

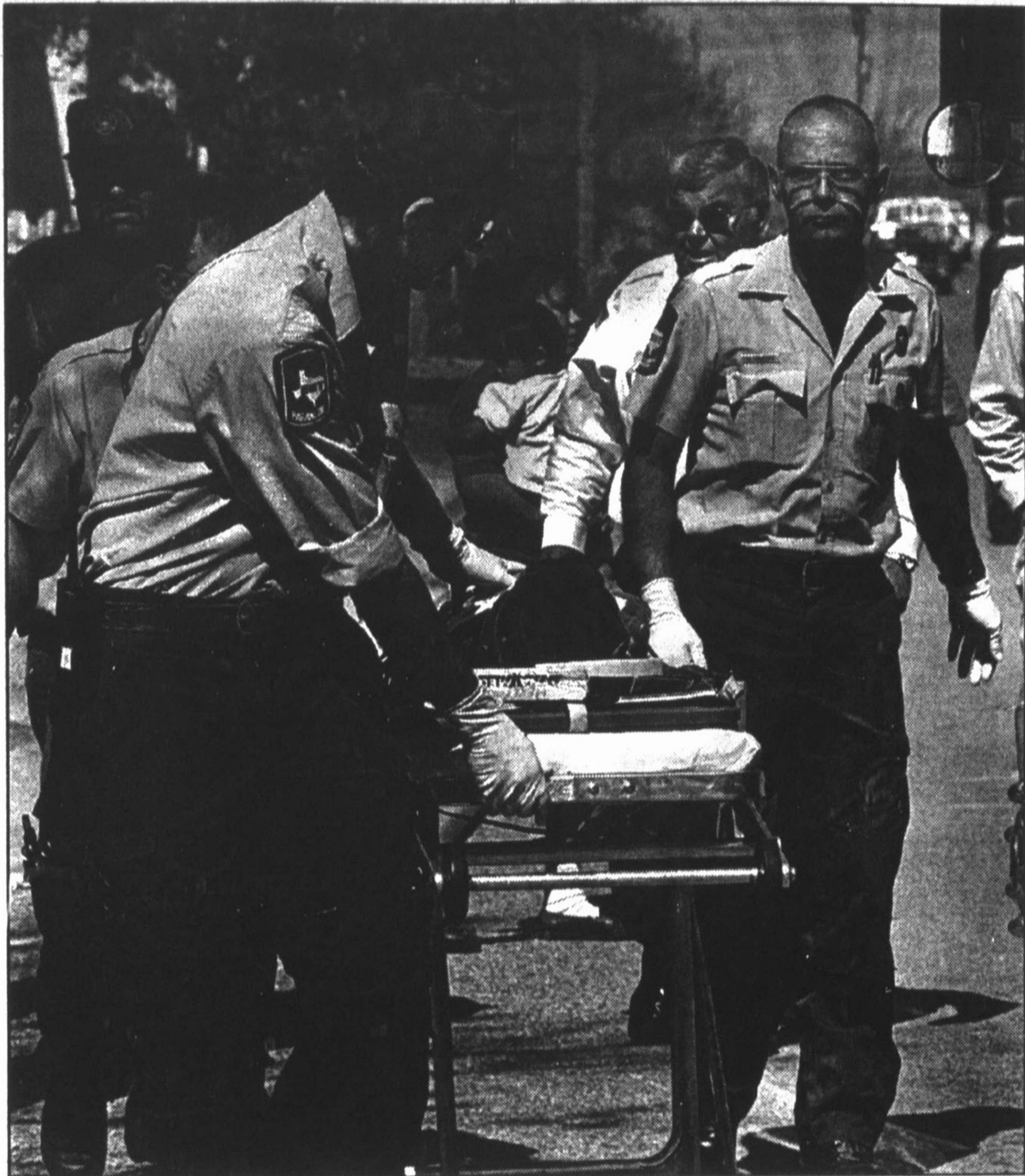
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## Accident scene

Emergency service crews responded to an accident at 10:50 a.m. Wednesday morning in the 100 block of Norton Street. According to police reports, Bobby Bridwell was traveling east on Norton, when Toby Garza ran out in front of him. Garza then was struck by the car. Garza was taken to Hereford Regional Medical Center.

## Groups critical of bill on welfare privatization

AUSTIN (AP) - Groups representing wide interests - from state employees to churches - criticized a bill that would open up the state's welfare system to privatization before it won approval from the Senate Health and Human Services Committee.

The bill, by Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, would authorize the Health and Human Services Commission - with the approval of

the governor and the Legislative Budget Board - to develop a plan that would allow private companies to carry out welfare-related tasks.

The LBB is headed by Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, and includes House Speaker Pete Lancy and nine other lawmakers.

The measure was approved by the committee on a vote of 9-0 and now goes to the full Senate for consideration.

"I think our performance will be better under this," said Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound. "Right now, we are paying more for operating the system than we are for the welfare benefits paid out."

Several groups on Wednesday said Ratliff's bill wasn't the answer. They claimed the bill would result in companies profiting at the expense of welfare recipients, reduced access to needed benefits and loss of accountability to taxpayers.

They expressed concern that the full Legislature wouldn't be making the ultimate decisions about which welfare services get privatized.

Ratliff said the bill was the "lesser of three evils." The other options, he said, were to do nothing for the next two years or to try to design an entirely new welfare system in four days in order to beat bill deadlines before the legislative session ends on June 2.

"We could leave it like it is and delay a better, more friendly process and delay savings for at least two years," Ratliff said, referring to the fact that the Legislature won't meet again until 1999. "But I think we need to make some changes now."

The bill comes after a far-reaching privatization proposal developed by the Health and Human Services Commission and the Council on Competitive Government failed to gain full approval by the federal government.

Under that proposal, private companies could have been hired to collect information from welfare applicants, help fill out their applications and then determine whether they are eligible for assistance. It would have put the future of many state jobs into question.

The plan was intended to provide one-stop shopping for assistance ranging from welfare and food stamps to Medicaid.

Gov. George W. Bush said he endorses Ratliff's plan, which would still require federal approval for certain aspects.

"This not only saves money for taxpayers, but gives Texas the capacity to plow money back in to make sure the hardest cases have an opportunity and a chance to work," Bush said.

Mike Gross, vice president of the Texas State Employees Union, said private companies allowed to do welfare eligibility work would gain access to confidential governmental databases containing information on all citizens.

## In response to rumors

## Nolen says city's water safe, clean

BY SPEEDY NIEMAN  
Editor-Publisher

Hereford's drinking water is safe, clean and not contaminated, City Manager Chester Nolen announced Wednesday afternoon following a number of calls from concerned citizens.

To alleviate those concerns and "correct the misinformation someone is spreading," Nolen said he wanted to explain the testing that takes place to assure that the water is clean and safe.

"We've answered several calls from people who've heard several different 'horror stories,'" said Nolen. "Among the rumors are that tests have shown animal blood or fecal material in our water supply; that some of our wells are contaminated and we're covering up the information, and that 12 people in one block have cancer of some type that can be traced to the drinking water."

Nolen said the quality of the water is tested quarterly by the state and bi-weekly by the city. "The state inspector comes from Amarillo, collects his own samples and sends them to a state lab. The state runs all kinds of test - including those for pesticides, herbicides, petroleum products.

"We take samples from city water wells, on a random basis, every two weeks and send them to an Amarillo lab for testing," he added.

Brad Johnson, regional manager of the Texas Natural Resources and Conservation Commission, was contacted Wednesday about Hereford's water quality.

"We've never had a problem at all

in Hereford," Johnson said. "The only thing that's shown up is a high level of chloride, which is a common occurrence around the Panhandle. Cities are just required to report the higher level to citizens, he added.

"There have been no incidents since I've been in Hereford that a test of the drinking water came back positive. There have been two incidents which revealed some well contamination, and each was promptly taken care of," said Nolen.

The city manager said a well west of town (No. 18) was determined by the water development board to be exposed to a slightly high level of uranium in 1995. The well was shut down from pumping into the city system and was monitored until acceptable levels were tested.

"Even when the small amounts are pumped into the system, they are diluted more and there is no problem," said Nolen. He said there is a natural occurrence of uranium deposits in this area.

In the other well incident, three city wells (Nos. 1, 3 and 5) were shut down several years ago because of high hydrocarbon levels. Two were abandoned as far as drinking water supplies were concerned, and the other well (No. 5) was the most recent to be eliminated from the system about a year ago.

Nolen said city water is chlorinated to eliminate bacteria. "We have less chemicals in our water than many area cities, including Amarillo, Canyon, Plainview, Pampa, Dumas and Borger. They all have to add other chemicals to their water."

Nolen said all files on water tests are public records.

## City's sales tax rebate jumps

John Sharp, state comptroller, Friday delivered a total of \$216.5 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,086 Texas cities and 117 counties.

Hereford's May payment of \$111,325 was 47.7 percent more than the same month a year ago, when the payment was \$75,341. Payments for the first five months on the 1.5 percent sales tax total \$424,250 - an increase of .53 percent over the same period in 1996.

Deaf Smith County also had a big increase with its 1/2 percent sales and use tax, getting a check for \$38,064 - compared to just \$13,989 a year ago. The five-month total is now 1.5 percent ahead of 1996.

"The Texas economy continues its slow, steady expansion and the May sales tax rebates to Texas cities and counties are \$19.7 million higher than those for May 1996," Sharp said.

"Year-to-date allocations are running 5.6 percent ahead of the first five months of last year."

This month's rebates include local sales taxes collected on March sales by businesses filing monthly returns and reported to the comptroller in April, as well as those businesses filing quarterly returns for the first three months of 1997.

The City of Houston, as usual, had the largest rebate of \$27.2 million, and year-to-date payments are up 3 percent. Dallas was next with \$17.9 million.

Amarillo led the Panhandle area with a May rebate check of \$3.68 million, up 10 percent over a year ago. The year-to-date total of \$15.6 million is 2.3 percent higher than 1996. Amarillo has a 2 percent sales tax.

Checks for some other area cities and towns, along with sales tax rate

and year-to-date percentage gains or losses over the period a year ago:

Plainview (1.5%), \$278,633, up 4.6 percent; Pampa (2%), \$268,708, up 2 percent; Borger (1%), \$252,623, off .24 percent;

Perryton (2%), \$118,800, up 6.6 percent; Dumas (1%), \$82,348, up 12.9 percent; Canyon (1%), \$53,517, up 4.2 percent; Dimmitt (1.5%), \$27,061, down 3.2 percent; Friona (2%), \$25,160, down 8.7 percent; Bovina (1%), \$3,437, up 1.65 percent; Vega (1%), \$4,055 up 0.4 percent.

## City says blinking light system works

What's with the blinking traffic lights at the intersections downtown? It's an experiment that appears to be working well, according to Police Chief David Wagner.

"We've ordered and put in flashers to make 4-way stop intersections at four downtown locations," said Wagner. "We have monitored the new system and believe that traffic is moving smoother and faster with the blinking lights."

Wagner said the system is getting old and it is getting difficult to order parts for repairs. "We monitored the intersections when we had the lights blinking while waiting for new parts. We decided the flow of traffic was actually faster with the blinking red lights," he added.

The flashers were put on the traffic lights at Main and 3rd, Main and 4th, Sampson and 3rd, and Miles and 3rd. A flasher was also installed on the light at Union and F, near the high school.

Wagner reminded that all vehicles should come to a complete stop at the intersections, then proceed on a first-come, alternating basis. It's sort of an honor system and Wagner thinks it is working smoothly.

He added that pedestrians have the right of way if they are in the crosswalk when a vehicle stops at the intersection.

All other traffic lights in Hereford are controlled by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Wagner also reported the city has removed the traffic island on 4th Street on the south side of the post office. This makes it easier for traffic to turn left into the alley where drive-up mail boxes were installed.



## Tugging at the rope

It was tug-o-war time at the Bluebonnet Intermediate School track meet. Here, Leslie Shaw's fifth-grade class puts all their strength into pulling the red towel to their side. Mrs. Shaw,

at back left, cheers her class on. The students also competed in the shot put, softball throw, 50-meter dash, 75-meter dash and 100-meter dash.

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## Local Roundup

### Workers needed for prom decorations

Attention senior parents. Workers are needed to help decorate the HISD banquet room for Saturday night's senior prom. Workers are needed during the day and evenings. For more information, contact Jeri Bezner at 276-5656.

### Fund-raising campaign begins

The Hereford Area Law Enforcement Association will begin canvassing the community by telephone Thursday as it conducts its annual fund-raising campaign. Proceeds from the campaign are redistributed into the community through various projects the agency supports. All persons donating to the campaign will receive a discount card which will be honored by local participating retail stores and restaurants.

### HJH awards assembly set Friday

Hereford Junior High will hold its awards assembly on Friday in the HJH Varsity Gym. Eighth-grade awards will be presented at 8:45 a.m., followed by seventh-grade awards at 9:45 a.m.

### CofC seminar reset for May 28

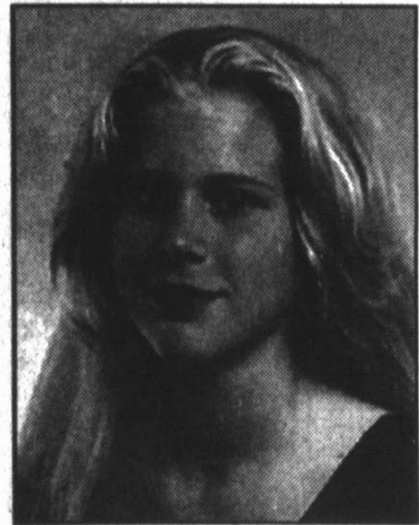
Due to a scheduling conflict, the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce was forced to reschedule its planned Texas Notary Public education seminar for Wednesday, May 28, 1997, from 1-4 p.m. at the Community Center. The seminar had been slated to be held May 21. The purpose of this seminar is to bring the most relevant and up-to-date information to Texas Notaries through an accredited educational seminar. There must be a minimum of 20 people attend to warrant Shirley Irby coming from Austin to conduct the seminar. All interested persons should call the Chamber office at 364-3333 to reserve a place. The fee for this seminar will be \$25 per person.

### Look for sunny skies

Hereford reached a high temperature of 77 degrees on Wednesday and an overnight low temperature of 56 degrees. As of 7 a.m. this morning, KPAN Radio recorded a trace of rain. For tonight, look for partly cloudy skies with a 20 chance of thunderstorms. Low will be in the 50s. Friday will be mostly sunny with a high in the lower 80s. The wind will be out of the southwest at 10 to 20 mph. The five-day forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a chance of thunderstorms. Highs will be in the 80s.

## Obituaries

### WHITNEY AUTUMN BOWERS May 10, 1997



Whitney Autumn Bowers, 17, of Alvin, a former Canyon resident, died Saturday. Her grandmother, Velma

Warren resides in Hereford. Services were at 4 p.m. Monday in South Park Baptist Church in Alvin with the Rev. Cliff Johnston officiating.

Whitney was born in 1980 in Canyon. She was a resident of Alvin since 1984. She was a junior at Alvin High School. She was a member of the Catholic faith. She participated in sports, which included cross country running.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Bill Bowers, Jane Bowers and Walt Warren.

Survivors include her parents, Mark and Anita Bowers of Alvin; her grandparents, Velma Warren of Hereford and Pat Bowers of Amarillo; a sister, Leslie Bowers of Alvin; and a brother, Joshua Bowers of Alvin.

### JEFF MINTON May 10, 1997

Jeff Minton, 57, of Littleton, Colo., formerly of Hereford, died Saturday.

Memorial services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Greenwood Community Church by Chapel Hill Mortuary of Littleton. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in West Park Cemetery in Hereford with the Rev. Jim Powell of Prague, Okla., officiating. Arrangements are by Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home of Hereford.

Mr. Minton was born in Hereford.

He lived in Hereford from 1940 to 1957, in Amarillo from 1957 to 1960, in Oklahoma City from 1960 to 1977 and in Denver from 1977 to the present.

He attended Amarillo High School. He was a management consultant and a member of the Opportunity International, the Denver Leadership Foundation and Promise Keepers.

Survivors include his sister, Jane Bullis of Amarillo.

The family requests memorials be to the Denver Leadership Foundation.

### GUTHRIE P. MORRIS May 13, 1997

Guthrie P. Morris, 89, of Lubbock died Tuesday. Graveside services will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday in Lubbock City

Cemetery. Arrangements are by Resthaven Funeral Home in Lubbock. Survivors include a niece, Charlotte Clark of Hereford.

## News Digest

**AUSTIN** - The last time lawmakers rewrote the way Texas corporations calculate their business taxes, hundreds of companies reinvented themselves, forming entities that aren't subject to the tax. As lawmakers consider another rewrite of the system, Sen. Florence Shapiro is afraid companies again will recreate themselves to avoid taxation.

**WASHINGTON** - A potentially harmful chemical sprayed over parts of Texas during secret Army biological warfare tests in the 1950s and '60s poses minimal health risks, the National Research Council says in a new study.

**SAN ANTONIO** - A school board decision to ban nose rings, multi-colored and spiked hair, baggy jeans and shorts isn't sitting well with some students in the Northside School District of San Antonio.

**AUSTIN** - Public schools, college scholarships and adult literacy programs would claim the state's lottery profits under a bill approved 23-6 by the Texas Senate.

# House passes bill to overhaul public housing to assist poor

**WASHINGTON (AP)** - After several days of often heated debate, the House passed a bill Wednesday to overhaul public housing by opening it up to more of the working poor and changing the way rents are determined.

The measure also requires tenants to volunteer eight hours a month in their communities and to set target dates for when they expect to leave public and assisted housing and become self-sufficient - or face eviction.

Republicans said the goal is to help the poor help themselves.

"We're asking for a sense of mutual obligation and responsibility," said Rep. Rick Lazio, R-N.Y., the sponsor. "Yes, you will be helped ... but in return we're going to ask for something."

The Clinton administration supports the overall goal, but wants the bill amended to preserve a larger share of public housing for the extremely poor. It opposes the self-sufficiency contracts, saying housing authorities lack the resources to enforce them, but favors a more lenient work requirement.

The bill passed 293-132. A similar version cleared the Senate Banking Committee last week.

Democrats said the bill, while well-intentioned, would hurt the people who most need federally subsidized housing.

Rep. Joseph Kennedy, D-Mass., criticized the billions of dollars in proposed capital gains tax cuts in the recent budget agreement as an example of how government encourages rich people to get richer.

"But the way we're going to get the poor to work harder is to get the cattle prod out and give them a little jab," he said.

Rep. Richard Baker, R-La., said public housing should be temporary.

"Taxpayers will agree to help a person that's having a bad day," he said. "But we're not going to pay for a retirement community where you refuse to take actions to improve your circumstance."

Democrats insisted that poor people will become homeless as

cash-starved housing authorities scramble to find tenants who can pay larger rents.

Local public housing authorities own and operate public housing, with federal subsidies. The assisted housing program helps poor people pay for rent in the private market.

"What this bill does is solve the financial problems of local housing agencies by encouraging them to get rid of the poorest tenants as rapidly as possible," said Rep. Henry Gonzalez of Texas, senior Democrat on the House Banking Committee, which cleared the bill.

Much debate was devoted to the community work requirement.

Republicans said it would help people get skills that could lead to

jobs and self-sufficiency. But Democrats said it was unfair and they failed in numerous attempts to soften or eliminate the provision entirely.

Housing advocacy groups also support the bill's intent. But they oppose the community work provision, the focus on higher-income renters and creation of a new bureaucracy to oversee the nation's 3,400 public housing agencies.

The bill would require that up to 65 percent of new tenants be "working poor," those earning up to 80 percent of the area median income. The remaining 35 percent must have incomes below 30 percent of area median. Currently, 75 percent of tenants must earn no more than 30 percent of area median income.

Republicans say mixing incomes by attracting more working people will provide needed role models for children in public housing. But Democrats say it will shut the poorest people out of the only housing they can afford.

The bill also would repeal a provision that sets rent in public housing at 30 percent of a tenant's income. Many have argued that the provision discourages tenants from working because of the link to wages.

Instead, the bill would let tenants choose between a flat rent or an amount up to 30 percent of their income. Democrats say housing agencies would increase rents and shut out the poor.



### Lions recognize Students of Six Weeks

Students of the Six Weeks from Community Christian School were recognized Wednesday during the regular Hereford Lions Club luncheon meeting. Lion President L.J. Walker presented pens to, left to right: David Chamberlain and Daniela Villegas, fifth graders; Jan Wilks, assistant administrator; and Emery Chamberlain, 5th and 6th grade teacher.

## Jurors in McVeigh trial view pictures

a maelstrom of smoke, glass and chunks of cars and buildings as they tried frantically to unstrap the seat belt of their 10-year-old nephew.

"I seen this humongous object coming to us out the air. And it was spinning like a boomerang. And you could hear this 'woo-woo-woo-woo' noise. And I looked and I seen it; and I told her - I said, 'Get down.'"

The Ryder truck axle smashed into the Ford Festiva's windshield, snapping the rear end of the compact in the air and driving it 10 feet backward with his wife, Bertha, and nephew, Chad, inside.

Nichols raced after the car.

"I grabbed my wife, and I grabbed Chad, and I kind of hovered over them like an old mother hen and took off across the street with them," he said.

They were OK, although Chad had the beginnings of a lump on his forehead.

Curtains fluttered out the blown-out windows of the 24-story Regency Towers. Nichols saw a scaffold up high along the building and yelled to the men on it. They waved and climbed in through a window.

Then he looked around.

"It was just like there was a, like a brief pause in the smoke and just everything just kind of separated; and you could see that the whole front of the Murrah federal building was completely demolished," he said.

As Nichols testified, one of the jurors buried her face in her hands for several minutes. Later, she rubbed an eye.

The 7-foot-long, 250-pound axle has turned into a key piece of evidence in the trial of McVeigh, who faces the death penalty if convicted in the April 15, 1995, bombing - the deadliest act of terrorism on U.S. soil.

Vehicle numbers from the part were traced to a truck belonging to a Kansas rental office. A worker there claims it was rented to McVeigh under another name two days before the explosion killed 168 people and injured 500 more.

An expert was expected to testify today that other burned truck parts found at the scene also could have come from the Ryder truck.

Prosecutors contend McVeigh, a

29-year-old Gulf War veteran, was an anti-government sympathizer who wanted to retaliate for the FBI's deadly 1993 raid on the Branch Davidians near Waco, Texas. He wrongly believed the orders for the raid were given by federal agents at the Murrah building, they say.

Eight federal law enforcement officers died in the Oklahoma City bombing.

Former Secret Service agent Lawrence Kingry was across the street in the federal courthouse when the bomb hit. When he ran out into the street, he could tell that his agency's ninth-floor offices - and his coworkers - were gone.

"I could see completely through the building," Kingry testified. "I didn't go up to the ninth floor because I knew our people were dead."

## Emergency Services

Activities reported by law enforcement agencies:

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

-- Domestic disturbance reported in the 300 block of Avenue B.

-- Criminal trespass warning issued in the 800 block of South Texas.

-- Disturbance reported.

-- 53-year-old female arrested for public intoxication.

-- 22-year-old male arrested for driving without license and insurance.

-- Five traffic citations issued.

-- One motor vehicle without injuries reported.

-- Small child struck by car in the 100 block of Norton; child taken to Hereford Regional Medical Center.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

-- Responded to wreck rescue on Norton Street.

-- Responded to smoke scare 11 miles west on Highway 1058.

### SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

-- 41-year-old male arrested for driving while intoxicated.

-- 26-year-old male arrested for criminal trespassing.

-- 54-year-old male arrested for traffic tickets.

-- 37-year-old male arrested for violation of probation.

-- Hindering apprehension reported.

-- Assault reported.

-- Domestic disturbance reported.

## Hereford Economic Indicators

(By Hereford Economic Development Corp.)

	Current Mo.	Last Mo.	1 yr. ago
<b>Sales Tax</b>			
County	\$22,707.47	\$26,419.10	\$31,249.29
City	\$42,029.20	\$48,405.52	\$57,009.43
Econ. Development	\$21,014.60	\$24,202.76	\$28,504.71
<b>Employment</b>			
Labor Force	8,715	8,462	8,599
Employed	7,908	7,627	7,882
Unemployed	807	835	717
Unemployment Rate	9.3%	9.9%	8.3%
<b>Utility Connects</b>			
Electric	6,311	6,312	6,266
Gas	5,210	5,225	5,222
Water	5,292	5,269	5,270
<b>Construction</b>			
Building Permits	\$101,750	\$161,325	\$61,500
Permits YTD	\$1,024,725	\$922,975	\$585,727
<b>Agriculture</b>			
Wheat per bushel	\$4.34	\$4.20	\$6.53
Corn per Cwt.	\$5.30	\$5.45	\$8.71
Grain sorgh. per Cwt.	\$4.60	\$4.75	\$8.14
Cattle per Cwt.	\$67.97	\$66.99	\$55.72



TEXAS LOTTERY

### By The Associated Press

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

The jackpot was an estimated \$35 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were 12, 23, 28, 31, 33 and 47.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$50 million.

**AUSTIN (AP)** - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

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(zero, zero, zero)

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# Lifestyles



## Appreciation reception

The Hereford High School Clinical Rotations class hosted an Appreciation Reception at Hereford Regional Medical Center. The students expressed appreciation to the hospital employees for their assistance in the classroom training program. Pictured, left to right, are HRMC Administrator, Jim Robinson; Josh Martinez; Valerie Garza; HRMC Nurse's Aide, Janie Griego; HHS Interim Principal Ken Cole; Amanda Rickman; Ruth Murillo; Ignacio Avila; Shanna Young; Kris Cathey and HRMC Director of Nursing Donna Kemp. Through the program, the students have received their certified nurse's aide certificates.

Ann Landers

## Children suffer when parents involved in extramarital affairs

Dear Ann Landers: A lot has been written in your column over the years about married couples who cheat on their mates, but nobody seems to give much thought to the effect this has on the children. People involved in extramarital affairs must face the fact that eventually their children will find out.

To the woman who is content to let her husband have an affair -- what message is she sending her children? Simply this: Status and security are more important than fidelity in a marriage and you are willing to pretend you don't know and would rather put up with it than rock the boat.

A year ago, our family crumbled when our teen-agers and I found out that my husband had been having an affair for almost two years with a woman I believed was a very good friend. The hurt and sorrow in my children's eyes was unbearable. I told my husband he could have his freedom if he wanted it. His response was "No. I must have been crazy. My family means more to me than anything." Now, a year later, we are still struggling to put the pieces back together.

Our counselor says our marriage may be stronger than ever because of what happened, but it will take a long time before I will be able to trust him again. Even worse, my husband knows he is no longer the apple of his daughter's eye and that he will never again be a role model his sons can be proud of.

When I asked my husband if what he got out of his affair was worth what he had lost, he said, "Not by a long shot." Too bad he didn't ask himself that question before he jumped into bed with my best friend. -- Fresno, Calif.

Dear Fresno: You are right when you say that too often couples who cheat do not give any thought to what it does to their children. The truth is that it can be devastating. When trust is destroyed, nothing can take its place.

Asking your husband if what he got out of the affair was worth it suggests that you are still very angry and not through punishing him. I hope you will stay in counseling until all the hurt is out of your system. It sounds to me as if you have a way to go yet.

Dear Ann Landers: My brother, age 81, passed away a few days ago. Fourteen family members came in from Ohio and Kentucky for the funeral. Some of them had not seen each other for 14 years when "Cy" died.

All the relatives gathered at my

house after the services. They got drunk, told jokes and played cards. The younger ones were dancing the Macarena in the party room downstairs. When they left, I told my daughter I was disgusted with their lack of respect for the deceased. She said, "Uncle Cy lived a wonderful, full life. He would have wanted them to have a good time."

Some angry words were exchanged, and my daughter said, "Why don't you write to Ann Landers and ask her what she thinks about this difference of opinion." So, I'm writing, Ann. What DO you think? -- Tennessee Tangle

Dear Tangle: Since many of the relatives had not seen one another for 14 years, they were probably not mourning the death of Uncle Cy as much as celebrating their reunion. I

think Uncle Cy would have been delighted that his funeral brought them all together and he would not have been the least bit offended.

Gem of the Day: It is not essential that you be an authority on music to know that the most difficult instrument to play with grace is second fiddle.

What can you give the person who has everything? Ann Landers' booklet, "Gems," is ideal for a nightstand or coffee table. "Gems" is a collection of Ann Landers' most requested poems and essays. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$5.25 (this includes postage and handling) to: Gems, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$6.25.)

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, May 15, the 135th day of 1997. There are 230 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 15, 1972, George C. Wallace was shot by Arthur Bremer while campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination in Laurel, Md. He was left paralyzed.

On this date:

In 1602, Cape Cod was discovered by English navigator Bartholomew Gosnold.

In 1886, poet Emily Dickinson died in Amherst, Mass.

In 1911, the Supreme Court ordered the dissolution of Standard Oil Company, ruling it was in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

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

In 1930, Ellen Church, the first airline stewardess, went on duty aboard a United Airlines flight between San Francisco and Cheyenne, Wyo.

In 1940, nylon stockings went on general sale for the first time in the United States.

In 1942, gasoline rationing went into effect in 17 states, limiting sales to 3 gallons a week for nonessential vehicles.

In 1948, hours after declaring its independence, the new state of Israel was attacked by Transjordan, Egypt, Syria, Iraq and Lebanon.

In 1963, U.S. astronaut L. Gordon Cooper blasted off aboard Faith 7 on the final mission of the Project Mercury space program.

In 1970, Phillip Lafayette Gibbs and James Earl Green, two black students at Jackson State University in Mississippi, were killed when police opened fire during student protests.

protests.

Ten years ago: President Reagan told a gathering of out-of-town reporters at the White House he did not consider himself "mortally wounded" by the Iran-Contra affair. (The president got to relive his radio-announcer days when he complied with a reporter's request to read a promo for Nashville station WSM.)

Five years ago: A judge in Los Angeles ordered police officer Laurence Powell retried on a charge of excessive force in the beating of Rodney King. (The charge was eventually dropped).

One year ago: Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole announced he was leaving the Senate after 27 years to challenge President Clinton full time.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Constance Cummings is 87. Singer Eddy Arnold is 79. Playwright Anthony Shaffer is 71. Playwright Peter Shaffer is 71. Playwright Paul Zindel is 61. Actress-singer Anna Maria Alberghetti is 61. Counterculture icon Wavy Gravy is 61. Singer Trini Lopez is 60. Singer Lenny Welch is 59. Actress-singer Lainie Kazan is 57. Country singer K.T.

Oslin is 55. Singer-songwriter Brian Eno is 49. Actor Chazz Palminteri is 46. Baseball player George Brett is 44. Actor Lee Horsley is 42. Singer-rapper Prince Be (PM Dawn) is 27. Actor David Charvet ("Melrose Place") is 25. Olympic gold-medal gymnast Amy Chow is 19.

Thought for Today: "Faults are thick where love is thin." - Danish proverb.

## La Afflatus Club holds luncheon

La Afflatus Estudio Club held its final meeting of the club year recently in the home of Mary Herring.

A short business meeting followed the annual spring luncheon.

Since club officers are elected for a two-year term, the current officers will serve during the coming year which begins Sept. 9.

Roll call was answered by Virginia Beasley, Virginia Curtsinger, Leola Cook, Annie Delozier, Opal Elliston, Alberta Higgins, Aileen Montgomery, Roxie Phipps, Della Stagner, Louise Streun, Emily Suggs, Mary Williamson and Margaret Baxter.

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# Sports

## OSU coach agrees Raiders team to beat

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - As his teams strung together one Big Eight tournament title after another, former Oklahoma State coach Gary Ward never shied away from the streak or its importance to the program.

The Cowboys won the past 16 conference tournament titles under Ward, who resigned after last season. Now Oklahoma State is part of a different league, with a different coach who has a different outlook.

"Guys are wanting to talk about a streak of a league that's dead. It's over," said coach Tom Holliday, who was Ward's top assistant all those years. "There is no more Big Eight, it's the Big 12."

"I don't see the pressure or feel the pressure to continue the Big Eight Championship streak. That was coach Ward's and that's his forever, not Tom Holliday's."

Holliday said his focus is the regional tournament that Oklahoma State will host this weekend, since a team must win a regional in order to advance to the College World Series.

"I want to win the Big 12. I want to satisfy our fans in Oklahoma and give them something to talk about all summer," he said. "But I'd really rather give them something to talk about that we haven't talked about since 1959, and that's a national championship."

The Cowboys (41-15) are the No. 2 seed in the tournament behind Texas Tech. The tournament was scheduled to begin today and run through Sunday at All Sports Stadium.

Texas Tech (43-10) won the regular-season championship and spent a good part of the year ranked No. 1 in one of the two college baseball polls. They have the Big 12's player of the year (Joe Dillon), newcomer of the year (Keith Ginter),

freshman of the year (Josh Bard) and coach of the year (Larry Hays).

"There's no question in my mind they're the favorite," Holliday said Wednesday.

Hays isn't so sure. "We've got enough problems without that burden," he said. "I think you've got six teams here, any of them can win it."

The Red Raiders have had some recent off-the-field distractions, most notably their reporting last week that they had exceeded the financial limit on their baseball scholarships.

The NCAA's committee on infractions will take up the matter at a later meeting and decide on possible sanctions, which will most likely be a loss of future scholarships. The case is not scheduled for review until after the College World Series.

"It's been the worst few days of my life," Hays said. "When you make a mistake, that's bad enough but you just open yourself up for everything. So we're getting all kinds of criticism."

The Red Raiders led the league in hitting - Ginter's .445 average and 88 runs scored were tops in the Big 12, as were Dillon's 28 homers - and pitchers Jason Gooding and Shane Wright are 10-0 and 10-1, respectively.

But Tech enters the tournament having lost three of its past five games, including two straight last weekend to third-seeded Texas A&M.

"It's something that we're going to have to overcome," Hays said of the scholarship controversy. "It's really affected the team more than I wanted it to."

The first day's schedule has Tech playing Missouri (30-25), Oklahoma State going against Baylor (32-21), and Texas A&M meeting No. 4 seed Oklahoma (36-17).

## Fangman on All-State team

Hereford's Kristin Fangman was named to the All-State Track Team by the Texas High School Girls' Coaches Association.

The Hereford High sophomore finished fourth in the 100-meter hurdles in last weekend's state track meet with a time of 14.86. She missed a medal by just .01 of a second.

Kristin, 15, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Fangman.

## Team wins scramble

A team composed of Cory Newton, Sam Metcalf, Ed Sanders and Mel Charest shot a six-under par 30 Wednesday to win the Weekly Scramble at Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

Each team member won \$200 in gift certificates after the scramble had ended in ties for three weeks. Three teams were one shot back with 31s.

Lottery scratch tickets, donated by the 19th Hole, were offered to the team with the highest score Wednesday. Six teams tied for the dubious honor and a putting contest was held to determine the winner.

Steve Sanders sunk a 45-foot putt to win for his team, which was also composed of Ted Hoelscher, Jim Wamser and Freddie Gamboa.

## Sports Briefs

**BASKETBALL**  
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Indiana University's basketball players are publicly defending their controversial coach following the May 12 Sports Illustrated article entitled "Has Bob Knight lost it?"

The team's letter to the national sports magazine stated: "Your article implies that those of us from Indiana, Illinois and Ohio should have avoided coming to Indiana... Those of us who are from outside of this area knew the tradition of Indiana basketball, and that's what attracted us to the program."

"There is not one of us who regrets the decision we made in coming to Indiana."

**BASEBALL**  
CINCINNATI (AP) - Cincinnati shortstop Barry Larkin got another cortisone shot in his aching left heel but insisted he was not coming out of the Reds' lineup.

Larkin struggling with just a .248 average because of inflammation in the Achilles' tendon and a bursa sac in the heel. He had a cortisone shot during spring training, but the pain returned soon into the season.

In the 1940 NFL championship game, the Chicago Bears best the Washington Redskins by the score of 73-0.

## Houston hopes to knock Sonics out of series tonight

SEATTLE (AP) - The Seattle SuperSonics teeter on the brink of playoff extinction. One more defeat and their season is over.

"You're still playing out of urgency and out of desperation," coach George Karl said Wednesday. "Houston can lose and we can't. We can't even have a bad quarter."

Tonight, the Sonics can tie their semifinal series with the Rockets at 3-3. If Seattle wins, the teams play again Saturday in Houston; if the Rockets win, they will open the Western Conference finals on Saturday against Utah in Salt Lake City.

"We're taking the attitude that we have to go out there and be aggressive," Hersey Hawkins of the Sonics said, "or else we're eliminated."

They were all but counted out after losing to Houston at home on Sunday to fall behind 3-1.

With Gary Payton virtually shutting out Matt Maloney, Seattle brought the series back home with a 100-94 victory in Game 5 Tuesday night in Houston.

This scenario is nothing new for the Sonics.

The Sonics trailed 2-1 against Phoenix in the best-of-5 first round and rallied to win. In reaching the NBA Finals last season, the Sonics were 3-0 in loser-out games before falling to the Chicago Bulls. In six years under Karl, they're 10-5 in those games.

"I think for whatever reason our team is a better team in this situation," Seattle's Terry Cummings said.

"I ain't ever gonna be associated with a team that gives up," Payton said.

The Sonics are seeking to become the sixth club in NBA history to overcome 3-1 deficits to win series. Houston was the last to do it, against Phoenix in 1995.

Payton isn't so sure he's comfortable returning to the Key Arena, though. In Seattle, the Sonics lost in overtime in Game 4 after dropping Game 3. Both of Seattle's victories

have been in Houston. In the playoffs this season, the Sonics are 2-3 on their home court.

"Maybe we should schedule this game on a neutral site," Payton said.

Payton showed Maloney, Houston's rookie point guard, why his nickname was "The Glove" Tuesday night. Payton asked to cover Maloney after Maloney made eight 3-pointers in Game 4. He held him to 0-for-6 from 3-point range in Game 5.

Maloney will have Payton hounding him again tonight.

"If I changed that, we'd have a mutiny on our hands," Karl said before Wednesday's practice.

Said Maloney: "I've got to maintain my confidence."

Payton, the feisty catalyst of the Sonics' bulldog personality, just wants to get past tonight and get back to Houston.

"I hope when we get out there tomorrow, we'll be all right," he

said. "I ain't making no predictions."

If the Sonics are going to get back to The Summit, they figure they'll need another big scoring night from Hawkins, who had 23 points in Game 5. In Seattle's three defeats in the Houston series, Hawkins averaged 10.6 points.

Another big factor in tonight's game will be keeping Shawn Kemp out of foul trouble. Kemp fouled out in the fourth quarter Sunday and played the final five minutes with five fouls Tuesday night.

"He can't take the silly fouls," Karl said. "He's got to keep them under control."

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## Tiger has shaky round in pro-am

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Four hours after stumbling to a shaky 74 in the pro-am at the Byron Nelson Classic, Tiger Woods was on the practice green rapping putt after putt, searching for a rhythm for today's first round.

The rust that accumulated after four weeks away from competition hung heavy on Woods' game Wednesday as he missed fairways, missed greens and missed putts in a 4-over-par round that was far from the brilliance he displayed in his record-setting victory at the Masters in April.

But as Woods has shown over and over in his brief professional career, he saves his best for when it means the most.

"Each round I'll get better and better with my mental state. It took me about a round to get my focus and my intensity," he said about the last time he returned from a break this long.

And though Woods says he assumes he is going to win every tournament he plays, it is clear the GTE Byron Nelson Classic is the beginning of a three tournament run-up leading to the U.S. Open - just as he gauged his game to peak for the Masters.

"I had to prove to myself that I could win a major," Woods said about the Masters. "I spent those weeks before getting ready. I changed my ball flight, changed my putting strategy. I'll probably do the same thing for the U.S. Open."

Woods faces a field this week that includes defending champion Phil Mickelson, last week's winner Scott McCarron, the resurgent Nick Price, Nick Faldo and Mark O'Meara.

Playing amid tight security that included several uniform police and

two plainclothes agents - one of them with Woods constantly since Friday - the 21-year-old felt out the TPC course at the Four Seasons Resort.

He hit his booming driver only five times - once out of bounds - and made only one putt beyond tap-in range.

"I'll drive it right through the doglegs here," Woods said about using his driver. "The 2-iron and 3-wood is the smart thing to do."

Woods was hardly annoyed by his erratic play. He seemed to enjoy being before a gallery again.

When one of his amateur partners sliced a shot wildly into the crowd, Woods covered his head as if he could protect the person the ball was bearing down on and tried unsuccessfully to suppress a laugh.

Two of his playing partners sold concrete. The other two processed animal fat. Yes, it was only the pro-am, but Tiger Woods heard words Wednesday he likely replayed in his childhood daydreams many times.

## UP TO PAR

(This week's Local Highlights and Golf activities)

**SCRAMBLE TEAM ENDS CARRYOVER**  
After three weeks of ties, a foursome captured the prize at the Weekly Scramble Wednesday, shooting a six-under par 30 on the bank nine at Pitman Municipal Golf Course. Members of the winning team were Cory Newton, Sam Metcalf, Ed Sanders and Mel Charest. Each team member received \$200 in gift certificates. Three teams carded a 31.

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# Pirates stay in first; Astros top Mets, 1-0

**By The Associated Press**  
If the Pittsburgh Pirates play more exciting games like this, they won't need gimmicks to bring in fans.

The Pirates, who recently held a promotion where players greeted fans at stadium turnstiles in an effort to woo them back, used a nine-run eighth inning Wednesday night to rally past Colorado 15-10 and stay in first place in the NL Central.

In other NL games, Montreal topped San Diego 9-7; Los Angeles nipped Chicago 6-4; St. Louis routed Philadelphia 12-3; Houston nipped New York 1-0; Florida edged Atlanta 4-3, and San Francisco beat Cincinnati 4-2.

This young Pittsburgh team, with a payroll of just \$9 million, or \$2 million less than Albert Belle is making this season, overcame leads of 6-3, 7-5 and 9-6 before Kevin Young's two-run pinch double put them ahead for good. Al Martin then

finished off the Rockies with a grand slam to cap their most dramatic rally since their division title years earlier this decade.

Pittsburgh, which remained a percentage point ahead of Houston in the Central Division, stranded 11 runners - eight in the first five innings - but won it with their biggest inning of the season.

Walt Weiss' two-run double in the top of the eighth off eventual winner Marc Wilkins (3-0) made it 9-6, but Martin and Mark Johnson started the Pirates' half of the inning with singles off Mike Munoz.

The nine-run inning was the Pirates' biggest since a nine-run inning on April 30, 1996, against the Reds.

## Expos 9, Padres 7

Rondell White hit a go-ahead RBI double in the eighth inning as host Montreal topped San Diego in a game

that saw the Padres have two pitchers ejected for hitting batters.

Marc Valdes (1-2) got the win, and Lee Smith got the final out for his third save this season and the 476th of his career.

Trevor Hoffman (1-3) was the loser.

## Dodgers 6, Cubs 4

Nelson Liriano doubled to start a game-tying rally in the eighth, then hit a two-run homer in the ninth as Los Angeles won at Chicago.

Mel Rojas (0-2) took the loss.

Antonio Osuna pitched 1 2-3 hitless innings in his first major league appearance of the season, and Todd Worrell threw a one-hit ninth for his 11th save in 14 chances.

## Cardinals 12, Phillies 3

Ray Lankford had three hits, including a two-run homer, and pinch-hitter Gary Gaetti doubled home two runs in a three-run fifth inning as St. Louis won at Philadel-

phia. Cardinals starter Todd Stottlemyre (2-2) allowed three runs and five hits in six innings, and helped himself with an RBI double.

Phillies starter Calvin Maduro (3-4) gave up nine hits and five runs in 4 2-3 innings.

## Astros 1, Mets 0

Darryl Kile (3-2) pitched four-hit ball for eight innings, and pinch-hitter Craig Biggio hit a sacrifice fly in the ninth as Houston won at Shea Stadium.

The Astros stopped a three-game losing streak and ended the Mets' four-game win streak.

Rick Reed blanked Houston on five hits for eight innings, and the Astros won it against Greg McMichael (3-3).

## Marlins 4, Braves 3

Edgar Renteria's RBI single scored the go-ahead run in the seventh inning as visiting Florida

denied Denny Neagle's bid to become the NL's first seven-game winner with a win over Atlanta.

Neagle, who has won six straight decisions, left with a 3-2 lead after six innings, but Mike Bielecki (1-3) couldn't stop the Marlins.

Florida's rally made a winner of starter Kevin Brown (4-2), who allowed three runs and seven hits in six innings.

Robb Nen got his 10th save despite leading the bases in the ninth.

## Giants 4, Reds 2

In Cincinnati, Barry Bonds hit a

solo homer in the 10th inning as San Francisco overcame a rare failure by Rod Beck.

The Giants' fourth consecutive victory improved their record to 23-13, their best start in 24 years. The Giants opened the 1973 season at 25-11.

Cincinnati is off to its worst start in 47 years. The Reds (11-26) have lost four in a row for their worst opening mark since 1950, when they had an identical record.

Beck (2-1) gave up Reggie Sanders' homer leading off the ninth for only his second blown save in 15 tries.

# Oakland bashes Brewers, 7-4; Rangers edge Indians in 10th

**By TOM WITHERS**  
AP Sports Writer

If the Bash Brothers have an initiation ritual, Matt Stairs might have passed it.

Stairs homered twice Wednesday night as the Oakland Athletics snapped a seven-game losing streak with a 7-4 win over the Milwaukee Brewers.

Jose Canseco also hit two homers and fellow Bash Brother Mark McGwire hit his 13th homer as the A's hit five homers in a game for the first time this season.

Canseco and McGwire hit consecutive solo homers in the third inning, the 10th career time they've gone back-to-back. In the fourth, Canseco followed Stairs' two-run blast with his eighth homer of the season.

Stairs added a solo shot in the seventh, his fifth, for his first career

multihomer game.

Elsewhere in the AL, it was Texas 4, Cleveland 3 in 10 innings; Seattle 9, Chicago 7; Kansas City 6, Boston 2; New York 6, Minnesota 5 in 12 innings; Toronto 7, Detroit 2; and Anaheim 6, Baltimore 5.

McGwire, who snapped a 25-at-bat homerless streak that was his longest such drought since 1994, also had an RBI single in the first and an infield hit in the seventh.

Oakland starter Ariel Prieto (3-2) allowed two runs and six hits before leaving after 6 1-3 innings with back spasms.

Cal Eldred (4-4) allowed six runs and nine hits in six innings for the Brewers. He matched a career worst by allowing four homers, and had few kind words for the Oakland Coliseum - which was considered a pitcher's park before its redesign turned it into a hitter's paradise.

"This ballpark makes you want to puke," Eldred said.

## Rangers 4, Indians 3

At Arlington, Bill Ripken's bases-loaded sacrifice fly scored Will Clark with one out in the 10th.

Ripken hit a fly to left off Albie Lopez (0-2) that was caught by left fielder David Justice, who was too deep to make any play on Clark.

John Wetteland (2-0) struck out three in two scoreless innings for the win.

Jim Thome homered for Cleveland.

## Mariners 9, White Sox 7

At Seattle, Ken Griffey Jr. hit his major league-leading 17th home run and Brent Gates hit a three-run homer during the Mariners' five-run fourth against Jaime Navarro (3-2).

Griffey, who set a major-league record with 14 homers in April, connected off Carlos Castillo in the sixth to give the Mariners a 7-3 lead.

Seattle starter Jamie Moyer (3-0) gave up nine hits in six innings in improving to 12-2 since last year's All-Star break.

Frank Thomas hit his sixth homer for the White Sox, who lost their third straight.

## Royals 6, Red Sox 2

At Kansas City, Boston lost its sixth straight game after the Royals rallied for four runs in the seventh.

Randy Veres (3-0) got the win, pitching 1 1-3 innings in relief of starter Glendon Rusch.

Tim Wakefield (1-2) was the loser

in the 10th loss in 11 games for the Red Sox.

## Yankees 6, Twins 5

At Minneapolis, Paul O'Neill tied the score with an RBI double in the ninth, then homered in the 12th off Eddie Guardado (0-1).

Earlier, Tino Martinez hit his 16th homer, tying Griffey for the major league lead.

Brian Boehringer (2-2) pitched one inning for the win, and Mariano Rivera got the last three outs for his 14th save in 17 chances.

## Blue Jays 7, Tigers 2

Charlie O'Brien hit his first career grand slam and drove in six runs for Toronto at Detroit.

Pat Hentgen (4-1) won his fourth straight decision, scattering five hits in his second complete game of the season.

Brian Moehler (2-3) gave up five runs on nine hits as the Tigers' winning streak ended at three.

## Angels 6, Orioles 5

Darin Erstad, Garret Anderson and Jim Edmonds hit two-run homers in consecutive innings as Anaheim rallied from a 5-0 deficit to defeat visiting Baltimore.

Knuckleballer Dennis Springer (1-1) earned the victory after holding the Orioles to just two hits in 5 2-3 scoreless innings in relief of starter Shigetoshi Hasegawa.

Mike Holtz got the final out for his first major-league save. Shawn Boskie (1-2) took the loss.

Brady Anderson and Cal Ripken Jr. homered for the Orioles.

# Oilers ink agreement to move to Memphis

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - The Houston Oilers will soon have a new home and new name.

The Oilers and the Memphis and Shelby County Sports Authority signed a letter of agreement Wednesday to bring the team here for the next two seasons.

Under the deal, the Tennessee

Oilers - which they will be called for at least this year - will make Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium their temporary home during the 1997 and 1998 seasons.

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# Miniseries focuses on overlooked women pioneers

By EDUARDO MONTES  
Associated Press Writer  
EL PASO, Texas (AP)—Everyone knows the saying about a great woman being behind every great man. But finding out who those exceptional women have been down through history can be quite a chore.

Just ask Janice Woods Windle, who spent 10 years digging through records and anecdotes to learn the truth about her ancestors, then pulled their stories into the popular historical novel, "True Women."

This month, TV viewers will be able to get a taste of what she discovered about the frequently overlooked pioneers who helped build Texas when a miniseries based on the book hits the screen.

Although the four-hour movie airing May 18 and 20 on CBS deals only with a portion of her 1994 novel, Windle said it captures the story's essence and keeps the spotlight squarely where it belongs.

"They went for the heart of every story and they interpreted that well," said Windle, an El Paso resident. "It tells the events that raised the awareness of American women of the importance of taking part in decisions in the world around us."

The movie focuses on three of Windle's ancestors: her great-great aunt Sarah Ashby McClure, maternal great-great-grandmother Euphemia Ashby King, and paternal great-great-grandmother Georgia Lawshc Woods.

The story opens on the girlhood days of friends Euphemia (Annabeth Gish) and Georgia (Angelina Jolie) and follows them as they are swept up in the Texas revolution, the Indian wars, the Trail of Tears and the Civil War.

Viewers will immediately recognize some events.

Others will be a revelation even to some Texans, such as when Sarah (Dana Delany) leads the flight of 5,000 women and children across Texas' rugged terrain and rough rivers to elude the Mexican army after the Alamo's fall.

The characters, too, are a mixture

of the famous, the obscure and the unknown. Texas revolutionary hero Sam Houston mingles with Woods' ancestors, who likely won't be familiar to anyone who hasn't read the book.

Yet, the stories of those pioneer women are crucial, Gish said.

"I think it's sort of responding to people's need to fill in the holes in history," she said. "When you think about the Alamo do you think about the women who distracted the Mexican army, crossing the Brazos River, taking care of the kids and enduring the loss of children?"

Windle's forebears drive the story by allowing the audience to experience the unfolding events from the perspective of everyday people.

Rather than showing the heroic image of Davey Crockett fighting at the Alamo, Sarah's stunned and sorrowful expression is allowed to bring home the shock felt by Texans after the 1836 battle.

Another well-documented event, the Council House Fight in San Antonio, an ill-fated parley between Texans and a band of Comanches that ended in the death of some 40 people, also gets a fresh turn.

The film focuses on the abuse endured by the captive women the

Comanches returned that day, instead of reharsing the battle that ensued when the Texans realized the tribe would not be bringing back all the white prisoners taken during raids.

Euphemia is reunited with an abducted friend, Matilda Lockhart, only to find the once carefree girl has been shattered, with a face scarred by hot coals and a soul scarred by the man who treated her as a "breeding animal."

Director Karen Arthur said depicting the women's resilience was important to her goal of making a movie that would carry affirming messages to female viewers.

"That was heavy motivation," Arthur said. "Any time we can empower anybody, I think it's our duty in the media to do so."

"For us to be able to give the women and children who watch this the understanding that (pioneers) worked out whatever their problems were without the help of their menfolk and they did fine, that's something that instills pride in another human."

Jolie said the film should not be pigeonholed as a woman's movie.

"I'm actually worried about how this story will be thought of because of the statement it makes for women."

Jolie said. "To me, it set a lot straight in the history books about what happened to the Indians."

There was a time when it seemed those messages might not be delivered. Like its subjects, the movie had obstacles to overcome that almost proved tougher than the Texas landscape where it was filmed.

"True Women" went through two false starts because executive producer Craig Anderson's original partners thought the project too expensive.

"We were on location in Texas in preproduction and they blew the whistle on us and shut us down," said Anderson. "They brought us back and we regrouped. We were going to go

ahead and we got the same whistle blown the second time."

Then last summer Hallmark Entertainment came on board and shooting got underway. The filming, done almost exclusively in Hill Country around Austin, where much of the real story took place, was completed in November.

"Actually, in hindsight, because of our stalls, I think we've made it in better time. It was better shooting for the crew and cast," said Anderson.

"I'm glad we had those false starts because the look of the movie ended up being more special."

The final challenge is in attracting viewers.

Anderson sees "True Women" as being in the same vein with "Lonesome Dove." But it faces a real battle to gain similar ratings.

The miniseries, airing during the sweeps rating period, will have to compete with NBC's "The Odyssey," an adaptation of the classic Greek tale.

"We have our job cut out for us. NBC has the kind of publicity machine that makes you feel foolish if you don't watch," Anderson said. "But I think CBS' view was that we can overcome."

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Yesterday's Cryptquote: HUMAN LIFE IS THAT GREAT SCHOOL WHERE MEN REDUCE TO PRACTICE THE TEACHINGS OF THE CHURCHES.—H.W. BEECHER

## Comics

### The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



### Marvin

By Tom Armstrong



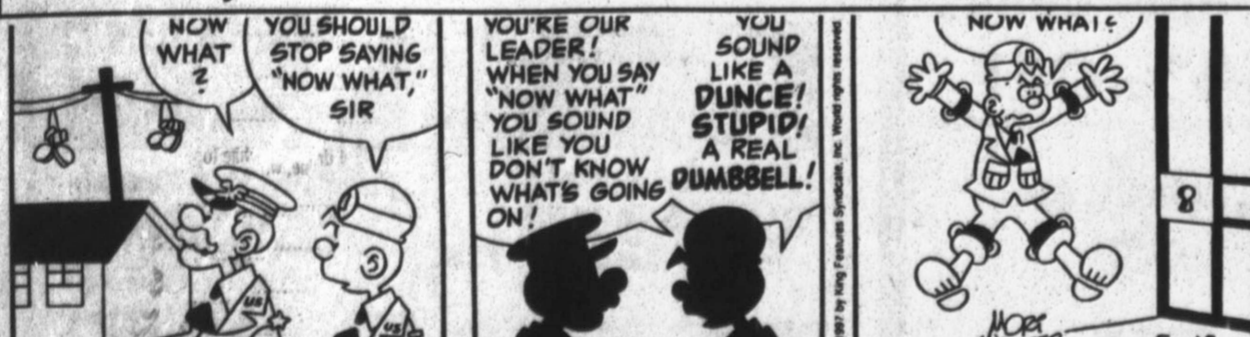
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## Television

THURSDAY					MAY 15					
6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
Movie: The Chipmunk Adventure (1967)	News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Fired Up	Seinfeld	Fired Up	ER	News	(:35) Tonight Show	Movie: Diary of Anne
News	Home Imp.	Pole to Pole	Mystery!	Royal Opera House	Charlie Rose	News	News	News	News	News
Videos	(:05) Movie: Kiekboxer (1989)	Danis Alexio **	(:05) Movie: Kickboxer 2: The Road Back (1991) **	Movie: Columbo: A Trace of Murder (1997) Peter Falk	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	Heat	Heat	Heat
(5:30) Major League Baseball	Chicago White Sox at Seattle Mariners	Bzzz!	News	Wiseguy	Wiseguy	Wiseguy	Wiseguy	(:35) Late Show	News	News
News	Home Imp.	Movie: Grumpy Old Men (1993) Jack Lemmon. ** 1/2	48 Hours	News	News	News	(:35) Late Show	News	News	News
Roseanne	Mad-You	Scariest Police Shootouts!	New York Undercover	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Mad-You	Cops	Real TV	Baseball	Baseball	Baseball
Sportsctr.	Stanley Cup Playoffs Conference Semifinal	Game 7 -- Teams to Be Announced	Baseball	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter
Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911	700 Club	Three Stooges	Three Stooges	Three Stooges	Three Stooges	Three Stooges	Three Stooges	Three Stooges
Movie: Moonshinetw	Movie: Fargo Frances McDormand. 'R'	(:45) Movie: Sketch Artist Jeff Fahey. 'R'	Movie: Sketch Artist II: Hands That See	Movie: Sketch Artist II: Hands That See	Movie: Sketch Artist II: Hands That See	Movie: Sketch Artist II: Hands That See	Movie: Sketch Artist II: Hands That See	Movie: Sketch Artist II: Hands That See	Movie: Sketch Artist II: Hands That See	Movie: Sketch Artist II: Hands That See
(5:30) Movie: Coneheads	Real Sports	Movie: Asylum Robert Patrick. 'R'	StElement	Never Say Die: Youth	Movie: Desperado (1995)	Movie: Desperado (1995)	Movie: Desperado (1995)	Movie: Desperado (1995)	Movie: Desperado (1995)	Movie: Desperado (1995)
Movie: Deliver Them	Movie: Jimmy Hollywood Joe Pesci. ** 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'	Movie: Heatseeker Norbert Weisser. 'R'
Movie: You-Mouthful	Movie: Plymouth Adventure (1952) Spencer Tracy. ***	Movie: Allegheny Uprising (1939) ***	Movie: Devil's Disciple	Movie: Devil's Disciple	Movie: Devil's Disciple	Movie: Devil's Disciple	Movie: Devil's Disciple	Movie: Devil's Disciple	Movie: Devil's Disciple	Movie: Devil's Disciple
Dukes of Hazzard	Championship Rodeo	Prime Time Country	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas
Wings	Wild Discovery	Mysterious	Movie Magic	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings
Law & Order	Biography	Ancient Mysteries	Unexplained	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order
Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: The Innocent (1994) Kelsey Grammer. **	Homicide: Life	Homicide: Life	Homicide: Life	Homicide: Life	Homicide: Life	Homicide: Life	Homicide: Life	Homicide: Life
Major League Baseball	Colorado Rockies at Pittsburgh Pirates	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News
In the Heat of the Night	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced	NBA Basketball Playoffs Teams to Be Announced
Doug	Rugrats	Alex Mack	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	Newhart	Odd Couple	Taxi	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke
Highlander: The Series	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: Regarding Henry (1991) Harrison Ford. **	Silk Stalkings	Renegade	Renegade	Renegade	Renegade	Renegade	Renegade	Renegade
Luz Clarita	Te Sigo Amando	Tu y Yo	Bienvenidos Operacion	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Al Ritmo	Al Ritmo	Al Ritmo	Al Ritmo	Al Ritmo
Combat at Sea	Crossed Sabers-Cavalry	Civil War Journal	Automobiles	Year by Year	CrossSaber	CrossSaber	CrossSaber	CrossSaber	CrossSaber	CrossSaber
RPM 2Night	Stanley Cup Playoffs Conference Semifinal	Game 7 -- Teams to Be Announced	NHL 2Night	In-Line Skating	X Games	X Games	X Games	X Games	X Games	X Games

## FRIDAY MAY 16

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Chip 'n' Dale	Mermald	Pooh	Mickey	Wonderland	Pooh Cmr.	GummyB	Care Bears	My Little	Mermald	Ducktales
Today				Leeza		Gerardo Rivera	Sunset Beach	Sunset Beach	Sunset Beach	Sunset Beach
Mythos	Puzzle Place	Sesame Street	Station	Mr Rogers	Storytime	Reading	Arthur	Barney	Lamb Chop	Lamb Chop
Brady	Bewitched	Little House on the Prairie	3's Co.	Mama	Griffith	Griffith	(:05) Matlock	Movie:	Movie:	Movie:
Good Morning America			Live -- Regis & Kathie Lee	Montel Williams	Medicine Woman	News	News	News	News	News
BugsDaffy	Animaniacs	Woody	Bewitched	Griffith	Empty Nest	In the Heat of the Night	Gerardo Rivera	News	News	News
This Morning				Ricki Lake	Price is Right	Young and the Restless	News	News	News	News
Ducks	Spider-Man	Mask	Batman	Fox After Breakfast	Murphy	Murphy	K. Copeland	Paid Prog.	Gunsmoke	Gunsmoke
Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter
Fatal Confession	Waltons	700 Club		FITV	Rescue 911	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home
(6:00) Movie: Barabba	(:15) Movie: Speechless Michael Keaton. ** 1/2 'PG-13'	Movie: Tommy (1975) Ann-Margret, Roger Daltrey. 'PG'	Movie: Iron Eagle IV	Movie: Iron Eagle IV	Movie: Iron Eagle IV	Movie: Iron Eagle IV	Movie: Iron Eagle IV	Movie: Iron Eagle IV	Movie: Iron Eagle IV	Movie: Iron Eagle IV
One Survivor Remembers	Movie: Top Gun (1986) Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis. 'PG'	Movie: Eyes of an Angel John Travolta. **	(:45) Movie: Iron Eagle IV	(:45) Movie: Iron Eagle IV	(:45) Movie: Iron Eagle IV	(:45) Movie: Iron Eagle IV	(:45) Movie: Iron Eagle IV	(:45) Movie: Iron Eagle IV	(:45) Movie: Iron Eagle IV	(:45) Movie: Iron Eagle IV
Movie: The Cheap Detective Peter Falk.	Movie: I Ought to Be in Pictures Walter Matthau. 'PG'	Movie: A Walk in the Clouds 'PG-13'	Movie:	Movie:	Movie:	Movie:	Movie:	Movie:	Movie:	Movie:
Movie: Jezebel (1938) Bette Davis, Henry Fonda. *** 1/2	Movie: The Male Animal (1942) Henry Fonda. ***	Movie: The Fugitive (1947) ***								
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Looney	Rugrats	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Rupert	Muppets	Allegria	Gullah	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Busy World
MortalK	Sonic	Murder, She Wrote	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings	Wings
(6:00) Despierta America	Chespirito	Malte	Dos Mujeres Un Camino	Para Toda la Vida	Sombra	Sombra	Sombra	Sombra	Sombra	Sombra
Classroom	History Showcase	Real West	Movie: The Juggler (1953) Kirk Douglas. ***	Judgment	Judgment	Judgment	Judgment	Judgment	Judgment	Judgment
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## Area Events

### LEVELLAND

Levelland will bring cowboy music and poetry back to the Llano Estacado when they revive the "Levelland Cowboy Gathering and Campfire Concert" at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the City Park.

The event is sponsored by the Levelland Chamber of Commerce and the Hockley County Extension Service.

Joining emcee Alvin Davis of Lubbock for this spring show are the musical group Blue Prairie of Lubbock, musicians Andy Wilkinson of Lubbock, Paul Davidson and Rodney Parker, both of Levelland.

Poetry entertainment will be provided by J.B. Allen of Whiteface, Mike Querner of Lubbock, Jack Douglas of Levelland and Andy Hedges of Brownfield.

Presented under the blue skies of the South Plains, the audience is

asked to bring lawn chairs and blankets. Adult admission is \$4 and children under 12 are admitted for \$1.

Proceeds benefit the Llano Estacado Trail of Music, a combined fund-raising effort among five cities to increase awareness of the Llano Estacado region.

### AMARILLO

The Amarillo Genealogical Society will celebrate its 40th anniversary on Sunday from 3 to 5

p.m. in Room AB of the Amarillo Public Library, 4th and Buchanan.

One of the oldest and largest genealogical societies in Texas, the Amarillo Genealogical Society first met on Nov. 4, 1957, to work with the Amarillo Public Library.

The society, with a membership of 180, meets on the first Monday evening of each month at the Amarillo Public Library, downtown.

The public is encouraged to attend the special celebration meeting on May 18. Call Luke Morrison at the Amarillo Public Library for more information.

### CANYON

The Panhandle-Plains Historical museum in Canyon will sponsor a lecture and slide presentation on May 22 at 7 p.m. in the Hazlewood Lecture Hall at the museum.

The program, "La Belle, La Salle, and Fort St. Louis: Recent Investigations of the 17th Century French Presence in Matagorda Bay, Texas," will be presented by Mike Davis with the Texas Historical Commission in the Office of the State Archeologist.

Davis has been involved in Texas archeology for the past 20 years. He was reassigned from the Office of the State Archeologist to the THC's Department of Antiquities Protection from late October 1996 through early March 1997 to serve as Assistant Project Director for the excavation of the French shipwreck, La Belle in Matagorda Bay. He was one of a five-person team that recovered La Salle's eight cannons from Fort St. Louis last September.

Cost for the program is \$5, to be paid at the door. Reservations are not required; however, persons planning to attend are encouraged to call 806-656-2244 to guarantee a seat.

## To Your Good Health

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What is the cause of too much calcium in the blood? What can be done to help get rid of it? — B.M.

ANSWER: There are many possible causes of a high blood calcium level. They include an overdose of vitamin D, bone diseases, an overactive thyroid gland, bone tumors and kidney failure.

A common cause, one that I suspect you have, is hyperparathyroidism. The parathyroid glands are neighbors to the thyroid in your lower neck. When the parathyroids pour out too much of their hormone, calcium is released from bones and the kidney cuts down on the amount of calcium it filters from the blood.

High blood calcium levels can put you in a mental fog. Tiredness, weakness, constipation, frequent urination and loss of appetite are other symptoms that appear when blood calcium levels get really high.

For many, elevated calcium levels are noted on a routine blood test, wherein many body chemicals are measured on the same sample of blood. When calcium levels are not all that high and no symptoms develop, often no intervention is necessary. A course of watchful waiting is safe.

Your levels probably will be measured from time to time. If they remain stable, nothing need be done.

On the other hand, if you have any of the symptoms I mentioned or if your calcium levels are sky high, or if you are younger than 40, then your doctors probably will consider parathyroid removal. There are medicines that lower calcium levels, but they are temporary solutions to a problem best dealt with by a skilled surgeon.

My guess is that your doctor spotted a slightly elevated calcium level and is going to see what develops. You might never have to do a thing about your calcium.

Will you drop me a line and let me know?

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I found your column on "Pregnancy unlikely while on the Pill" very patronizing. I have two friends who became pregnant while on birth control pills and on antibiotics. It seems many doctors neglect to tell women that antibiotics can invalidate birth control pills. Thank goodness my doctor didn't forget this detail. I know to abstain when on antibiotics. — Anon.

ANSWER: A patronizing tone is something I abhor. It was not intended.

The pill is one of the most effective methods for pregnancy prevention

available.

When compliance with instructions is perfect, the chance of pregnancy is as low as one in every 1,000 users. When compliance is less than perfect, the chances of pregnancy rise to about three in every 100 users.

Your example about concomitant use of antibiotics contributing to pill failure is a good one. Many antibiotics, including penicillin, ampicillin, erythromycin, tetracycline and sulfa, can cancel the contraceptive action of the pill.

When on such antibiotics, a woman who uses the pill should alert her doctor. She should use a back-up contraceptive such as a diaphragm, or she should ask her partner to use a condom. Abstinence undoubtedly is the most certain method of all.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I haven't had a check-up for 15 years. The reason? I'm terrified of needles. Is there a substance available that can be applied to the skin to numb it prior to getting stabbed with a needle? — T.H.

ANSWER: There are sprays, ointments and creams that can numb the skin.

I'll bet it's not the pain that freaks

you out about needles, however. Really there is little pain from drawing blood or from getting most injections. However, the power of the imagination can cause paralyzing fear.

Distract yourself when a blood specimen is taken. Transport yourself to a tropical isle where all your cares vanish.

Definitely do not watch the needle being inserted or the blood filling the tube. That unhinges many people.

Be frank with doctors, nurses and lab technicians about your phobia. They probably will go out of their way to make you comfortable.

You're not unique. People who draw blood for a living face patients such as you every day. Reassurance and kindness can relieve your anxieties.

Stop putting off the exam you have so long postponed.

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

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**1. ARTICLES FOR SALE**

A Great Gift!!! Texas Country Reporter Cookbook -- the cookbook everyone is talking about. 256 pages featuring quotes on recipes ranging from 1944 War Worker rolls to a creative concoction using Texas tumbleweeds. \$13.95 at Hereford Brand. 17961

The Roads of Texas and The Roads of New Mexico are for sale at The Hereford Brand in book form. Texas maps are \$14.95 plus tax, and New Mexico maps are \$14.95 plus tax. Discover roads you never knew were there. Hereford Brand, 313 N. Lee. 24757

A must book for every home. THE TEXAS ALMANAC, 1996-97 edition. Updates info, facts on Texas counties, politics, education and more, including special features. \$12.95 plus tax at the Hereford Brand. 313 N. Lee St. 31062

Rebuilt Kirby's 1/2 price with warranty. Other name brands. \$39 & up. Sales & Repairs on makes & models. 364-4288. 32086

For Sale: Country Club Membership. Call 364-6254. 33844

Start Dating Tonight! Play the Texas Dating Game. 1-800-ROMANCEext5219. 33957

CREATIVE BALLOONS for every occasion. New location in Sugarland Mall. 363-6550. Deliveries available. Mother's Day & Graduation. 33977

For Sale: Green Acres membership. Call 364-3534. 34121

For Sale: Registered Boxer Puppies. Call 364-4775 or 364-3300. 34129

REDUCE: Lose weight while you sleep. Take OPAL tablets and Hydrex Diuretic. Available Edwards Pharmacy. 34136

For Sale: Green Acres Membership. \$175.00. 258-7654 (nights), and 364-8504 (days). 34173

For Sale: A lounge chair, good condition. Call 806 364-6874. 34177

Kachina Dolls (Museum Quality), Handmade Indian Jewelry. SUBWAY PARKING LOT, Friday & Saturday 9 to 7 and Sunday 11 to 3:30. 34191

All seawater contains gold in solution. Seawater yields about one grain of gold per short ton. Scientists are seeking ways to mine this gold profitably.

**Need Baseball Gloves Re-laced?**  
**Call 364-8218**

**The Gift Garden**  
 220 N. Main • 364-0323  
**Merle Norman Cosmetics**  
 Music - CDs & Tapes.  
**GRADUATION GIFTS**  
 for YOUR graduate ...  
 varied selection and many price points. Youth Bible, frames, jewelry cases, earring holders, cosmetic bags, puzzles, clocks, bath oils.

**HIGH PLAINS ANTIQUE DEALERS ASSOCIATION**, Antiques & Collectables show & sale. Depression & Carnival Glass, Primitives, Furniture & Glassware and Dolls. May 17, 10 am - 6 pm and May 18, 12:00 - 5 pm. Roy S. Walker Community Center, 316 W. Grand (where First St. & Hwy. 60 merge into W. Grand Ave.), Clovis, NM. Admission (\$1.50 donation). For show information contact Jerry Radcliff, (505) 762-2562.

For Sale: Antique Roll Top Desk. \$500.00 (Firm). Call 364-7577. 34197

For Sale: 2 Lane Recliners, like new, very clean. \$250.00 a piece, or \$425 for pair. 364-8575. 34201

**Senior Citizens Thrift Store**  
 1306 E. Park Ave.  
 Open Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday  
 9:00 am - 4:00 pm • Restocked Weekly

**1A. GARAGE SALES**

Garage Sale: 16th St. (Gold Key Storage #10) Friday the 16th, 10 til ?? . Restaurant Equipment, furniture, toys & clothes. 34171

Garage Sale (BIG SALE). 139 Kingwood. Furniture, clothing, house & kitchen items. Friday 8 to 5 and Saturday 9 to 12. 34174

Garage Sale: 231 Kingwood, Friday Only, 9 to 4. Exercise bike, & knick knacks, Avon Bottles, Artist Prints, Computer. Benefits residence activity center, at HEREFORD CARE CENTER. 34181

Large Garage Sale: 213 Ave. J, Friday-Saturday 8 to ?. Clothes, dryer, stove, toys, ceramics and miscellaneous. 34188

Garage Sale: 340 Centre, Saturday 8 to 1. Miscellaneous household items, dishes, clothes, bicycles, pickup tool boxes. 34189

Yard Sale: 743 North K, Friday & Saturday. Farm Equipment, & shop equipment. 34190

Garage Sale: 1 mile east of the Allsup's store on South Main. Behind trailer on South Side of Roads. Lots of stuff. 1 bedroom house to be moved, 6x8 storage building, trailer. Friday & Saturday. 34194

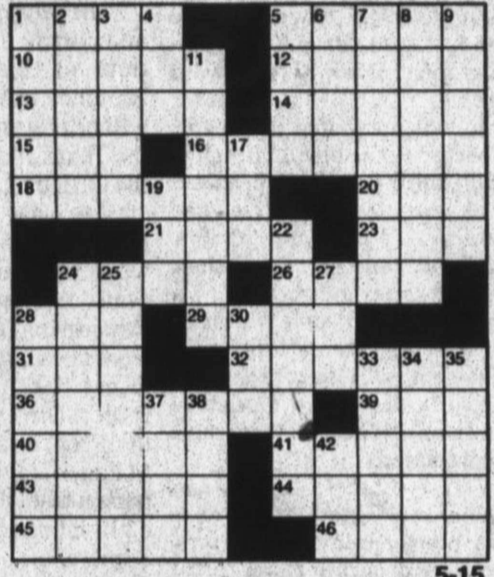
Camping stuff, furniture, home interior, bedspreads, sewing machine, freezer, glass cabinet, dishes, pots & pans, radios, C.D. stereo, tiller, insulation, antique cabinets, cream cans, lg women's clothes, more. 435 Long, Friday-all day. 34199

**2. FARM EQUIPMENT**

Custom Swathing and Hay Baling. Call Ronald Vasek, 364-6298 or 364-7242. 34124

**CROSSWORD**  
 by THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS** tool  
 1 Stole, e.g.  
 5 Plant life  
 10 Was furious  
 12 Not now  
 13 UV stopper  
 14 Fall flower  
 15 And not  
 16 Soldier's pit  
 18 Topnotch  
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 21 Farm unit  
 23 Perform  
 24 Car scar  
 26 Pocket fuzzi  
 28 Wager  
 29 Slender  
 31 Blvd.'s kin  
 32 Combustion need  
 36 Short-flight maker  
 39 Fire  
 40 Hackneyed  
 41 Four-star reviews  
 43 "What's in —?"  
 44 Blouse  
 45 Heavens holder  
 46 Picnic pests  
**DOWN**  
 1 False  
 2 Barber's



**STUMPED?** For answers to today's crossword, call 1-900-454-7377 199¢ per minute, touch-tone / rotary phones. (18+ only.) A King Features service, NYC.

**ESCAPE CROP**  
 SHADED HEAL  
 SENATE JIFFY  
 MENACE  
 BIDS THROB  
 ONE SALIERI  
 OFF ERA NIX  
 NEEDLES COB  
 ERROL DENY  
 ENSURE  
 BONN COLLAR  
 ONCE LOLITA  
 BAER AMAZED

**Yesterday's Answer**  
 25 Ever-lasting "Psycho"  
 27 "Am — brother's keeper?"  
 28 Nursery rhyme start  
 30 Bagel topper  
 33 John of "Psycho"  
 34 Wield  
 35 Bird abodes  
 37 Writer Janowitz  
 38 Porters  
 42 Cry of insight

Need extra storage space? Need a place to have a garage sale? Rent a mini-storage. Two sizes available. Call 364-4370. 30821

Paloma Lane Apartments: 2 BR apts. available. Application required. \$170 security deposit. Water & Stove furnished. Call 364-1255. M-F 9 to 5:30. EHO 32979

2 or 3 BR Mobile Home, for rent. Stove and Fridge furnished. Call 364-0064. 33746

For Rent: 2 BR apartment, stove, fridge, washer/dryer hookups. Water paid. 364-4370. 33929

For Rent: 408 B East 3rd. 2 BR duplex, \$240.00 month, \$100.00 deposit. Call 364-4610, leave message. 34182

For Rent: 4 BR, 1 bath. \$450.00 plus deposit required. 418 Ave. E. Call 364-9402. 34198

**APARTMENTS:**  
 Blue Water Gardens  
 HEAT, A/C, LIGHTS INCLUDED  
 Rent based on income. Accepting applications for 1, 2, 3, 4 bdrms. CALL Debra or Janis TODAY for information & directions. 1-8pm (806)364-6681. Equal Opportunity.

**8. HELP WANTED**

Hereford Care Center needs R.N.'s, L.V.N.'s, Medication Aides, & C.N.A.'s. Come by 231 Kingwood or call 364-7113. 33472

**STUDENT WORK PROGRAM:** 16 positions available locally, FT/PT. Up to \$9.65 Flexible Schedules Scholarships & internships possible. Conditions apply. No experience required. Interview in Amarillo work in HEREFORD. Call btw 10-5 M-Th 358-2559. 34080

Regional Co. needs retail manager for local store ASAP/ Benefits include 401K, Profit Sharing & Health Insurance package. Salary depending on experience. Send confidential resume to Box 673 CO. 34081

Experienced Mill Roller Operator. Apply in person. Bovina Feeders, Inc., approximately 18 miles S. of Friona, Hwy. 214 and approximately 5 miles W. of FM145. Benefits include health insurance and retirement. 34143

Pen Rider wanted at a South Central Nebraska Feedyard. Experience required. We offer an excellent benefit package including housing: 50% paid Health & Life Insurance: 401 (k) Retirement: Medical Reimbursement program: & paid vacations. Call Bill/402 746-2222 days or 402 746-3259 evenings--before 9 PM CDT.

RECEPTIONIST: High School Diploma, with experience in 10-key, typewriter, and phone. Computer & Accounts Payable experience helpful. Qualified applicants, please send resume and salary requirements to: AGRIPRO SEEDS, Inc. P. O. Box 2212 Hereford, Texas 79045

**3. VEHICLES FOR SALE**

For Sale: 1991 Suzuki, dual purpose. \$1200.00. 364-7714 days 364-5010 nights. 34152

For Sale: 1989 Ford Taurus, Metallic Grey, all electric, high mileage, nice car. \$2450. 364-7700. 34167

"89" Ford White 1 Ton 4-door, Long Bed Diesel pickup, extra clean. All the extras, low miles. Call 578-4238 or 357-8324 leave message. 34180

For Sale: 1990 Chev. (Silverado conversion pkg) Suburban. White with silver striping with gray interior. Phone 364-0383 after 6:00 pm. 34184

For Sale: '84 Cadillac DeVille, 5.7 liter diesel, high mileage, but runs good. Needs some work. Call 364-6738. 34192

For Sale: 1981 Oldsmobile for \$500.00. Call 364-4618 for information. 34200

**1994 Tempo GL**  
 Automatic, A/C, power locks, AM/FM cassette, V-8.  
 Friona Motors  
 (806)247-2701

**1985 Chevy C1500 Silverado**  
 Only 62,000 miles, nice truck!  
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 (806)247-2701

**1992 Explorer XLT**  
 4 dr., 4x4, A/C, power windows & locks, V-6, automatic, AM/FM cassette.  
 Friona Motors  
 (806)247-2701

**1994 F150**  
 4x2, automatic, A/C, AM/FM cassette, 6-cylinder.  
 Friona Motors  
 (806)247-2701

**1993 Explorer XLT**  
 4 dr., 4x4, A/C, V-6, auto, power locks & windows, AM/FM cassette.  
 Friona Motors  
 (806)247-2701

**See Us Before You Buy**  
**Marcum Motors Co.**  
 Clean Used Cars & Trucks  
 413 N. 25 Mile Ave. - 364-3565

**4. REAL ESTATE**

For Sale By Owner: 128 NW Drive. 3BR and 2 Bath, completely remodeled. New Paint, Carpet, Linoleum, Air Condition. \$1100 down, \$381 month. Call 364-3955. 33875

2,440 sq. ft. living area, 4 BR, 2 3/4 baths, new HVAC system & water heaters, yard sprinkler, steel framed wood fence. Recently updated, great location! Call 364-6254. 33980

**EXTRA VALUE DAYS at PORTALES HOMES.** Lenders here, 20 minute approvals. This weekend only!! Thurs-Sat 8 to 5 and Sunday 11-5. 800-867-5639. DL 366. 34178

**Preferred Mortgage Services**  
 205 W. 4th Suite 102  
 364-2060  
 Let us finance your new home!  
 We also finance Mobile Homes.

**REPOS, REPOS, REPOS**  
 Large 3 bdrm., 2 baths.  
**ONLY \$1,000 DOWN!**  
 See at **Oakwood Homes**  
 5300 Amarillo Blvd. E • Amarillo, TX  
 800-372-1491  
 180 mos., 12% APR, \$299 mo.

**DOUBLE WIDE REPO**  
 Over 1,500 sq. ft., only \$399 mo.  
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 5300 Amarillo Blvd. E.  
 Amarillo, Tx - 800-372-1491  
 192 mos., 11.75 APR, \$2,000 dn.

**5. HOMES FOR RENT**

Best deal in town, 1 bedroom efficiency apartments. Bills paid, red brick apartments. 300 block West 2nd. 364-3566. 920

Nice, large, unfurnished apartments. Refrigerated air, two bedrooms. You pay only electric-we pay the rest! \$335.00 month. 364-8421. 1320

Self-lock storage. 363-6212. 1360

Eldorado Arms Apts, 1 & 2 bedroom unfurnished, apts. refrigerated air, laundry, free cable, water, & gas. 364-2302 or 364-4332. 18873

Now Hiring Class A-CDL Truck drivers to haul grain in Texas. 25 yrs or older, Dimmitt. 806-647-5384. 34168

**NEEDED:** Nanny for three children, ages eleven, seven, and four. Flexible hours. Send information for applying to P. O. Box 673 HS. 34183

Experienced Carpenter's helper with hand tools. Apply in person to 128 N. Schley. 34193

Make up to \$1500.00. Operate a fireworks stand just outside Hereford, 6-24 thru 7-4. Must be a responsible adult. Phone 10 am-5 pm, 1-210-622-3788 or 1-800-364-0136. 34196

The Deaf Smith County Sheriff's Department now has an opening for the position of Part Time Communications Operator. Applicant must have a High School Diploma or G.E.D. equivalent. They must be at least 18 years of age. Departmental Entrance Test will be given on Wednesday, May 28th, 1997. Pick up and return applications between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, May 14th - May 23rd, 1997 to Nan Rogers, Room 206, County Treasurer's Office, Deaf Smith County Courthouse. Equal Opportunity Employer.

El Departamento del Sherife en el Condado de Deaf Smith, hoy esta aceptando aplicaciones para la posicion de Comunicacionero (parte tiempo). El aplicante debe tener su diploma de Escuela Secundaria o el equivalente de G.E.D. Deben de tener no menos de 18 anos de edad. Se dara una prueba para el departamento el Miercoles dia 28 de Mayo, 1997. Levante y regrese aplicaciones de las 8:30 am a las 4:30 pm, Mayo 14 - Mayo 23, 1997 con Nan Rogers, Cuarto 206, en la oficina de Tesorero en la Casa de Corte del Condado de Deaf Smith. Empleador de Oportunidad Igualado.

Premiere Cinemas'  
**"MOOVIES 6"**  
 is opening  
**MAY 23!**  
 Applications will be taken Friday from 9:00 to 12:00 & 1:00 to 6:00 - Saturday 9:00 to 12:00. Apply in person at Hereford Chamber of Commerce. 701 N. Main.

**Due To Increased Volume Three Car Salesman Needed**  
**\$5,000 Sign-Up Bonus**  
 No Hooks  
 It's the Real Deal.  
**\$5,000 Sign-up Bonus**  
 No Phone Calls.  
 Stop By For Interview.  
 Mon-Fri  
 9am - 6pm  
 All Interviews Kept Confidential  
 See Mr. Russell  
 Friona Motors  
 Ford-Chevy Dealer  
 Friona, Tx  
 Friona Motors  
 (806)247-2701

**Writing Want Ads that really sell!**

Unsure how to write a Classified Ad that will get results? Follow these pointers and you'll soon have an empty space in your storage room and cash in your pocket.

For starters, look at ads which offer the same item/products. Get a sense of going rates and ideas for how to make your ad stand out. Once you're ready to write, begin with exactly what you're selling: "Dining room set, maple, six chairs." Then, remember these hints:

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

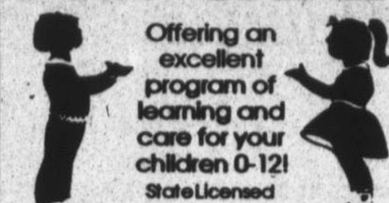


# Classifieds

## 9. CHILD CARE

Resuming Child Care Business, 15 years experience. Dependable care for children under five. Call Bonnie Cole, 364-6664. 33419

## HEREFORD DAY CARE



Offering an excellent program of learning and care for your children 0-12! State Licensed  
Also - SPECIAL AFTER-HOURS pick-up for Kindergarten Children!  
**364-5062**

## 11. BUSINESS SERVICES

### SUN LOAN Co.

Loan from \$100 to \$400 with approved credit application.  
309 N. Main - (806) 364-4287

**FREE**  
Pregnancy Test  
Confidential Services  
Problem Pregnancy Center  
505 E. Park Ave.  
Call: 364-2027 or 364-5299 (MICHELLE)

Hereford's finest insurance agents advertise in The Brand. When you need insurance, check the pages of the local newspaper for the best agents and agencies.

Defensive Driving Course is now being offered nights and Saturdays. Will include ticket dismissal and insurance discount. For more information, call 289-5851. #C0023-CO733, McKibben ADS. 700

We buy scrap iron, metal, aluminum cans, all batteries, tin, copper & brass. 364-3350. 970

Garage Door and Opener Repair & Replacement. Call Robert Betzen, 289-5500. If No answer Call Mobile, 344-2960. 14237

We buy cars & pickups running or not running. We sell used auto parts of all kinds. 364-2754. 27574

Harvey's Lawn Mower Repair, tune-ups, overhaul, oil changes, blades sharpening etc. Pickup and delivery. 705 S. Main, call 364-8413. 31383

Tree & Shrub trimming & removal. Leaf raking & assorted lawn work, rotary tilling & seeding of new lawns. 364-3356. 31572

TIM RILEY CONSTRUCTION. drive ways, sidewalks, remodeling, plumbing repairs, sewer & drain cleaning, Ditching, attic & wall insulation, roofing. Call 364-6761. 33591

Welding & Repair Service: All Steel Storage Barns. L & M Manufacturing West on Deere Road, 364-4223, Mobile 357-9192. 33852

For Hire: Ruby Unlimited. No job too odd, The Homeowners Maintenance Man. Specializing in property detailing. 364-0495. 34133

**Affordable Computers**  
Service  
Supplies  
Upgrades  
**CICS**  
144 W. 2nd 364-6067

## LEGAL NOTICES

**JOE'S COUNTRY CLUB**  
Un-Incorporated Associations of persons, Private Club Registration Permit, located at 537 Myrtle, Hereford, TX.  
Officers:  
President - Marcella Soliz  
Vice President - Joe Soliz Sr.  
Secretary - Jose Soliz

**There's A Deal Waiting For You**  
IN THE CLASSIFIEDS  
Whether You're buying or selling  
**Classified Works**

## Names in the News

NEW YORK (AP) - For Bob and Dolores Hope, it's 1933 all over again.

That was when Manhattan nightclub singer Dolores Reade won the heart of a young comedian in the audience. Her weekend return to the New York finds Hope still in the audience - now her husband of 63 years.

"I'm going to do the song I was singing when I first met Bob - 'Paper Moon.'" Mrs. Hope, 87, said Saturday in anticipation.  
She and Rosemary Clooney began a two-week engagement Sunday at Rainbow and Stars, the chic midtown nightclub adjacent to the Rainbow Room restaurant.  
In 1933, Hope, now 93, caught her act at the Vogue Club on 57th Street. They were married the next year.  
Mrs. Hope gave up her career after the marriage, but never quit singing. She recorded her first album in 1993. Three more followed, including the latest: "That's Love."

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - Mr. Fred Rogers said a childhood filled with sadness and ridicule propelled him into a lifelong search for meaning and purpose.

Although 8 million youthful TV viewers see "Mr. Roger" Neighborhood," each week, the inspirational nice guy, who is also an ordained Presbyterian minister, lives by the simple motto hanging on his office wall: "What is essential is invisible to the eye."

Speaking to graduates Saturday at the Memphis Theological Seminary, Rogers said, "I find those words to be truer for me everyday."  
Rogers thanked family members, teachers, librarians "and all those saints who helped a fat, shy kid to see more clearly what is really essential."

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitations or discrimination.  
State laws of forbid discrimination in the sale, rental or advertising of real estate based on factors in addition to those protected under federal law. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.



Niagara Falls have receded seven miles since they were formed 10,000 years ago. At this rate, they will disappear in about 24,000 years.

**Schlabs Hysinger** **SERVING HEREFORD SINCE 1979**  
COMMODITY SERVICES  
1500 West Park Avenue • 364-1281  
Richard Schlabs Amber Griffith  
Phone 364-1286 Each Trading Day After 5:30 P.M. for Recorded Commodity Update

Prices effective: Wednesday, May 14, 1997.

CATTLE FUTURES		GRAIN FUTURES	
CATTLE-FEDDER (CME) 50,000 lbs., cents per lb.		CORN (CBT) 5,000 bu. cents per bu.	
May	76.40	May	290.00
June	77.80	June	285.00
July	77.35	July	287.00
Aug	77.20	Aug	287.00
Sept	77.20	Sept	287.00
Oct	77.20	Oct	287.00
Nov	77.20	Nov	287.00
Dec	77.20	Dec	287.00
Jan	77.20	Jan	287.00
Feb	77.20	Feb	287.00
Mar	77.20	Mar	287.00
Apr	77.20	Apr	287.00
Est. vol 2,991; vol Tu 3,302; open int 26,715 - 528.		Est. vol 65,000; vol Tu 79,123; open int 287,311 - 2,875.	
CATTLE-LIVE (CME) 40,000 lbs., cents per lb.		SOYBEANS (CBT) 5,000 bu. cents per bu.	
May	62.75	May	875.00
June	62.75	June	875.00
July	62.75	July	875.00
Aug	62.75	Aug	875.00
Sept	62.75	Sept	875.00
Oct	62.75	Oct	875.00
Nov	62.75	Nov	875.00
Dec	62.75	Dec	875.00
Jan	62.75	Jan	875.00
Feb	62.75	Feb	875.00
Mar	62.75	Mar	875.00
Apr	62.75	Apr	875.00
Est. vol 12,270; vol Tu 13,123; open int 95,384 - 2,522.		Est. vol 60,000; vol Tu 66,309; open int 185,719 - 2,381.	
HOGS (CME) 40,000 lbs., cents per lb.		WHEAT (CBT) 5,000 bu. cents per bu.	
May	44.50	May	570.00
June	44.50	June	570.00
July	44.50	July	570.00
Aug	44.50	Aug	570.00
Sept	44.50	Sept	570.00
Oct	44.50	Oct	570.00
Nov	44.50	Nov	570.00
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METAL FUTURES		SILVER (CME) 5,000 oz. cents per oz.	
GOLD (CME) 100 troy oz., \$ per troy oz.		MAY 290.00	
May	330.00	June	290.00
June	330.00	July	290.00
July	330.00	Aug	290.00
Aug	330.00	Sept	290.00
Sept	330.00	Oct	290.00
Oct	330.00	Nov	290.00
Nov	330.00	Dec	290.00
Dec	330.00	Jan	290.00
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FUTURES OPTIONS		CORN (CBT) 5,000 bu. cents per bu.	
CATTLE-FEDDER (CME) 50,000 lbs., cents per lb.		MAY 290.00	
May	76.40	June	285.00
June	77.80	July	287.00
July	77.35	Aug	287.00
Aug	77.20	Sept	287.00
Sept	77.20	Oct	287.00
Oct	77.20	Nov	287.00
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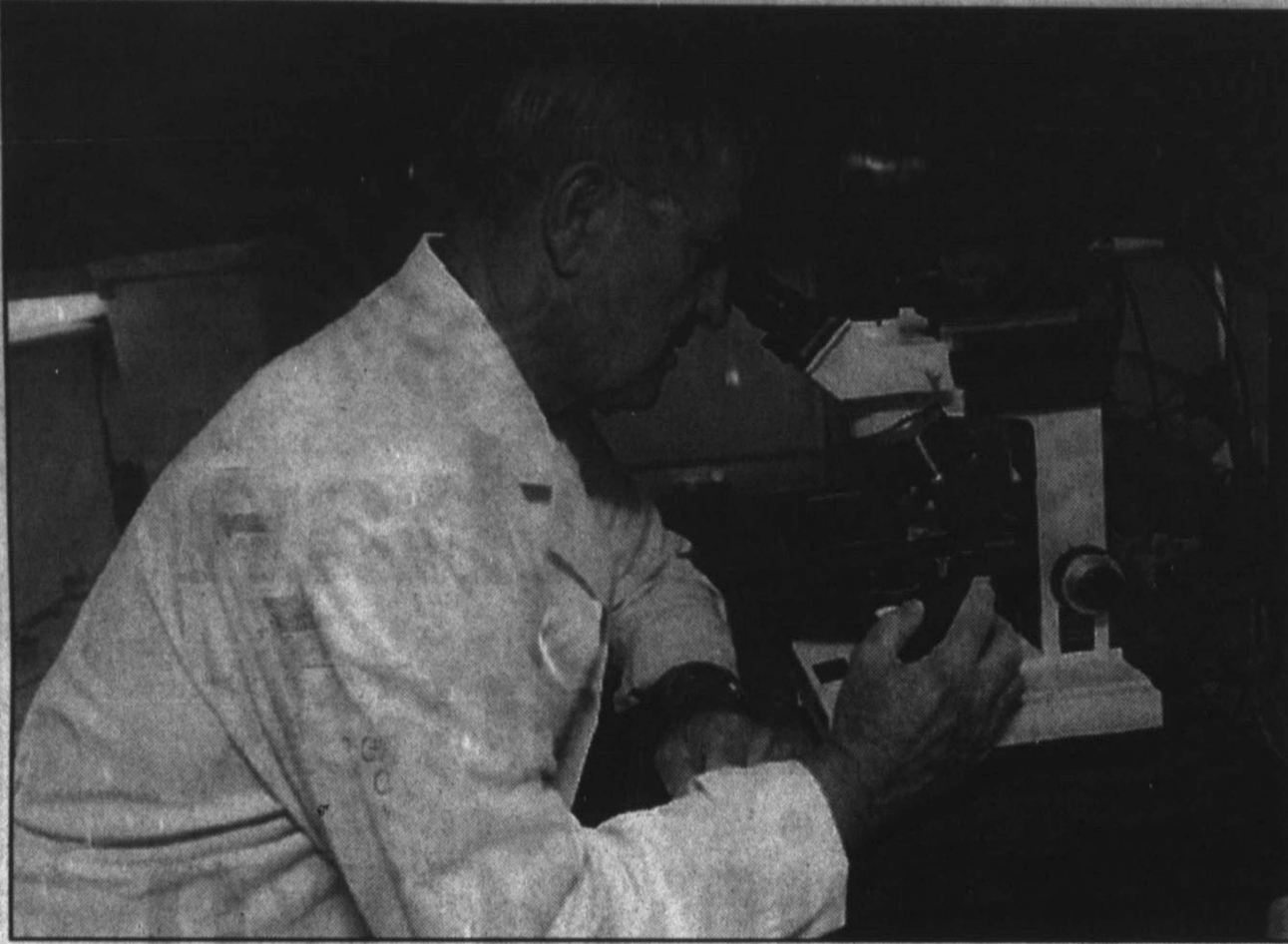
# It takes more than blind luck to pin down the right home.



Sure, you could go on stumbling through the housing market. Running into dead ends and getting cornered with too little information.  
Or you could nail down that new home the easy way. By consulting an experienced real estate agent.  
An agent can point out options you may have missed. Get you inside interesting homes that you may never have seen otherwise. Even do a lot of the groundwork, so you don't have to.  
Like researching financing packages. Checking through the multiple-listing service for homes that fit your needs -- and your pocketbook. Negotiating with the seller. And arranging for inspections. He or she will even be there at closing.  
So instead of forging ahead without knowing what's out there, get some help from an expert. A real estate agent.  
Inside **The Hereford Brand**, you'll find both qualified agents and valuable information about home buying. Everyday, the real estate classifieds list many properties and agents. And **The Brand's** Sunday housing section examine the latest market trends and housing opportunities.  
With the right guide, hitting your mark can be a child's play.

**THE HEREFORD BRAND**  
Need some furniture? Hereford's furniture stores offer a wide selection, and they invite you to shop through ads in The Brand. For best buys in furniture, look to The Brand!





### Science fun with Mr. Oz

The science lab turns into a green school bus. The Oz Mobile stopped at Bluebonnet Intermediate School for science lessons this week. Mel Holubec, who is better known as Mr. Oz taught a lesson on microscopes and animal and plant kingdoms to the fourth-graders, fifth-graders and sixth-graders. Here, Mr. Oz takes a closer look at a slide through the microscope.

# Students protest dress code, circulate petition

**SAN ANTONIO (AP)** - A school board decision to ban nose rings, multi-colored and spiked hair, baggy jeans and shorts isn't sitting well with some students in the Northside School District of San Antonio.

"This isn't a communist country. We can wear what we want," Richard Arcos, a freshman at Marshall High School, told the San Antonio Express-News Wednesday.

Nicole Klimeczko, a sophomore at John Jay High School, said she doesn't plan to attend any protest meetings that some students are organizing. She's just going to keep the nose ring she's had for three years.

"I'm not going to get rid of it no matter what they say. I'm keeping it," she said. "I'll protest and stand outside with signs if I have to. I'm keeping it."

Trustees approved changes in the district's dress code Tuesday night that will affect 30,000 students in grades six through 12 starting this fall.

Two students at San Antonio Marshall High School are circulating a petition asking that the school board rethink its decision.

"There's worse things going on in school. There's drug deals going on. ... Why don't they do something about that?" asked Marshall freshman Jessica Dodge, who wore shorts to school on Wednesday in protest of the board's action.

"They're always telling us what to do and now they're telling us what to wear. They'll have us in straitjackets in a few years," she said. She said trustees should focus their efforts on academics, not clothes.

The board changed the dress code after administrators complained of distractions and repeated violations.

Charles Burling, principal at Pat M. Neff Middle School, said the changes are necessary, especially when it comes to the popular oversized, loose-fitting jeans.

"Students with pants hanging off their waist and their underwear showing ... we find that offensive," he said.

Jonathon Ostrander, a Marshall junior who has a pierced tongue and wears oversized jeans, said if trustees want to change the way he looks, all he needs is some money.

"They can give me the \$50 and I can get rid of it, but I can always get it done again," he said. "My real problem in the dress code is the pants. They're asking me to change my whole wardrobe. I don't think it's fair."

Courtney Eckert, who is involved with Miss Dodge in circulating the petition at Marshall, said they already have 200 student signatures. He said they plan to confront trustees at their next meeting on May 27.

His mother, Deborah Eckert, said she agrees with banning nose rings and spiked hair, but said students should be able to wear shorts.

"I think they (trustees) have taken a drastic measure and I think it's unfair," she said. "Maybe the administrators are making too big a

deal out of it and with teens, the more attention you put on something, the more they'll test you."

Ray Lopez, president of the Northside School District trustees, said he understands student unhappiness with the changes.

"Quite honestly, that's why we sprang it on them now and not at the beginning of the school year," he said. "Generally, parents are openminded. This gives (students) an opportunity to focus on education and provide a better learning environment."

Deborah Sonnen, principal at Stinson Middle School, said shorts are for play and don't belong in the classroom.

"These children's bodies are growing at a daily rate, and what may

be perfectly decent in the family's back yard can become a distraction in a school with 1,400 adolescents," she said.

In 1985, the district approved a policy allowing all students to wear knee-length shorts. In 1994, the policy was changed to allow shorts of mid-thigh length.

Kelly Starnes, the father of two Northside students, said although he experimented with fashion during his youth, the dress code changes are exactly what the district needs.

"How many companies in corporate America allow you to have your nose pierced and come to work?" he said. "I feel like it is really time to go back and have more control in the classroom and the campuses."

## Hints from Heloise

**Dear Heloise:** In today's Moncton Times-Transcript there was a hint in your column about putting pills on the bed in a plastic bag so you would remember to take them at bedtime.

You rightly said this was not a hint for homes where children lived or visited. It is also not a hint for those of us with pets.

We recently had a problem with a hard-to-open pill bottle that spilled. Thank heaven for our vet, who gave us instructions and called us every 10 minutes until our Tiny was fine again.

Tiny and Holly both feel free to sleep anywhere, and anything edible is fair game to them. Please remind everyone that human medication, however good for us, can kill our furry buddies. — Pat Steeves, Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada

Pat, your caution is absolutely correct and thank you for being so kind to write. Anyone with pets should remember they can get into all kinds of things! — Heloise

### RECYCLING HINT

**Dear Heloise:** I always find long wads of cotton when I open new bottles of vitamins. I tear the cotton into little pieces and roll them into cotton balls. I put them in a plastic bag and keep them with my nail polish and polish remover. They are always at my fingertips when I need them and are recycled to boot! — Linda Patrick, Houston

### NO SLIP

**Dear Heloise:** I am almost 68 years old, and I am still taking your hints. Here's one I will pass along.

You know how annoying it is when you put a new plastic bag in your trash can, and the first piece of rubbish you toss into the can takes the bag to the bottom of the can? I put four or five clothespins around the rim of the can to hold the bag in place. — Boyce W. Mayo, Farmington, Ark.

Send a money- or time-saving hint to Heloise, PO Box 795000, San Antonio TX 78279-5000

## Scams target older Americans

**By ROBIN ESTRIN**  
Associated Press Writer  
**BOSTON (AP)** - Helen Cole doesn't seem a likely victim of a sweepstakes scam - except maybe to the charming caller who told the retired college dean she had won \$4 million.

She fell for it. Hard. Cole, 88, lost nearly \$80,000 to a smooth-talking man who gave his name as Richard and "talked as if I was his best friend."

Stories like hers are becoming more common as the nation's elderly population grows. She is living proof that con artists prey on all kinds of people, not just those who never leave home or don't have a lot of education.

About 33 million Americans - or 12 percent of the population - are 65 or over.

Scams targeting older people are so common - and so successful - that attorneys general convened a three-day conference to spread the word about telemarketing schemes and consumer fraud against the elderly.

Rip-offs are lucrative business: Americans lose an estimated \$40 billion a year to about 14,000 fraudulent telemarketers, according to the American Association of Retired Persons. Most victims are

over 55, AARP lead scam investigator Lee Norrgard said.

Looking back, Cole wishes she hadn't been so trusting.

"I admit, I was gullible," said Cole, who lives in Amherst. "I was too believing, but this man was very persuasive and very believable."

It is difficult to gauge just how many older Americans fall prey to get-rich-quick and sweepstakes schemes. Many victims never realize they have been duped. Others won't talk about it for fear of appearing stupid.

"Every possible socioeconomic class is a potential victim," said Massachusetts Attorney General Scott Harshbarger, host of the conference that began Wednesday.

Cole, who for nearly three decades was dean of women at the University of Massachusetts, fell for one of the oldest marketing scams in the book.

She was told she had won \$4 million - half for her, half for a scholarship in her name at the university - and that TV personality Ed McMahon would deliver the checks.

The only catch was that she would have to pay a \$10,000 bond, her caller said. She wired the money to Richard, and soon was told her cash winnings had been increased to \$10 million.

Again, she was told to send money, this time cash carefully tucked into a magazine and mailed to a post office box.

As weeks passed, Cole began doubting. At one point, she even wired McMahon, telling him of the promises. He never answered, she said.

The calls and promises from Richard came several times a week throughout 1996, and Cole, a widow with no children, sold her stocks and cashed in her CDs.

"He was warm, friendly and supportive," Cole recalled. Then she ran out of money, and he stopped calling.

So successful are the old standbys like this one that telemarketers haven't had to change their schemes much, said Michael Kogut, Massachusetts' assistant attorney general for elder protection.

Investigators have seen at least one new scam: the so-called "recovery call" in which swindled victims' names are sold to other con artists. A marketer posing as a lawyer then offers to help the victim recover the stolen money - for 10 percent.

The FBI's undercover "Operation Senior Sentinel" has led to the arrest of about 900 fraudulent telemarketers, Norrgard said. But hundreds more - like Richard - get away with their crimes.

Fraud experts want to get the word out that older people especially need to be wary of slick sales pitches that sound too good to be true.

Many elderly targets see the caller not as an annoyance, but as a son, daughter, neighbor or friend trying to earn a living, Norrgard said.

"People do not think of fraudulent telemarketers as criminals," he said.



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