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Today's weather OUTLOOK

Cool front slides across the state

A cool front slid southward into Texas overnight, and temperatures were expected to drop as the front established itself across the state.

Patchy, dense fog was widespread along the coast and coastal plains. Visibility was down to a quarter-mile in some areas along the coast.

Temperatures overnight were mostly in the 30s and 40s in West Texas, ranging from 28 at Dalhart to 51 at Guadalupe Pass.

Afternoon highs were expected to be in the 70s to lower 80s, with night lows in the 40s and 50s. Mostly clear skies are expected today and Friday.

The cool front at daybreak extended from near Paris to near Waco, then southwest into the Big Bend, then northward into West Texas.

Skies were clear north of the front.

Winds north of the front were from the north to northwest at 5 to 10 mph. South of the front, winds were south at under 5 mph.



Clear skies likely

Tonight: Clear with a low around 30, south to southeast wind 10 to 20 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny and breezy, high 65 to 70, south to southwest wind 15 to 25 mph with higher gusts.

Extended forecast

Saturday through Monday: Mostly clear Saturday and partly cloudy Sunday and Monday, lows in the lower to mid-30s, highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s.

Hereford weather

Wednesday's high, 73; low, 26; no precipitation.

Region farmers to meet

AMARILLO — Farmers, ranchers and farm organizations from across the Oklahoma and Texas panhandles and eastern New Mexico will have an opportunity to discuss their problems at a special meeting.

The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. Friday at the Texas A&M Research Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West.

According to a press release, low prices for commodities have hammered the nation's agriculture industry, raising concern about erosion of this area's economy.

Farm and trade policy likely will see major changes this year, with congressional hearings expected to begin soon and significant changes in federal regulations governing agriculture are considered likely.

New policies may be influenced by others who do not necessarily have the area's agriculture interests at heart, according to the press release.

Flu has many residents under weather

By Julie L. Carlson
Hereford Brand Staff Writer

The number of patients at Hereford Regional Medical Center has increased, but hardly anyone is happy about that development.

That's because Deaf Smith County residents, like much of the rest of the United States and Europe, are battling the flu bug.

"This first round has hit extremely early and hard and even the expected date, which is typically at the end of the month, is still earlier than in the past," Hereford Regional Medical Center Special Projects Coordinator Donna Kemp said.

Throughout the world, most symptoms noticed are upper respiratory infections and dehydration.

"Mainly all patients have similar symptoms:

nausea, dehydration, dizziness, vomiting, upper respiratory distress and bronchitis. Most people's symptoms last anywhere from a couple of days up to 10 days," Kemp said.

World Health Organization (WHO) experts say the outbreak of flu has been caused by a severe strain known as Australian flu. According to the cable network MSNBC, this strain is "the one to fear this year."

Experts stress, however, that the serious epidemic is not under way in the U.S.

"We did have full capacity (at HRMC) last week. We have 40 beds and all were full, as well as all three ICU beds. Our emergency room wait was not as bad as those in Amarillo, but it was about 30-45 minutes," Kemp said.

"We currently are still over 80 percent full, but are seeing a slow down in patients. We feel

like it may peak at the end of the month though," she said.

Much like in the United States, millions of Europeans have taken to their beds this flu season.

According to the MSNBC report, the number of influenza cases in Britain quadrupled in the last month and has yet to reach its peak. Nearly 20 percent of the Netherlands is expected to be left sniffing in the weeks ahead due to flu symptoms.

Spain's Health Ministry said cases were up about 30 percent over last year, but the ministry said it was because flu began earlier this year than last.

More than two million Italians are reportedly suffering from the flu with as many as 250,000 new cases each week.

Good kids can end up doing time in prison

By Dianna F. Dandridge
Hereford Brand Staff Writer

Bad decisions, unsuitable friends and the life-changing consequences set the theme for the assembly Wednesday in the Hereford High School Auditorium.

Three inmates from the Texas Department of Corrections' Wynne Farm Unit at Huntsville addressed the student body, letting them know it's not just the "bad kids" who wind up in prison.

Eric, Anthony, and Billy introduced themselves by only their first names and their prison ID numbers. All three said they had started out with good families and had all the amenities. As they got involved with new high school acquaintances, they abandoned their upbringing and consequently found themselves on the

wrong side of the law.

"We're here today to ask you to think about the decisions you make and the consequences of making bad choices," Eric said. (Inmates who participate in this program are not allowed to give their last names.) "The friends and the environment you choose to be around now can and will effect you later."

The inmates visited the school as part of the "Kick It" program offered by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in an effort to curb the number of young offenders filling the prisons.

Students heard — first hand — from three promising young men with high goals and big dreams, who threw it all away for the thrill of getting high and doing what they wanted to do.



Hereford High School student Lee Ann Quiroz (left) talks with Texas prison inmates Eric, Anthony and Billy. Accompanying the inmates were Kick It assistant director John Campbell (behind Quiroz) and corrections officer Wanda Glaze.

All three speakers spoke of a wasted education and lost opportunities that went the way of the wind when they

were convicted of aggravated robbery, intoxicated manslaughter, and aggravated robbery while under the influ-

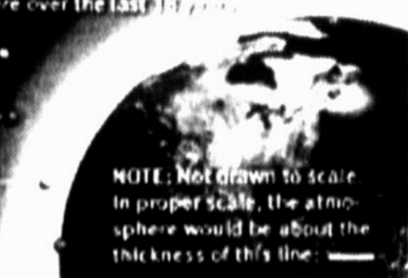
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"There is a high level of confidence among the panel members that the surface temperature is indeed rising."

John Wallace, professor,
University of Washington

Mixed signals Temperature measurements at the Earth's surface show a warming trend, yet satellite measurements of the atmosphere show both warming and cooling, depending where you look. Here's a look at what it shows in layers of the Earth's atmosphere over the last 100 years.

LOWER STRATOSPHERE 10-50 miles
Cooling trend
UPPER TROPOSPHERE 50-100 miles
Warming trend
LOWER TROPOSPHERE 0-50 miles
Slight cooling trend
EARTH'S SURFACE
Warming trend



GLOBAL WARMING

Scientists say Earth's surface hotter

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite conflicts in temperature data, there is strong evidence of an accelerated warming of the Earth's surface during the past 20 years, a panel of the National Academy of Sciences concluded Wednesday.

Still the panel hedged on whether the warming will continue or whether it is tied to the "greenhouse effect" caused by manmade pollution of the atmosphere.

"There is a high level of confidence among the panel members that the surface temperature is indeed rising," said

John Wallace, panel chairman and professor of atmospheric sciences at the University of Washington.

But, he added, that does not necessarily mean the warming is due to manmade greenhouse gases "nor are we saying it's necessarily going to continue to accelerate in the future." The 20-year record is too short to make definitive statements as to how the atmosphere is changing in the long term, he said.

But the panel of 11 scientists said the warming of the earth during the past two de-

ades "is undoubtedly real and is substantially greater than the average rate of warming during the 20th century." The recent decades has seen some of the warmest years on record, scientists have said.

The panel said global temperatures increased 0.45 to 0.72 degrees Fahrenheit over the past 20 years. By comparison, temperatures increased 0.72 to 1.44 degrees Fahrenheit over the past 100 years, according to the panel.

The panel of the academy's

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City picks streets for annual project

By Donald M. Cooper
Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Streets to be included in the annual joint sealcoating project have been selected, and the Hereford City Commission has approved the funds to pay it.

Now, the city staff must wait until the bids come in before finding out which streets might be left out.

City Manager Chester Nolen said the city commissioners approved spending \$95,000 on the project. Of the total, \$80,000 will be used for the work, \$10,000 will cover engineering fees and \$5,000 will pay for the inspection.

The city has participated in the sealcoating project for the past several years. Under the coordination of Oller Engineering Inc. of Lubbock, several Panhandle and South Plains municipalities and counties jointly seek bids for the street and road repairs. By "buying in bulk," the cost of materials is reduced significantly.

Deaf Smith County has participated in the project; however, the county commissioners did not include funds for the project in this year's budget.

The streets selected are:
• Jack Griffin (Ranger to east end);
• North Texas (15th to south end and cul-de-sac);
• Long (13th to 14th);
• Short (Avenue A to Avenue B);
• Avenue C (13th to 14th);
• 14th (Avenue C to F);
• Avenue G (Grand to 13th);
• Avenue H (14th to 15th);
• Avenue I (Union to Grand);
• Avenue J (13th to 14th);
• Star (Union to Grand);

• 16th (Star to west end 1/2 street);
• Avenue K (Park Avenue to U.S. Hwy. 60);
• Avenue K (Park Avenue to Union);
• Avenue K (strip pave 16th to north end);
• Blevins (Mable to East);
• Forrest (Irving to west end);
• 14th (Avenue K, east to Irving);
• Avenue F (15th to north end of curb and gutter);
• Cherokee (Apache to Avenue F);
• 16th (U.S. Hwy. 385 to Cherokee);
• Grand Avenue (Avenue D through intersection of Avenue F);
• Whittier (15th to north end of strip pavement);
• Ranger (Park Avenue to Plains);
• Centre (Moreman to Plains);
• Elm (Moreman to Plains);
• Campbell (Park Avenue to Bradley);
• New York (Main through intersection at Lawton);
• Front (U.S. Hwy. 60 to south end of C&G);
• South Texas (Higgins to Norton);
• South Texas (Park to Bradley);
• Lake (Knight to west end);
• San Obregon (Adelto to Felipe Calle);
• West 6th (U.S. Hwy. 385 to Main);
• West 4th (Miles to Lee);
• Ross (3rd to 4th);
• Ross (U.S. 60 through intersection with 2nd);
• Jackson (U.S. 60 to 3rd);
• Gough (2nd to 3rd);
• Entry road to airport; and
• Progressive Road (U.S. Hwy. 60 to Dairy Road).

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Local roundup

Chamber banquet to be Feb. 3

Tickets for the 2000 Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce banquet went on sale this week at the chamber office, 701 N. Main, and at the local banks. Tickets, which cost \$16 each, also may be purchased from chamber members and the Hereford Hustlers.

The banquet will be 7 p.m. Feb. 3 in the banquet room of the Hereford Independent School Administration Building, 601 N. 25 Mile Ave.

Ellis Posey, a humorist/author from Georgetown, will be the keynote speaker.

The banquet also will feature the presentation of the Hereford Lions Club's annual Citizen of the Year Award. The chamber Women's Division's Woman of the Year also will be recognized, as will the chamber directors.

Friends of Library sale set

The annual Friends of the Library book sale will be Friday-Saturday downstairs in the Deaf Smith County Public Library.

The sale will be 5-9 p.m. Jan. 14 for members and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Jan. 15 for non-members.

Memberships are \$3 per person, \$6 per family.

Koobraey 2000 tonight

The public is invited to the annual Koobraey (yearbook spelled backwards) event at 7 o'clock tonight at Hereford High School Auditorium.

Tickets are \$3 and doors close promptly at 7 p.m. Advance tickets are available in Room 201 at the high school.

County 4-H Project Show

The Deaf Smith County 4-H project Show will be this Saturday in the Little Bull Barn. This is a good time for all 4-H showmen to experience and practice showing their animals. All 4-H members who will be showing an animal at the Hereford Livestock Show under 4-H are invited to participate. Awards will be given to the winners of each class and division for all species. Everyone is welcome to come and support local youth during the events.

The 4-H Project Show schedule is:

- 7:30 a.m. - shear sheep
- 8:00 a.m. - entry time begins
- 10:00 a.m. - steer show
- 11:00 a.m. - goat show
- 12:30 p.m. - lamb show
- 2:00 p.m. - swine show

For more information please contact Mike or Dennis at the Deaf Smith County Extension office 364-3573.

PLN reschedules concert

Due to a snow cancellation in December, a classical guitar concert by Lubbock artist Susan Grisanti has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. Sunday in the Home Mercantile Building in Nazareth.

Admission for the concert is \$5 per person. Complimentary desserts and refreshments will be served. For more information contact Lydia Villanueva at (806)364-4445.

Community-wide service announced

The Hereford Ministerial Alliance will host the monthly community-wide unity worship service at 6 p.m. Sunday at the Trinity Fellowship Church, 401 W. Park Ave. This service will commemorate National Sanctity of Human Life Sunday and begin the observance of Sanctity of Human Life Week, Jan. 16-23. The service will feature Roger Hodges and his worship band. All residents of the community are invited.

TV give-away date announced

The big screen TV being given away to benefit the hospital will be given away Jan. 22. Tickets are \$5 and are still available by contacting Cindy Caro Monday-Friday.

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News digest

Texas executes number 200

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Earl Carl Heiselbetz Jr. always said he couldn't remember killing his 27-year-old neighbor and her 2-year-old daughter.

Now the victims' family will try to forget Heiselbetz, who on Wednesday became the 200th person executed in Texas since the death penalty was restored in 1982.

"I'm glad the last chapter of this book is over. It's been a bad book," said Jim Whitton, brother of Rena Rogers, who was strangled along with her daughter Jacy, on May 30, 1991.

Heiselbetz, 48, appeared calm as witnesses entered the death house. Strapped to the gurney, he looked at his mother and father through the observation window and said, "Love y'all. See you on the other side."

Fort Worth police chief dies

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Thomas Windham definitely made Fort Worth a safer place to live.

Windham, who saw the city's crime rate cut by more than half during his nearly 15-year tenure as police chief, died Wednesday from cancer. He was 61.

When Windham came from Los Angeles in 1985, Fort Worth was one of the most crime-riddled cities in America. By demanding high standards from his officers and involving the community in police efforts, he changed that.

"Fort Worth is a safer city because he was such a strong leader. He understood it took the entire community to make the community safe," said U.S. Rep. Kay Granger, R-Fort Worth, who served as the town's mayor before being elected to Congress.

During Windham's tenure as chief, the number of major crimes and murders in Fort Worth dropped drastically.

Elsewhere:

WACO GUNFIRE: The field test that may resolve the question of whether federal authorities fired gunshots into the Branch Davidian compound in the waning hours of the 1993 standoff is likely to be held at Fort Hood in March. The lawyer who represents most of the Davidian plaintiffs in their wrongful-death suit against the government said.

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Back at school



Computer works -- Computers have become a necessary part of today's culture and education. Students of the Hereford adult education programs who are taking their GED classes use modern, well-equipped computers to complete part of their courses. Mary Rodriguez, Lupe Ogas and Maria Sanchez are only a few of the students who are taking advantage of this free opportunity. Classes are offered in the basement of the Deaf Smith County Library Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Monday and Thursday evenings from 6-9. The staff encourages anyone who needs to complete their GED to come in and begin the process.

Education system only mediocre

States continue to hire uncertified failing teachers

Despite promises to do better, the 50 states overall deserve a "C" for efforts to improve America's classrooms, in particular for dragging their feet in pursuit of the best teachers, say authors of a survey released today.

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Obituaries

MARY KATHLEEN CRISWELL
Jan. 11, 2000

ANDREWS — Graveside services for Mary Kathleen Criswell, 77, of Andrews will be 10 a.m. Friday in Andrews North Cemetery. Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. in the First Baptist Church of Andrews with Dr. H.A. Hanks officiating and Dr. Shane Barnes, pastor of the Methodist Church in Sterling City assisting. Arrangements are under the direction of McNett Funeral Home in Andrews.

Mrs. Criswell died Tuesday in the Permian General Hospital. She was born June 25, 1922, in Throckmorton. She married Dalton Criswell on April 3, 1943, in Throckmorton. She received a Bachelor of Science from North Texas. Mrs. Criswell was a librarian in Henrietta and Hereford before moving to Andrews.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church and Delta Phi Kappa Gamma. Survivors include two daughters, Vickie Jones of Atlanta, Ga., LaNae McClure of Sterling City; two brothers, Ira H. Harrington of Fort Worth and Larry Harrington of Throckmorton; one sister Nell Howard of LaPorte; one grandchild and two step-grandchildren.

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"You wouldn't be happy if your child came home with a C," said Virginia Edwards, editor and publisher of Education Week, which produced Quality Counts 2000, its fourth annual state-by-state look at public schooling in grades kindergarten through 12.

"It's only a mediocre system," Ms. Edwards said. "Efforts need to be made to bring that grade up."

For instance, the survey found that while 39 states require prospective teachers to pass basic literacy and mathematics tests, 36 of those states let some who fail slip through loopholes.

Education policy analyst Amy Wilkins, who hadn't seen the report, agreed with the general assessment but said it was too mild. "A tremendous increase in rhetoric" promising to boost teacher quality has been little more than lip-service, said Ms. Wilkins, at the nonprofit Education Trust in Washington, which promotes raising student achievement. "I wouldn't say children are experiencing any benefit as a result of all the talk."

There has been little change in Education Week's grading of the states since the first survey in 1997.

Per-pupil spending rose in 43 states between 1997 and 1998, the survey found. And 44 states adopted standards in the core subjects of English, social studies, mathematics and science, up from 31 in 1997. In 21 of those states, students are tested to see that standards are met.

Although the survey did not rank any states as best or worst, Connecticut stood out.

With the nation's highest per capita income — \$37,700 in 1998, based on latest federal estimates — Connecticut invests in finding and keeping the best teachers and monitoring the results in student performance.

Reflecting a push since the mid 1980s, Connecticut's schools pay teachers the highest average salary in the nation, \$51,727 in 1998, the latest year available. Mentors are assigned to first-year teachers, who are hired only after passing tough tests for teacher certificates and subject mastery. Teachers must renew

Consumers not willing to pay for origin labels

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department says there's no evidence consumers are willing to pay more for meat to have it labeled with the country of origin.

"To the contrary, if consumers do distinguish goods depending on their country of origin, strong incentive exists for industries to act without government intervention," according to a study that USDA issued Wednesday.

Some American producers have been pushing Congress to require such labeling as a way to curb imports of Canadian cattle. In addition to lobbying for legislation, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association has been working with the grocery industry to come up with a voluntary system for labeling meat.

"Beef from foreign companies is coming into the United States and essentially being laundered and sold as U.S. beef, and that's just not right," said Julie Quick, a spokeswoman for the producers group.

The USDA study, which was requested by Congress after meat processors defeated a labeling bill in 1998, said such a law could hurt U.S. meat exports if foreign countries impose a similar requirement.

USDA did not put a price tag on a labeling system. The labels themselves could cost anywhere from \$500,000 to \$8 million, depending on what cuts of meat the law applied to.

Processors also would have to segregate meat that enters the country to make sure it's labeled properly, and the cost of doing that "is unknown, but could be significant," the report said. There would be additional costs to USDA to enforce the law.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Jan. 12, 2000, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

-- A man was arrested in the 300 block of Avenue H and charged with providing false ID to a peace officer.

Incidents

-- A dog bite was reported in the 300 block of North Schley.

-- Criminal trespass was reported in the 400 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

-- Criminal trespass was reported in the 300 block of Avenue A.

-- A minor traffic accident was reported in the 300 block of Avenue H.

-- A minor accident was reported in the 200 block of

Whiteface Drive.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

-- A 39-year-old man was arrested on a surrender of surety on a possession of marijuana charge.

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

-- A 46-year-old man began serving time on a driving while intoxicated conviction and driving with a suspended license.

-- A 49-year-old man began serving time on a violation of probation conviction.

-- A 34-year-old woman was brought in on a bench warrant.

their certificates every five years by taking courses that advance their skills and knowledge.

Unlike other states, Connecticut forbids waivers for teachers who flunk its tests. "If you fail that, you don't teach," said Tom Murphy, state Department of Education spokesman.

While many states have adopted programs to upgrade education, they've been slow to use them, the survey found.

It said 27 states have scholarship and loan-forgiveness programs but only 18 use them to address shortages in subjects, such as science or special education. Just 10 states use those programs to draw teachers to less desirable urban, rural or low-income and poorly performing schools.

Education Week is published in Bethesda, Md., by the nonprofit Editorial Projects in Education. The Pew Charitable Trusts, a Philadelphia-based foundation, paid for the survey.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The report, including state-by-state breakdowns, is available on the Web at: www.edweek.org/sreports/qc

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Texas lottery

Lotto Texas

One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$4 million.

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

15-27-29-46-48-49.

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

Pick 3

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 3-0-8

LIFESTYLES

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Concert board — Hereford Community Concert Association board met recently in the Chamber of Commerce boardroom. New board members welcomed were, front row from left, Johnnie Walters, Friona representative; Kim Bulin and Rev. Jim Bulin. Presented as officers were, back row from left, Bera Boyd, treasurer; Kristin Smith, secretary; Margaret Williams, vice president; and David Fanning, president. Board members not pictured are Judy Detten and Patrick Hayes.

'Cassidy' concert discussed

Spring concerts and the annual membership drive were topics of discussion at the recent meeting of Hereford Community Concert Association.

The first concert of the new century will feature the Cassidys on Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hereford High School Auditorium. The

Cassidys are a family group of brothers from Ireland. These musicians have added to their program a champion Irish stepdancer.

The next concert will be Amarillo Little Theatre's touring production of "Greater Tuna" on Feb. 18.

Memberships for the 2000-

2001 concert season will be accepted in March and April. A membership allows entrance to four association concerts in addition to the ALT touring production.

For more information on concerts or memberships, contact Kristin Smith at 364-9371.

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Ann Landers



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: Like most grandparents, I love my grandchildren very much, and want to see them develop into responsible adults. Recently, I noticed my oldest granddaughter, age 15, had a hole pierced at the top of her ear. The traditional lower-lobe pierce doesn't bother me, but I was taken aback when I saw the piercing at the top of her ear.

I expressed my displeasure to my wife, and told her I felt it was my duty as a grandfather to express my disapproval. My wife said it was none of my business and criticism would only sour our relationship. Days later, I approached my granddaughter, and told her if our Creator had intended for us to have extra holes in our bodies to hang things from, He would have provided them. I also voiced my objection to tattoos, and asked her to promise me that she would never get one. She thought for a few seconds, and made no commitment.

Soon after this, she told her mother about our conversation. Her mother was upset, and informed me that it was not "my place" to tell my granddaughter what to do. I replied that as her grandfather and the family patriarch, it was part of my responsibility to help guide the generation that I helped create.

I would be interested in your opinion. Am I wrong? — River Grove, Ill.

Dear River: It is the parents' place to insist that their

children treat you with respect. This does not mean, however, that you should be telling them how many holes they should have in their ears.

Ear-piercing is a fad, and those holes will eventually grow together. Cool it with the comments, Gramps, and find something to admire about the grandkids. They will appreciate your praise, and try to live up to your high opinion of them.

P.S.: A letter just crossed my desk from a girl in Ohio who has 33 piercings in various parts of her anatomy, and she says, "I'm not through yet." So far, I have heard nothing from her grandfather.

Dear Ann Landers: My husband and I have been married for 18 months. "Glenda," his ex-wife, is manipulative and just plain mean. She lied in court (well-coached by her high-priced lawyer) and said some terrible things about my husband to get custody of their daughter. I can't stand the sight of her.

The problem is, my husband's parents insist on maintaining a close relationship with Glenda. They say it is necessary because she is the mother of their only grandchild. When my in-laws moved to Florida several months ago, I hoped their relationship with Glenda would wind down, but I recently learned that she is spending her vacation in their home.

My husband and I are devastated. He feels his parents love his ex-wife more than they love him. I'm afraid, Ann, that I never will be accepted as their daughter-in-law because I didn't give birth to their first grandchild. We have written to his parents telling

them how hurt and betrayed we feel. Our letter has gone unanswered. What should we do now? — Anonymous in Lynwood, Ill.

Dear Lynwood: Now, you accept the fact that your husband's parents are going to remain forever connected to his ex-wife because (1) they wish to remain close to their only grandchild, and (2) they like her.

Time might make you more acceptable to them, but don't push it. Bear in mind that Glenda has the inside track with her ex-in-laws, and that will never change. And for heaven's sake, stop telling them you feel "betrayed." Putting them on the defensive will only widen the breach. You can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar. Try it.

What's the truth about pot, cocaine, LSD, PCP, crack, speed and downers? "The Lowdown on Dope" has up-to-the-minute information on drugs. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Lowdown, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.55.)

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Robinson is club speaker

Janis Robinson was guest speaker at the January meeting of Hereford Study Club held in the home of Nedra Robinson with Elizabeth Hellman serving as co-hostess.

Robinson, president of the advisory board of the Deaf Smith County Crisis Center, told the club there are more than 40 volunteers available through the local crisis center who are on call to assist in domestic violence and rape cases.

The center, located on the third floor of the county courthouse, hopes to educate people to "Stop the Violence."

Club members present were Barbara Allen, Jean Ballard, Doris Bryant, Hazel Ford, Mildred Garrison, Betty Gilbert, Betty Martin, Carole

McGilvary, Gladys Setliff, Mary Stoy, Evelyn Wilson, Virginia Winget, Hellman and Robinson.

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C of C women seeking to add new members

New members are currently being sought by the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce, according to vice president and membership chairman Donna Hathaway.

Current members have been placed on two teams and will compete to see which team can sign up the most new members. Losing team members will prepare dinner for winning team members at the quarterly meeting in April.

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Joan Hatcher McCaskill, a native of Baton Rouge and a long-time member of the academic community of Louisiana State University, will present a workshop on dream interpretation at the Square House Museum in Panhandle from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 22.

The workshop will be held in the Hazlewood Arts and Education Building auditorium. Cost for the workshop is \$25, with luncheon available for an additional \$5.

McCaskill presents a method

of self-understanding in the Jungian tradition. Through analysis of dreams, people become more attuned to their strengths and weaknesses.

The workshop's goal is to show people how to utilize their dreams in bettering their lives. Case studies will be presented for discussion and examination by the audience.

McCaskill has studied extensively with Rev. Robert Hayden of the Hayden Institute. After a four-year course of study at the School of Theology, University of the South at

Sewanee, McCaskill qualified as a mentor for Education For Ministry classes at St. James Episcopal Church in Baton Rouge.

She is a graduate of the Shalem Institute of Spiritual Direction and has used this experience to help found the Center for Spiritual Formation, a non-denominational organization.

There will be a reception for McCaskill from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21 at the Museum.

For reservations or more information, call 806-537-3524.

Looking Back

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Jan. 13, the 13th day of 2000. There are 353 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 13, 1794, President Washington approved a measure adding two stars and two stripes to the American flag, following the admission of Vermont and Kentucky to the union. The number of stripes was later reduced to 13.

On this date:

In 1864, composer Stephen Foster died in New York.

In 1893, Britain's Independent Labor Party, a precursor to the current Labor Party, first met.

In 1898, Emile Zola's famous defense of Capt. Alfred Dreyfus, "J'accuse," was published in Paris.

In 1941, novelist James Joyce died in Zurich, Switzerland.

In 1962, comedian Ernie Kovacs died in a car crash in west Los Angeles.

In 1966, Robert C. Weaver, President Johnson's secretary of Housing and Urban Development, became the first black Cabinet member.

In 1978, former Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey died in Waverly, Minn., at age 66.

In 1992, Japan apologized for forcing tens of thousands of Korean women to serve as sex slaves for Japanese soldiers during World War II.

In 1993, former East German leader Erich Honecker was freed from prison and allowed to leave for Chile.

Ten years ago: L. Douglas Wilder of Virginia, the nation's first elected black governor, took the oath of office in Richmond.

Five years ago: Italy named Treasury Minister Lamberto Dini its prime minister. Authorities in the Philippines said they had unearthed a conspiracy by militant Muslims to assassinate Pope John Paul II during his visit.

One year ago: President Clinton's legal team dispatched a formal trial brief to the Senate, arguing that neither "fact or law" warranted his removal from office; House officials sent the Senate all public evidence in the case. Michael Jordan announced his retirement from the Chicago Bulls.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Robert Stack is 81. Hollywood columnist Army Archerd is 78. Actress-singer-dancer Gwen Verdon is 75. Actress Frances Sternhagen is 70. Actor-director Charles Nelson Reilly is 69. Comedian Rip Taylor is 66. Actor Billy Gray is 62. Actor Richard Moll is 57. Rock musician Trevor Rabin (Yes) is 46. Rhythm-and-blues musician Fred White is 45. Actor Kevin Anderson is 40. Actress Julia Louis-Dreyfus is 39. Rock singer Graham "Suggs" McPherson (Madness) is 39.

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Girl Power

Female wrestlers making impact on the mat in Hereford

By Yuri Soto

Hereford Brand Sports Editor

Title IX has done much to advance women's athletics.

Everyone knows the success of female sports in Hereford, such as volleyball, basketball and track and field.

Not everyone, though, is aware of the success of girls' wrestling in the Texas Panhandle, much less Hereford.

But its success is growing quietly.

Currently, Hereford has three young women — Danielle Garza, Rachael Rodriguez and Amariah Rodriguez — who will be considered pioneers of the sport of wrestling in Hereford.

How successful have these ladies been in a sport that has seen only its second year of existence?

Consider this, Hereford: All three girls are returning state qualifiers.

"If that's how the Olympics feel like, I think it's one of the greatest feelings in the world," Garza said.

Garza, who wrestles in the 165-pound division, is one of those girls who right now appreciates her position in the amateur wrestling world, which is dominated by men.

"Being a female and coming in as a rookie and only being in my second year, the possibilities of going on to state and actually being able to win is a gift all on its own," she said. "I think we've helped set the standard for females as far as maybe wanting to get into wrestling a few years from now or starting it off as something that may turn out to be a big success for Hereford."

In the short period of time she's been involved in coach Mike Dominguez's program, she placed fourth in the state championships, where she was pinned by Jennifer Welch of Plano East.

Wrestling has been the perfect fit for her because she has tried other sports, without much success.

"I haven't been much of an



Taking On All Comers — Danielle Garza (left) and Rachael Rodriguez (right) are two of four female wrestlers currently pounding the mat for Mike Dominguez's wrestling team. Not pictured are newcomer Yvette Vela and the injured Amariah Rodriguez.

athlete in high school," she said. "I've tried running in cross-country and track, but I've never been in anything that I have had this much success like wrestling has."

"I feel good about myself and it's helped me build my self esteem," she said. "Coach Dominguez is a great coach. He's such a wonderful person

to be a student for and wrestle for."

Of course, she's had experience wrestling guys, which she points out makes her tougher on the mat.

"It helps you take the pain a little bit more," she said. "A girl who takes you down is not going to hurt as much as a guy takedown."

Rachael Rodriguez agrees.

"Starting in a hard division and then all of a sudden going to a girls' division is good," Rachael said. "Girls are more sensitive and, with wrestling guys, it gave us a bigger advantage because things we'd do to guys wouldn't hurt them. With girls, those things we do made us tougher on our oppo-

nent."

Rachael is also a state qualifier from 1999. She wrestled in the 138-pound division in Austin and was beaten by Marci Richardson of Amarillo High. She finished second.

Despite that loss, Rachael is proud of having been a part

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McNutt shows true leadership



The Other Guard — Senior guard Eric McNutt tries to pass over Clovis' Gabe Jones in their Monday night game. McNutt finished with five points in the game and has averaged 7.5 points-per-game. He also provides experience and leadership.

By Yuri Soto

Hereford Brand Sports Editor

On a team with many stars, many other players have come to accept their roles in order to make the team successful.

The role of the third guard is very important as he provides outside shooting, ball-handling, and other duties a guard must be able to do.

As the least flashy of the guards in Hereford's three-guard alignment, Eric McNutt has established himself as one of the most dangerous players on the court.

As a three-year starter for the Hereford Whitefaces' varsity squad, McNutt, in many ways, has been the second banana to the talents of Cody and Slade Hodges on the backcourt.

McNutt may not get as much recognition as the Hodges brothers, despite being a senior, but he is happy with his role.

"I just accept my role like everybody else on the team," the 6-foot senior said. "I don't put up the big numbers like

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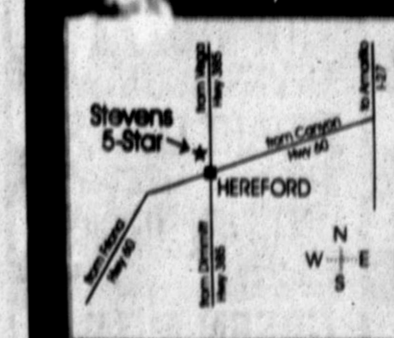
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SPORTS

Stars lose in overtime to Calgary, 2-1

CALGARY, Alberta (AP) — The Calgary Flames probably wish every game could go to overtime.

Jason Wiemer scored with 2:57 left in overtime to give Calgary a 2-1 victory Wednesday night over the Dallas Stars, its NHL-record eighth overtime victory of the year.

"Sure, we do work on the four-on-four in practice, but there's really not much strategy to it," said Wiemer, the seventh different Flame to score an overtime winner. "More than anything else, it's our confidence that when we do get into overtime, we're going to win."

Compounding the loss for Dallas was the loss of Mike Modano with what was diagnosed after the game as a slight concussion.

The Dallas captain had to be helped off the ice with 9:09 left in the third period

after Wiemer took him out along the boards.

Nobody has benefitted more from the NHL's new overtime rules than the Calgary Flames who have compiled an 8-1-5 record in the extra session. The New York Rangers (5) and St. Louis Blues (4) are the only other teams with more than three victories.

Ironically, last summer at the NHL Board of Governor's meeting when the new format was voted on, Calgary was one of the few teams that voted against it.

Success with the new format came early in the season for the Flames with their first five wins all coming in the extra period. Calgary's first win in regulation wasn't until Nov. 19, its 20th game of the year.

"Where other teams might have lost a couple of games

early in the year and begin thinking defense, when we go into overtime we're saying 'Hey, we've got one point, now lets go win it,'" Wiemer said.

Bill Lindsay also scored for the Flames, 10-1-1 in their last 12 games at home. Blake Sloan scored the lone goal for Dallas, which has split the opening two games of their season-long six-game road trip.

The winning goal was set up by rookie Martin St. Louis who fought off two Dallas defenders behind the Stars net before centering a pass to Wiemer who put a shot past Manny Fernandez from 20 feet out.

"I was tired and was going to head off for a change," Wiemer said. "But I thought he was going to get control so I faded back towards the net and waited for the pass

which was right on the tape." The loss spoiled a stellar performance by Fernandez who finished the night with 39 saves.

"Nobody in this room is happy with the result," said Fernandez, who had a five-game winning streak snapped, and lost for the first time since Nov. 10th. "We'll take it but we all know we have to play a little bit harder, me included."

Although he had little chance on the winning goal, Fernandez was upset at himself for giving up Lindsay's goal on a long slapshot which broke a scoreless tie 2:03 into the third.

"In this league, there's no room for bad goals and that first shot was a shot I should have had," Fernandez said.

For the second straight night the Stars were outshot

badly with Calgary holding a 41-22 edge. With Ed Belfour in net 24 hours earlier, Dallas was outshot 39-16 in its 3-2 win in Edmonton.

Trailing 1-0, Sloan tied it 1-1 at 9:22 of the third deflecting a slapshot from Sergei Zubov past Fred Brathwaite.

Brathwaite continued his mastery over the Stars, lowering his career goals against average against Dallas to 0.66 in five career appearances.

Dallas center Joe Nieuwendyk returned to the Stars line-up after missing the last 10 games with cartilage damage in his ribs.

9th 'B' Boys win three straight

From Staff Reports

The Hereford 9th Grade 'B' basketball team has made many improvements over the past week with three-straight victories.

The first victory came against Pampa on Thursday, Jan. 6, in a 55-53 final.

Raymond Carrillo led the team with 24 points.

On Saturday, Jan. 8, Hereford blasted Amarillo Caprock 53-18. Raul Delgado scored 15 points.

Last Monday, Hereford pounded Amarillo Tascosa, 71-37. Carrillo scored 19 points.

McNutt

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them (Cody and Slade Hodges), but everyone on the team plays an important role and I just follow mine."

But McNutt, who is averaging seven points per game, is more than just the third guard in the rotation.

He serves as a team captain and provides great leadership.

"He's got a lot of experience and he does a good job of shooting the ball and giving us that extra outside shooting threat," Hereford coach Randy Dean said. "The other thing that makes him so valuable to the team is that he's a real hard-nosed player and one of the best players around and we've had him play in a lot of big

games."

It all had to start somewhere, though.

McNutt, like many of his current teammates, has had the experience of playing AAU basketball.

He's been doing just that since the younger days.

"When I started in AAU, we did really good and we went to the national tournament," McNutt said. "I just fell in love with the sport and been playing it ever since."

As he gained his playing skills over time, McNutt built his leadership skills and earned the reputation of a leader.

His leadership was evident at the start of the basketball

season when the team was compiled of mostly freshmen and sophomores. Most of the current players on the varsity were, as many people know, toting their skills on the gridiron.

During that time, McNutt and the Whitefaces went 3-10 while playing bigger, more-experienced opponents.

"The main difference is with all the younger players they didn't have the experience than the older players," McNutt said of the two basketball squads he played and plays for. "Now it's just a faster pace. The players know more of what's going on and see how each other can play."

"I think his leadership then was incredibly important be-

cause a lot of those guys were experiencing things that they had no idea they were about to get into," Dean said. "Eric had been through some of those wars before, so he was able to help them at that time."

But McNutt credits his success in his participation in AAU.

"If I didn't play AAU basketball, there's no way I could have been where I am now in this game," he said.

And, just like any typical captain, McNutt has high hopes for his team.

"I plan for us to be district champions, and from there, we are going to take it one game at a time and go as far as we can," he said.

Ladies

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of the state championships, the first UIL-sanctioned women's wrestling state tournament in history.

"It was a feeling that comes from inside because you are on the mat, knowing you are going into history in the first UIL-sanctioned meet and it's a great feeling," she said. "You know you get a joy of beating someone and being aggressive and it's your sport."

Rachael's experience has been growing for a while now. Wrestling guys, spending time on the mat and in the gym at the local YMCA has paid dividends for her.

"Now that I have more experience, I can teach Danielle and make her go to the top and get first place, and maybe that will help me wrestle with her," Rachael said. "I thought I wasn't going to do much and now that I am in the second year, I am improving and I like it."

So does Rachael's sister, Amariah.

Amariah Rodriguez, who wrestled in the 119-pound division, is a natural athlete and participates in wrestling and dancing. She is a member of the award-winning

Hereford High School Diamond Dancers.

Amariah appreciates the opportunity girls are getting in wrestling.

"I think it's great that they are giving girls that opportunity to do things that guys do because, even though guys do not think so, girls are equally strong," Amariah said. "They can pretty much do anything like men."

Amariah is also a 1999 state qualifier. She lost in the final match to Norma Garcia of Amarillo Caprock, suffering a severe shoulder injury. She has been inactive this season, but may make a comeback as early as Feb. 1.

Still, the injury has put a damper on her wrestling career.

"It's been very devastating," she said. "I practice a bit and I look at the mat and it hurts me a lot. I feel this is a year that has been taken away from me for training, but I am just stay-

ing on my rehabilitation and getting well so next year I can come back and win state."

Amariah, who hopes to attend the University of Texas in Austin on a dance scholarship, and also hopes to land a wrestling scholarship from a major college powerhouse.

She feels that the girl wrestlers currently representing Hereford are part of something special.

"I felt it was a privilege for us girls to have at least one year of wrestling because it was something it was never done before," she said. "We were part of the first girls to ever do it in the school's history and it was a wonderful feeling."

With a newcomer in Yvette Vela also joining this exclusive group, Hereford will be a force to contend with in the future.

"They really did break a barrier," Hereford wrestling coach Mike Dominguez said.

"They have turned it on and are committed to the sport."

Amariah's shoulder injury is motivation enough for sister Rachael to make another run at a state championship.

"I want to be successful in wrestling this year for two reasons: one is that I want to have the same success I had last year," she said. "The other is for my sister."

"I know she wants to be on the mat and I am going to wrestle hard for her because I love her very much."

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"What I like about O is that it is simple and direct, and it is what a lot of my friends call me," Winfrey said in a statement.

The monthly women's magazine is set to launch on April 17 with a distribution of 850,000 copies.

Isaac Stern Bob Dylan

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Isaac Stern and Bob Dylan will share this year's Polar Music Prize, the Royal Swedish Academy of Music said Wednesday.

Stern, the 79-year-old violin virtuoso, is president of Carnegie Hall and credited with saving it from the wrecking ball in the 1980s. He was also praised for his seminars for young people.

Dylan has "demonstrated an impressive ability to question the most determined political forces, to fight all forms of prejudice, and to offer unflinching support for the less fortunate," committee mem-

ber Roger Wallis said. The prize is endowed by the late Stikkan Anderson, whose record company released the songs of the Swedish group ABBA. It's awarded annually to one popular and one classical musician, with each recipient receiving \$119,000.

Swedish King Carl XVI Gustaf will present the awards May 15.

Yolanda King

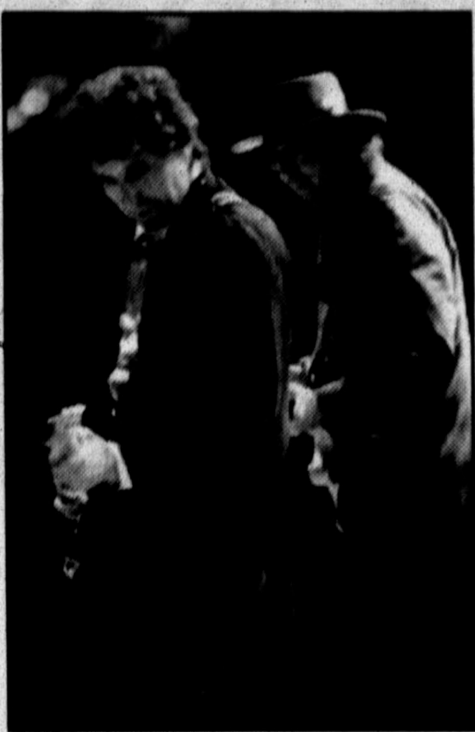
KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The holiday for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. shouldn't be just a day for reflection but also for activism, his eldest daughter says.

"We've not reached the promised land," Yolanda King said Tuesday. "We're still wandering around, bumping into each other in the wilderness of ignorance and hatred. That is why the King holiday is so important."

She told an overflow crowd at a King day celebration that Monday's holiday should be more than a day of rest.

"My father would be disappointed if people were simply taking the holiday off for rest and relaxation. As he wrote, this is no time for apathy or complacency. This is a time for vigorous and positive action. He would want this to be a day of deeds, not lip service."

The civil rights activist was assassinated in Memphis in 1968.



Bob Dylan (foreground), performing in a 1998 concert, will share the Royal Swedish Academy of Music's Polar Music Prize with violin virtuoso Isaac Stern.

Barbara Bush

MESA, Ariz. — Who better to read to children at Barbara Bush Elementary than the former first lady herself?

About 600 parents and children packed a room at the school Tuesday for a visit from Mrs. Bush.

"No matter what you want to be ... you have to know how to read," Mrs. Bush told the children as she read a story about a boy who helps an old woman regain her lost memories.

Her advice to parents: "Turn off the TV once in a while."

Mrs. Bush, 74, squeezed in the visit during a two-day trip to Arizona to raise money for her son, Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush.

First lady appears on 'Letterman'

NEW YORK (AP) — After weeks of needling Hillary Rodham Clinton for being a carpetbagger who was scared to appear on his show, David Letterman stifled the sarcasm when the first lady finally appeared.

"We have to give this woman a tremendous amount of credit for just showing up," Letterman told his "Late Show" audience just before interviewing Mrs. Clinton.

Mrs. Clinton even proved to hold her own in the zinger department when the host asked about her new home in suburban Chappaqua.

"Every idiot in the universe is going to drive by honking now," Letterman said. "Was that you?" Mrs. Clinton asked.

Letterman has made a running gag of Mrs. Clinton, calling her an outsider seeking political opportunity in a Senate bid from New York.

Mrs. Clinton admitted to

being "just a little" nervous, but told Letterman: "I knew if I was going to run for Senate, I was going to have to come and sit in this chair."

Letterman started by asking her to "tell us a little bit about yourself."

Mrs. Clinton smiled and told Letterman she grew up in the Midwest — as he did — has a mother named Dorothy — as he does — and just couldn't resist the temptation to follow him to New York.

Television

THURSDAY

JANUARY 13

Table of TV programming for Thursday, January 13. Columns include time slots (6 PM to 11 PM) and program titles such as 'Newshour With Jim Lehrer', 'National Geographic's America on Wheels', 'Mystery!', 'Charlie Rose', 'Newshour', etc.

FRIDAY

JANUARY 14

Table of TV programming for Friday, January 14. Columns include time slots (7 AM to 12 PM) and program titles such as 'Barney', 'Teletubbies', 'Sesame Street', 'Arthur', 'Dragon', 'Barney', 'Teletubbies', 'Noddy', 'Zoboo', 'Mr Rogers', etc.

Table of TV programming for Friday, January 14. Columns include time slots (12:30 to 5:30) and program titles such as 'Body Elec.', 'Painting House', 'Noddy', 'Reading', 'Arthur', 'Wishbone', 'Zoom', 'Arthur', 'Creatures', 'Wishbone', etc.

Table of TV programming for Friday, January 14. Columns include time slots (6 PM to 11 PM) and program titles such as 'Newshour With Jim Lehrer', 'Wash. Week', 'Wall St', 'Vicar-Doby', 'Walk for God', 'Time Goes', 'Keeping Up', 'Charlie Rose', 'Newshour', etc.

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Marvin By Tom Armstrong



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Prices shot up in 1999

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prices at the wholesale level shot up 3 percent in 1999, the biggest increase in nine years, the government reported today, but the price pressures were largely confined to the energy sector.

Outside of energy and food, wholesale prices rose just 0.9 percent last year, even better than a 2.5 percent increase in 1998, the Labor Department said.

For December, the Producer Price Index, which measures inflation pressures before they reach the consumer, was up 0.3 percent, right on target with many analysts' expectations. The December advance came from a big jump in gasoline and other energy prices.

The 3 percent advance in last year's wholesale prices was the largest annual gain since a 5.7 percent rise in 1990 and it stemmed from a huge 18.4 percent rebound in energy costs, which had fallen sharply in 1998 as the Asian currency crisis depressed global demand. In 1998, overall wholesale prices were flat.

Economists pointed to the well-behaved performance all year of the core PPI rate, which excludes energy and food, as evidence that inflation remains under control.

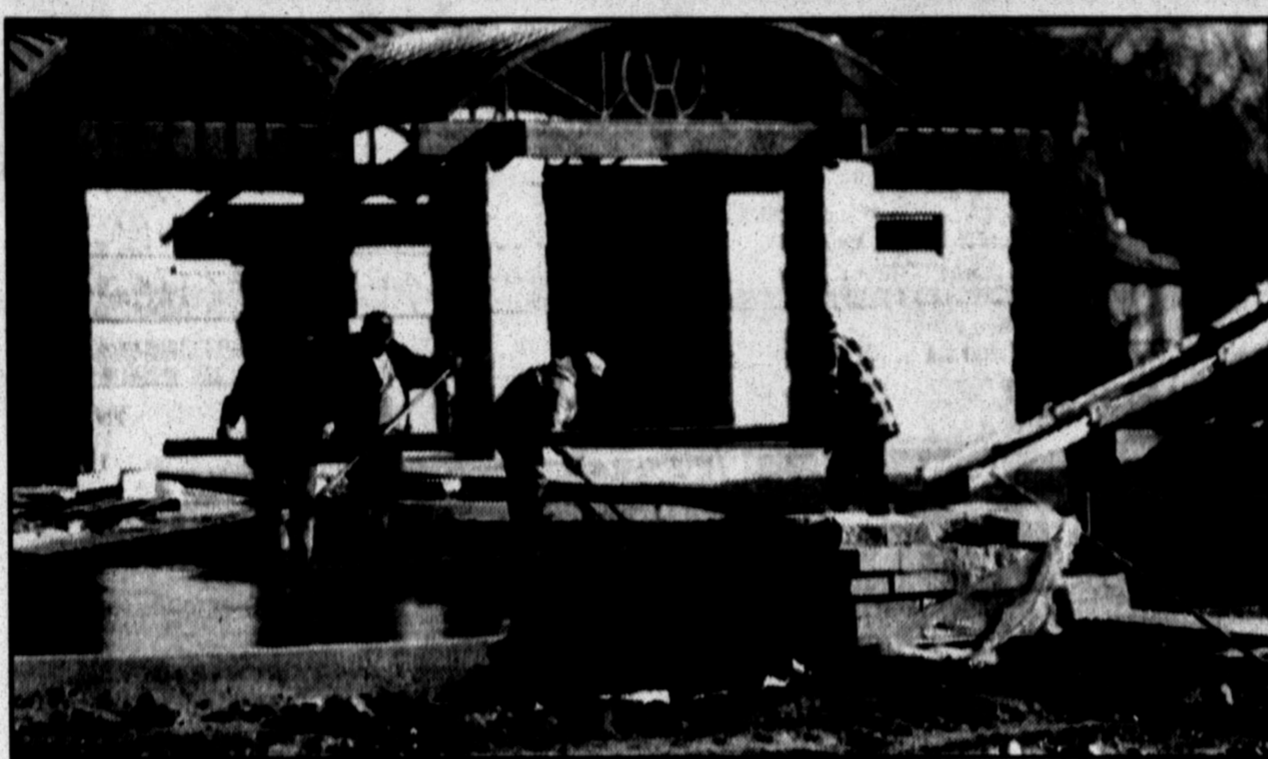
"In the grand scheme of things, inflation is still very low," said Mark Zandi, an economist with Regional Financial Associates.

The government will report on price pressures at the retail level when it releases its Consumer Price Index on Friday. Analysts are looking for a 0.3 percent rise in December.

The Commerce Department said that retail sales surged 1.2 percent in December, stronger than the 0.9 percent increase many analysts were anticipating. The report shows that hardy consumer spending continues to fuel the nation's strong economic growth.

The Federal Reserve raised interest rates three times last year to slow the red-hot economy and keep inflation from escalating. With projections for continuing strong economic growth, many analysts believe Fed policy-makers will bump up interest rates again, by at least a quarter of a percentage point, when they meet next on Feb. 1-2.

The bond market appeared unfazed by the reports. The



BRAND/Don Cooper

Getting closer — Workers with Clovis Concrete Co. recently poured concrete for the driveway at the new Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union drive-through facility. The new branch of the credit union will have drive-through, automatic teller and inside tellers.

Satisfaction with economy isn't helping Gore in polls

WASHINGTON (AP) — An overwhelming majority of Americans say in a new poll that they are better off now than they were eight years ago, but that hasn't helped Vice President Al Gore in his bid for the White House.

Three-fourths of those questioned in the CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll released Wednesday said they are better off, and more than eight out of 10 said they are satisfied with the state of the nation's economy.

Gore leads Democratic challenger Bill Bradley 59 percent to 30 percent, a wider lead than in December when Gore was ahead, 52 percent to 38 percent.

The overall lead for Gore is reflected in other recent national polls that show him with at least a 20-point lead over Bradley.

But Gore trails Republican front-runner George W. Bush by 9 points among likely voters, while Bradley is running close to Bush among likely voters.

While it's difficult to say

POLL RESULTS

The Associated Press Some results from a national CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll on the 2000 presidential race and politics in general. When results don't total 100 percent, the remainder either didn't know or refused to answer.

Which one of the following candidates would you be most likely to support for the Republican nomination in the year 2000?

- George W. Bush, 63 percent
• John McCain, 18 percent
• Steve Forbes, 5 percent
• Orrin Hatch, 2 percent
• Alan Keyes, 2 percent
• Gary Bauer, 1 percent

(Asked of 690 registered Republicans and those leaning Republican. This is about the same lead Bush has had nationally for the last three months)

Which of the following candidates would you be most likely to support for the Democratic nomination for president in the year 2000?

- Al Gore, 59 percent
• Bill Bradley, 30 percent

(Asked of 697 registered Democrats and those leaning Democratic. Gore led Bradley by 52 percent to 38 percent in late December)

CNN-USA Today poll.

The national poll has Bush at 63 percent, McCain at 18 percent and other Republican candidates in single digits.

The tracking poll by the American Research Group suggests movement for Bush over the last month. Bush has 36 percent support in the newest tracking poll, to McCain's 31 percent. A poll in late December from ARG had McCain leading Bush by 9 points.

"Basically, Bush advertised heavily over the Christmas holidays and McCain wasn't in New Hampshire during that time and Bush got the benefit of that," American Research Group pollster Dick Bennett said. "The real key is going to be what happens after McCain spends more time up here."

McCain campaign spokesman Howard Opinsky said: "What Dr. Bennett has found in the past is the more that voters see John McCain, the more they like him."

McCain was in New Hampshire most of last week. "We'll be there most of this week and most of the days between now and the primary," Opinsky said.

The tracking poll is a three-day average of nightly polls of about 200 people nightly. The error margin for the sample of 620 taken Sunday through Tuesday was plus or minus 4 percentage points.

exactly why Gore isn't doing better with voters, a quarter of Americans said his ties with Clinton made them view him less favorably, while 10 percent said they viewed the vice president more favorably because of the link.

In the race for the GOP nomination, Bush has edged ahead of Sen. John McCain in a New Hampshire tracking poll of the Republican presidential candidates and retains his commanding lead nationally in the

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Inmates

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I'm working on my college degree," Eric said, "but I don't play for the college I would have attended with a full baseball scholarship — it's on a prison team."

"You gotta give up something when you start getting drunk and high," Billy said. "I gave up my education."

"I lost most of my family," Anthony said. "My favorite uncle was thrown from the car when I drove drunk. His body was found 40 feet from the site of the accident."

One inmate watched the audience and, catching one group's eye, told them, "If you think this could never be you, you're wrong. I wasn't the typical addict. I still had the designer clothes, money in my pocket and the good lifestyle, but I was an addict."

Because these young men were so atypical of the stereotype of the prison inmate, it probably had more impact than if they had been bad boys who were trying to straighten themselves out.

A few students managed to speak individually to the inmates. Those who did expressed concerns that someone they know might be heading for the same future.

"You've got to let them know you support them, but they are in charge of their lives and they direct their future and pilot their own lives," Eric said.

Participants have to be first-time, non-violent offenders, within two years of parole or release, under the age of 28 and who have passed a strenuous background check.

"Only 12 of 150,000 inmates are chosen for this program," said John Campbell, assistant administrator of the program.

Inmates were accompanied by TDCJ officer Wanda Glaze, Campbell, and parole board member and former HHS counselor Cindy Simons.

Global

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National Research Council discounted the significance of conflicting temperature data from ground monitors and those on weather balloons and satellites.

According to surface monitors, the temperature of the earth over the last 100 years has increased 0.7 to 1.4 degrees Fahrenheit. The satellite and balloon data, going back to 1979, have shown a warming trend in the upper atmosphere up to 5 miles of no more than 0.36 degrees Fahrenheit, and in some cases none at all.

Critics of the global warming theory often have cited the satellite and balloon data as evidence that the threat of climate change has not been shown.

But the panel, whose members represented a broad spectrum of views on climate change, concluded: "The disparity between the surface and upper-air trends in no way invalidates the conclusions that surface temperatures have been rising."

"We're saying emphatically that it is not valid to equate these two kinds of observations," said Wallace, adding that the discrepancies could not be fully explained.

But the panel speculated that natural causes including two massive volcanic eruptions during the past 20 years and depletion of the ozone layer, may have had a cooling effect in the upper air region, as opposed to surface temperatures, during the time period where satellite data have been available.

But some environmentalists said the panel has shot a hole into one of the global warming skeptics' most powerful arguments.

"It completely deflates the argument that contrarians have been using in support of the position that global warming isn't worth dealing with," said Michael Oppenheimer, a climate scientist at the Environmental Defense Fund.

The panel has clarified a key area of confusion, said Oppenheimer in an interview. "It should put a complete end to the argument over whether the Earth has warmed. There is no doubt the earth has warmed."

Not so, said John Christy, a climatologist at the University of Alabama-Huntsville and a member of the academy's panel, who said the report confirms that the earth has become warmer over the past 100 years.

"It's still not clear as to whether this is a representative sample that will tell us how the greenhouse effect is going to be played out. You can't use this trend for prediction."

The panel included a wide range of views on climate change including James Hansen of the Goddard Institute for Space Studies, who is a strong proponent of the greenhouse effect, and Roy Spencer a senior climate scientist at NASA, who developed the satellite temperature data.

Candidates going negative

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bill Clinton's face morphs into Sen. John McCain's. Pollution belows out of Texas smokestacks. A narrator explains the importance of abortion rights over the image of the Supreme Court's majestic facade.

Each image has run across voters' television screens in an attempt to influence the presidential debate. But not one was paid for — or even tied to — a candidate.

As actual voting nears, candidates are inching closer to negative advertising, but the nastiest ads by far have been produced by outside groups with their own agendas.

They're called issue ads, they've been on the rise during the 1990s, and experts say campaign 2000 won't be any different.

"It's a matter of keeping up with the Joneses," said Larry Sabato, a political scientist at the University of Virginia. "If some of your competitor interest groups are airing ads you want to get out there, too."

Sometimes campaigns welcome them, but in many cases, even the candidate who is ostensibly helped is wary. Unlike their own ads, they have no control over what many outside groups put on the airwaves.

Take Grover Norquist, an anti-tax advocate who is airing ads against McCain because

the Arizona senator backs legislation overhauling campaign finance laws. Furious, McCain said Norquist was a supporter of GOP presidential front-runner George W. Bush and he demanded that Bush tell him to get the ads off the air.

Bush responded that he had nothing to do with the ads. Norquist, he said, once ran ads against him, too.

"The fact that candidates feel compelled to respond to these issue ads suggest they worry the candidates," said Bill Benoit, who studies political advertising at the University of Missouri. "If they want to raise the issue, then I'd say mission accomplished."

The National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League was first out of the box in the presidential race, airing ads accusing Bush and then-candidate Elizabeth Dole of being more anti-abortion than they were trying to appear.

Now, Citizens for Life, a New Hampshire group, complains in ads that McCain once referred to the Leisure World senior citizens home as "Seizure World." He also said: "The nice thing about

"It's a matter of keeping up with the Joneses. If some of your competitor interest groups are airing ads you want to get out there, too."

Larry Sabato, political scientist, University of Virginia

Alzheimer's is you get to hide your own Easter eggs."

Citizens for Life didn't think it was funny.

The candidates themselves usually are much more subtle in their jabs at one another.

Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah and McCain each have ads attacking President Clinton, but only Republican Steve Forbes names an opponent in his paid media.

"I don't believe in negative campaigning," Bush told reporters Wednesday.

Still, just days ago, his campaign was taping footage of people on the street, including some criticizing McCain's tax plan with prompting from the Bush team. Bush aides said the footage was not turned into an ad and a decision had not been made about whether to run a critical spot. Then Bush and McCain agreed during a debate to forgo negative ads.

Bush's campaign put the footage on the shelf. But a college student who was filmed, Heidi Quigley, wasn't

happy about being coached to poke at McCain, and she has defected to the Arizona senator's camp.

That left Bush aides pedaling backward, saying they were simply preparing in case McCain went negative first. "The ad will not run," Bush said Wednesday. "I'm going to treat my friend and opponent with respect."

McCain's campaign didn't buy the Bush line. "Taping a negative ad and then promising not to run it is the high-tech version of smoking pot without inhaling," said Dan Schnur, a McCain spokesman.

Forbes, meanwhile, is flooding Iowa airwaves with an ad accusing Bush, the Texas governor, of breaking a promise not to support tax hikes in his state. In the ad, an anti-tax activist accuses Bush of "a record of broken promises" on taxes.

In 1997, Bush supported a tax-cut bill that included some increases in the sales tax, which critics say was a violation of his no-new-taxes pledge, made in 1994.

Bush is set to respond. In a new ad planned for Iowa, he promises to run a campaign free of "cynical and negative politics." He also says, without naming Forbes, that "my opponent has chosen to run a negative campaign," advisers said.

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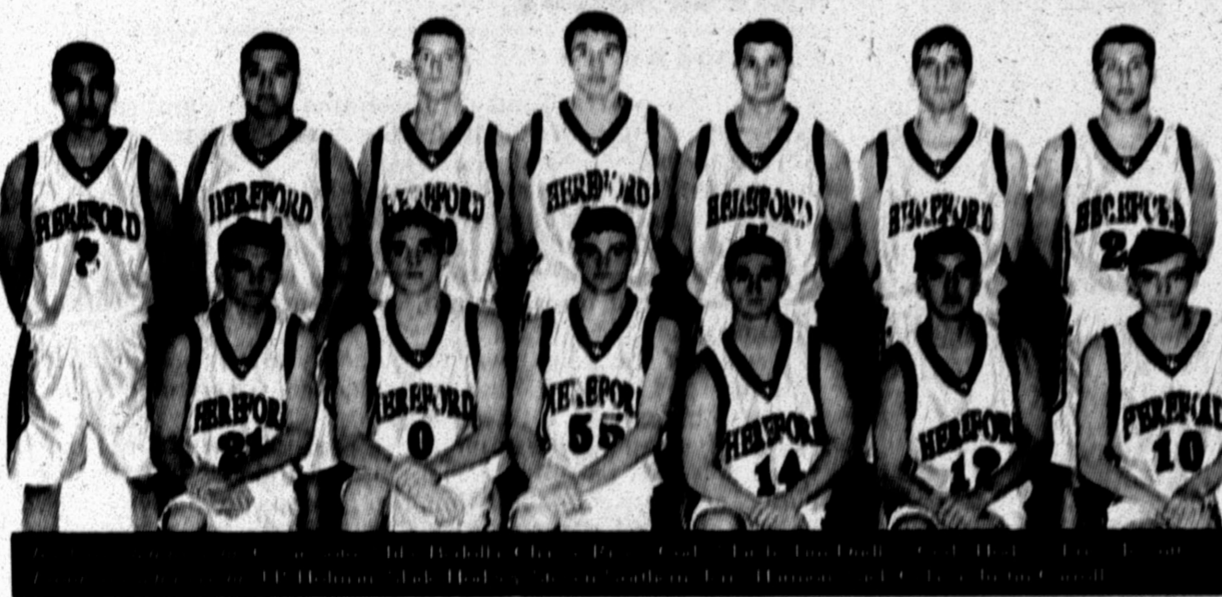


1999-2000 Whiteface Basketball Schedule

Jan. 14	Tulla	Here	6:00-7:30
Jan. 18	Borger	There	6:00-7:30
Jan. 21	Caprock	There	6:00-7:30
Jan. 25	Dumas	Here	6:00-7:30
Jan. 28	Palo Duro	There	6:00-7:30
Feb. 1	Pampa	There	6:00-7:30
Feb. 4	Borger	Here	6:00-7:30
Feb. 8	Caprock	Here	6:00-7:30
Feb. 11	Dumas	There	6:00-7:30
Feb. 15	Palo Duro	Here	6:00-7:30

1999-2000 Lady Whiteface Basketball Schedule

Jan. 7	Dumas	Here V/JV	6:00-7:30
Jan. 11	Palo Duro	Here V/JV	6:00-7:30
Jan. 14	Pampa	Here V/JV	6:00-7:30
Jan. 18	Borger	There V/JV	6:00-7:30
Jan. 21	Caprock	There V/JV	6:00-7:30
Jan. 25	Dumas	Here V/JV	6:00-7:30
Feb. 1	Pampa	There V/JV	6:00-7:30
Feb. 4	Borger	Here V/JV	6:00-7:30
Feb. 8	Caprock	Here V/JV	6:00-7:30



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0	Hodges, Slade	6'01"	Jr
3	Soto, Cesar	6'01"	Sr
5	Dudley, Tim	6'02"	Jr
10	Carroll, Justin	5'10"	Sr
12	Celaya, Nick	5'11"	Sr
14	Harmon, Jerry	5'07"	Sr
20	McNutt, Eric	6'	Sr
21	Holman, JP	5'11"	Jr
22	Hodges, Cody	6'01"	Jr
34	Bedolla, Mike	6'01"	Sr
40	Marsh, Cody	6'03"	Soph
50	Rives, Chayse	6'03"	Jr
55	Northern Steven	6'	Sr

Head Coach: Randy Dean
 Assistants: Clint Coley, Tim Anuszkiewicz
 Managers: Monique Balderaz & Sonia Valdez

Lady Whitefaces

10	Sarah Griffin	5'10"	Fr
12	Brionne Yosten	5'6"	Fr
14	Valerie Guzman	5'8"	Sr
20	Toni Eicke	5'9"	Sr
24	Nicole Bailey	5'4"	Sr
30	Tiffany Mercer	5'2"	Fr
32	Amanda Hill	5'6"	Sr
42	Shyla Martin	5'11"	Sr
44	Janae Schlabs	5'9"	Sr
50	Ashley Fangman	5'9"	Jr
52	Tori Walker	5'8"	Sr

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