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HUSTLIN' HEREFORD HOME OF Katherine Fry

Today's weather

OUTLOOK

Partly cloudy skies, chance of storms

Tonight: Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, low around 60, wind becoming north 10 to 20 mph.

Wednesday: Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, high in the mid-80s, northeast to east wind 10 to 20 mph.

Wednesday night: Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms, low around 60.

Extended forecast

Thursday: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms late, high 85 to 90.

Friday and Saturday: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and nighttime thunderstorms, lows in the mid-60s, highs 90 to 95.

Hereford weather

Monday's high, 90; low, 64; no precipitation; year-to-date rainfall. 6.58 inches, according to KPAN Radio.

GASOLINE

■ No clear picture emerging to explain the surge in prices

WASHINGTON (AP) - With gasoline prices soaring, there's been no shortage of blame — rising oil prices, pipeline problems, short supplies, cleaner gasoline requirements and even an esoteric patent dispute, to

But an examination of these explanations provides no clear picture of why gasoline in a matter of a few weeks jumped as much as 50 cents a gallon in some areas of the Midwest nearly five times as much as increases nationwide.

The summer price surge has politicians worried in this election year. The Clinton administration has asked the Federal Trade Commission to investigate possible illegal price gouging in the Midwest, and Vice President Al Gore said Monday that a broader probe was needed since oil companies have been making huge profits this year.

George W. Bush's GOP presidential campaign, meanwhile, blamed Gore and President Clinton.

"It sounds like Al Gore is now trying to divert attention away from the Clinton-Gore administration's failed leadership when it comes to addressing high gas prices and devel-

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City OK's Energas deal

By Donald M. Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

A long dispute over a natural gas rate increase request ended amicably — at least on the part of the City of Hereford and Energas when the City Commission approved a settlement hammered out in negotiations between the company and the 67 cities it serves.

In August 1999, Energas filed its request for 10 percent rate increase, which would amount to about \$9.98 million annually. A steering committee made up of representatives from Midland, Odessa, Levelland, Lubbock and Hereford began negotiations with the company.

After the cities and Energas failed to reach an agreement, the matter was sent to the Texas Railroad Commission for resolution; however, the TRC recommended both parties return to the negotiating table with mediation by the agency.

After considerable bargaining, a 2.7 percent, or \$3 million, increase was agreed upon by the steering committee and Energas.

Since the agreement was reached, the City of Lubbock has indicated it might reject the settlement. If other cities follow Lubbock's lead, the case would proceed to a hearing before the railroad commission. Cities, such as Hereford, that ratified the agreement would abide by the agreement.

"This is a two-edged sword," City Manager Chester Nolen, who served on the steering committee, wrote to the commission. "If we ratify and it goes to the TRC and a lower rate is decided, we would not have the lower rate. On the other hand, if the TRC decided to increase the request above the settlement agreement, we would have a lower rate and it would be protected for three years, according to the terms of the agreement."

Nolen recommended ratifying the

agreement, noting that the company negotiated in good faith.

"I would ... like to point out that negotiating in good faith, then changing our mind after the fact will certainly have some bearing in Austin at the TRC when the case is being deliberated," Nolen wrote.

The commissioners voted unanimously to approve the agreement.

The commissioners also gave unanimous approval to a request by the Veterans of Foreign Wars post to sublet a 7-acre tract in Veterans Park to the Gripp Memorial Youth Foundation, which is building a rodeo arena at the site.

Jess Robinson, a past commander of the American Legion post, questioned whether the VFW could sublet the tract to the Gripp organization without also gaining approval of the Legion.

However, City Attorney Terry Langehenning said the city's lease for the property was with the VFW, which would not require American Legion approval.

Mayor Bob Josserand said if there is a dispute, the Legion and the VFW need to get together and work out the problem because he believes the arena is good for the city and Deaf Smith County.

In other business, the commis-

 Received a report from Don Cumpton, executive director of the Hereford Economic Development Corp. Cumpton said the HEDC board has decided to be more aggressive in pursuing dairy industry contacts; made proposals to four manufacturing companies that are considering relocation or expansion; and said 60-70 new jobs were created in the county over the past 12 months; and

· Canceled the July 3 commission

MISS HEREFORI



All in the family - Katherine Fry (center) was crowned the new Miss Hereford during the annual scholarship pageant Saturday night at the high school auditorium. She succeeds her sister, Emily. They are daughters of Stan Jr. and Beckie Fry. Taking the first runner-up title was Sami Sciumbato (left), daughter of Albert and Betty Sciumbato, while second runner-up and Miss Congeniality was Lisa Coneway (right), daughter of Tom and Betty Coneway. Winners of the Little Miss Hereford Pageant, which was held in conjunction with Miss Hereford, are pictured on the Lifestyles pages in this edition.

Trade deficit drops

WASHINGTON (AP) — America's trade deficit, after setting records every month this year, finally posted a small decline to \$30.4 billion in April as imports fell for the first time in 15 months.

Even with the overall improvement, the imbalance with China widrecord.

The Commerce Department said Tuesday that the small, 0.4 percent decline from a record-high trade imbalance of \$30.6 billion in April reflected in large part a drop in crude oil prices after nine consecutive monthly increases.

Even with April's improvement, the deficit for the first four months of this year is running at an annual rate of \$350 billion, far surpassing last year's record deficit of \$265 billion.

The government said the broadest measure of trade, the current account, climbed to a record of \$102.3 billion in the first three months of this year, up 6.3 percent from a \$96.2 billion deficit in the fourth quarter of 1999.

The current account includes not only trade in goods and services, which are contained in the monthly figures the government releases, but also investment flows and foreign aid payments.

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a crush-

praying in schools ing defeat for school-prayer supporters, the Supreme Court reaffirmed that praying in public schools must

the court barred officials from letting students lead stadium crowds in prayer before football games. The court's sweeping language in a Texas case could extend far beyond school sports events — eventually affecting graduation ceremonies, mo-

be private. By a 6-3 vote Monday,

ments of silence and more. The ruling said a school district's policy of allowing such student-led prayers violated the constitutionally required separation of government and religion.

Champions of a strict church-state separation exulted.

"The court's decision signals a reaffirmation of the appropriate role of religion in public schools — one in which private religious expression is constitutionally protected but officially sanctioned religious observances are not," said David Harris of the American Jewish Committee.

Opponents were aggrieved.

High court tackles issue, bars public

"The government's 'benign neutrality' toward religion in this country is now nothing short of malevolent hostility," said Jan LaRue of the conservative Family Research Coun-

Justice John Paul Stevens wrote for the court: "Nothing in the Constitution ... prohibits any public school student from voluntarily praying at any time before, during or after the schoolday. But the religious liberty protected by the Constitution is abridged when the state affirmatively sponsors the particular religious practice of prayer."

As the latest word on a politically volatile issue that has bedeviled the nation's highest court for 40 years, the ruling offered a ringing endorsement of a landmark 1962 decision that outlawed organized, officially sponsored prayers in public schools.

"Worship is a responsibility and a choice committed to the private sphere," Stevens said.

When the Texas case was argued

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WHAT'S **ALLOWED**

The Associated Press

Some prayers and religious activities still are allowed in public schools, despite the Supreme Court's decision Monday barring public schools from letting students lead stadium crowds in prayer before football games. Some examples:

· Individual students are free to pray, as the court said, "at any time before, during or after the schoolday" as long as their prayers do not interfere with other students.

· Groups of students can meet for prayer or worship, either informally or as a formal school organization as long as other student clubs are allowed at school.

 All students are allowed to pray before eating a school meal, as long as their prayers are not disruptive.

· In some states, lower court rulings allow student-led prayers - invocations and benedictions - at graduation ceremonies. Monday's decision could provide new ammunition for attacks against such public school policies. In other states, such prayers are banned by lower court rulings

· Some states and public school

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Abernethy to wait to hear from state

By Dianna F. Dandridge Hereford Brand Staff Writer

A decision by the U.S. Supreme Court barring student-led prayer at high school football games drew

mixed reactions in Hereford. Hereford Independent School District superintendent Elizabeth Abernethy said she would need to receive information from school attorneys and the Texas Association of School Boards on how the ruling

will affect the district. "I would expect the TASB to send out information as soon as possible on how districts can handle prayer at games," Abernethy said.

School trustee Lloyd Ames said he was not surprised by the ruling and that it was "predictable action by the court."

"They have a valid point. It (stadium) is a controlled environment and who will say which religious group will lead the prayer," Ames said. "I know it is a real aggravation for those with strong religious convictions, but it is not the government's ace to say who prays or when and where.

Local ministers agree in part with Ames - that the government has no

place directing the people's prayers.
"I saw this coming," said Mike Sullivan, minister at 1st Assembly of

Godt. "But, I'm a lot disappointed in the court's stance. This should be taken up as a local issue, not in federal courts. Sullivan said that a two-minute

prayer at the beginning of a game, asking for blessings to keep players safe, would have little if any impact on an individual. "If they're not praying at their homes and churches and especially within their own hearts then the pre-game prayer is not going to change anyone's life."

"The ones who are making a big issue of this are members of the minority. It all represents an effort to please the minority," Sullivan said.

"When people are led to prayer to God, it is in the spirit of freedom," Deacon Jonny Cloud of St. Anthony's Catholic Church said. "This is going to very quickly cause a lack of freedom in the lives ... of people.'

Cloud said because U.S. society is predominately Christian, the banning of public prayer will have an adverse affect on the nation's spirituality.

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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.

HISD hosts public hearing

Hereford Independent School District will hold a public meeting today 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 1 Part A Accelerated Instruction; Title 1 Part C Migrant Services; Title 1 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.

LaComb benefit day

The Hereford Elks Lodge will be hosting a benefit day for local truck driver and cancer patient Jimmy LaComb on Saturday, June 24 at the Elks Lodge.

The benefit day will include food games, an auction and a dance. Food will be served beginning at 4 p.m., followed by the auction at 7 p.m. and the dance at 9 p.m.

Items to be auctioned will include a 25 inch color TV, a boom box, and a saddle slicker. R.D. Holmes will DJ the dance. Cost is \$5 for the dance and \$5 for the meal.

All proceeds will go to help Jimmy LaComb with living and medical expenses.

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News digest

Opening statements set to begin

WACO, Texas(AP) — Jaunessa Wendel was 8 years old on Feb. 28, 1993, when government agents raided the Branch Davidian compound where she lived with her family. Natalie Nobrega, also a resident of Mount Carmel, was 10.

The two girls were injured during the raid that triggered a standoff and led to the fiery siege on April 19 that resulted in the deaths of some 80 Davidians. Both girls also lost parents in the 51-day ordeal.

They are among the witnesses scheduled to take the stand Tuesday following opening statements in the wrongful death

trial against the government.

Testimony will focus on whether government agents used excessive force during the botched ATF raid that turned into a bloody gunfight, said Michael Caddell, lead counsel for the plaintiffs. Six Davidians were killed in the raid, as well as four

Plaintiffs' attorneys say agents fired indiscriminately at the

compound even though women and children were inside. U.S. Attorney Michael Bradford, lead counsel for the government, said the agents were ambushed by the sect and were firing back in defense of their lives. In 1994, five Davidians were convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the agents'

U.S. District Judge Walter Smith also is expected Tuesday to decide whether key testimony and documents from FBI negotiators who were at the compound will be allowed before the seven-member jury selected Monday.

Jurors question Graham's guilt

HOUSTON (AP) — Two jurors who convicted and condemned Gary Graham say they would have found him innocent had they heard evidence which has come out as supporters fight his scheduled execution Thursday.

Dennis Graham and Bobby Pryor told ABC News' "Nightline" Monday they are no longer sure Graham is guilty. Pryor also told the Houston Chronicle in Tuesday's editions that he doubted Graham's guilt.

"I always had a bad feeling about it. My gut feeling was he wasn't guilty," Pryor said. "I just believe he might be innocent." Graham's attorney, Jack Zimmermann, told the Chronicle he had also talked to another juror who said, after listening to additional statements, wouldn't have voted to find Graham

"That's our whole point — Gary Graham didn't get a fair trial that he deserves a hearing," Zimmermann said. "It would have made a difference to these three people. They would have changed their vote."

Graham is on Texas death row for the fatal shooting of Bobby Lambert in the parking lot of a Houston supermarket in

Graham's case has drawn together death penalty opponents who insist he unfairly was convicted by the testimony of a single eyewitness to the shooting and that other witnesses have not been allowed to present their testimony.

Numerous appeals to the courts have failed to overturn his conviction and death sentence.

Elsewhere:

CAMPAIGN 2000: For the third time this year, President Clinton ventured onto Gov. George W. Bush's Texas turf in hopes an overt appeal for passing hate crimes legislation and confirming a Hispanic judicial nominee will sweeten the Democratic Party's courtship of Hispanic voters. Clinton's first stop was Houston, to address a fund-raiser for the Southwest Voter Registration Education Project, which conducts voter campaigns among Hispanics in 12 states and Washington, D.C.

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No end in sight -- Motorists traveling along 25 Mile Avenue may think there is no end in sight for the on going road construction, but work is nearing the halfway mark. Tuesday, workers tried to beat the heat by getting an early start but the

cool soon burned off and temperatures reached 70 degrees plus by 10 a.m. Officials remind motorists to continue to take their time and slow down in the construction zone. State law allows for traffic fines to double in road construction areas.

under sunset review onservation agency

AUSTIN (AP) — In a state that faces serious environmental threats, Texas regulators need to pay more attention to citizens' complaints and give more power and independence to its public interest counsel, according to a report by Sunset Advisory Commission staff.

The 10-member sunset commission, while recommending that the Legislature allow the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission to continue in existence, says 200 lakes and streams do not meet clean-water standards, four urban areas violate smog rules,

and toxic releases exceed those of any other state.

Sunset commission members will consider the findings in a three-day public hearing that opens Tuesday at the Capitol Extension. Representatives of environmental groups, consumer organizations, industry groups and the conservation commission were

The conservation commission, as the state's main environmental agency, exerts broad influence on the environment and economy, regulating everything from agricultural run-off to disposal of radioactive

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for June 16-19, 2000, include the

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- A 28-year-old woman was arrested in the 500 block of Blevins and charged with outstanding city warrants.

-- A two-vehicle accident, in the 500 block of West Park resulted in the arrest of a 23year-old man who was charged with driving while license was suspended.

- A 34-year-old man was arrested in the 600 block of Irving and charged with public intoxication.

- A 17-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of North Miles and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol by a minor, no drivers license and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

 A 52-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of West Park Avenue and charged with driving while intoxicated.

- An 18-year-old man was arrested on South Highway 385 and charged with driving while license was suspended.

 Six individuals were arrested in the 700 block of Avenue G and charged with various alcohol related incidents. A 21-year-old man was arrested and charged with furnishing alcohol to a minor and evading arrest. A 20-year-old woman was arrested and charged with minor in possession of alcohol. Two 19-yearold men were arrested and charged with minor in possession of alcohol. A 19-year-old man was arrested and charged with public intoxication and evading detention and a 17year-old man was arrested and charged with minor in possession of alcohol and resisting transportation.

- A 29-year-old man and a 50-year-old man were arrested in the 100 block of Pine and charged with public intoxication.

- A fight in the 400 block of Sycamore Lane resulted in the arrest of a 19-year-old man, charged with attempted burglary of a habitation. Two women and four men and a juvenile were also arrested and charged with alcohol related

 A 24-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of Avenue B and charged with two outstanding municipal court traffic warrants and several traffic violations.

A 37-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of Ross and charged with driving while intoxicated. A man and a woman in his company were arrested and charged with public intoxication.

Incidents

- A hit and run was reported in the 200 block of Avenue F. The suspect left the area prior to officers arrival, but was identified by a wit-

- A forgery was reported in the 100 block of Avenue B. -Keys were reported stolen from the 100 block of South

Progressive. - The theft of bicycles was reported in the 600 block of Irving. Bicycles were recov-

ered and returned to the - A vehicle window in the

200 block of Fir was damaged. A wallet, containing \$80 cash and various credit cards

and a Tennessee drivers license was reported lost in the 200 block of 13th Street. A harassment was reported in the 900 block of East Third. Four minors in possession

of alcohol citations were issued. - One juvenile was issued a citation for curfew violations. Domestic disturbance was

reported in the 500 block of South 25 Mile Avenue. A residential alarm was activated in the 700 block of Baltimore. It was later found

to be a false alarm. - A cell phone was lost at the Bull Barn. Criminal mischief to a ve-

hicle was reported in the 600 block of East Fourth. A suspicious fire report was filed in the 300 block of

Avenue H. Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of

 Phone harassment was reported in the 100 block of Oak by a 17-year-old girl.

- A criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of

Avenue H. A rear window of a vehicle was shot out by either a BB or pellet gun.

- Cruelty to an animal was reported in the 900 block of South Schley. A cat had been shot with a BB gun.

- Theft of a \$175 in merchandise was reported in the 400 block of North Main.

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

 A 14-year-old female was reported as a runaway from the 200 block of Fir. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Arrests - An 18-year-old man was arrested and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly

weapon. - A 22-year-old woman was arrested and charged with fur-

nishing alcohol to a minor. A 43-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation for felony

driving while intoxicated. - A 32-year-old man was arrested and charged with theft by check out of Potter County and speeding and failure to appear out of Armstrong

County. - A 42-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation for felony driving while intoxicated.

 A 35-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation on a possession of marijuana charge.

- A 22-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation on an aggravated assault with a deadly weapon charge.

Incidents An aggravated assault with a deadly weapon was reported. FIRE DEPARTMENT June 16, 2000

- 10:35 a.m. Firefighters responded to a hay bale fire 1/2 mile north on FM 2943. - 12:16 p.m. Firefighters re-

sponded to a wreck rescue at Lawton and Highway 60, for a train wreck. June 17

- 4:52 a.m. Firefighters responded to Road EE and Highway 60 where a power line was across the road. June 19

- 12:08 a.m. Firefighters responded to 306 Avenue H for a suspicious couch fire.

expected to testify.

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ELVIRA GARZA June 19, 2000

OLTON - Services for Elvira Garza, 100, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday in St. Peter's Catholic Church with Rev. Rev. Sorgon officiating. Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. today at the church. Burial will be in Olton Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill

Funeral Home. Mrs. Garza was born in Laredo. She moved to Olton in 1952, from Runge. She was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

She married Alfredo Garza in 1918. He died in 1956.

Survivors include two sons Alfred Garza of Olton and Vicente Garza of Canyon; three daughters Elvira Fonseca of Olton, Santos Gonzales of Hereford and Juanita Mendoza of Goliad; 39 grandchildren; 85 greatgrandchildren and 32 greatgreat-grandchildren.

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Texas lottery Cash Five

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery: 15-20-31-33-37

Pick 3 The winning Pick 3 num-bers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-8-5

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

The ticket would have been worth an estimated \$9 million. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50

1-3-15-16-36-41. Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$12 million.

Pick 8 The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

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Lifesaving list of questions

Dear Ann Landers: I am enclosing a column you printed several years ago that actually changed my life. I never thanked you for it, and would like to do so now. My husband would not admit he was an alcoholic until he read your list of questions. He has been sober for 22 years. Please print those questions again. — South Bend, Ind.

Dear South Bend: I've received several requests to rerun that column, and do so with pleasure. Thanks to all who asked. Here it is:

The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence has compiled a list of questions to help a person determine whether he or she has symptoms of alcoholism. Here they are:

1. Do you occasionally drink heavily after a disappointment, a quarrel or when the boss gives you a hard time?

2. When you have trouble or feel under pressure, do you drink more heavily than usual?

3. Have you noticed you are able to handle more liquor than you did when you first started drinking?

4. Did you ever wake up the "morning after" and discover you could not remember part of the evening before, even though friends say you didn't pass out?

5. When drinking with other people, do you try to have a few extra drinks when others



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will not know it? 6. Are there times when

you feel uncomfortable if alcohol is not available? 7. Have you recently no-

ticed that when you begin drinking, you are in more of a hurry to get the first drink than you used to be?

8. Do you sometimes feel a little guilty about your drink-

9. Are you secretly irritated when family or friends discuss your drinking?

10. Have you noticed an increase in the frequency of your memory blackouts?

11. Do you often find that you wish to continue drinking after your friends say they have had enough?

12. Do you usually have a reason for the occasion when you drink heavily?

13. When you are sober, do you often regret things you have done or said while drink-

14. Have you tried switching brands or following different plans for controlling your drinking?

15. Have you often failed to keep promises you have made to yourself about controlling

or cutting down on your drink-

16. Have you ever tried to control your drinking by changing jobs or moving to a new location?

17. Do you try to avoid family or close friends while you are drinking?

18. Are you having an increasing number of financial and work problems?

19. Do you sometimes have the shakes in the morning and find it helps to have a little drink?

20. Do you eat very little or irregularly when you are

drinking?

21. Do you get terribly frightened after you have been drinking heavily?

22. After periods of drinking, do you ever see or hear things that aren't there?

Those who answer yes to several of the questions from 1 through 8 may be in the early stage of alcoholism. Additional affirmative answers to several of the questions from 9 through 22 may indicate the middle to final stages of alcoholism. For information about alcoholism, contact the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, 12 West 21st St., New York, N.Y. 10010 (www.ncadd.org), or call 1-800-NCA-CALL (1-800-622-2255).

RS.: To those readers who wonder if I am talking specifically to YOU, yes, I am. Get moving.



Honoree Amy Liscano, right of center, is shown with other special guests at a bridal shower held Saturday in the home of Judy Detten. Pictured are, from left, Jo Solomon and Mildred Betzen, grandmothers of the prospective groom; Cheryl Betzen, his mother; Carmen Liscano, mother of the bride-elect; and Janet Liscano, her sister.

Detten home is site of shower honoring bride-elect of Betzen

Nathan Betzen, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Judy Detten.

Greeting guests with the honoree were Carmen Liscano, mother of the bride-elect; Cheryl Betzen, mother of the future groom; Janet Liscano, sister of the bride-elect; and Jo Solomon and Mildred Betzen, grandmothers of the future groom.

Refreshments were a watermelon fruit bowl, cheese blintz, cinnamon tea ring, blue-

Amy Liscano, bride-elect of berry muffins, Hi-Ho canapes, bacon crisps, angel food twirls, breakfast casserole and punch.

The centerpiece on the serving table was an arrangement of tall lavender gladiolas, tulips and daisies with baby's breath in a glass vase.

A color television set was the gift from hostesses Annette Albracht, Donna Albracht, Karen Abney, Theresa Artho, Janie Banner, Jan Betzen, Treva Blair, Jamie Brorman, Shelly Diller, Francie Farr, Judy Detten, Carmen Flood,

Alice Hund, Emily Knight, Betty Kriegshauser, Christine Marnell, Charlotte Paetzold, Martha Paetzold, Jan Reeve, Beckie Reinart, Betty Sciumbato, Donna Warrick, Linda Yosten and Marian Yosten.



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Junior Miss Hereford winner was Sabrina K. Garcia, center. She was crowned during the Little Miss portion of the annual pageant held Saturday night in the high school auditorium. She is the daughter of Gomer and Brenda Garcia. First runner up was Bianca Jasmine Riley, right, daughter of Richard and Angie Riley. Second runner up was Stephanie Shaw, left, daughter of Sid and Susan Shaw.







Cutest Miss division winner in the Little Miss Hereford Pageant was Madison Christine Agan, center, daughter of Randy and Liz Agan. First runner up was Grace Kalka, left, daughter of Keith and Gina Kalka. Kellie Collier, right, was second runner up. She is the daughter of Matt and Kathleen Collier.



Miss Petite winner in the Little Miss Hereford Pageant was Kashli Arfsten, center, daughter of Shawn and Leslynn Arfsten. Brittany Jones, left, was first runner up. She is the granddaughter of Ronnie and Wanice Jones. Second runner up was Robin Camille Smith, daughter of Kevin and Crystal Smith.



Little Princess winner crowned during the Little Miss Hereford festivities Saturday night was Kaeli Yocum, center, daughter of John and Vicki Yocum. First runner up was Jessica Shelton, left, daughter of Terry and Sandy Shelton. Second runner up was Leigh Ann Cardenas, right, daughter of Albert and Elena Cardenas.









Life, witness classes continue at Hereford Church of 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 27.

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.

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Shaq and Co. win title

■ Bryant scores 26 in Lakers' triumph

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Like Magic, Wilt and Kareem before them, Shaq and Kobe can now be described with just one word. Champions.

After so many years of coming up short, after hearing so much about their weaknesses and unfulfilled potential, Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Bryant won their first NBA championship Monday night.

Taking charge in an exciting fourth quarter that ended Larry Bird's coaching career, O'Neal and Bryant led the Los Angeles Lakers to a 116-111 victory over the Indiana Pacers in Game 6 of the NBA Finals for the franchise's first title since 1988.

"I've waited eight years of my life for this to happen, and it finally happened," said O'Neal, who broke down and cried at center court after achieving the goal that had eluded him for so long.

The victory gave Lakers coach Phil Jackson his sev-

enth title — his first without Michael Jordan — in just his first season coaching a team that had been ousted from the playoffs in each of the first three seasons since O'Neal and Bryant arrived.

O'Neal scored 41 points, marking the third time he scored 40 or more in this series. "Ugliest 41 I ever had," he said.

Bryant had 26 including four free throws that clinched it in the final 13 seconds.

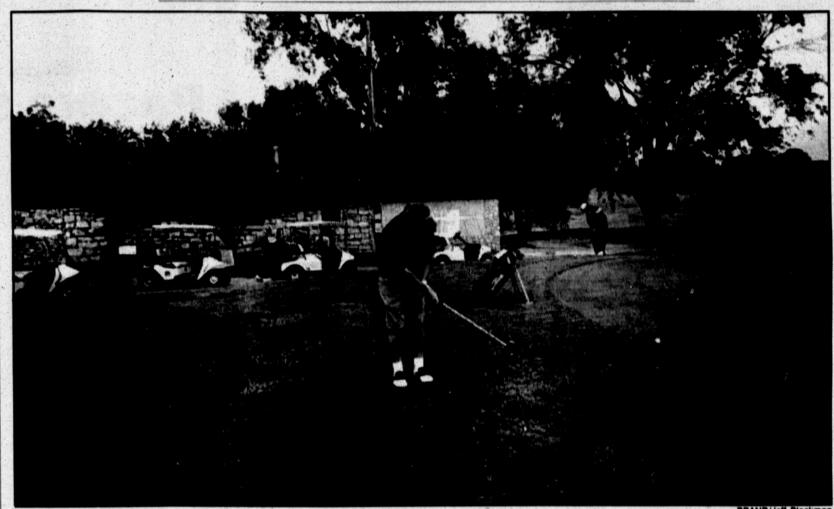
"I'm numb. I'm just numb right now," the 21-year-old Bryant said. "I didn't know champagne burned this much

when it gets in your eyes."
O'Neal, 28, was the unanimous choice for MVP of the series, adding to his MVP awards from the regular sea-son and All-Star game. O'Neal and Bryant hugged

on the court after the final buzzer, and O'Neal was mobbed by his family as he tried to leave the court. With his exit blocked, he turned around and headed to midcourt to receive the championship

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WARMINGUP



The rain could not keep the Third Annual Lions Club Golf Tournament from being played on Saturday at the John Pitman Municipal golf course in Hereford. Proceeds from the event went to the Lions Crippled Children's Camp. Linda and Jerry Stevens placed first in the scramble tournament while Don Leverett and Mick Stevens came in second. Keith Kalka and Cory Newton placed third. Randy Walterscheid was closest to the pin and Linda Stevens won the contest for the longest drive. Mick stevens rounded out the tournament by winning the longest putt competition. Ed Sanders (above) warms up at the practice green before hitting the course on Saturday.

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there and play," Smith said. **JUAN GONZALEZ** Since joining the Tigers, Gonzalez has fallen short of

the slugging performance he showed as a Texas Ranger. Entering Tuesday night's game at Toronto, Gonzalez has played in 54 of a possible 64 games with a .265 batting av-erage, 12 homers and 27 RBIs. In his previous four years in Texas, he averaged .314 in

batting, 43 homers and 140 RBIs a season.

Gonzalez feeling

■ Former American

weight as he tries to get his

own game back on track and

League MVP

the game.
"I pulled

him aside one day, in early May, and told

him, 'Don't feel like you

have to go out

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there

pressure in Detroit

The home crowd has booed him, though the boos grev continues to struggle quieter Sunday after he ended Saturday's 8-6 victory over Cleveland with a two-run DETROIT (AP) - Juan Gonzalez says he feels a big

But the homer was a rare clutch hit for Gonzalez. He is

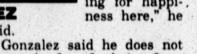
put some power back in the Detroit Tigers lineup.

General manager Randy Smith says Gonzalez needs to let go and focus on playing Gonzalez needs to let go and focus on playing Gonzalez needs to troit is 26-38 and last in the contract. The Tigers' equally bad start has not helped, either. Detroit is 26-38 and last in the

Central Division, 161/2 games behind first-place Chicago. Gonzalez

says the adjustment has been more difficult than he expected.

"I am waiting for happi-ness here," he



blame the fans for being frustrated with his performance.

"When I came here, the people saw expectations," said Gonzalez, 30. "Now they see uncertainty. It's never been like this, like this year. I feel so much weight."

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trophy.
It was the 12th title in franchise history for the Lakers, the seventh since they moved to Los Angeles in 1960. Magic Johnson, Kareem-Abdul Jabbar and Wilt Chamberlain had earned Los Angeles' previous titles, and this starstruck city had been anxiously awaiting the next one - especially since the 7-foot-1, 330-pound unstoppable force arrived from Orlando in

Even though they trailed for most of the first three quarters against a better shooting, more experienced opponent, the Lakers were the superior team down the stretch.Indiana tied the game at 103-103 on a 3-pointer by Jalen Rose with 5:04 left, but that was the beginning of the

end. Robr t Horry, who won his third career title, hit a leaner from the lane, and Ron Harper, who won his fourth, stole the ball on the Pacers' next posses-

O'Neal hit soft 10footer from the

sion.

baseline, Rose missed on a drive and Bryant calmly sank a 20-footer, bobbing and weaving and whistling ever so slightly as he sauntered back to the bench and Indiana called timeout with 3:28 left.

The Pacers then went to the Hack-a-Shaq defensive strategy, sending O'Neal to the line four times in a span of 21 seconds. He missed three of them before Jackson took him out with 2:27 left.

When O'Neal returned with 1:56 left, the Lakers' lead was down to 110-107 and Indiana had the ball. Austin Croshere was fouled with 1 second left on the shot clock and made both to make it a one-point game.

Glen Rice answered with two free throws, Croshere airballed a turnaround jumper, Bryant missed a drive and Miller rushed a long 3-pointer and missed.

Bryant then was isolated at the top of the key and was hacked on a drive. He calmly made both free throws with 13 seconds left for a 114-109 lead.

Dale Davis dunked for Indiana to make it a threepoint game with 5.4 seconds left, but Bryant again went to the line and calmly sank two more to clinch it.

As he walked to the bench, he pointed to his ring finger, the one that will soon be adorned with a championship

Purple and gold confetti streamed down from the

rafters as owner Jerry Buss addressed the fans and commissioner David Stern pre-sented O'Neal with his tro-

O'Neal held it aloft in his massive left arm and waved it to the crowd.

"I want to thank Phil Jackson, the real coach of the year," O'Neal said. "I want to thank you all for believing in us. We're going to get one next year, too," he said. That'll be the next test for

the Lakers, to see if they can build a dynasty to replace Jordan and the Bulls.

For now, though, it's one title — the one O'Neal and Bryant have been waiting for.

O'Neal shot 19-for-32 from the field and grabbed 12 re-bounds, while Bryant had 10 rebounds and four assists to buffer an 8-for-27 shooting

DYNASTY?

performance.

Rice added 16 for the Lak-

ers, who outscored Indiana 37-

27 in the fourth quarter.
"That's what I like about

Phil, not what he did with

Michael and Scottie, but how

he got the other guys to play,"

O'Neal said. "He just put it

down on paper and said this is

what you're going to do." Rose had 29, Miller 25 and

Davis 20 for the Pacers, whose

quest for the franchise's first

NBA title came up short. In

the end, they simply couldn't keep up with the energy the Lakers got from a crowd that

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For much of the game, it looked like that party wouldn't happen until Game 7 Wednesday night — or maybe not at

The Lakers repeatedly whittled down deficits and got within one, only to watch the Pacers surge back ahead. But when Los Angeles made yet another charge early in the fourth and finally took the lead, it was the Pacers who had to play from behind.

Brian Shaw stole the ball from Rose three minutes into the fourth quarter and O'Neal scored on a fast break while being fouled to give the Lak-ers their first lead since late

in the first quarter.
O'Neal, who stayed down for a minute clutching his left knee, missed a chance

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gave the Lakers the lead for Their championship capped ers in Game 7 of the Western

Sam Perkins gave Indiana its first double-digit lead on a 3-pointer with 7:44 left that made it 42-32. Perkins hit

minutes before Indiana tied it, and Horry's leaner with 4:48 left

a season that included winning streaks of 19, 16 and 11 games. Pheir playoff run included, a stunning comeback from a late 16-point deficit to defeat the Portland Trail Blaz-

Conference finals. another 3, the Pacers' sev-

enth of the game, for a 47-35 lead midway though the quar-

The Lakers finally took back the momentum late in the quarter, getting a steal from Bryant, a dunk from O'Neal, a steal from Harper and a 3-pointer by Bryant — all in the final 47 seconds to close to 56-53 at the half.

Bryant started the third

quarter with a short jumper to make it a one-point game, but the Pacers scored nine of the next 11 points, including a 3-pointer by Miller, for a 67-59 lead.

Miller shot a glance at actor Jack Nicholson after hitting his next jumper, and the Pacers maintained control for the next few minutes. But Bryant hit a short pull-up

jumper, A.C. Green made a 12-footer and Rice hit a 3pointer from the corner to cut Indiana's lead to 71-70.

Los Angeles had two chances to take the lead but failed both times as Bryant missed a jumper and Rice misfired on two free throws. Indiana got its lead back up to seven as Jackson had a 3-

Pacers s

■ Indiana college star Isaiah Thomas front runner for Indiana coaching position

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - The Indiana Pacers are expected to move quickly to name a new coach, and Isiah Thomas reportedly is the leading can-didate to succeed Larry Bird. The 116-111 loss to the Los

Angeles Lakers Monday night eliminated the Pacers from the NBA Finals and ended the coaching career of Bird, who said all along this would be his final season with Indiana.

Speculation focused immediately on Thomas, a popular player who led Indiana University to the 1981 NCAA championship and was a 12-time NBA All-Star and Hall of Fame player with the Detroit Pistons.

When Thomas stopped playing, he became part owner and general manager of the Toronto Raptors. Last year, he bought the Continental Basketball Association for \$10 million, and he would have to sell the league if he were to become a coach in the NBA.

"There's a perceived conflict of interest, and like any other businessman you will resolve that conflict when it's there," Thomas said during the NBA Finals, in which he worked as an analyst for NBC. "There are millions of conflicts in businesses, and people sit down at the table and they resolve those conflicts. If that time came, I will resolve the conflict, whatever that conflict may be."

Monday night, after the Pac-ers' loss to the Lakers, NBC analyst Peter Vecsey reported Thomas would be hired as the Pacers coach, although he did not say when an announce-ment would be made. Thomas refused to confirm the NBC report but thanked his NBC studio cohorts for working with

Also contenders for the job were Byron Scott, a former Pacers player who is now an assistant with Sacramento, and Rick Carlisle, a former Boston teammate of Bird and current Pacers assistant.

Sacramento, which originally gave Indiana until June 1 to talk with Scott, extended the deadline while the Pacers were in the playoffs.

"All of us as candidates have said, while the Pacers are in the heat of a championship run, we all have to respect the position they're in, whether it be Byron Scott, Rick Carlisle, myself or whoever the other candidates are," Thomas said last week.

He would not be more spe-cific about the likelihood he would become the coach.

"I don't care if you ask it a different way, that way or around the corner, you're still going to get the same answer," he said.

He again was noncommittal Monday night. Thomas, who was inducted

into the Hall of Fame this year, led the Pistons to NBA titles in 1989 and 1990. A 6foot-1 guard, he made the NBA All-Star team in 12 of 13 seasons and in 1996 the NBA honored him as one of its 50 greatest players ever.

He averaged 19.2 points and 9.3 assists for his career, both Pistons records, and is fourth in assists and ninth in steals

Bird has had a standing offer from team president Donnie Walsh to move into the Pacers' front office as director of basketball operations. He said Monday night that he was leaning toward retiring completely and returning to his

home in Florida. Bird was expected to meet with Walsh this week, and his decision could affect the choice of coach.



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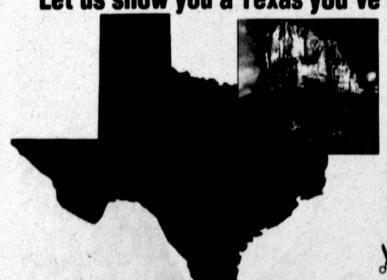
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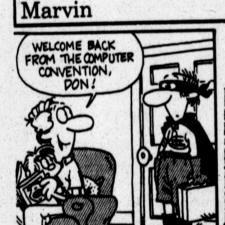
















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ARTICLES FOR SALE



REBUILT KIRBYS 1/2 price with warranty. Other name brands. \$39 & up. Sales and repairs in your home, on all makes and models. Call 364-

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

FOR SALE: Black Entertainment Center. Good condition. \$100.00. See at 306 Avenue H or call 363-1900.

GREEN ACRES Pool Membership for sale. Call 364-4901 for more information.

FOR SALE: 1982 24-ft Road Ranger travel trailer. Awning & air. Call 364-1854.

READY FOR Harvest? 1987 Freightliner 48"sleeper. 400 cummins-9 speed, 4 spring susp., power steering, A/C, \$11,500. Call 647-2993 or 647-6222.

FOR SALE: Green Acres Pool Membership, \$200. Call 364-

FOR SALE: Morgan shed 10X12. 10 months old, \$1,000. Call 363-1176.

EVAPORATIVE AIR-CON-DITIONER. \$150. Call 364-

FOR SALE: 1979 Tioga Motor Heme Dodge 440, Sleeps 6. Air bag suspension, new tires, excellent condition, perfect for family or hunting buddies. \$5,500 OBO. Call 364-8080.

STEEL BUILDINGS, New must sell. 40X60X12 was \$17,500 now \$10,971; 50X100X16 was \$31,500 now \$19,990; 70X150X16 was \$59,990 now \$39,990; 80X200X16 was \$94,500 now \$59,990. 1-800-406-5126.



2. FARM & RANCH

WE ARE Now doing CRP SHREDDING. For all your shredding needs call Joe Ward at 364-2021 (day) or 289-5394 (night).

HAY FOR Sale: Small square oat bales. \$3.50 in the field not rained on. Call 806-267-2152 or 538-6652.

FARM EQUIPMENT For Sale. (1)-LPG 560 Farm all tractor with 2&3 point hook-ups. This tractor is just out of the shop. Tune up, all new fluids, belts and hoses, PTO repaired, hydraulics repaired; New seat. (2)-12' tandem disc; (3)-4 row rolling cultivator; (4)-200+/- gallon tank spray rig; (5)-5 bottom 4-row Lister; (6)-4 row rod weeder. Price \$5,250.00. Call Don Tardy @ 806-364-4561.

3. AUTOMOBILES

TWO REPOS! See at Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union. 1997 Dodge Intrepid, 1990 Chevy Suburban. Call 364-1888.

MAZDA 929. High, leather, good tires. Inexpensive. Call 364-0439 after 5:00p.m.3156

1999 FORD Super Duty XLT F250 Ext. Cab. Power stroke, diesel pickup. 35,500 miles, long bed. Call 267-2323.

'96 MERCURY Cougar, Very clean. Red, 80,000 miles. \$9,000. Call 363-1134.

1981 CORVETTE. New motor & transmission. For sale or trade. Call 364-6570.

1985 CADILLAC Sedan Deville. Needs engine work. Excellent body & interior like new. Call 363-1036.

1993 CHEVY C3500 Extended Cab. 6.5 Diesel, 5 speed, with flat bed and side rails, approximately 210,000 miles. Good condition. \$6,600 OBO. Call 276-5800 ask for Rance.

1992 RED Chev Suburban 4X4. Gray interior cloth. 212,000 miles. \$6,500. Call 364-1929.

1997 BUICK Park Avenue. Sharp, clean, loaded, CD/Stereo, leather, new tires. Must see! \$14,600 OBO. Call Phil @ 363-1121.

See Us Before You Buy Clean Used Cars & Trucks

4. REAL ESTATE

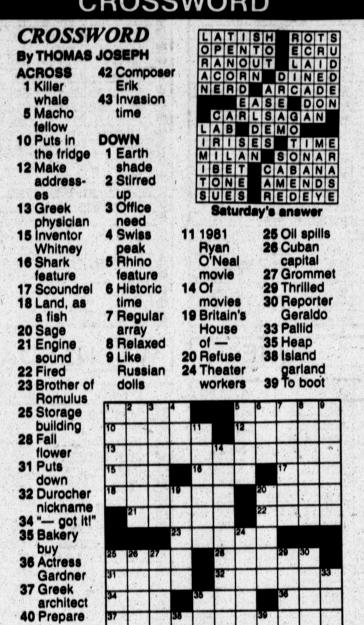
HOME BUYERS! 1999 Government Assistance Program is available to first-time home buyers with low to moderate income. You could receive up to \$7,500 in assistance. Call Kyle Michaels at 356-9444 to apply.

FOR SALE By Owner: Nice 3 bedroom, 1-3/4bath home at 229 Fir. 1906sq.ft. total living space. Isolated master bedroom and bath. Large living area. Kitchen and dining combination. Utility room w/extra storage. Satillo tile and good carpet. Land-scaped yard with large trees, flowers, garden space. Metal storage building. Call 364-1570 for appointment.

HOUSE FOR Sale by Owner! 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath, 2 car garage. New roof, h/w heater, new carpet and paint. 238 Beach. \$50,000. Call 806-364-8695 after 6:00p.m. for appointment.

2300 SQ.FT., 4-2-2, updated with new appliances & countertops, tile floors, wallpaper, lots of storage, RV/boat parking. Assume 7.25% FHA with only \$5,500 equity. 114 Pecan, 363-

CROSSWORD



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propose 41 Hagar's

"OAK CREEK" Now makes Modular Homes! These homes are suitable to be put on permanent concrete foundations. Are made for inner-city utilization. nousing experts @ 1-800-820-0103.

NEED A Workshop? We've got one plus 3 bedroom-2 bath-2 living areas/with fireplace. All built with Oak Creek quality. Must see to believe. Call Coral @ 806-342-0440.

DOUBLEWIDE \$29,900.00 will finance and trade for anything. Call 622-8777 or 674-2042.

NEW 28X60 4X2 Doublewide \$39,900.00 will finance and trade for anything. Call 622-8777 or 674-2042.

NEW 28X80 4X2 with study. Doublewide \$49,900.00 will finance and trade for anything. Call 622-8777 or 674-2042.

5. RENTAL PROPERTY

BEST DEAL In Town! 1 bedroom efficiency apartments. Bills paid, red brick apartments. 300 block West 2nd. 364-3566.

FOR RENT! Two Bedroom unfurnished house with basement. Near schools. No pets. References required. Call 364-

COTTONWOOD TOWNHOMES In Friona is now leasing 1-2-3 bedrooms. HUD Welcome! Specials on 3 Bedrooms, Call 806-250-5288.

UNFURNISHED 2 Bedroom house. \$250/month,\$100 deposit. You pay bills. Call 364-1682 or 344-5023.

Now Leasing

Guardian Self Storage 1409 E. Park Avenue 364-5778

Large 2 Bedroom Unfurnished Apartments Comfortable & Clean. You pay electric, We pay

FOR RENT! 3 bedroom, 2 bath mobile home. Furnished, W/D hookups, fenced yard. \$150.00 deposit. Call 364-2850.

water, trash, gas & cable TV

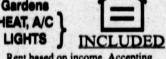
\$410/month. Call 364-8421

ELDORADO APARTMENTS Now has 2 bedroom apartments available. We pay water, cable, gas. \$80/week. Call 363-1254 or 344-2475.

FOR RENT! 3 bedroom house at 410 Long. \$300/month plus deposit. Call 364-4049.

APARTMENTS: Blue Water Gardens

HEAT, A/C



Rent based on income. Accepting applications for 1,2,3,4 bdrms. CALL Debra or Janis TODAY for information & directions. 1-5pm (806)364-6661. Equal Opportunity.

6. WANTED

30 YEARS Experience in carpentry brick work, painting and more. Prefer small jobs. Rex Manley 364-1682 or 344-5023.

WANT TO Buy used slide projector! Needed for Bible School. Call 364-6957.

8. EMPLOYMENT

Best Opportunity!! www.homebusiness .to/Income-4-u

OVER THE Road Truck Driver. Must have CDL and good driving record. Send resumes to: P.O. Box 1179, Dalhart, Texas 79022.

CANTERBURY VILLA OF Dimmitt has openings as follows: RN's-PT, LVN's-PT/FT, CNA's-PT/FT. Flexible hours and competitive wages. Apply at 1621 Butler Road or call 647-3117.

I am looking for a sharp individual to learn my business. I will train the right person. Call for details 1-800-550-4704. Code #44

BRADFORD TRUCKING An E.S.O.P. Company Now Taking Applications

Hiring for cattle haul. Must have 3 years experience and be acceptable by insurance company, pass DOT drug screen and physical. Benefits Include: insurance and raise after 60 days vacation after 1 year, retirement paid by Company.

Contact Odell Ward at 1-800-522-5164 or Fax or Send Resume to: P.O. Box 129 Cactus, Texas 79018 fax no. 806-966-5532

NOW HIRING Lead vet position in commercial feedlot. Computer skills and cattle doctoring experience preferred. Excellent opportunity for the right individual to learn and advance in the cattle feeding industry. For more information call Darren Newton at Caprock Bovina (806)225-4400 Ext. 23.

HELP WANTED-EXPERI-ENCED Water Well Rig Operators and Rig Helpers. Call 806-364-0353 or apply in person at Big T Pump Co., Inc., 1206 East New York Avenue, Hereford, Texas.

BURNS INTERNATIONAL Security Services has an opening for a night watchman in the Friona Feedlot starting pay \$6.00 an hour. If interested call 806-765-0006. E.O.E.

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY! Office Assistant. Some bookkeeping knowledge, Windows 98 & Quickbook Pro helpful but will train. Send resume to: P.O. Box 673CN, Hereford, Texas 79045.

HOME-BASED, PART-TIME, Flexible work opportunity for self-motivated! Coordinate international students, host families & schools. Training, compensation & travel rewards. Call Terri at 1-877-238-8728 today!

HIRING CDL Driver for local hauling. Must have experience. Call 364-9251.

INDUSTRIAL ELECTRI-CIAN. Construction & troubleshooting of industrial & irrigation electrical systems. Salary negotiable. Send resume to: P.O. Box 673VJ, Hereford, Texas 79045.

9. CHILD CARE



10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

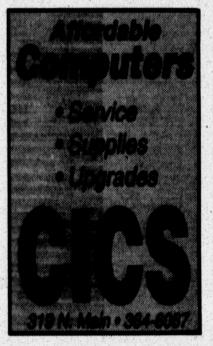
NOW OPEN! Sheila's Food Nook. 407 N. 25 Mile Avenue. Call 363-1002 for Call-in, Dinein or Take-out.

11. BUSINESS SERVICES

GARAGE DOOR And Opener Repair and Replacement. Call Robert Betzen, 289-5500. If no answer call mobile, 344-2960.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING Course is now being offered at the Ranch House, 10:00AM the 3rd Saturday of every month. Will include ticket dismissal and insurance discount. For more information, call 1-800-454-6051 or 505-763-5628. #C0023-C0733, McKibben ADS.

TREE & Shrub trimming and removal. Leaf raking and assorted lawn work, rotary tilling and seeding of new lawns. 364-



HARVEY'S LAWN Mower Repair and Service, tune-ups, overhaul, oil changes, blade sharpening, etc. Pick-up and delivery. 705 S. Main. Call 364-

HOUSE SETTLING? Cracks in bricks or walls? Doors won't close? Call Childers Brothers Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563, Amarillo.

ROOFING, SMALL Hot ROOFS and general roofing repairs. Call Weldon Toews at 364-5643.

NEED YOUR Windows cleaned? Call Irene, 363-1900 or Juanita, 363-6509 anytime.

ALLEYS & Lots cleaned, stumps & trees hauled, shredding, mowing & more. Free estimates! Call Rex Manley 364-1682 or 344-5023.



All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any pereference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitations or

State laws forbid discrimination in th sale, rental or advertising of real estate based advertising for real estate which is violation of the law. All person are hereby informed that all dwellings dvertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

Writing Want Ads that really sell!

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

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

· Give the price. A newpaper consultant says 70 percent of

· Use key words to describe what you're selling. The key words for a car are make, model, year, body style, color, mileage and price. If it's a house, key words are location, type of construction, number of bedrooms and baths, and condition.

 Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.

· Don't be misleading. Think accurate and factual when you write. Be sure to include a phone number and the best times to reach

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of Receipt of Application and Intent to Obtain Air Permit by Rule Registration **Proposed Registration No. 44393**

APPLICATION. Hereford Concrete, 224 Kibbe, Hereford, Texas 79045, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a Permit by rule Air Quality Registration No. 44393 which would authorize construction of a Concrete Batch Plant under 30 TAC Section 106.201 at 500 feet south of the intersection of Highway 60 and FM 2856, Hereford, Deaf Smith County, Texas. The proposed facility will emit the following air contaminants: Particulate matter (including, but not limited, to aggregate, cement, and road dust).

This application was submitted to the TNRCC on May 8, 2000. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TNRCC central office, TNRCC Amarillo regional office, and Deaf Smith County Library, 211 East 4th Street, Hereford, Texas 79045. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of the TNRCC.

The TNRCC executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

MAILING LIST. You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting or a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TNRCC will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will issue a preliminary decision on the application following technical review and Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If any comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on a mailing list for this application.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trail in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application. If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. [To request a hearing, a person must actually reside in a permanent residence within 440 yards of the proposed plant.] If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following; (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing, and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this potics to the Office of protect, must also be identified. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below.

If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice will be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TNRCC Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic, safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this

INFORMATION. Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TNRCC can be found at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Hereford Concrete at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Ciro Casarez, III, at (806) 364-4510.





1500 West Park Avenue • 364-1281 Richard Schlabs Amber Griffith

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June 20, 2000

CATTLE FUTURES

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Gasoline

McClellan said.

Elsewhere, a number of economic and regulatory explanations are being offered for the run-up in gasoline prices. Here are a

RISING OIL PRICES

After hitting a peak of \$34 a barrel, oil prices declined in April after the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries agreed on production increases. But, in a surprise to some analysts, oil prices rebounded and were back up to about \$30 a barrel by mid-May and June. That prompted gasoline prices to edge up nationally, but only by about 4 cents a gallon in the last two weeks of May. The crude oil price increases, however, do not explain the much steeper increases in parts of the Midwest, especially in the weeks after Memorial Day.

LOW GASOLINE STOCKS

During most of May and into June, stocks of gasoline have been nearly 10 percent lower than during the same period a year ago and on the low edge of a range considered adequate. It is a precarious situation with the start of the heavy summer driving season. But low stocks have meant profits for refineries. Refinery margins in May were on average 20 cents a gallon, three times what they were a year ago when stocks were high, according to government figures.

Officials have said some refiners were slow in revving up production this spring, waiting for lower oil prices - which never came — to build up inventories, meaning more of a profit margin. In early May, federal officials raised concern that refineries were not producing fast enough.

PIPELINE PROBLEMS

In March, the 1,400-mile Explorer pipeline, which carries gasoline into St. Louis and the Chicago area, sprang a leak and was shut down for five days. Oil companies have cited the break repeatedly as a reason for supply problems and price increases in the upper Midwest. It's a claim disputed by the pipeline company.

"The market should have adjusted to that months ago," insists Rod Sands, vice president of operations at Explorer Pipeline Co. He said while five days of shipments were lost, the line has been sending at full capacity since March. The pipeline is only one of a

number serving the upper Midwest.

Two weeks ago a pipeline in Michigan had a break and was out of commission for nine days. Gasoline prices in the Detroit area soared to \$2 a gallon afterward. Industry critics say the "just-on-time inventory" practices, a policy adopted by the oil industry years ago to save storage costs, has eliminated traditional supply cushions that in the past eased the price impacts from temporary transportation problems.

REFORMULATED GASOLINE

The oil industry blames much of the price spikes this summer on a requirement for a gleaner-burning blend of reformulated gasoline in areas with severe summer smog. They say the costs of making the gasoline — about a third of all gasoline sold — is higher than anticipated because of blending problems, especially where corn-based ethanol is used as an additive. While it allows fuel to burn cleaner, ethanol releases more evaporative emissions, requiring other components of the gasoline to compensate to meet the new requirements. This makes gas blending more difficult and expensive, although how much is a matter of great dispute.

And some refineries have not retooled to make the new blend, adding to the supply problems, industry officials say. This has left Environmental Protection Agency officials and some state regulators frustrated because, they maintain, oil companies have been planning for the new gasoline for more than a year but made no mention of problems that would cause prices to skyrocket or lead to a supply crunch.

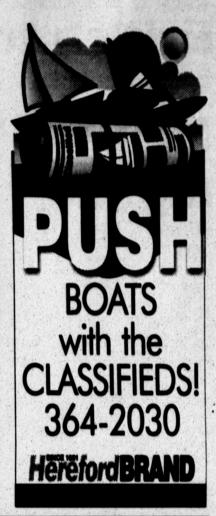
There is no reason that this should be a surprise," said William Becker, executive director of a group representing state air pollution control officials.

Notice to all Persons having claims Against The Estate of **Eunice Boyer, Deceased**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of EUNICE BOYER, Deceased, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 16th day of June, 2000, in the proceeding below by signature hereto, which proceeding is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons who may have claims against said estate which is being administered in the County below named, are hereby required to present same to me at the following address: Cecil C. Boyer, c/o Terry D. Langehennig, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 1655, Hereford, Texas 79045, before suit upon same is barred by the Statutes of Limitation, and within the time prescribed by law.

DATED this 16th day of June, 2000.

/W CECIL C. BOYER pendent Executor of the Estate of EUNICE BOYER, Deceased No. PR-00 4543 in the County Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

6-20 CRYPTOQUOTE

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NAPC.— AOCMX XBRV
Saturday's Cryptoquote: WHATEVER THE
UNIVERSAL NATURE ASSIGNS TO ANY MAN AT ANY TIME IS FOR THE GOOD OF THAT MAN AT THAT TIME. — MARCUS AURELIUS

Court

oping a national energy policy," Bush campaign spokesman Scott in March, an ABC News poll said two-thirds of Americans thought students should be permitted to lead such prayers.

And in Texas' Republican primary election that same month, 94 percent of voters approved a nonbinding resolution backing student-initiated prayer at sporting events.

Texas Gov. George W. Bush, who had filed a brief urging the

Supreme Court to uphold student-led prayer, said he was disap-

"I support the constitutionally guaranteed right of all students to express their faith freely and participate in voluntary studentled prayer," said the Republican presidential candidate.

Vice President Al Gore, the presumed Democratic presidential

nominee, thought the court got it right. "He feels ... in this case that the prayer was found to be

government-sponsored and participation was not truly voluntary," said Gore spokesman Douglas Hattaway. "He does support private prayer in school and at school-related events as long as participation is truly voluntary and ... is suitable within the school environmental." Gary Bauer, a former candidate for the GOP presidential

nomination, noted that Republican presidents appointed four of the court's six-justice majority. "This underscores that my party has got to be more serious about the men and women we put on the high bench," said Bauer, who now leads the Campaign for Working Families. Stevens said the court recognizes "the important role that

public worship plays in many communities, as well as the sincere desire to include public prayer as a part of various occasions so as to mark those occasions' significance."

But he added: "Such religious activity in public schools, as elsewhere, must comport with the First Amendment." That amendment prohibits an "establishment of religion."

Joining Stevens were Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, Anthony M. Kennedy, David H. Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen

Dissenting were Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and

Justices Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas. Writing for the three, Rehnquist said he found the tone of the court's opinion more disturbing than its substance. "It bristles with hostility to all things religious in public life," he said.

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districts let school officials provide a daily "moment of silence" during which students who want to pray can do so. The court struck down such an Alabama law in 1985, saying the law encouraged students to pray. But the court never has said a truly neutral moment-of-silence law runs afoul of the constitutionally required separation of church and

Monday's decision could make it harder for moment-of-silence laws and policies to survive court scrutiny. "It is ... the duty of the courts to distinguish a sham secular purpose from a sincere one," the

Reaction

"They can't even ask publicly for a blessing for the players. That will have to have an impact on the teams," he said. "This is one of the battles we will take up in our intercessory prayer

"The Bible says The things of God will be counted as foolishness for those who don't know the ways of God.' Too many people in power now see prayer as foolishness," Sullivan com-

British to probe deaths of 58 illegal aliens

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LONDON- Police are hoping two survivors can help uncover who planned a disastrous immigrant smuggling operation in which 58 people died trying to enter Britain sealed in an uncooled truck on the hottest day of the year.

The two men were found dehydrated and traumatized, huddled in the Dutch-registered truck along with the bodies of their fellow migrants, thought to be Chinese, when customs officials opened the vehicle at the English port of Dover.

Police are eager to question the survivors, who have been moved from a hospital to an undisclosed police facility, Britain's Press Association reported Tuesday. Their location has been kept secret for fear they might be abducted or killed before identifying the agents who sold them their deadly, illicit passage to the

"If you were behind the organization of this, wouldn't you want to get to the survivors?" said Kent police spokesman Mark Pugash.

Horrified by the deaths, Britain on Monday launched a major investigation into the crime syndicates that illegally smuggle thousands of immigrants through the country's ports. Some pay up to \$30,000.

"We have to do much, much more ... to disrupt the markets which these criminal gangs use," Home Office minister Charles Clarke told Channel 4 TV. "They are making a great deal of money out of it, and we have to target them much more effectively.

Three Dutch police were headed for Dover, where the Dutch driver of the 50-foot white Mercedes-Benz truck was being held. The truck registered as carrying toma-toes — made the five-hour journey aboard a ferry from the Belgian port of Zeebrugge with its refrigeration unit turned off. It was opened at Dover just before midnight Sunday.

Pharmaceuticals get approval for merger

WASHINGTON - Federal regulators have approved a merger that will leave one company dominating many U.S. medicine cabinets.

The \$90 billion merger of Pfizer Inc. and Warner-Lambert Co., approved Monday by the Federal Trade Commission, will put many of the world's best-known over-thecounter brands under one company name.

In addition to Halls, Benadryl, Sudafed, Listerine, Schick, Visine, Ben Gay, Lubriderm, Zantac and Cortizone, the company also will make two of the hottestselling prescription drugs, the male impotence drug Viagra and the cholesterol-lowering medicine Lipitor.

The deal is expected to make the new Pfizer the largest pharmaceutical company in the world.

"This is a defining moment for Pfizer," said William C. Steere Jr., Pfizer chairman and chief executive officer. "Combining the two fastestgrowing companies in the industry creates a global leader in the discovery of health and consumer products that will benefit millions around the world."

However, the FTC agreed to the merger after the companies consented to divest

themselves of some businesses that federal regulators believed might otherwise constitute a monopoly. The FTC order says the companies must divest in four areas — treatments for depression, Alzheimer's, cancer and lice, including Pfizer's well-known head-lice drug

The watchdog group Public Citizen was disappointed by the FTC decision, saying the companies are amassing "unprecedented political power in Washington" while offering no guarantees that patients will save money on drugs or that the combined company will engage in more drug research. Taiwanese chief asks

for Chinese summit TAIPEI, Taiwan — Inspired by the historic Korean talks, Taiwan's new leader on Tuesday made one of his strongest appeals to China to join him at a summit and discuss dis-

putes that have separated the

two sides for five decades. At his first news conference since his inauguration one month ago, President Chen Shui-bian said that this 'is an "age of reconciliation" and that the time was right for a first-ever summit between the rivals that split amid civil war in 1949.

"We have a lot of international trends behind us," said Chen, a former Taipei mayor and democracy activist.

The president said he has hanged a picture in his study room of South Korean President Kim Dae-jung and North Korean leader Kim Jong-il shaking hands at their meeting last week in Pyongyang.

The Koreans have made a historic stride forward," Chen said. "We can also make changes and create history."

Since his upset March election victory, Chen has worked hard to ease tense relations with Beijing and has repeatedly urged Chinese President Jiang Zemin to meet with him at any location and discuss any topic.

So far, a long-standing dispute over Taiwan's political status has blocked talks. Beijing insists that Chen agree that Taiwan is an inseparable part of China, a position known as the "one-China prin-

Experts urge world Internet access

UNITED NATIONS - By 2005, everyone in the world should have access to the Internet even if they have to walk for half a day to the nearest computer or cell phone, experts said in a report to the United Nations.

"It is incumbent on us, and we feel that it is entirely possible ... that by the end of 2004 a farmer in Saharan Africa should be able to get to a point of access, let's say in half a day's walk or riding on a bullock cart," said Chuck Lankester, a U.N. consultant on information technology.

But Lankester's panel warned that action was urgently needed to reach this goal and to stop the rapidly growing "digital divide" between rich and poor countries.

The panel, which included government ministers from Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and representatives of private businesses and foundations, presented its report at a news conference Monday.

Currently less than 5 percent of the world population is benefiting from the tens of billions of dollars of E-commerce, the report said, and developing countries risk not "just being marginalized but completely bypassed" by the new global market.

"The panel calls on all actors to unite in a global initiative to meet the following challenge: provide access to the Internet, especially through community access points, for the world's population presently without such access by the end of 2004," the report

The experts, invited by the U.N. General Assembly to recommend a plan of action to develop information and communication technologies, urged the United Nations to create a task force to coordinate efganizations, the private sector and foundations.

Pentagon sets date for 'Star Wars' test

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon has set a July 7 target date for a decisive test of a national missile defense system. A missile interceptor will try to collide in space with a tral Pacific Ocean, officials said Tuesday.

.The last such intercept attempt failed in January.

An announcement of the date for the twice-delayed flight test was to be made Tuesday by Jacques Gansler, the Pentagon's technology chief, and Air Force Lt. Gen. Ronald Kadish, director of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, which is running the missile defense project.

Although July 7 is the tarwait until the early hours of July 8 if weather conditions require. The test originally was planned for May, then was pushed back to late June to correct problems related to the failure of the January attempted intercept.

The Pentagon has come under fire recently by critics who believe the concept of intercepting long-range missiles outside the Earth's atmosphere is flawed because an attacking nation could fool the U.S. interceptor with decoys. The Pentagon acknowledges that decoys are a longterm challenge.

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Weight Loss forts between international or- mystery puzzles researcher

WASHINGTON -- A nutritional researcher's plan to end world hunger became side tracked when people eating his "hi-tech" chewable food tablet lost weight. The reason for the weight loss is still somewhat of a mystery, but some results have been significant.*

Called Food Source One (FS-1), the low calorie food replacement, develmock warhead over the cen- oped by National Dietary Research never achieved its original goal of feeding the world's undernourished people, but has instead become a windfall for some overweight people.

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Dr. Morris says that he has received some incredible success stories from get date, the Pentagon might people who have lost 70 pounds or more with the Food Source One Plan. One woman from Niagara Falls, New York lost over 70 pounds without giving up her favorite foods which included chocolate, pizza and chicken wings. Although her results are not typical because individuals are different, the FS-1 Plan is a bona fide natural, drug free way of fighting obesity. According to an article published in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition you don't even have to reduce the amount of food you eat to lose weight, provided that you limit the fat. Useonlyasdirectedwithenclosedplan

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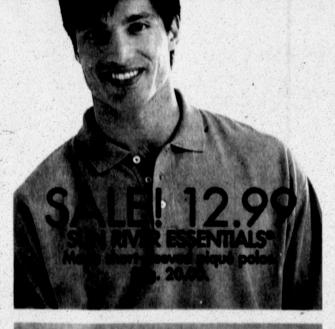
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