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Today's weather OUTLOOK

Mostly cloudy skies; thunderstorms likely

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with thunderstorms likely, low in the mid-50s, east wind 10 to 20 mph, chance of rain 60 percent.

Saturday: Cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely, high 70 to 75, northeast to east wind 10 to 20 mph, chance of rain is 60 percent.

Saturday night: Cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely, low 55 to 60, chance of rain is 60 percent.

Extended forecast

Sunday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms, high in the upper 70s.

Monday and Tuesday: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms, lows 60 to 65, highs around 90.

Hereford weather

Thursday's high, 97; low, 56; no precipitation; year-to-date rainfall, 6.58 inches, according to KPAN Radio.



More rain likely across Texas

Another weekend of showers and thunderstorms was shaping up, with a strong cold front entering the northern Texas Panhandle.

The front should stall in the High Plains and along the Red River counties, acting as a trigger for more rainfall.

Early-morning temperatures Friday were in the 50s to 80s. It was 55 degrees at Dalhart, 80 at Wichita Falls and 87 at El Paso. Other readings were 73 degrees at Lufkin, Burnet and Nacogdoches; and 81 at Galveston, Laughlin Air Force Base and Del Rio, Rockport, Laredo and Palacios.

A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms was forecast through Saturday.

Daytime highs should be in the upper 80s east to lower 90s in the west. Lows overnight were expected to range from the upper 60s in the north to mid 70s in the south.

On Saturday, cooler temperatures were expected with highs ranging from the upper 60s over the Panhandle to around 105 degrees along the Rio Grande.

GAS PRICES: Clinton voices frustration with high fuel cost in Midwest, not sure about gouging

NEW YORK (AP) — President Clinton expressed frustration Friday that drivers in Chicago and Milwaukee are paying nearly 40 cents more per gallon than the rest of the nation and said, "What we don't know is whether there was any price gouging."

"It's been very frustrating to me," the president said in an interview on NBC's "Today" show. "I'm quite concerned about it."

In Washington, Environmental Protection Agency chief Carol Browner said that a preliminary investigation has turned up "no reasonable answer" that any market force is to blame. She said there is no evidence of a supply shortage in the region. And the cleaner-burning gasoline that companies were required to start

producing as of June 1 would not explain the large spike, either.

Clinton said the Federal Trade Commission, the EPA and the Energy Department are looking into the problem. "I'm very worried about it," Clinton said. "But I'm hoping we can break the logjam on it soon."

"The oil companies ... owe us an answer," Browner said after meeting in the Capitol office of House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., with lawmakers from Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana.

Browner is handing information gathered in recent days by field investigators in the two cities over to the Federal Trade Commission. That agency, which Browner noted may have more success since it has subpoena powers, already had an-

nounced it would examine whether price-fixing or collusion in the oil industry was driving up prices.

Browner said that the average price for regular gas in Chicago and Milwaukee on June 12 was \$2.04 per gallon; the average nationwide was \$1.62. In cities where cleaner-burning fuel is required it was only \$1.63.

The administration and a bipartisan group of lawmakers intend to meet with representatives from the oil refiners again next week, Browner said. The EPA and Energy Depart-



President Clinton says agencies trying to determine why Midwest gas prices higher than rest of U.S.

ment met with officials from eight major oil refineries on Monday.

Also Thursday, the White House ordered the Transportation Department to look into whether supply problems are contributing to the problem.

Lawmakers left the meeting with Browner clearly frustrated. Some blamed the EPA's stricter clean-air regulations and some blamed the oil industry.

"I don't think anybody knows whether it's the oil industry, the ethanol industry or the pipeline industry," said Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis.

"When we've gone to training in the past, we've always come back with a feeling that this is a good turnout for any school that offers the program. It's a needed program that fills a very real need."

■ **TERRY RUSSELL**

HISD deputy superintendent of support services



Two-year-old Angel Vasquez (above) enjoys a hot dog while other participants in the summer feeding program queue up.

Summer feeding program lauded

By **Dianna F. Dandridge**

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

Good programs are often evaluated, approved, continued or discontinued based on the number of people who use the service.

Hereford Independent School District and the Texas Department of Human Services have joined together for the ninth year to provide summer lunches for area youths.

The summer food program originally began on a voluntary basis for communities which fit in the economically disadvantaged profile. Now, according to Terry Russell, HISD deputy superintendent of support services, most schools no longer have the option and it is mandatory.

"The first week of serving, we served 3,065 meals," Russell said. "That's up from 2,055 last year, but that's a little misleading because last year summer school started during the second

week of serving. But we don't have 1,000 kids in summer school."

The second week of serving also showed an increase from 3,022 in 1999 to 3,089 for the week ending June 15.

"We've had just a real good community response for the program," Russell said. "On the average, we're feeding 756 hungry kids a day."

Walking through the busy cafeterias, the community response is evident.

Youngsters, ranging from toddlers to teens coming in from summer school take advantage of the free hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, cookies and milk which is provided.

"It's an economic way to feed our boys," said Ron King, director of the Deaf Smith County Youth Home. "It's a budget-saver. They serve something pretty close to what we would fix the boys."

King said the hamburgers are probably the biggest hit with the participants.

"You gotta get out there early on hamburger days. Last week I think they told me they fed 450 hamburgers," King said.

The reasons for the program popularity vary widely. Some of the kids are brought to the air-conditioned cafeterias by moms wanting to avoid cooking and cleaning up in their own often over-heated kitchen. Some diners are on their way to a low-paying summer job and take the advantage of a free, nutritious meal. Still others use it as a means of stretching the home food budgets a little farther.

The mother of Angel Vasquez, a 2-year-old diner, said, "We really appreciate it. They serve

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ON TAP TOWN & COUNTRY JUBILEE

Today-Sunday

Lions Club Carnival
Ed Burlingames' "Pride of Texas Shows"

June 14-18
Deaf Smith County Bull Barn

Saturday

Citywide Garage Sale

Miss Hereford and Little Miss Pageant

6 p.m.
Hereford High Auditorium

Hereford Lions Club Golf Tourney

9 a.m.
John Pitman Municipal Golf Course

Fireworks Celebration
Veterans Park



LARRY COMBEST

Chairman, House Agriculture Committee

Earned Income: \$136,700.

Honoraria, all donated to charity: None.

Major assets: Mutual funds, money market accounts, jointly held with wife, \$48,000-\$145,000.

Major sources of unearned income: Interest, \$2,600-\$8,200.

Major liabilities: None

Gifts: None

Narrative: Combest accepted free trips to Boca Raton, Fla., from the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and to Memphis, Tenn., from the National Cotton Council. Combest listed for his wife assets valued between \$16,000 and \$65,000.

In the House, power, wealth are not equal

By **Curt Anderson**

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — They are among the most powerful people in Washington, but leaders of the House of Representatives are far from the wealthiest, according to 1999 financial disclosure statements released Thursday.

As varied as the 435-member House itself, the forms show a broad range of income and assets, from church preaching to thoroughbred horses to wine grapes, as well as debt from credit cards and children's college tuition.

Majority Leader Dick Armey, second in command among House Republicans, ranks near the bottom in personal wealth even though his salary, at \$151,800, is very high by national standards. Rank and file House members make \$136,700.

Armey, R-Texas, a former college professor, reported no assets worth more than \$1,000 and only supplemented his salary with a \$2,400 annual teacher's pension.

Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., owned greater assets than other House leaders, but also had significant liabilities.

He valued a 270-acre farm in Shipman, Ill., a townhouse in Washington and a Plainfield, Ill., building each at \$100,000

to \$250,000. But he still owed between \$50,000 and \$100,000 on each of those properties.

Lawmakers are required to report the value of their assets, income and debts only within broad ranges.

They show income from all types of sources. Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., listed as assets held jointly with her husband two California vineyards, each worth up to \$5 million and each producing rental income.

Rep. Robert Goodling, R-Pa., listed interest in eight thoroughbred horses worth a total of \$20,500, including a colt named Mister Goodie and a filly called Lady of Dover, valued at \$3,000 each.

Rep. Steve Largent, R-Okla., a member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame, made \$23,500 by signing football cards and donated \$1,500 of it to charity.

Another former football star and Southern Baptist preacher, Rep. J.C. Watts, R-Okla., was paid more than \$19,000 for appearances at 19 churches around the country. The former University of Oklahoma quarterback and Canadian football player took 28 all-expense-paid trips, including one to the Fiesta Bowl football

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Local roundup

Industrial tech blankets

Students who used blankets to wrap Industrial Arts projects for transportation to the Waco competition, but failed to reclaim the blankets, should check with Carolyn Evers at 364-4739. She is currently holding several unclaimed packing blankets.

PLN summer youth programs

The Promised Land Network will be hosting a summer youth program each Friday from June 9 through August 11, 10 a.m. till noon. Deaf Smith County Library will collaborate with PLN and Bluewater Garden to extend their summer reading program. Kids can check out books and participate in prizes offered. Activities will be offered to children 6-years-old and up and will include tours, hiking, swimming, CPR and first aid, bicycle safety, arts and crafts, and other fun activities.

For more information please contact Elva Porras, BWG Learning Center 364-7529 or Dora Jimenez 364-2028.

HISD hosts public hearing

Hereford Independent School District will hold a public meeting June 20, from 5:30-6 p.m., in the HISD administration building southeast meeting room on Federal Fund Programs for the 2000-2001 school year.

HISD staff will present information on Title I Part A Accelerated Instruction; Title I Part C Migrant Services; Title I Part D Prevention Intervention; Title II Part A Carl D. Perkins career and technology; Title IV Safe and Drug Free Schools and Community Act; Idea A Formula Special Education; Idea B Pre-school Special education.

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Bonfire fate to be announced

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — The Aggie bonfire, a pre-game tradition that turned deadly for 12 Texas A&M students, will reportedly be replaced by a memorial service this year and will only return to campus under engineers' supervision.

Relatives of last year's bonfire collapse victims said in published reports Friday that the bonfire will be suspended until at least 2002 and will return with much greater university oversight.

Texas A&M President Ray Bowen has scheduled a news conference for 2 p.m. CST Friday on campus to announce what will happen to the 90-year tradition after the Nov. 18 collapse, when the 2 million-pound log stack tumbled to the ground, killing 12 Aggies and injuring 27 others.

Strict guidance of professional engineers and advisers will replace the student-run project, victims' relatives who received advance copies of Bowen's findings told the Bryan-College Station Eagle and The Dallas Morning News.

Michael Self, father of bonfire victim Jerry Don Self, said that a letter from Vice President of Student Affairs Malon Southerland stated that future bonfires will rely on groups of professional, adult supervisors who will instruct and tell student leaders how the structure should be built.

Self, who has said earlier that he would help students build the bonfire even if that meant doing so off campus, said the changes would be somewhat like "your parents doing your science project for you."

Psychiatrist bill seems high

HOUSTON (AP) — An expert witness who submitted a \$63,100 bill for psychiatric work in convicted railroad killer Angel Maturino Resendiz's trial is under a judge's orders to trim his expenses.

Maturino Resendiz has been sentenced to death in Texas for the 1998 rape and murder of a Houston-area doctor. His lawyers have conceded that he killed eight other people in Texas, Illinois and Kentucky in a cross-country killing spree. All were killed at or near railroad tracks.

Dr. Bruce Cohen's bill for his testimony is the highest local court observers can remember from an expert witness in a case where the defendant is given court-appointed counsel.

"I gave the bill back to (defense lawyer Allen) Tanner and told him to talk to Dr. Cohen about it," State District Judge Bill Harmon told the Houston Chronicle on Thursday. "It was a little high. I told him to pare it down before I had to."

Defense attorneys used the testimony of Cohen, a forensic psychiatrist at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, as the centerpiece of their claim that Maturino Resendiz was insane when he murdered West University Place physician Claudia Benton.

Cohen and Tanner said the bill was reasonable, considering the complexity of the case. Tanner said Cohen wrote a 67-page, single-spaced report on the suspected serial killer.

ELSEWHERE

BROWNWOOD FLOODS: A downpour of over 8 inches flooded streets and several homes in Central Texas Thursday, prompting the city to seek a flood disaster declaration from the governor's office. Over 125 residents of Brownwood, about 65 miles southeast of Abilene, were evacuated as homes and streets were flooded.

TEXAS DEATH PENALTY: Three weeks after issuing his first-ever reprieve to a condemned man, Gov. George W. Bush faces a case that foes of the death penalty see as a stark and disturbing illustration of what's wrong with capital punishment. Gary Graham, 36, faces lethal injection June 22 in a case that rests on the testimony of a single eyewitness — a woman who says she saw him shoot a man to death in a holdup outside a Houston supermarket 19 years ago.

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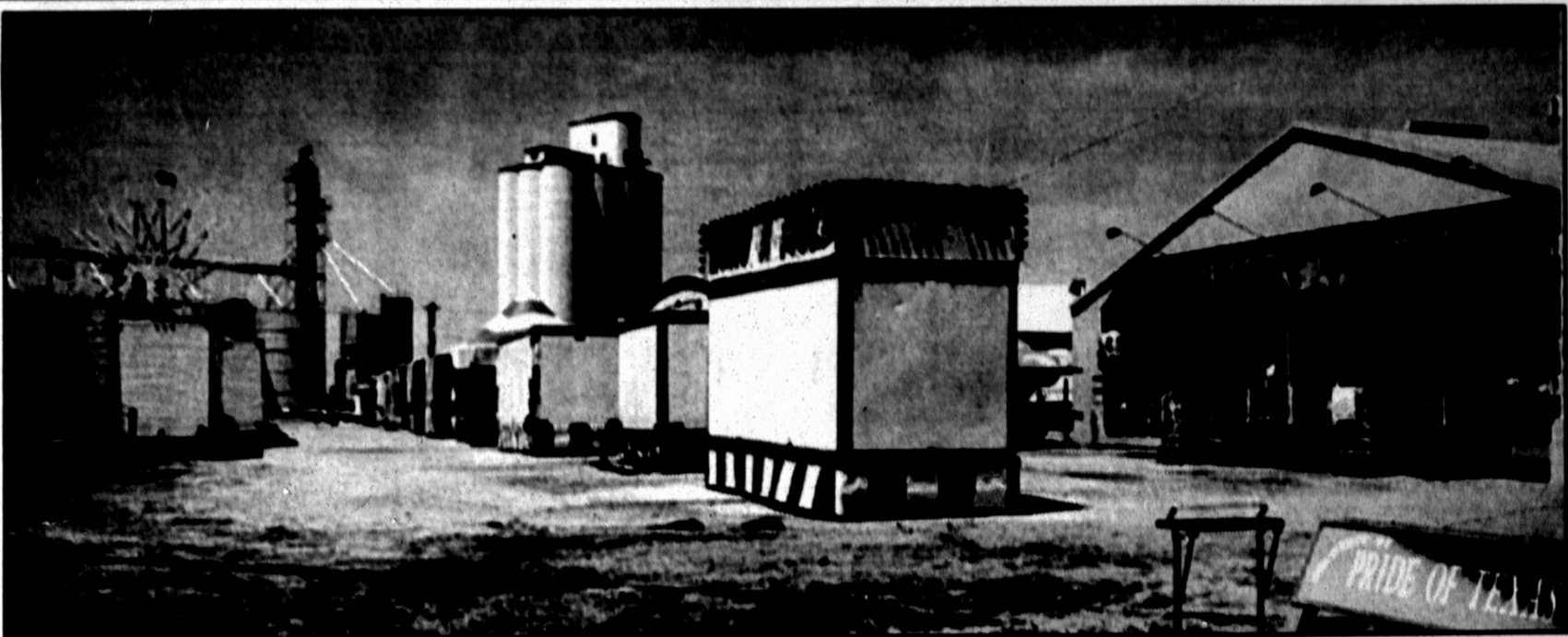
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The silence of the midway -- In the early afternoon, the rides of Pride of Texas Carnival are silenced waiting for the inevitable crowds of screaming children and parents. The food wagons, prize tents, games of chance and especially the

Officials smash heroin ring

Pure, inexpensive formula finding its way to mid-sized communities

WASHINGTON (AP) — A 13-month investigation into an international drug smuggling operation led to the arrests of more than 200 people and sparked fears that an inexpensive, but unusually potent form of heroin is entering mid-sized U.S. cities nationwide.

The Mexican-based ring is operating in cities from Honolulu to the Eastern U.S. markets usually supplied by Colombian dealers, officials said. It gained a foothold on the East Coast by underselling the Colombians by \$800 to \$1,000 per ounce of heroin, Donnie Marshall, administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, said Thursday as officials announced a string of new arrests in the case.

The DEA was alarmed to find that the ring was selling \$10 street doses of heroin, weighing half a gram, that were 60 percent to 85 percent pure heroin, said Rod Benson, deputy to the chief of special operations for the DEA.

Colombian heroin, which is white because it is more highly processed, is sold in the United States in purities ranging from

70 percent to 90 percent, Marshall said. Seizures of heroin from Mexico in 1991 averaged 15 percent purity.

Marshall said he believes "this operation has some significant implications, not just for law enforcement but for the country as a whole."

"This operation, I think, shows that heroin has re-emerged in our society with a vengeance, and it is more potent and more deadly in our country than ever before," said Marshall, speaking with Attorney General Janet Reno at the DEA's suburban Arlington, Va., headquarters.

The anti-drug sweep, called Operation Tar Pit, grew out of a June investigation that found a single organization was providing most of San Diego's high-grade heroin. Agents linked the ring to an investigation in Chimayo, N.M., where 85 people had died from heroin overdoses between 1995 and 1998, Marshall said.

"The higher purity actually allows users to smoke or inhale the heroin rather than injecting it, and unfortunately many people think that if it's not injected the heroin is not as dangerous," Marshall said, "and that couldn't be further from the truth as the sad and tragic events in Chimayo, New Mexico, will tell you."

The gang, based in the Nayarit state of Mexico, is

believed to be led by Issas Hernandez-Garcia, who was arrested Thursday, and Angel Hernandez-Ibarra, who re-

mains at large. Authorities believe the gang was distributing 80 pounds of heroin each month, worth more than \$7 million, in 22 U.S. cities ranging from Anchorage, Alaska, to Columbus, Ohio.

To develop customers quickly, the distributors preyed on clinics where heroin addicts receive the drug methadone to block their need for heroin, Benson said.

"This organization operated in a dangerously efficient manner. Not only did this group exhibit disregard for the law, but their peddling of this powerful and addictive drug showed an even greater disregard for human life," Reno said.

Jose Antonio, a spokesman for the Mexican Embassy, said it was encouraging that U.S. authorities had broken up the ring but disputed characteriz-

ing the ring as Mexican. "The heroin is Mexican and the main heroin wholesalers were based in Nayarit, but the gang and the main distribution center was based in Los Angeles," he said.

DEA and FBI agents had arrested 70 people through Wednesday. On Thursday, they arrested 176 more people by early evening, searched 60 locations and seized 23 pounds of heroin.

That brought overall seizures to 64 pounds.

Benson said the gang sold heroin in San Diego, Los Angeles and Bakersfield, Calif.; Portland, Ore.; Honolulu, Anchorage, Alaska; Las Vegas and Reno, Nev.; Phoenix and Yuma, Ariz.; Albuquerque, N.M.; Salt Lake City; Denver; Cleveland, Columbus and Steubenville, Ohio; Nashville, Tenn.; Atlanta; Chicago; Detroit; Pittsburgh; and Corpus Christi, Texas.

The gang also had distribution cells, not linked to one city, in Kentucky, Minnesota, Alabama, West Virginia and New Jersey, Benson said.

Roman Catholic churches face priest shortages

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The most pressing practical problem facing the Roman Catholic Church is a growing shortage of priests that could lead to fewer Masses, more priestless parishes and deacons leading worship services, the nation's Catholic bishops say.

A two-year study on the burgeoning problem was presented Thursday to the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, which is meeting in Milwaukee through Saturday.

In 1965, there were 58,132 priests serving 46.6 million parishioners in the United States. Today there are 20 percent fewer priests and nearly a third more parishioners, the study said.

Indications are the things

will get worse over the coming decade.

Archbishop Theodore McCarrick of Newark, N.J., said his diocese projects the number of priests to drop from 540 to 192 in 20 years. And Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Curry reported that due to immigration, some parishes in the Los Angeles archdiocese have 18,000 Catholic households.

"The problems are simply enormous," Curry said.

Bishops provided a range of explanations for the shortfall: fewer parents encouraging church vocations, church negativism, secularism and materialism in society, and a reluctance to make permanent commitments.

Whatever the reasons, the situation is bound to worsen

due to the rising average age of priests — currently 57 for those working in dioceses — retirements and deaths.

As for future recruits, 3,474 candidates are studying in graduate-level seminaries, a 57 percent drop from 1965. A quarter of the seminarians are foreign born. Additionally, major archdioceses are ordaining fewer than 10 new priests this year.

The only functions limited to priests are celebration of Mass and granting absolution from sins. But in practice, Catholics expect priests to preside at baptisms, marriages and funerals and to participate in other parish functions.

Bishop Stephen Blaire of Stockton, Calif., summarized the findings of 18 focus groups with priests around the country.

HEREFORD BRAND Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for June 15, 2000, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Incidents

Two bicycles were reported stolen from the 500 block of Avenue J.

A purse containing about \$300 and various credit cards was reported stolen from a vehicle in the 500 block of Avenue G.

A bicycle, valued at \$250, was stolen from the 100 block of Nueces.

A burglary of a habitation was reported in the 400 block of Roosevelt. A resident reported someone entered the house and took an empty CD case valued at \$4.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

A 24-year-old man was arrested and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

A 32-year-old woman was arrested and charged with surrender of surety on a tampering with government records charge.

A 28-year-old woman was arrested and charged with surrender of surety on a theft by check charge.

A 31-year-old woman was arrested and charged with surrender of surety on a tampering with government records conviction.

Incidents
A criminal mischief was reported.

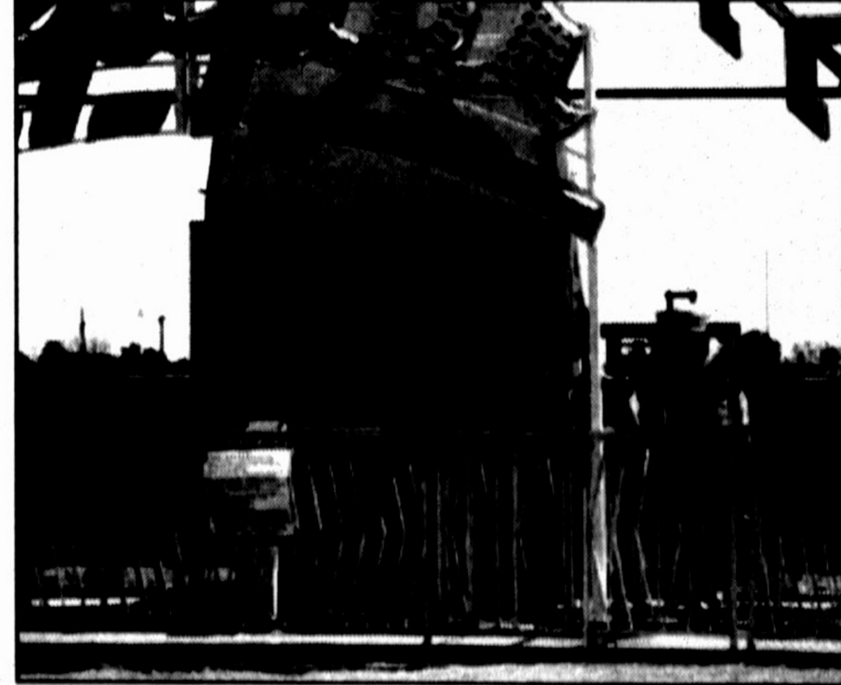
FIRE DEPARTMENT

7:04 p.m. Firefighters responded to a wreck rescue 6 miles north on road JJ onto FM 2587. No serious injuries.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Texas lottery

Cash Five
The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery: 1-3-8-29-39

Pick 3
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-5-6



Getting ready -- An unidentified carnival worker took advantage of pre-opening hours Thursday to hose off the platform to one of the busiest rides. The carnival, set up at the Bull Barn will continue through Sunday with rides and amusement for young and old alike.

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LIFESTYLES

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Kniffen will speak at Presbyterian church

Wayne Kniffen, a retired minister who has recently relocated to Hereford to begin a new phase of ministry including pulpit supply, revivals and conferences, will be guest speaker Sunday at First Presbyterian Church.



Kniffen

Kniffen served as senior pastor for 27 years, the last 18 with Eastside Baptist Church in Henderson.

He is author of published Bible studies, discipleship and counseling materials, as well as "Does Anybody Care?" from Brentwood Christian Press.

Kniffen had a weekly radio ministry, "From My Heart to Yours," in Henderson for 18 years.

He was educated at Tyler Junior college, Texas Eastern University and Baptist Missionary Theological Seminary.

Kniffen has a daughter, Paige McAnally, who lives in Henderson and a son, Justin, who is a recent college graduate and plans to teach and coach.

Annual pageant set

A new Miss Hereford and four new Little Miss Herefords will be selected during the annual pageant beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday in the Hereford High School auditorium. The Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce is once again sponsoring the event.

Ten young ladies between the ages of 16-21 will compete in the Miss Hereford portion of the evening.

Miss Hereford contestants are Christine Chavez, Michelle Bixler, Lisa Conaway, Kimberly

Scott, Crystal Shipp, Cassie Hulsey, Crystal Luna, Audra Witkowski, Sammi Scumbato, and Katherine Fry.

Little Miss age divisions are Cutest Miss-preschool and kindergarten; Miss Petite-first, second and third graders; Little Princess-fourth, fifth and sixth graders; and Junior Miss-seventh, eighth and ninth graders.

Admission to the pageant is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children age 12 and under. Tickets will be available at the door.

Life, witness classes continue at Nazarene

Christian Life and Witness Classes for those assisting with Festival 2000 Aug. 18-20 with Franklin Graham will be held in Hereford at the Church of the Nazarene at 7 p.m. Tuesdays through June.

Classes are taught by Billy Graham Team members and are for everyone ages 13 and above.

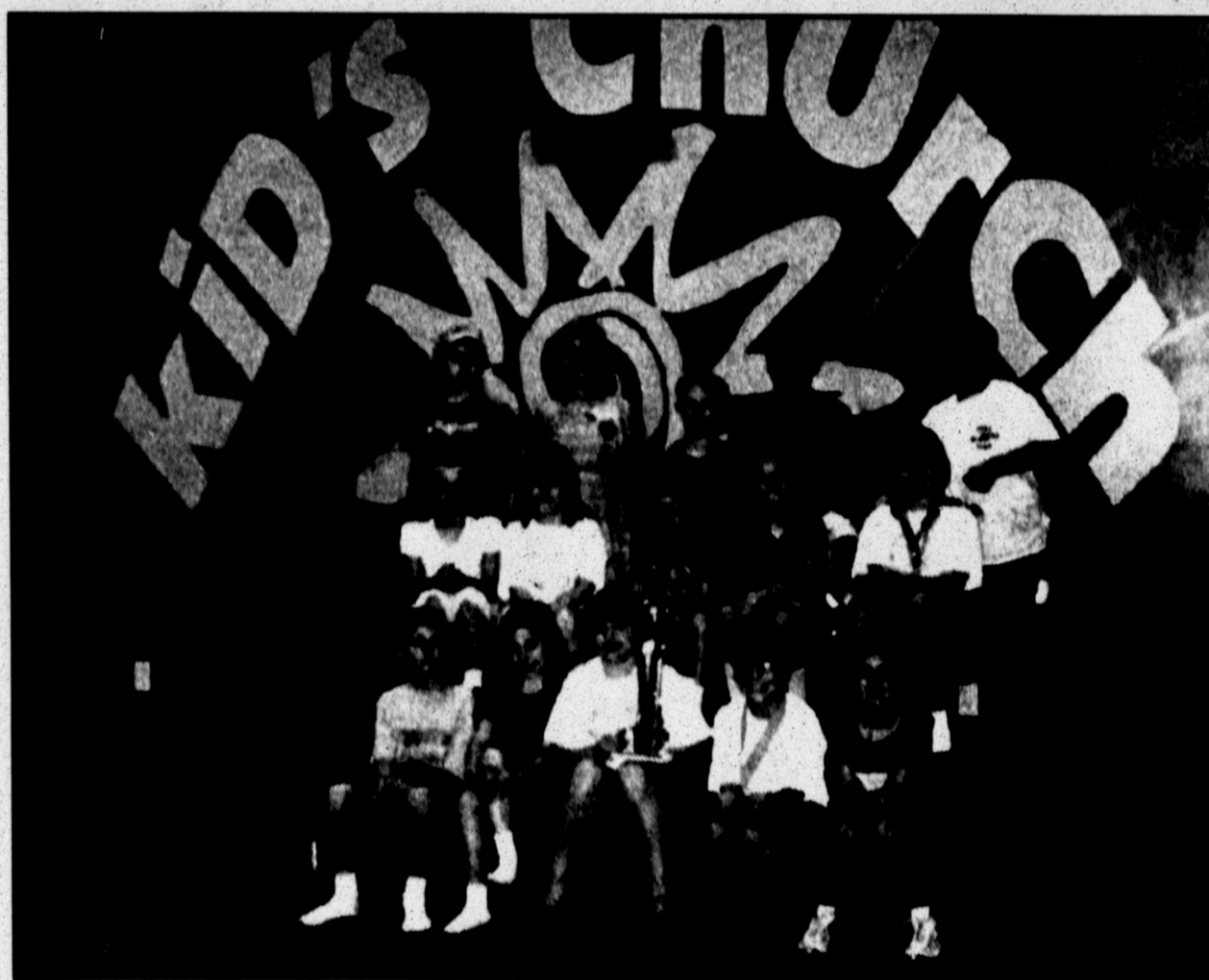
Everyone is welcome to attend the Christian Life and Witness Classes without any obligation of being a counselor

at the Festival; however, only those who attend these classes may become a Festival counselor.

Student Emphasis classes are open to all adults. They will start 30 minute early and will feature music and drama.

Pastors are needed to be supervisors of counselors at the Festival and are encouraged to set the pace for their people by attending all classes.

Classes are free and no registration is necessary.



Bible Quiz Team from Hereford Church of the Nazarene was composed of first through sixth graders who studied I and II Samuel to prepare for competition. Pictured are, front from left, Levi Keeling, Shelby Easley, Jaclynn Page, Mitchell Harris, Andee Josserand; middle, Kenzie Walden, Bailey Nicole, Andrew Taylor, Kaleb Hall, Taylor Kinsey; back, Aimee Ashcraft, Lauren Josserand, Justin Hall, Louis Castro and Hank Messer. Team member not pictured is Matthew Harris.

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Ann Landers



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I live in a retirement home, and read your column every day. Will you please print this letter as a service to those of us who live in facilities such as mine? My friends and I would like to pass on some suggestions to all the people who have contact with residents in a long-term care setting:

1. When you write to us, please include your last name and address. Our memories aren't good enough to recall your last name, or we may know three different people named Mary or John. We enjoy getting mail, however, so please write. Even a postcard is welcome.

2. When you visit, don't play guessing games and ask if we know who you are. We must deal with so many faces every day, it is hard to remember everyone.

3. Speak slowly and distinctly, and raise your voice only when necessary. Shouting in our ears makes us nervous. Get to the point of the conversation so we know what you are talking about. If we look confused, you may need to use a different phrase to help us understand.

4. Encourage us to visit with you in the lounge area. We like our rooms, but the visit will seem much more special if it is in the lounge. After all, this is our home, and we want to be gracious.

5. Please call ahead, and inquire about our meal times. It is disruptive when you arrive while we are eating and we cannot finish our food while it is still warm. We want to see you, but we need to eat on time, or we go without.

6. Please respect our privacy and that of the other residents. Don't ask us questions about others who are here. We don't want to gossip about our friends.

7. If you are not sure what to talk about during a visit, bring a news article, a picture book, a poem or old photographs to share. Of course, bringing a piece of fruit or a baked treat is welcome, too.

If we had our choice, we would rather be living in our own homes, but circumstances prevent that. Please help us make each day enjoyable. — Residents of the New Glarus Home in Wisconsin

Dear Residents: Thank you for a fine letter. All who live in retirement homes and nursing homes will bless you for writing.

Dear Ann Landers: You have printed several "How We Met" stories, and now, maybe your readers would enjoy an amusing "graduation" story.

This happened in Nebraska in 1933, during the Depression. My friend, Orville, was wearing his first store-bought suit. After the high school graduation ceremony, he and his girlfriend, Madeline, parked out on a muddy country road. Time passed rapidly, and they started back long after her curfew. The tires were old, and alas, one blew out. Orville didn't want to soil his new suit, so he took off his trousers when he changed the tire. It took longer than he expected to change the tire, so he left his trousers off and rushed home.

Madeline's porch light was on, and her father was standing in the doorway. She scrambled out of the car, and

Orville drove away. Her father then gave her a stern lecture about the duty of a young man to see his date to the door. Madeline didn't dare tell her father that the reason Orville didn't bring her to the door was because he didn't have any pants on. — Z.C. in Modesto, Calif.

Dear Z.C.: It's just as well Orville didn't try to explain. When a young man brings his girlfriend home and appears at her door without his pants on, nothing he could say to her father would make much difference.

To find out more about Ann Landers and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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Quiz team announces results of competition

Members of the Hereford Church of the Nazarene Bible Quiz Team were winners in recent area competitions.

Youths in grades one through six studied I and II Samuel every Tuesday afternoon from September through April to prepare for the contests.

Winners in the Amarillo Zone Competition were: Aimee Ashcraft, gold; Lauren Josserand, bronze; Justin Hall, bronze; Louis Castro, bronze; Hank Messer, bronze; Kenzie Walden, bronze; Bailey Nicole, silver; Andrew Taylor, bronze; Kaleb Hall, bronze; Taylor Kinsey, gold; Levi Keeling, gold; Shelby Easley, gold; Jaclynn Page, gold; Mitchell Harris, gold; Andee Josserand, bronze; and Matthew Harris, bronze.

Placing in the Abilene District Competition were: Aimee Ashcraft, gold, memorized Psalm 23; Taylor Kinsey, gold; Shelby Easley, gold, memorized Psalm 23; Jaclynn Page, two perfect rounds and the trophy; and Mitchell Harris, gold, memorized Psalm 23.

Teachers were Tyna Hall, Karen Keeling and Carol Haile.

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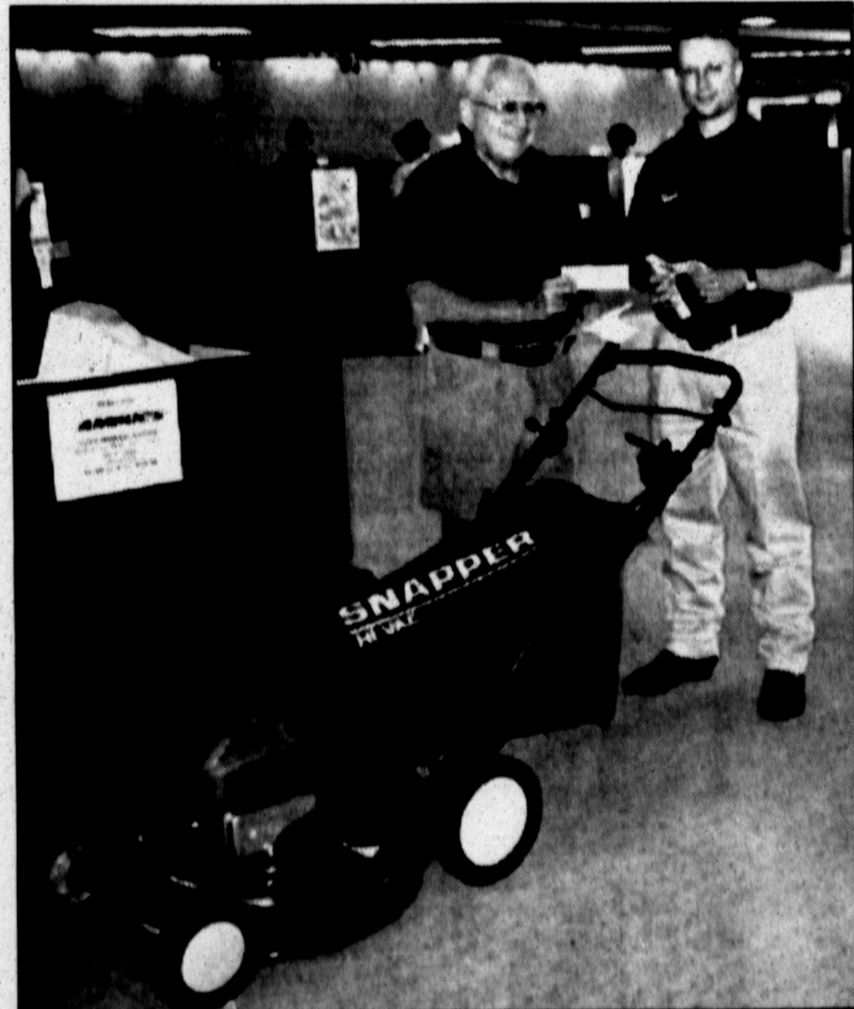
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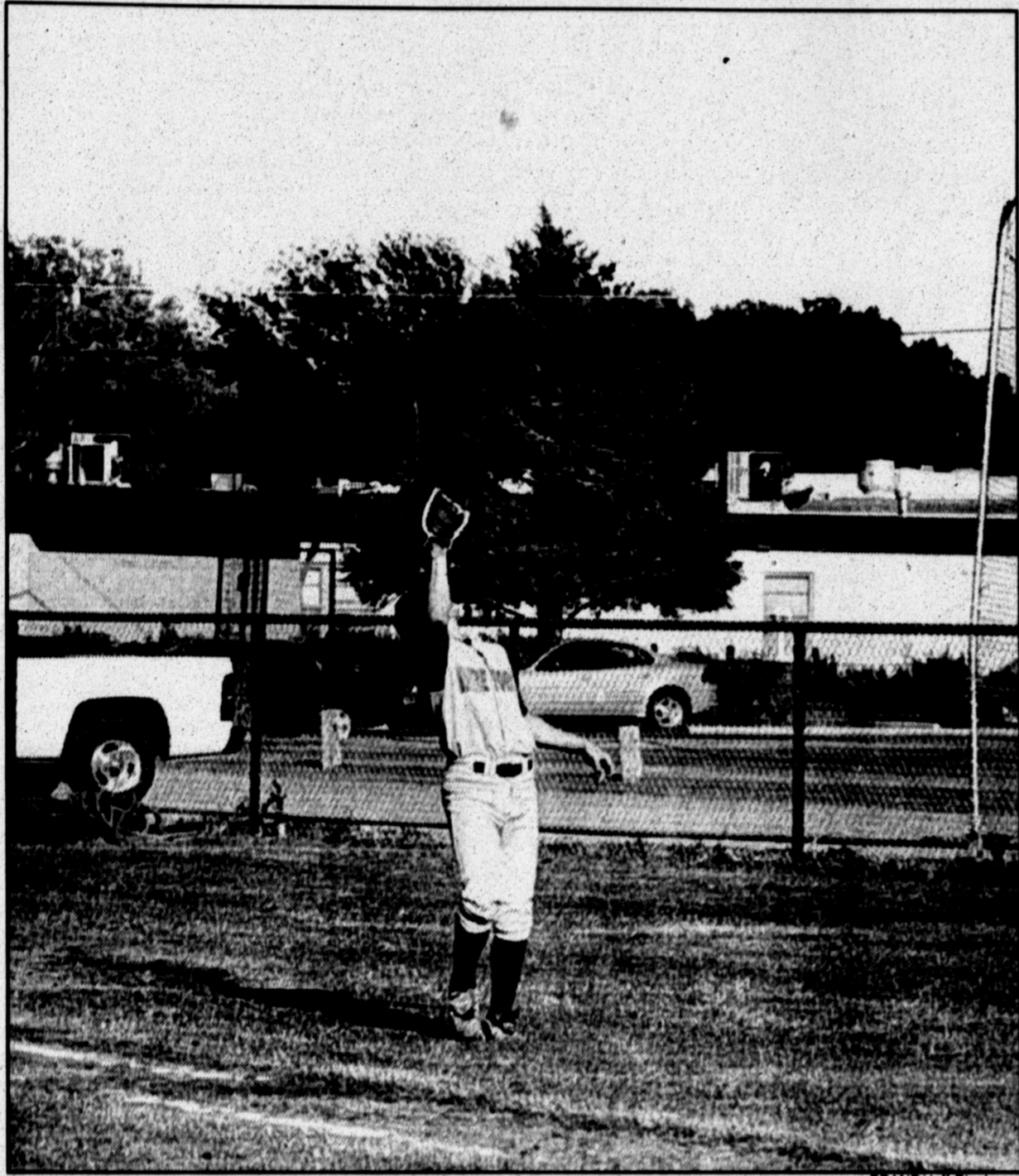
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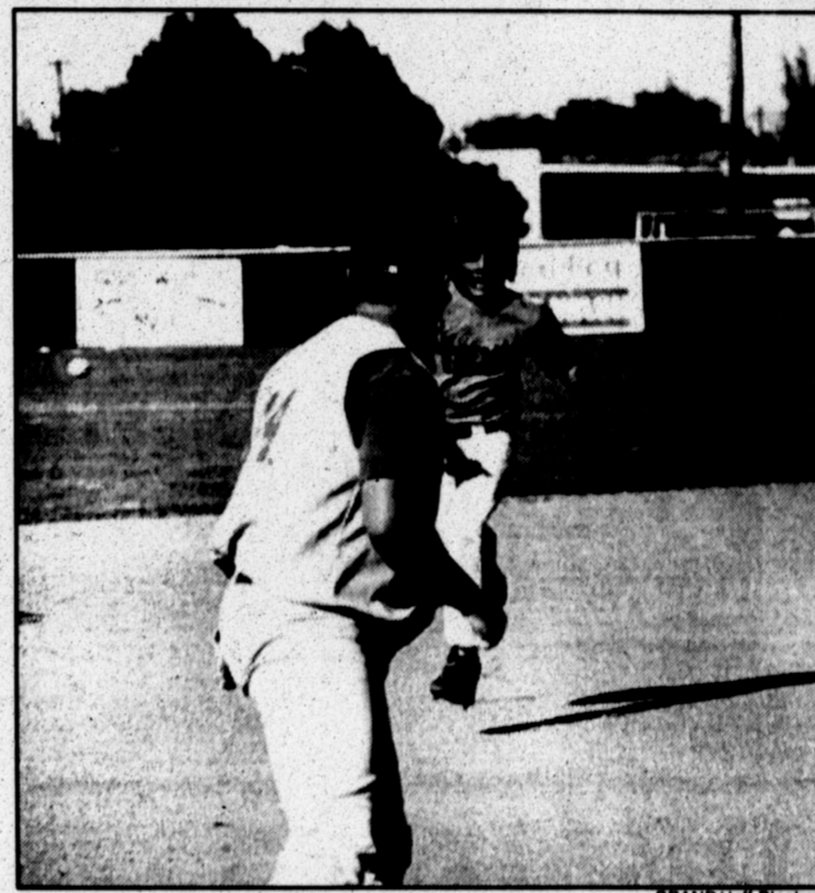
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Rattle Battle-The Hereford Diamondbacks took on Caprock Thursday at Whiteface Field and won 16-8. The team evens its record at 6-6-1 behind their 22 hit performance and strong pitching from starter Michael Rhyne (above). Rhyne is 3-1 for the season. Diamondback pitcher and first baseman Eddie Lacey (far left) gets under a pop-up on Thursday during the third inning. Third baseman Isaac Alonzo (left) waits for the throw from the outfield to tag out a Caprock base runner in the third. The Diamondbacks are in action again tomorrow at 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. against Randall and San Jacinto Christian.

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D'backs strike Caprock

The Hereford Diamondbacks evened their record to 6-6-1 Thursday with their 16-8 route of Caprock.

The Diamondbacks unleashed a 22 hit attack to support Hereford hurler Michael Rhyne (3-1).

Andrew Villarreal, Isaac Alonzo, Eddie Lacey, Ramiro Zambrano, Brandon Bigham, Marcus Smith and Kyle Daniel each had multiple hits for the Diamondbacks. Lacey also hit a home run in the bottom half of the sixth inning to help the team.

The team lost 6-3 on Monday at Randall and tied in their game Wednesday 8-8 against Dumas. The game was called after it was too dark to continue play.

The next two games for the team is Saturday when the Diamondbacks take on San Jacinto Christian and Randall at Whiteface Field. Hereford will take on San Jacinto at 1 p.m. and Randall at 5 p.m. On Tuesday Hereford hosts Palo Duro at 6 p.m.

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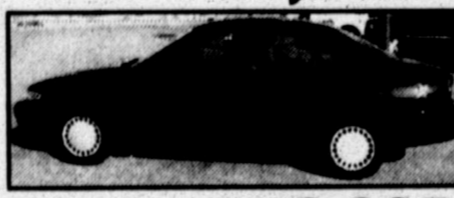
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Tiger takes Open lead

■ Jimenez one stroke behind Woods at 5-under-par

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Tiger Woods, the master of the dramatic comeback, is doing his best to avoid such theatrics at this week's 100th U.S. Open.

Woods, who rallied from seven strokes back in the final seven holes the last time he played on this Pebble Beach course, took a 1-stroke lead in Thursday's fog-shortened first round of the Open.

On a day that began in brilliant sunshine and ended with the picturesque course shrouded in a chilly blanket of fog, Woods shot a 6-under 65 that was the best round in an Open at Pebble Beach — which has played host to the event three times before.

"I've always felt it's nice to lead. I've always felt I would much rather have the lead than try to catch up," he said. "I think it's a lot easier to play from a spot near the lead than it is when you're that far behind."

Woods already has shown he can come back to win. In his last visit here, he made three birdies and an eagle in the final seven holes to win the National Pro-Am in early February.

But sometimes the deficit proves to be too much. Woods struggled to a 3-over 75 in the first round of this year's Masters and almost missed the cut. Though he made a final-round charge, he never became a serious threat to the leaders.

By playing so well Thursday, Woods put himself in a comfortable position and added to the aura of invincibility of a player who has won 11 of his last 20 PGA Tour events.

Woods, the tournament's overwhelming favorite, finished off his round with a birdie on 18, blasting out of the sand to within 18 inches of the cup.

He had his fifth birdie on the par-5 14th hole, pitching out of the rough and sinking a midlength putt. Woods also had birdies on Nos. 4, 7, 10 and 13.

"I played well all day. I drove the ball beautifully, and I made a lot of putts," he said. "I made a lot of crucial putts, and you have to do that in a U.S. Open."

Woods made his move Thursday just as fog and wind rolled in from the Pacific Ocean, erasing the calm of a sunny, warm morning. By the end, he had a 1-stroke lead over Miguel Angel Jimenez, a Spaniard who has never won a tournament in the United States. Jimenez opened his round with five birdies in seven holes.

The fog halted play just before 4 p.m. EDT, with nearly half the 156 players still on the course. The opening round was to resume at 6:45 a.m. PDT Friday, with the second round getting under way about two hours after that.

Among those still on the course when play was suspended was Nick Faldo, who was at 4 under after 13 holes. Faldo hasn't won a tournament three years.

John Huston finished his round two strokes back of Woods at 4-under 67 and Bobby Clampett, who grew up on the Monterey Peninsula, was at 68. Clampett was playing in his first Open since 1986 and in his first tournament of the year.

"Can you believe this?" Clampett said. "It was extremely emotional for me. At times out there, I was fighting off the tears."



Eye on the prize—Tiger Woods roared into competition Thursday at Pebble Beach.

Rangers lose eighth straight

■ Texas slides to 5.5 games behind division leading Seattle

BALTIMORE (AP) — The Texas Rangers are at a critical point in their season.

The Rangers are still convinced they can reach the playoffs again. They also know that the time has come for them to prove it.

Albert Belle hit a grand slam for the second straight night and also had a solo shot as the Baltimore Orioles handed the Rangers their eighth straight defeat, 10-1 Thursday night.

Texas' skid is its longest since a 10-game slide in July 1995. Rusty Greer drove in the lone run for the Rangers, who have dropped six straight and 10 of 12 on the road.

"Pitching is not at the crisis point, no more than anything else, really," said Texas manager Johnny Oates, who held a team meeting after the game. "This team is where we have to start a streak. We talked about that a few minutes ago. It's got to change

quick." The Rangers dropped two straight one-run games to the Orioles before collapsing on another rainy night at Camden Yards. Baltimore pulled away with a six-run eighth inning, capped by Belle's 13th career slam.

"It's not a situation where we're making mental mistakes. We're not pitching well and hitting well at the same time," Texas first baseman Rafael Palmeiro said. "We've gotten into a funk, and the ball is rolling downhill picking up speed. We've got to put a stop to it — now."

The Rangers next face Tampa Bay, and they have no intention of waiting to get home before turning things around.

"Sometimes when you get in a streak like this, you tend to feel sorry for yourself," Palmeiro said. "But you have to do the opposite: focus and push harder." Six pitchers combined on a five-hitter as the Orioles won their fifth straight. It was Baltimore's first three-game sweep of Texas since July 1997.

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Massachusetts isn't sure thing for foe in election; Bush sees chance to win

BOSTON (AP) — Massachusetts is home to such famous Democrats as the Kennedys, but its Republican governor and lieutenant governor give George W. Bush a glimmer of hope this fall.

Arriving Thursday for two fund-raisers aimed at generating more than \$1 million for the Republican National Committee, Bush joked that he would only take the outcome of his home state of Texas for granted in the fall matchup with Vice President Al Gore.

It was optimistic talk, considering Bush lost the Massachusetts GOP primary in March to Sen. John McCain, 65 percent to 32 percent. In 1988, the state's governor, Michael S. Dukakis, was the Democratic presidential nominee against Bush's father, former President Bush.

"I recognize it's a Democratic state, but there have been some notable exceptions," said Bush, flanked by Gov. Paul Cellucci and Lt.

Gov. Jane Swift. "The only state that's almost certain is Texas."

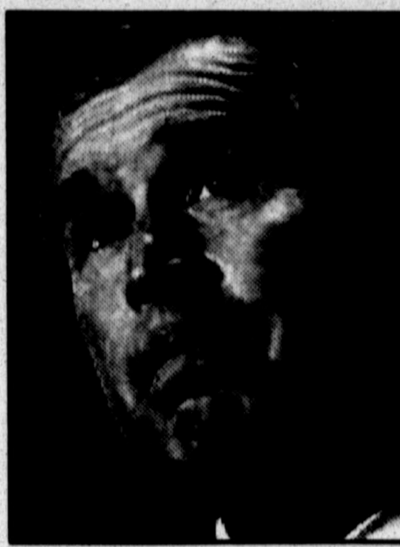
Bush was heading to Canton, Ohio, today for a visit to Passages School, an alternative school for at-risk students.

The Texas governor is fond of blasting "the soft bigotry of low expectations," saying all children can learn if placed in the appropriate setting.

Passages School, part of the city school district, is an alternative place of learning for pupils who have been expelled or suspended from their local public school.

The primary goal is to provide a personalized education program, allowing them to return to their regular schools. Students are also encouraged to perform community service.

A day earlier in South Portland, Maine, Bush outlined a five-year, \$880 million plan to remove "the last barriers to full, independent, productive lives" for the disabled on the job and at home.



Republican George W. Bush says he's not conceding Massachusetts to Democrat Al Gore.

And he kicked off a series of GOP fund-raising events netting nearly \$5 million in two days.

Bush also commented on the loss of computer files containing nuclear weapons secrets from a New Mexico lab, saying the matter was "of great concern." He blamed the Clinton administration for "another major security lapse" and said he supports an investigation into the missing files.

"Like all Americans, I'm deeply concerned about security lapses at Los Alamos and I look forward to finding out what the facts are," Bush said.

GOP delegates not irked that governor a no-show

HOUSTON (AP) — Delegates and others at the Texas Republican convention say they aren't too upset with Gov. George W. Bush's decision not to attend.

"He needs to spend as much time as possible out of state," said delegate Laurey Gilbert of Pampa. "He doesn't need to cheerlead here at home."

The GOP convention began Thursday with Lt. Gov. Rick Perry as the featured speaker. Bush, the presumptive Republican presidential nominee, revealed several days ago that he wouldn't attend because he would be campaigning out of state.

Al Lingold of Houston, at the convention as a guest of a delegate, said he's a strong Bush supporter and would have liked to have seen him at the meeting.

"He's the best, the very best," Lingold said. "It's a shame he can't be here. I do regret that. It won't hurt him. It would just make us feel better."

Donna Rush, an alternate delegate from Dallas, said she also would like to have heard Bush speak, but said she un-

derstands his decision.

"We will be strongly supporting him. Maybe he's needed elsewhere, where he's not as well known," she said.

Corporations ante up

The Republican Party of Texas has stepped up its efforts to use corporate donations to help defray the costs of its state convention.

As allowed by law, private companies are providing close to two-thirds of the cost of putting on the state convention, or about \$400,000 of the \$600,000 total cost, said party spokesman Robert Black.

The biggest donors are Microsoft, Dow Chemical Co. and Voter.com, each of which is providing \$50,000 in cash or services.

The next level of corporate donor, providing \$25,000 each, includes Burlington Northern Santa Fe, Metabolife International Inc., Motorola, Philip Morris Management Corp., Pilgrim's Pride, Sam Houston Race Park and Promised Land Dairy.

Placards bearing the names of companies sponsoring the convention are prominently displayed throughout the

George R. Brown Convention Center. Burlington Northern also was bringing in two antique train cars for private receptions, and Promised Land Dairy planned to bring a cow.

Spending corporate funds on the convention frees up party money for use during the election season, Black said.

"We have always tried to get corporate funds to pay for it," Black said. "This year went at it very aggressively."

Hot senate race

Lt. Gov. Rick Perry, Attorney General John Cornyn and other state elected officials urged Texas Republicans to work hard to elect Republicans in all races on the ballot this year.

Of particular interest to Republicans and Democrats alike is the hotly contested race in Senate District 3, which could determine the political balance in the Texas Senate.

Republicans currently control the chamber with a one-vote margin, 16-15.

Democrats hope to recapture the East Texas seat they lost by fewer than 400 votes out of about 200,000 votes cast in 1996.

Gore says his campaign 'won't miss a beat'

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Al Gore promised his troops that under the new command of Commerce Secretary William Daley, "We're not going to miss a beat." But what some Democrats cheered as a nothing-but-good choice for a campaign chairman, labor leaders denounced as a slap and Republicans derided as "another reinvention."

Gore and his senior advisers were huddling today at the vice presidential residence in Washington, using the weekly session to plot a seam-

less transition that won't steal attention from his "progress and prosperity" tour, which resumes Tuesday in Lexington, Ky.

Gore also plans to meet over the weekend with AFL-CIO President John Sweeney, as he promised during the labor leader's angry telephone conversation with the vice president. Organized labor branded Daley an enemy long ago for his championship of free-trade deals.

The abrupt resignation Thursday of campaign chair-

man Tony Coelho, for health reasons, fell on Day 3 of the three-week campaign tour meant to help Gore claim credit for the good economy.

At Gore's new campaign headquarters here, where phones were still being installed after a weekend move, rank-and-file aides seamlessly went ahead with lunch appointments and scheduled briefings without much murmur about the surprise change at the top.

Daley, who flew to Cincinnati to meet up with Gore,

seconded his new boss' assurance that there would be no shake-up. "I think the campaign is in very good shape. We have to implement the game plan laid out," Daley said.

Union leaders in Washington, however, signaled trouble.

Organized labor, a powerful Democratic constituency, already opposed Daley for his stewardship of the North American Free Trade Agreement in 1993. And the fact that Daley was putting off his official start date at Gore 2000

until July 15 in order to see congressional passage of an equally hated China trade bill stung all the more.

Bret Caldwell, a spokesman for the Teamsters, called the appointment "slap in the face of labor" and said it wouldn't help Gore beat Republican rival George W. Bush for the union's endorsement.

Sweeney, an ardent Gore supporter who muscled through the labor federation's early endorsement of the vice president last year, issued a surprisingly biting statement

saying Daley's work on free trade "put him squarely on the opposite side of working families."

A Gore campaign official said the operation, which is relying heavily on union workers to help with voter turnout in November, tried to telephone labor leaders Thursday.

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Arafat meets Israeli negotiator WASHINGTON (AP) — After denouncing Israel's prime minister as lacking a desire to conclude a peace accord, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat met with Israel's chief negotiator Thursday night. The meeting was described as a serious one by Israeli Embassy spokesman Mark Regev after Arafat flew on to Geneva, Switzerland, for talks there with other Arab leaders. There was no account of the outcome from Israelis, Palestinians or the U.S. hosts. A Palestinian negotiator, reached by The Associated Press from Jerusalem, indicated Arafat made no headway, either with President Clinton at the White House or with the Israeli negotiator, Shlomo Ben-Ami. Speaking on condition of anonymity, the Palestinian official said Arafat was insisting on resolution of two disputes with Israel before Albright returns.

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Notice of Intent to Open Bids Deaf Smith County Commissioners Court will open sealed bids for the sale of a 100 KW Generator powered by a CAT 3306 250 HP Engine, mounted on a 4-wheel trailer in open court at 9:00 AM, Monday, June 26, 2000. Details may be obtained by phoning 806-363-7090 at Commissioners Precinct #1 barn. Equipment is available for inspection at the Precinct #1 barn. Deaf Smith County Commissioners reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.

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Assets From Page A1 game paid for by the game's organizers. House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., listed a mutual fund worth \$15,000 to \$50,000 and four other funds valued between \$1,000 and \$15,000. But Gephardt also carried major liabilities, including two student loans for his children. He owed between \$50,000 and \$100,000 on one student loan, \$15,000-\$50,000 on a second and also borrowed \$15,000-\$50,000 on his life insurance policy. College costs were a common liability. Rep. Jack Quinn, R-N.Y., attached a separate letter noting that his financial picture "continues to be affected by education expenses for a fourth year." Tuition for his son and daughter reached a combined \$30,000 in 1999 and both are going on to graduate school. Rep. Patrick Kennedy, D-R.I., member of a famous and wealthy political family, reported \$15,001-\$50,000 in debts on his American Express card despite mutual funds worth at least \$195,000 and income from trust funds. House Republican Whip Tom DeLay of Texas, on the other hand, did not list any liabilities. DeLay valued his Exxon stock between \$50,000 and \$100,000 and had a bank account worth between \$1,000 and \$15,000. The No. 2 Democrat, Minority Whip David Bonior of Michigan, had one of the busier travel schedules with 12 trips paid for by others, including an AFL-CIO meeting in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and a trip to China sponsored by the Aspen Institute. Bonior listed only two assets, a credit union account and a bank account each valued at less than \$1,000, but his wife had additional holdings. The third-ranking Democrat, Texas Rep. Martin Frost, listed investments in more than a dozen blue chip stocks such as Exxon, Coca-Cola and General Electric. He earned varying amounts from dividends and sales of the stock, none higher than \$15,000. Among the wealthier set, the retiring chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, Rep. Bill Archer of Texas, attached a detailed financial statement to his report listing assets of \$3.3 million and no liabilities. In addition to Microsoft and Intel stock, Archer reported owning a 1987 Dodge truck worth \$2,000, a 1988 Mercedes valued at \$24,000, a 1998 Jeep Cherokee at \$20,000 and a tractor worth \$17,000. He valued his coin collection at its cost: \$16,326. Another highly detailed statement, pages and pages of investments as thick as a city phone book, was filed by Rep. Robert Clement, D-Tenn. Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., also filed a doorstop-size report that went far beyond the legal requirements. Rep. John Shimkus, R-Ill., listed the dozens of trinkets a Congress member gets. Among them: a stuffed animal, hats, pens, plaques, a box of Alka-Seltzer, a cake, a mouse pad, chips and salsa, calendars, cologne and "18 ears of corn and three tomatoes."

Feeding From Page A1 foods the kids like and it helps out a lot." A visiting friend, with several children, said, "This is really good. Where I come from, they don't offer it." "When we've gone to training in the past, we've always come back with a feeling that this is a good turnout for any school that offers the program," Russell said. "It's a needed program that fills a very real need." The meals and staff for the summer food program are paid for from DHS funding. The school district provides only the location, Russell said. "The big thing about this program is it's a non-profit deal. Anyone who is 18 or younger can come in and get a good meal. For many kids in our community, one real meal a day may be all they get. This isn't just for the economically disadvantaged, but for all kids." The summer food program will continue through July 13 at the Hereford High School and the West Central cafeterias. Serving lines are open from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The program is open to all children age 18 and under and there is no cost for participating in the meals.

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Gates still world's richest

NEW YORK (AP) — The booms and busts of the stock market this year didn't stop the global billionaires' club from expanding.

The group grew by 17 members to 482 and their net worth climbed by \$100 billion to upwards of \$1.1 trillion.

At the top of the list: Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates with a net worth of \$60 billion. He kept the top spot in *Forbes* magazine's annual ranking released Thursday, despite losing a third of his personal fortune.

But the competition is closing in.

The 14th annual list of the working rich ranks Oracle Corp. founder Larry Ellison as the world's second-richest man with \$47 billion. Last year, Ellison ranked No. 30 on the list with \$9.5 billion.

That's a much tighter margin between the top two spots — about \$13 billion — than a year ago, when Gates' \$90 billion personal fortune

trumped No. 2 Warren Buffett's \$36 billion. This year, Buffett fell into a third place tie with Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen at \$28 billion.

The rankings appear in the July 3 issue of *Forbes*, which reached newsstands today.

Five of the top 10 among the working rich are 47 years old or younger. The highest-ranking working woman was American Abby Johnson of Fidelity Investments with \$7.4 billion.

The magazine said stock market fluctuations were behind many of the changes in the rankings for the year 2000.

After flirting with \$120 a share late last year, Microsoft dropped as low as \$60 last month during the government's antitrust challenge. That stock swoon, com-

combined with a 500 percent increase in the value of Oracle shares, occasionally pushed Ellison ahead of Gates during the spring. Gates, however, has extensive outside investments.



BILL GATES
Microsoft founder still at top of *Forbes* list.

There was a three-way tie for the No. 5 spot: German retailers Theo and Karl Albrecht; Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Al Saud of Saudi Arabia, a global investor; and S. Robson Walton, whose family started Wal-Mart, at \$20 billion each.

Japanese software magnate Masayoshi Son ranked No. 8 with \$19.4 billion, well below his \$68.5 billion peak reached in mid-February. Michael Dell, founder of Dell Computer Corp., was No. 9 at \$17.8 billion, followed by Canadian media magnate Kenneth Thomson of Thomson Corp. at No. 10 with \$16.1 billion.

The wealth figures were estimated on the basis of share prices and foreign exchange rates as of May 22, following Wall Street's sharp retreat from record heights.

Forbes identifies the "World's Working Rich" as those who made their own fortune or are working with their inheritance. Their wealth also must be liquid, or easy to cash out.

In another list, *Forbes* ranked the estimated net worth of what it called the world's "Kings, Queens and Dictators." Leading that category were Saudi Arabia's King Fahd Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud with \$30 billion, who is third in the overall standings, Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan of the United Arab Emirates with \$23 billion, Kuwaiti Amir Jaber Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber Al-Sabah with \$18 billion and Sultan Hassanah Bolkiah of Brunei with \$16 billion.

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■ Ratings success of show prompts CBS to kick off work on sequel

NEW YORK (AP) — "Survivor" is proving such a hit that a sequel is in the works.

The network has begun accepting applications for "Survivor 2," which will be filmed in October and November for broadcast starting January. CBS expects considerably more than the 6,100 applicants it received for the first series.

This time, the location will be the Australian outback — not nearly as wet as the tropical island where the series is now set. The sun-baked, desolate territory has its share of kangaroos, crocodiles, huge spiders and lizards, however. The filming will take place late in the Australian springtime.

An estimated 23.2 million people watched the third installment of the 13-week series Wednesday night, a 28 percent increase over the previous week, Nielsen Media Research said Thursday. It was CBS's biggest audience with regular programming for that time slot since at least 1987.

It was the first time "Survivor" did not go head-to-head against ABC's "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire." But it did compete against the NBA Finals in about one-fifth of the country, including Los Angeles and Indianapolis.

The soggy stowaways voted out a third person, 27-year-old San Francisco lawyer Stacey Stillman, sending her away in a torrential downpour.

CBS knew after the first week's ratings that "Survivor" would return, but wanted to make sure the interest built, said CBS President Leslie Moonves. Casting for the second edition will be just as important as the location, he said.

U.S. soldier sentenced to prison

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A court sentenced a U.S. soldier to eight years in prison Friday for killing a South Korean bar waitress who refused to have sex with him.

Spc. Christopher K. McCarthy, 21, of Concord, N.H., was accused of beating 31-year-old Kim Sung-hi to death on Feb. 19.

McCarthy has told the court that he hit the woman because she refused to have sex with him after receiving money.

Prosecutors had sought a 10-year prison term, but a three-judge panel at the Seoul District Criminal Court said it decided to pass a lighter sentence because McCarthy practiced mouth-to-mouth resuscitation on her after his crime and showed remorse in court. McCarthy has a week to appeal to a higher court.

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Kendra Cornett	230 Juniper - Recently moved, furniture, clothes, miscellaneous	Donald Hilton	518 Willow Lane - Wood crafts, used clothes, miscellaneous
Renee Huckert	109 Kingwood - Camping gear, knick-knacks, furniture	Geneals Church	538 Westhaven - Grill, edger, clothes, miscellaneous
Sue Innon	124 Kingwood - Day bed, children's clothes	Jean G. Beene	527 Willow Lane - Queen size waterbed, old table saw, magazines, golf clubs, 10spd bike
T. Hollowell	145 Kingwood - Clothes, size (8-10 & 16-24), furniture, bed spreads, shoes,	Lynda Dotson	543 Willow Lane - Furniture, lots of miscellaneous
Velma Warren	200 N. Kingwood - Couch, typewriter, dishes, miscellaneous	Billie Kelley	608 S. 25 Mile Ave. - Couch, Antique table & misc.
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