best and at the worst 100 rainfall since October when wheat was planted, now it is dying," said percent," Andrews said.

Surrounding areas have not suffered as greatly as McLennan County, but the damages are still

"There is just no growth. We have been reduced 80 percent to 90 percent from what it should be," said Bob Whitney of Comanche, Comanche County Extension agent. "We are now under a disaster feed grain program.'

This feed grain program was designed to help farmers purchase grains for feed. Various counties across the state have been declared a disaster area and are receiving up to 50 percent reimbursement for all grain purchases.

Karen Shelton-Mur, meteorologist at the National Weather Service Agricultural Service Center in College Station, says the Pacific cold front and the Arctic cold front late last week brought much needed precipitation to some parts of Texas. The majority of rain fell in Central, Eastern, Northern and the High Plains regions of Texas. The amounts ranged from one-tenth of an inch to one-half of an inch. However, dry conditions are expected to prevail for the remainder of the week.

ranging from 50 degrees to 70 to some cole crops and fruit.

degrees from North to South Texas. A warming trend will begin Friday through Saturday with highs toward the end of the week in the 70s in the Panhandle to the 90s along the Rio Grande Valley, Shelton-Mur said.

damage to drought-weakened wheat

Normal temperature can be expected in most parts of the state. Little to no precipitation also can be expected.

" The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: very short. Dryland wheat is very poor; irrigated wheat is good to fair. Prewatering of com fields continues; some herbicide application occurring in preparation for cotton. Livestock in fair condition; supplemental feeding.

SOUTH PLAINS: very short to short. Wheat remains in desperate need of moisture. Supplemental feeding of livestock still required. Land preparation, pre-irrigation, and herbicides application of spring crops. ROLLING PLAINS: very short.

Wheat is suffering from lack of moisture. Cattle in fair to good condition. Wheat has provided limited grazing; supplemental feeding continues. Stock tanks low. Peaches are in bloom in some areas.

NORTH TEXAS: very short. Pastures in very poor condition. Hay supplies declining rapidly. Harvesting pine trees. Wheat very poor. Onions and other cool season crops planted. Fertilizing pecans. Early blooming peaches lost to freeze.

EAST TEXAS: very short. Winter pastures green but offering no grazing. Hay shortages critical; cattle in fair Below normal temperatures will condition. Spring vegetable planting continue through Thursday with highs very limited; significant freeze damage

FAR WEST TEXAS: very short. Pastures remain extremely dry. Wheat very poor. Supplemental feeding continues. Onions bulbing. Preparing seed beds for cantaloupe. Peaches killed by early frost. Few pecans budding; most still dormant.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: very short. Grain outlook poor due to moisture stress. Heavy feeding of livestock continues. Livestock market strong for sheep, poor for cattle. Onions planted; melons to be planted in future. Peach damage due to freeze.

CENTRAL TEXAS: very short. Many producers running out of hay and water. Some herd reduction occurring. Wheat has been affected by dry conditions. Spring vegetable

planting in progress.
SOUTHEAST TEXAS: very short to short. Cattle market depressed. Hay and grass in short supply; supplemental feeding continues. Corn and grain sorghum planting are under way. Freeze damaged peach trees and some corn

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: adequate to poor. Peach fruit crop and early apples thinned heavily in most areas; later blooming varieties appear to be okay. Dryland farmers waiting for rain. Irrigation needed, but complicated by

low levels of aquifers.

COASTAL BEND: very short. Hay feeding continues with short hay supply; cattle condition declining. Home gardens are planted. Some peach varieties damaged by freeze; bud break occurring in early pecan

SOUTH TEXAS: very short. Pastures and ranges in poor condition; lack of moisture continues to hurt. Cattle conditions continue to worsen. Harvesting carrots. Corn and sorghum planted. Cotton being planted.

Family lives in 88-year-old house bought by mail-order from Sears & Roebuck Co.

By KEN ELLSWORTH **Abilene Reporter-News**

CISCO, Texas - In the early 1900s Jesse Penn picked up his Sears & saw, placed an order for a brand spanking new 3,000-square-foot, full-basement, two-story home.

A short time after placing the order, Penn's new home arrived in bargain.

Cisco by freight train. The house was "It doesn't require much shipped in its component parts - with some assembly, to say the least,

Sears had shipped doors, doorknobs, windows, sinks, toilets, pipes, pre-cut wood, sinks and metal shingles. Most importantly, the company sent tons of concrete, including concrete forms to shape wet

concrete into building blocks.

Sears also shipped the floor plan that Penn had selected among several choices. An extensive set of instructions must also have been

Then, in 1908, while the neighbors watched, Penn erected his Sears floor plan was.

Home on Third Street. The price of Penn's catalog order was just \$1,995, all materials included.

The rare, 88-year-old home's Roebuck catalog and, liking what he residents for the past five years are foster parents James and Michelle Hinman. They think Penn did a pretty good job of building a solid structure and that a Sears home was, and is, a

> maintenance, but it is a big home and occasionally it needs work," James said. "But, for example, the windows are still original."

> One of the original windows is a leaded window with diamond-shaped panes. It is set over a bay window that looks out over the large front porch.

The house is built on a thick, solid concrete foundation out of concrete blocks that resemble cinder blocks, but which are smaller and convex rather than absolutely square. The interior of the home has been so remodeled over the years that it is difficult to know what the original

promote longevity but also have other night he stayed in the house. advantages, the Hinmans said.

"We don't have to run airhear a sound in here."

ave accumulated some rust, but much as a ghost would have." there are still no leaks, the Hinmans

The home does creak and moan. That, and its age, may account for rumors of ghosts that Sears obviously did not include in its original floor

"We've heard stories, including one about a lady who was crazy and who was kept in the basement," Michelle said. "They say she sometimes got out and ran in the streets naked. And her ghost is supposedly still here, but we've not seen any evidence.'

Gerry Webb, also of Cisco, owned and lived in the home from 1978-89. He said the only bizarre noises he Press

The thick walls and foundations ever experienced happened the first

'I was in bed in the front room when something jumped on the bed and then ran through the house conditioning in the summer, and it is quiet," Michelle said. "We don't said. "When I woke up, there was a big jack rabbit staring me in the face. The structure's metal shingles It wasn't a ghost, but it scared me as

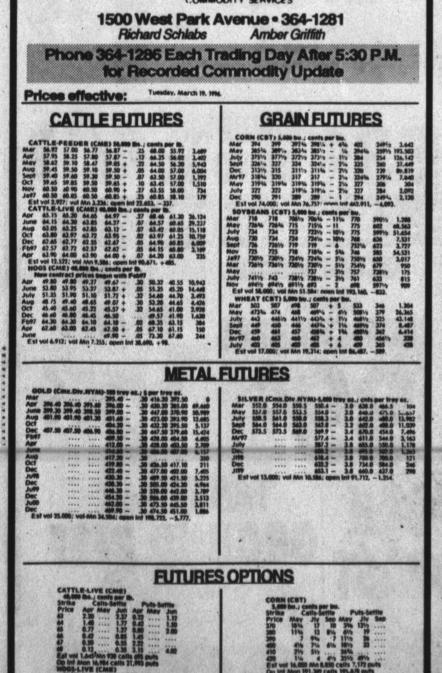
> Webb said the original owner, Penn, built a water tower into which he pumped well water.

'The tower was taken down long ago, but Penn had water piped into his house before Cisco was providing water service," Webb said.

Webb remembers the house

"It is real solid, solid as could be," he said. "And the floors are level and the walls don't lean. It reminds me of the kind of place that you think of your grandparents living in. I really liked that old house."

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Dream realized but Dole has no time to celebrate

By SANDRA SOBIERAJ **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) - Bob Dole had been preparing all his life for this moment, the Republican blessing to run for president. But on the day that nomination was finally his, there was hardly time to celebrate.

A bowl of bean soup and glass of milk gulped at his desk were all that separated Dole's full day as Senate majority leader from his brief victory rally Tuesday night.

"Nothing's gonna stop us now," Dole grinned after victories in the Ohio, Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin primaries secured his lock on the GOP presidential nomination.

"I think it's safe to say now that I will be the nominee," he declared amid hundreds of waving flags and pompons shaking to the beat of rock music.

"The moral of the story is if you ... don't give up too easily, you can still make it," Dole, who has twice failed to become the GOP nominee, said in an interview broadcast today on "CBS This Morning."

"It's scary in the sense that you Dole said to distinguish himself from

want to be sure you can do it," he added of the prospect of becoming president. "I'm convinced I can."

Despite his commanding delegate count Tuesday night, Dole was determined not to claim the inevitable before next week's primary in California, a critical state in the general election.

"California will be a big one. It'll take us over the top, way over the top," Dole shouted over the cheers of supporters packed in a hotel ballroom ringing with tunes from the Jackson Five and The Kinks.

Just two hours earlier, he had adjourned the Senate and was at his desk with his bowl of Senate-cafeteria soup, waiting for the early returns.

"I'm going to be a full-time senator," Dole told reporters at an afternoon news conference, even as he outlined a candidate's legislative agenda centered on the second-try passage of welfare reform, tax breaks for families with children, regulatory reform and a balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution.

"We've tried, he's vetoed it,"

At the rally, Dole was flanked on stage by his wife, Elizabeth, and daughter, Robin. He framed the November election as a decision on the future. "It's about our children, all about their future. Unless we make fundamental change, we're stripping them of their rights and their opportunities and the advantages they should have.'

Dole clearly relished his role as he held court at the Senate Tuesday, shepherding nearly a dozen budget amendments. During several of the day's votes, he stood at the foot of the marble dais and hovered behind clerks recording the "yeas" and

"We're going to be hard at work convincing the American people we have the right agenda for the next generation and the next century, Dole said in an interview with The Associated Press.

Shuttling between leadership meetings and policy caucuses, Dole ducked reporters eager for a primary-day prediction, choosing instead to pose for photographs with a class of second-graders from a nearby Virginia school.

'They're going to protect me from the press," Dole deadpanned as three dozen waist-high youngsters crowded around him.

Mikey Crump, 8, soliciting an autograph, asked what he could do to be president someday. "I'll let you know in November," Dole quipped.

Later, after brief remarks to his victory rally, Dole scooted back to his Watergate apartment for an early night. The Senate planned five hours of debate on product-liability legislation today, followed by another contentious vote on keeping alive a Senate committee's investigation into Clinton and his Whitewater invest-

Kansas farmer Kevin Reimer who was in Washington for an agricultural conference predicted Dole would have a tough go against Clinton in the fall. "By far, the fight isn't over yet," Reimer said as he left the Dole rally Tuesday night.

Thirteen-year-old Ychuda Cohen visiting from Chicago, was more upbeat. "He's going all the way," yelled the boy, whose striped T-shirt was plastered with "Dole for President" stickers.

The ever-staid Dole was also optimistic, barely able to stifle a grin as he pronounced Tuesday his favorite night of the week.

"It's now 230 days 'til Tuesday night, November 5, when Bill Clinton will be on his way home."

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Latest Dole primary results

By The Associated Press

ILLINOIS Sen. Bob Dole won easily in Illinois, getting 64 percent of the vote to Pat Buchanan's 23 percent, with 95 percent of the vote counted. Nearly a third of voters said it doesn't matter whether the vice presidential candidate Dole picks opposes or supports abortion rights. As for who that vice presidential candidate should be, nearly half of voters chose retired Gen. Colin Powell over their own governor, Jim Edgar. **MICHIGAN**

Dole defeated Buchanan in the state where the conservative commentator had his strongest support Tuesday night. The Senate majority leader got 51 percent of the vote to Buchanan's 34 percent with all votes counted his best showing of the primary season. Slightly more than half the voters preferred Gov. John Engler as Dole's running mate over Powell, the largest share in any of the four states, making it the only one that chose its governor over the retired general. But more than half of voters were evenly split on a GOP platform that calls for an abortion ban, and four out of 10 said Dole should pick a running mate who opposes abortion.

Dole won in Ohio, 66 percent of the vote to Buchanan's 22 percent with all votes counted. Close to four out of 10 voters said they wanted a vice presidential candidate who opposes abortion. About two out of 10 said they want the running mate to support abortion rights. More than a third said it doesn't matter. Voters narrowly approved Powell as a better running mate for Dole than Gov. George Voinovich. WISCONSIN

Dole won Wisconsin with 53 percent of the vote and Buchanan had 34 percent, with 98 percent counted. Voters were split down the middle over whether Gov. Tommy Thompson or Powell would make a good running mate for Dole. They were similarly divided over whether the GOP should have a platform that advocates an abortion ban.

By Andrew Blasko, Associated Press writer



A Good Place to Start on Immigration Reform

o many, American immigration policy sounds like the distracted mother's answer to her child's request: "I said perhaps, and that's final."

We send mixed messages to would-be immigrants. Enforcement of our immigration laws has been up and down like a roller coaster ride. As a result, 4.5 million illegals now swell the ranks of the underclass. They impose a daunting burden on public schools, health care providers and prisons. They compete with Americans and those who are here legally for scarce jobs on the lowest rungs of our economic ladder. It is in our national interest to curb illegal immigration swiftly and effectively.

While the debate over immigration raises many issues. I believe that one principle all can agree on is that obeying our laws is the least we should require of those who wish to come here and live in our country.

In the past we have attempted to enforce our laws by putting the burden on employers. I believe that is the wrong approach. I have a new approach: put the burden on the illegal immigrants.

I have added such an amendment to the immi-

gration bill currently before the Senate Judiciary Committee to address this issue directly. It would disqualify those found to be in our country illegally from applying for legal permanent resident status for at least 10 years, permanently in some cases. If you come here illegally and are caught, you can't even TRY to come back on a legal basis for 10

My bill would encourage respect for American law something which can reasonably be required of anyone who wants to immigrate here. Currently, those who enter our country in violation of our law can later apply for legal status with no risk of punishment or even censure. A recent internal State Department study estimates that 90 percent of some nationality groups waiting for legal immigration visas are already living in the United States.

There are penalties for people who smuggle or harbor illegal aliens, and penalties for employers who hire them. But the only penalty imposed on illegals now is a five-year ban on re-entry, and they can avoid this if they leave voluntarily (rather than be deported). Because the majority of apprehended aliens departs voluntarily, they are not subject to the sanction.

What we have now is an all-carrot, no-stick policy. The message we send is that aliens might as well attempt to enter and remain in the country illegally, because they have everything to gain and nothing to lose. America has been entirely too willing to forgive transgressions of our immigration laws.

Disqualifying apprehended illegal aliens from legal residence for 10 years would attach a consequence to the decision to violate U.S. law. It seems only fair that if we are going to penalize employers of illegal aliens for violating the law, we also should penalize the illegal aliens who do

The U.S. government has a responsibility to maintain the integrity of our borders, as well as an obligation to defend the best interests of its own legal residents and citizens. People who break our law should not be rewarded at the expense of American workers and taxpayers

