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Today's weather

OUTLOOK

Partly cloudy skies

Tonight: Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, lows around 66, south to southwest winds 5 to 15 mph.

Friday: Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, highs around 96, south to southwest wind 10 to 20 mph.

Friday night: Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms, lows around 67.

Extended forecast

Saturday: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms, highs in the lower 90s.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, lows 65 to 70, highs in the mid-90s.

Monday: Mostly clear, lows in the mid to upper 60s, highs in the mid-90s.

Hereford weather

Wednesday's high, 93; low, 67; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

Triple-digit temperatures return to parts of state

After a break in the summer heat wave, triple-digit temperatures are returning to parts of Texas, according to an Associated Press report.

Under a high-pressure dome's influence, skies in North Texas were clearing and allowing highs to again climb.

A few thunderstorms were reported over the southeast Texas Panhandle this morning.

Isolated showers developed between Brownwood and Wichita Falls. Isolated thunderstorms were west and north of Wichita Falls, with widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms between Austin and Centerville.

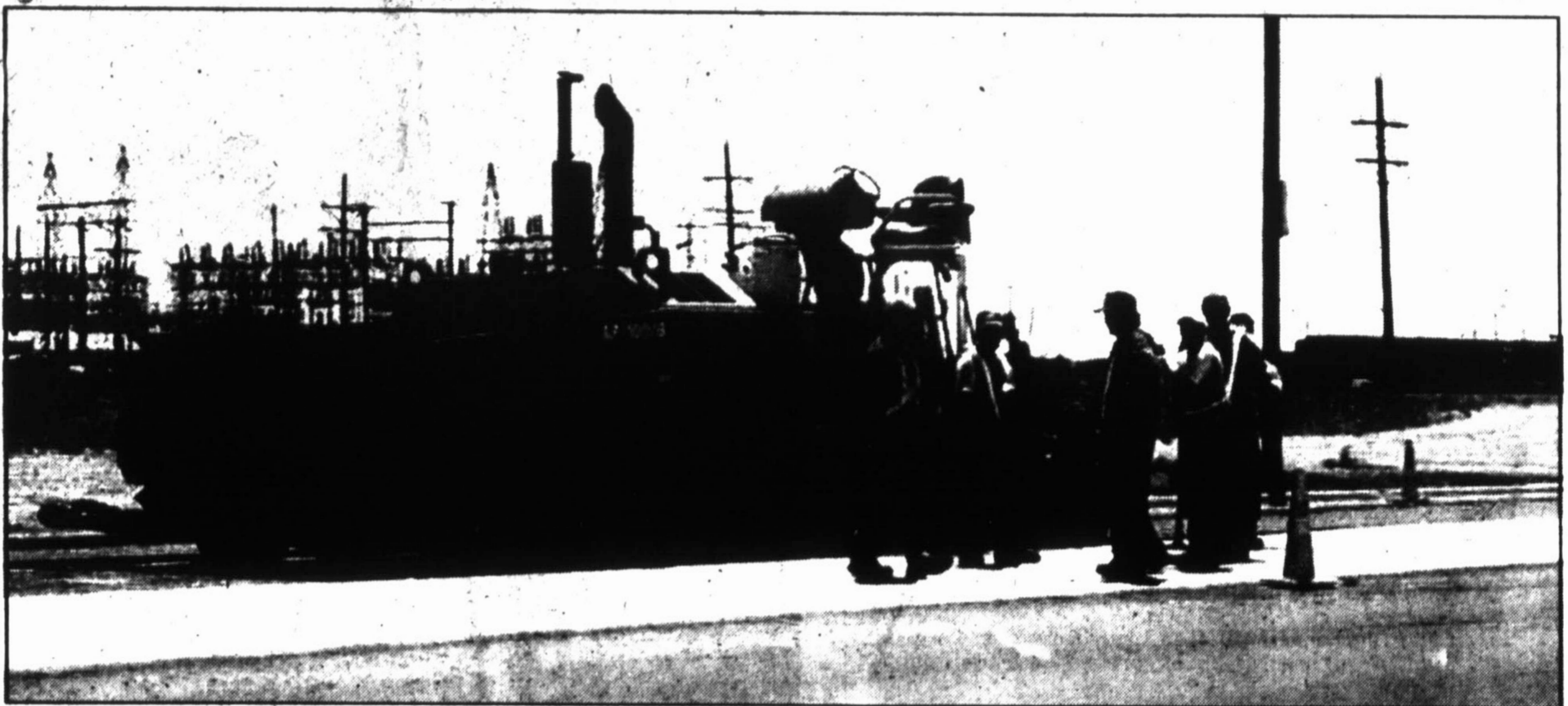
Some mid-level clouds moved into North Texas.

Early-morning temperatures were already in the 70s to 80s, with a few readings in the 60s in the far west.

It was 70 degrees at Conroe and 84 at Laughlin Air Force Base near Del Rio.

Winds were mostly southerly to southwesterly at 5 to 10 mph.

Only a slight chance of thunderstorms was forecast in the northwest through Saturday, with isolated, mainly afternoon showers and storms in the south. Most rainfall should subside by nightfall.



U.S. 60 project moving ahead

Holmes Construction Co. crews are wrapping up work on an overlay of U.S. Highway 60 through Hereford. Traffic has been narrowed to one lane in several locations within the project, which runs from the junction with U.S. Highway 385 to Farm Road 2856. Pavement will be replaced and the new overlay will be striped. Don Day, Canyon Area engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation, said the contractor is pushing to complete the overlay project before school starts Aug. 14.

BRAND/Don Cooper

TAX BREAK: Abatement board to consider request from group building Super 8 motel

By Donald Cooper
Hereford Brand Managing Editor

A request for a tax break for a new motel will be considered at 11 a.m. Friday by the Deaf Smith County Tax Abatement Board.

Hereford Economy Lodge Inc., which is proposing to build a Super 8 Motel on the city's northside, is requesting an abatement of 50 percent for five years.

Four taxing entities, the City of Hereford, Deaf Smith County, Hereford Independent School District and Deaf Smith County Hospital District, will consider the request if it is approved by the abatement board.

The abatement board is made up of representatives of the city, county, school district and hospital district. The last tax abatement request approved by the board was a five-year, 50-percent request from Archer Daniels Midland Co., which built a \$6 million grain-handling complex near the junction of U.S. Highway 60 and County Road 1. The company's application was approved in August 1999 and later approved by the taxing entities.

The tax abatement request is just one of two requests made by Hereford Economy Lodge Inc. The group already has asked the city to support its request for enterprise zone status.

The city commissioners on Monday approved a resolution nominating Hereford Economy Lodge Inc. as an enterprise project. The county commissioners are expected to consider the enterprise zone request at their next meeting.

If it is built, the motel will be located on property adjacent to the HISD Administration Building. According to Hereford Economic Development Corp. Executive Director Don Cumpton, designating the motel as an enterprise zone project will allow the group to recoup some of the sales taxes paid for construction materials and a reduction in the franchise tax.

Jobless claims show increase

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of Americans filing new claims for unemployment benefits rose for a second straight week but still remained at a level indicating that labor markets remain extremely tight.

The Labor Department reported Thursday that 293,000 laid-off workers filed claims for jobless benefits last week, an increase of 18,000 from the previous week.

The increase, the biggest one-week gain since a rise of 27,000 claims one month ago, was slightly larger than economists had been forecasting. It still left the claims level below the 300,000-mark that is viewed as signaling extremely tight labor markets.

The Labor Department said prices paid for imported goods were unchanged in July, the best showing since an outright 1.4 percent decline in import prices in April.

The good news on import prices reflected a 2.4 percent drop in imported petroleum prices, which offset a 0.3 percent rise in the cost of other imports including cars and other consumer goods and industrial supplies.



Teachers breakfast — Hereford Independent School District teachers enjoy breakfast — and show their school spirit — this morning at the district's annual "Welcome Back" breakfast for its teachers. The teachers showed they're part of a team by sporting jerseys.

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Good times not enjoyed by all groups

WASHINGTON (AP) — There are more Americans aged 65 or older than any time in history, and they are living longer, healthier and in more comfort.

But, by some measures, up to one in four elderly Americans in some racial and ethnic groups are not sharing equally in this better life.

Those are the conclusions in a report released Thursday that summarizes data on elderly Americans collected from nine federal agencies.

"People are living longer and living more of their life in better health than before," said Richard Suzman, an expert at the National Institute on Aging, the lead agency in assembling the report.

The challenge, he said, is to keep up that trend of improvement and to spread the benefits more equally among all races and ethnic groups.

Suzman said the report should help policy-makers brace for the old-age arrival of the baby boomers, a population wave that will create "an enormous stretch" of society's health and elder care services.

The study, "Older Americans 2000: Key Indicators of Well-Being," compiles for the first time statistics from various agencies "to provide a unified picture of the overall health and well-being of older Americans," said Katherine K. Wallman, chief statistician of the Office of Management and Budget.

"I see a very positive picture, but clearly problems do remain," said Dr. Edward J. Sondik, director of the National Center for Health Statistics.

Among the report's findings:
• There are approximately 35 million people

Comptroller: Figures look good

AUSTIN — Texas' second annual Sales Tax Holiday appears to have been even more successful than last year, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander said today.

"Judging by media accounts and an informal survey of shopping mall managers, families across Texas headed for malls and department stores in droves to stock up on back-to-school clothes for the kids, and clothes for mom and dad, too," Rylander said.

At stores offering layaway plans, shoppers responded positively to an administrative change Rylander made this year: eligible items placed in

layaway during the Sales Tax Holiday can be taken out later without having to pay sales tax. "This change enables hard-working families with limited budgets to pay for their purchases a

little bit at a time and still receive the tax break," she said.

Rylander predicted shoppers would save at least \$34 million in state and local sales taxes during the three day shopping spree.

"The actual amount of tax saved by hard-working Texans will not be known until late October," Rylander said. "Most retailers don't report August sales tax until September, and some don't report until October. When all of the numbers are in, I am confident they'll exceed last year, when shoppers spent more than \$400 million on tax-free clothes and shoes and saved \$32.6 million in sales tax."

"The Sales Tax Holiday helps families stretch their budgets just when they need it most — the back-to-school shopping period. In the future, I want hard working Texans to realize even more savings by expanding the tax-

exempt list to include even more items, such as backpacks and sewing supplies that mommas use to make clothes — fabric, zippers and buttons," Rylander said. "I will recommend to the Legislature that the Sales Tax Holiday last longer than just three days, to give people more time to take advantage of this well-deserved tax relief."

The comptroller's office contacted shopping malls in Dallas, Houston, Austin, El Paso and Brownsville.

Mall managers statewide reported crowds and sales up to three times higher than a typical August weekend. Some mall managers estimated that crowds and sales were even bigger than the records set during last year's Sales Tax Holiday. Many had more shoppers than the day after Thanksgiving, the traditional start of the Christmas shopping season.

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Local roundup

Freshmen and Sophomore schedules

Freshmen and sophomore students at Hereford High School can pick up schedules 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. today, at the High School.

Students will need to have their ID badges or pay \$5 for new ones. All fines and fees will need to be paid prior to collecting schedules. Also parking permits can be purchased for \$5.

Students need to check their immunization records and have all vaccinations up to date.

All students can pick up schedules on Friday.

Bike registration scheduled

Boy Scout Troop 155 will hold a bicycle registration Saturday at Sugarland Mall. Bicycle information will be collected and turned over to the police department to help identify lost and stolen bicycles.

The troop will also present bicycle safety information and hold a safety course. Swimming passes will be given to 15 participants.

Elementary open houses set

Aikman, Bluebonnet, West Central, Shirley and Tierra Blanca Elementary schools and Stanton pre-kindergarten will hold back-to-school open houses for students and parents.

Staff at Tierra Blanca invites all students and parents to meet teachers and get acquainted with the classrooms 5:30-7 p.m. Friday. Cokes and hotdogs will be served afterward. Shirley will also hold an open house from 5:30 to 7 on Friday.

West Central will hold its open house beginning at 5 p.m. Friday.

Aikman and Bluebonnet will open their doors from 2-4 p.m. Aug. 13. Stanton will host pre-kindergarten open house from 2-3 p.m. Aug. 13.

Classes will begin at 8 a.m. Aug. 14.

High School yearbooks are in

High School yearbooks have arrived and are ready to be picked up in room 201. Students who did not order a yearbook last year can still purchase one for \$40. Yearbooks should be available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

HBA meeting

Hereford Beautification Alliance will be having a new membership drive meeting and cookout at 7 p.m. Sept. 9 at the Community Center.

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News digest

Texas executes two

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — One was repentant. The other defiant.

Two condemned killers, both high on drugs when they committed their crimes, received a lethal dose of drugs 33 minutes apart in back-to-back executions Wednesday evening in the nation's busiest death chamber.

Supporters of one of the inmates, Oliver David Cruz, 33, said the man convicted of abducting, raping and fatally stabbing a 24-year-old woman stationed at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio was mentally retarded and should not have been put to death Wednesday evening.

But the U.S. Supreme Court, which has allowed some three dozen mentally ill or retarded prisoners to be executed in this country over the past two decades, refused to stop Cruz's lethal injection.

Just over a half-hour earlier, another inmate, Brian Keith Roberson, 36, was executed in an identical procedure for the 1986 stabbing deaths of an elderly couple who lived across the street from him in Dallas. The high court also had refused to stop his punishment.

Sobbing and teary-eyed, Cruz asked for forgiveness from his victim's family and his own family and apologized for the 1988 slaying that sent him to death row.

The twin lethal injections marked the first multiple executions in Texas in three years.

Dallas NAACP President resigns

DALLAS — An NAACP leader indefinitely suspended for anti-Semitic comments about Al Gore's running mate has resigned to form a new civil rights coalition and refuses to apologize for his remarks on Sen. Joseph Lieberman, the first Jew named to a major national party ticket.

But Lee Alcorn, who resigned Wednesday afternoon from the NAACP after two decades of service, drew nationwide rebuke. NAACP national President anti-Semitic and anti-NAACP.

Alcorn, the Dallas NAACP branch president, said Monday that Gore's selection of Lieberman — an Orthodox Jew — as a running mate was "suspicious."

But Julian Bond, chairman of the national NAACP board of directors, called Alcorn's remarks "hateful, repulsive and ignorant."

ELSEWHERE

DOWNTOWN TORNADO: A popular Fort Worth restaurant atop a tornado-ravaged skyscraper will have another three months to look for a new home, owners of the 35-story building said Wednesday. ... **LAKE ACCIDENT:** A principal who punished a student last year for having a photo of the principal's car parked in front of an unmarried female teacher's residence has resigned. Neil Richmond's resignation as Midland High School principal became effective Wednesday.

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Starting the year right



Good morning Bluebonnet — Everyone knows that students need a good breakfast to start their day. This morning teachers of the Hereford Independent School District took their own advice and started the new school year with the annual welcome back breakfast. Teachers, staff and other personnel enjoyed a hearty breakfast of eggs,

bacon, sausage, biscuits, gravy, muffins and sweet rolls. The teachers of Bluebonnet took the breakfast as seriously as they do the education of the students. Bluebonnet is one of three HISD campuses which has been named an exemplary campus. Texas Education Agency has claimed the district as recognized.

Jury rules against island heirs

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A 90-year-old New York millionaire will not be punished further for swindling members of a Mexican-American family who are heirs of Padre Island's original owner.

An all-Hispanic jury on Wednesday turned down the chance to award punitive damages to 300 members of the Balli family, who had asked for a \$25 million chunk of Gilbert Kerlin's \$68.3 million fortune.

Kerlin heaved a long, loud sigh after the verdict. Afterward, he approached Balli heir Rebecca Gomez Sexton, shook

her hand and gripped her shoulders.

"You are all wonderful, wonderful people," he told her, lawyers and reporters milling around them.

"We're even," she replied, and burst into tears.

The jury last week awarded the heirs \$1.1 million in lost oil royalties, along with \$1.5 million in attorney's fees. Judge Pat McDowell will decide how much interest Kerlin will pay on the royalties — decades of interest could drive the payback higher than \$10 million, Balli lawyers said.

The Balli heirs sold their stake in the tropical island to Kerlin in 1938. An ancestor had inherited it from Padre Nicolas Balli, who received it in a 1765 Spanish land grant.

In the sale, Kerlin agreed to share the island's oil riches with the family, but the relatives said they never heard from the lawyer again.

During Wednesday's closing arguments, Kerlin's lawyers asked the jury to be gentle in their judgment.

"They're trying to tug at your heart strings," Horacio Barrera told the jury. "When

you talk about punishment, you've got to think about what effect this is going to have on Mr. Kerlin."

The aging lawyer, who spent the summer traveling between the Brownsville courtroom and a sick wife in New York, already has suffered, his lawyers said.

Balli attorneys were unforgiving.

"(Kerlin) cast aside the Balli family," attorney Britton Monte said. "He lived it up and he grew his wealth while many members of this family lived in abject poverty."

HEREFORD BRAND Courthouse records

District Court filings for Aug 1-8, 2000, include the following:

- In the interest of a child, order to modify parent/child relationship.

- In the interest of Emilio Enriquez, order granting non-suit.

- In the interest of Robert Saucedo, Jr., motion to revoke probation.

- In the interest of Rudy Martinez, motion to revoke probation.

- In the interest of Alfreda Thomas, order modifying probation.

- In the interest of Noe Sturgeon, order modifying probation.

- In the interest of Brian Baldwin, order modifying probation.

- In the interest of Neomi Garcia, order modifying deferred adjudication probation.

- In the interest of Maria E. Rodriguez and Abel Rodriguez and in the interest of two minor children, Abel Marcelino Rodriguez and Maria Maricela Rodriguez, an order transferring the suit affecting a parent/child relationship.

- In the interest of James E. Head, order of partial dismissal for Barret Farms only.

The following marriage licenses have been filed:

- Eric Ozuna and Sarah Jane Melendez;

- Remedios Vargas and Maribel Chavez Armandariz;

- Jesus Maldonado, Jr., and Viola Garza;

- Tony Rios, Jr., and Cynthia Ann Enriquez;

- Robert B. Smith and Rebecca Kathleen Hughes.

Federal court allows generic Prozac

NEW YORK (AP) — Consumers will be able to buy a less expensive, generic form of Prozac by next August after a federal court ruling dashed Eli Lilly and Co.'s hopes of extending the patent protection on its blockbuster anti-depressant.

The court's decision on Wednesday is a major blow to Lilly, which counts on Prozac for about a quarter of its total sales and had sought to defend itself from competitors for two more years.

The ruling is beneficial not only for consumers, but for

generic drugmaker Barr Laboratories Inc., which has battled Lilly over its Prozac patent since 1996.

Barr said the court ruling — which overturned a lower court's decision that kept Prozac's patent alive until December 2003 — should clear the way for it to make a generic Prozac by February. But Lilly is expected to apply for, and receive, a six-month extension by agreeing to test the drug in children.

"We are very pleased with the decision," said Bruce Downey, Barr's chairman.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Aug. 9, 2000, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Arrests

- An 18-year-old man was arrested in the 1300 block of East First and charged with theft and minor in possession of alcohol. Taken were two 18-packs of beer valued at \$23.

- A 36-year-old man was arrested in the 500 block of West First and charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

- A 33-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of South Avenue K and charged with possession of a controlled substance. A 40-year-old man was arrested at the same location and charged with driving while intoxicated, possession of marijuana, under two ounces, and possession of a controlled substance.

Incidents
- Criminal mischief was reported in the 300 block of Cherokee.

- Theft was reported in the 200 block of Sampson.

- A criminal attempt was reported in the 800 block of Irving.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Arrests

- A 20-year-old man was arrested and charged with failure to stop and give information.

- A 45-year-old man was arrested and charged with violation of probation.

Incidents
- Terroristic threats were reported.

- A domestic dispute was reported.

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Texas lottery

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

236

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

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 54 were:

4-19-22-47-51-54.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$6 million.

HEREFORD BRAND Obituaries

ETHEL LEE GIBSON Aug. 9, 2000

Services for Ethel Lee Gibson, 86, of Hereford will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gibson died Wednesday at August Health Care Center. She was born Feb. 17, 1914, in Paradise to Ransom Johnson and Mary Yarbrough. She married John Dawson Tharp in 1942 in Los Angeles. He died in 1966. She married Darrell Gibson on May 27, 1987, in Los Angeles. He died in January 2000.

She came to Deaf Smith County in 1987 from L.A. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include one brother, Emmett Johnson of Sacramento, Calif.; one stepson, Denny Gibson of Hereford; one step-daughter, Eloise Smith, of Salado; several nieces and nephews.

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Ann Landers



Dear Ann Landers: You were way off base with your comments about spanking.

Ann Landers: How come it was standard practice until the 1960s, but now, it is inappropriate? I believe spanking has its place.

Sometimes, it is impossible to reason with a child under the age of 6. When that is the case, a swat on the behind is called for. The fact that a spanking could leave a mark means nothing. Some children are more fair-skinned than others and sustain red marks when no harm was done. I am raising five daughters alone, and one has such fair skin that a very light swat leaves a red mark.

Teachers need to mind their own business and stay out of family lives. They have no way of knowing all the details. I agree that parents should not beat their children, but a swat or two on the behind is not a "beating." Today's parents deserve more credit for common sense than you are giving them. — A Single Dad in Alaska

Dear Dad: A man who is raising five children alone deserves a lot of support, and my hat is off to you. But it is not necessary to hit your children. Please stop it. Depriving them of something they want can be just as effective. Parents who hit their children teach them that violence is

acceptable. Here's more on the subject:

From Oneco, Fla.: I grew up with a mother who spanked me very hard when she was angry. While I don't think it was right, it did not cause me any permanent damage. I spank my own child, and she now understands there are immediate consequences to inappropriate behavior. Too many parents let their kids run the household because they won't spank them. Spankings are meant to cause discomfort, not injury. It is basic discipline, not abuse.

Pueblo, Colo.: I am an adult survivor of child abuse. I realize my parents did what they thought was best, but I suffered years of torment because people who were supposed to protect me failed to do so. I appeared to be well-behaved, but I was extremely angry at my parents, and couldn't wait to get away from them. After years of therapy, I am still having problems because of that abuse.

Shreveport, La.: I was spanked plenty as a child, and never thought once about shooting up a school or killing anybody. I knew my mother would have let me have it good if I even considered such a thing. Rewards, punishments and timeouts are baloney. Nobody disciplines kids properly anymore. Children today are spoiled rotten and have no respect for anything or anybody. In my opinion, a child

who is rude or unruly deserves a good, hard kick in the butt.

Norfolk, Va.: As a single mother trying to raise a little boy in a world filled with violence, sometimes a spanking is the only way to get my message across. Other forms of discipline simply don't work. I've tried them. My son makes me angry three or four times a day. If I take away privileges or give him a timeout, he still refuses to listen to me and do what he's told. There is nothing wrong with giving a child a spanking when other forms of discipline fail.

Sonora, Calif.: My mother rarely spanked me when I was young. She usually talked and reasoned with me. Years later, I was blessed with a child of my own. When he was 3, I asked him if there was anything he would like me to do for him. He said, "Stop hitting me, Daddy." I feel ashamed whenever I think about it. I decided that day never to spank him again. The "old school" that advocates spanking is wrong, wrong, wrong. Spanking is a gut response to anger. It has nothing to do with discipline. All it does is teach children violence.

Dear Sonora: Your last three sentences won the debate, hands down. Thank you.

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Rodeo, gospel concert are among coming area events



The McKameys

BORGER

The McKameys will be the featured artists in a free concert at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 18 in the Borger High School auditorium.

The McKameys — currently Peg McKamey Bean, Ruben Bean, Connie Fortner and Carol Woodard — have been singing the gospel for almost four decades.

The group began when Peg, Carol and their sister Dora formed a gospel trio in 1954.

Later Ruben joined the group playing the guitar and singing bass. He then joined the family by marrying Peg in 1959. In 1971, both Carol and Dora left the group to be replaced by Peg and Ruben's daughters, Connie and Sheryl.

When Sheryl departed to fulfill her obligations as a mother and pastor's wife, Carol returned and that family foursome has remained intact ever since.

The McKameys have won the hearts of Southern Gospel music lovers across the country. They have been honored with many nominations and awards. They have scored nine number one Southern Gospel hits, two of which went on to be named Songs of the Year.

BOYS RANCH

The 56th Annual Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Rodeo, a special Labor Day weekend event, will feature almost 100 youth from Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, near Amarillo; Cal Farley's Family Program, near Borger; and Girlstown, U.S.A., near Whiteface.

Rodeo performances will be at 5 p.m. Sept. 2 and 2:30 p.m. Sept. 3.

Held in conjunction with this year's rodeo, fans will be offered a taste of the West at the Old Tascosa Rendezvous Sept. 1-3, also at Boys Ranch.

Guests can experience the "rough and rugged" times of the 1800s as re-enactors dress in authentic period clothing to display their wares. There will be games and demonstrations such as fire making, black powder shooting, hide tanning, beading and campfire cooking.

The Rendezvous begins at 9 a.m. Sept. 1 and will continue on Sept. 2-3. There will also be an open-mike cowboy poetry gathering at the rodeo arena featuring Boys Ranch youth at 7 p.m. Sept. 1.

The Rendezvous is open to the public and admission is free. The Rendezvous will close down when the Boys Ranch Rodeo begins.

Camping experience designed for seniors

Special to the Brand

The Panhandle is host to a unique camping experience just for senior citizens. Senior Camp is a four-day retreat for individuals, married or on their own, age 50 or older.

It is sponsored by the Task Force on Aging Committee of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Potter and Randall counties, Amarillo Senior Citizens Association and related community organizations for senior citizens.

This is the ninth year for the camp. This year's camp dates are Sept. 12-15. It will be held at the New Beginnings, a conference and retreat center located between Channing and Dumas.

Cost of Senior Camp is determined by the accommodations selected: one person per room is \$160; two persons — \$140 per person; three or four persons per room — \$130 per person.

There is a day fee for individuals participating during the day but not staying overnight of \$30 per person or \$10 per meal. Cost of the camp includes workshop sessions, programs, room linens, all meals and refreshments.

Camp reservations will be accepted through Sept. 1. The cost of the camp is due at the time of registration. Cancellations with full refund will be accepted until Sept. 1. After the Sept. 1 date, the registration fee less \$25 will be refunded.

Checks may be made payable to Senior Camp. Mail your registration form and check to: Senior Camp, Potter County Extension Service-FCS, 3301 E. 10th Ave., Amarillo, Texas 79104.

For additional information including camp costs, contact the Potter County Extension Service office at 373-0713, the Randall County Extension Service office at 655-6325 or the Deaf Smith County Extension Service office at 364-3573.

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Urbanczyk descendants hold 32nd reunion

Special to the Brand

"Welcome to the 32nd Urbanczyk Reunion" was the greeting extended by the master of ceremonies Greg Urbanczyk to the 170 who attended the reunion held July 30 in the Make-A-Wish building in Thompson Park.

Hosts for the occasion were the Felix Urbanczyk family consisting of Tony Urbanczyk, Edna Reinart, Leona Mazurek and Aurelia Urbanczyk, all of Hereford, Theresa Kotara of White Deer and Ethel Stengel of Amarillo, and their families.

Janet George of Big Spring, Mary Jean of Sonora and their mother, Edna Reinart, registered the guests.

Anton Urbanczyk, first member of the family, made the nine week trip to America from Poland with his parents and 100 other families in 1854 when he was 3 years old. They landed at Indianola on the Texas coast.

Many of the immigrants were in poor health since they certainly had not made the voyage on a luxury ship. Their quarters were in a dark, windowless area of the ship near the steering apparatus, which allowed them to travel at the cheapest rate.

They were assigned two people to a stiff wooden bunk with a mattress, pillows and a roll of blankets. The space for one bunk measured 3x3x2½ feet with 20 cubic feet allowed for their

baggage.

The passengers were expected to take turns in the preparation of food, a diet which was surprisingly adequate and nutritious.

Those who were physically able moved to Galveston, then a few weeks later a Polish wagon train made its way to San Antonio led by Father Leopold Moczygemba. They arrived on Christmas Eve at a small tract of land 60 miles southeast of San Antonio.

Father Moczygemba said a mass of thanksgiving at midnight under a massive oak tree on top of a hill. The tree still stands near the church and is a most revered relic of the descendants of these Polish immigrants.

The settlement was named Panna Maria, after the famous church of the Blessed Virgin in Krakow, Poland. The people were threatened by rattlesnakes and scorpions falling from the grass-covered roofs of their hastily built houses.

Due to hard times and overcrowding, the people spread out and developed adjoining communities. Anton moved his family to Rhineland. From there, the Urbanczyk brothers, John, Ben and Felix, migrated to White Deer. Felix moved his family to Hereford in 1937.

At the 32nd reunion, recognition was given to the oldest pioneer, Ed Dziuk, who was 95

years young, with honorable mention to Dalen Rohan, Isabel Urbanczyk, Theresa Kotara and Henry Urbanczyk.

The youngest person at the reunion was 8-month-old Jacob Richardson.

Marisa and Patrick George of La Porte clocked the most miles. Special guests were from the San Antonio area, Fort Smith, Ark., and Lake Arthur, N.M.

The children's entertainment consisted of games, car races, face painting and piatas.

The main event was an auction of items provided by family members held immediately after dinner, conducted by auctioneer Mike Morrison. Proceeds raised above the cost of the reunion were donated to the Make-A-Wish fund.

A memorial service was led by Tony Urbanczyk. Relatives who died in the past year are Mary Pavelek, Lois Urbanczyk, Ann Decker, Chester Pawlik, Cory Barrett, Edward Dziuk Jr., Wilfred Bichsel and Rosalie Jungman.

Hereford residents attending the reunion were Keali, Kaeli and Mark Urbanczyk; Connie and Connie Urbanczyk; Bob and Vicky Schmucker; Sammee Mazurek; Sam and Leona Mazurek and grandchildren, Elizabeth and Steven Williams of Victoria; Lorrie Boyett; Bill Urbanczyk; Martin and Sam Urbanczyk; Bunny Urbanczyk;

Mike and Evelyn Morrison; Michael Morrison; Chris, Kamille, Hank and Hannah Urbanczyk; Madison, Pattie and Brian Urbanczyk; Edna Reinart; Mary Dziuk; David Dziuk; Al and Ed Dziuk; Greg Urbanczyk; Farren Avery and Dillon; Jenna Urbanczyk and Bryce Banner; Kevin, Rhonda, Jake and Caleb Urbanczyk; Allison Paetzold;

Richard, Robbie and Micah Stengel; and Ben, Stacey, Vincent, Blane and Katie Urbanczyk.

Descendants from the surrounding areas attending were Jimmy, Mary Jean, Cameron and Justin Sims of Sonora; Lee and Janet George of Big Spring; John, Michelle, Ryan and Brady King of Midland; Diana and Chris George of Dallas; Patrick and

Marisa George of La Porte; Doug Reinart of Plainview; Theresa Kotara, Joy Grange, Dan Kotara and Betty Rae and John Kotara III, all of White Deer; Debbie Huff of Grand Prairie; Lori Urbanczyk of Nazareth; Scott, Beth, Kristen and Kelsey of Lubbock; and Charlie Dziuk, Ethel Stengel and Lesa and Jay, all from Amarillo.

LOOKING BACK

Today in History

By The Associated Press
Today is Thursday, Aug. 10, the 223rd day of 2000. There are 543 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 10, 1846, Congress chartered the Smithsonian Institution, named after English scientist James Smithson, whose bequest of \$500,000 had made it possible.

On this date:

In 1809, Ecuador struck its first blow for independence from Spain.

In 1821, Missouri became the 24th state.

In 1874, Herbert Clark Hoover, the 31st president of the United States, was born in West Branch, Iowa.

In 1944, during World War II, American forces overcame remaining Japanese resistance on Guam.

In 1949, the National Military Establishment was renamed the Department of Defense.

In 1969, Leno and Rosemary LaBianca were murdered in their Los Angeles home by members of Charles Manson's cult, one day after actress Sharon Tate and four other people were slain.

In 1975, television personality David Frost announced he had purchased the exclusive rights to interview former President Nixon.

In 1977, postal employee Davmd Berkowitz was arrested in Yonkers, N.Y., accused of being the Son of Sam gunman responsible for six slayings and seven woundings.

In 1988, President Reagan signed a measure providing \$20,000 payments to Japanese-Americans interned during World War II.

In 1993, Ruth Bader Ginsburg was sworn in as the second female justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

Ten years ago: Washington, D.C., Mayor Marion Barry was convicted of a single misdemeanor drug charge and acquitted on another; the judge declared a mistrial on 12 other counts.

Five years ago: Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols were charged with 11 counts in the Oklahoma City bombing (McVeigh was later convicted of murder and is on federal death row; Nichols was

convicted of conspiracy and involuntary manslaughter). Norma McCorvey, Jane Roe of the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion, announced she had joined the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue.

One year ago: A gunman opened fire at a Jewish community center in Los Angeles, wounding three boys, a teenage girl and a woman; hours later, a gunman shot and killed letter carrier Joseph Iletto; a suspect, white supremacist Buford O. Furrow, faces charges in both shootings.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Jeff Corey is 86. Singer Al Alberts (The Four Aces) is 78. Actress Rhonda Fleming is 77. Bluegrass singer-songwriter Jimmy Martin is 73. Singer Jimmy Dean is 72. Singer Eddie Fisher is 72. Actress Kate O'Mara is 61. Singer Bobby Hatfield (The Righteous

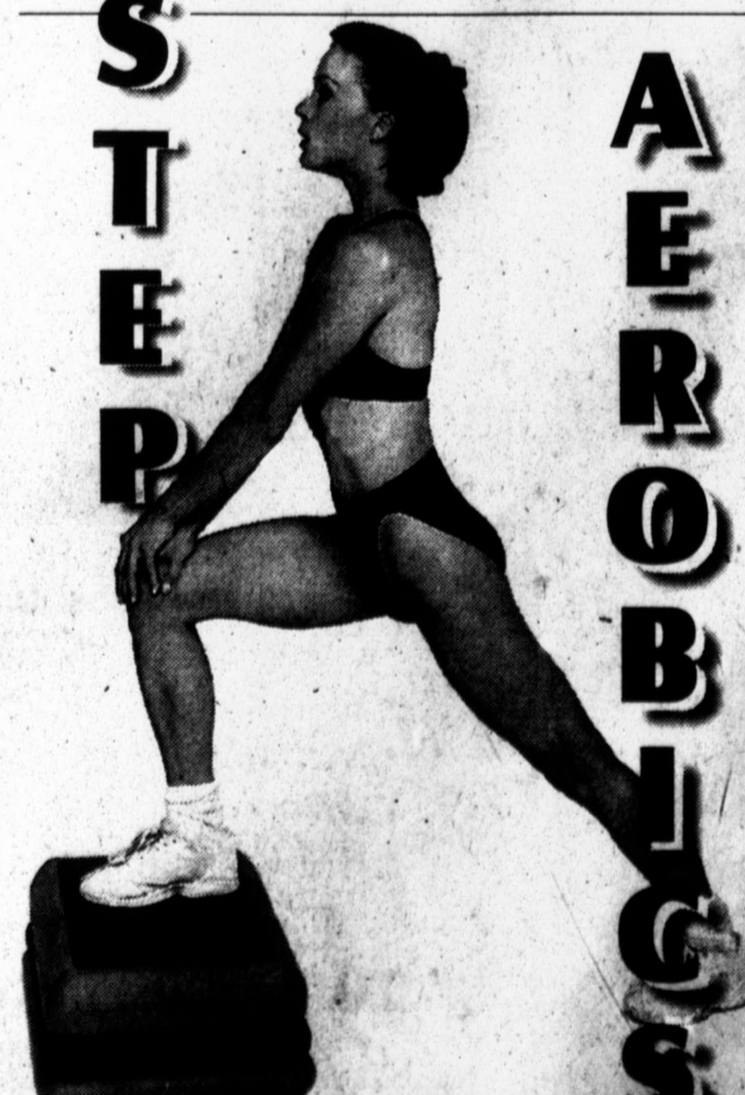
Brothers) is 60. Singer Ronnie Spector is 57. Rock singer, musician Ian Anderson (Jethro Tull) is 53. Singer Patti Austin is 52. Country musician Gene Johnson (Diamond Rio) is 51. Actor Daniel Hugh Kelly is 48. Actress Rosanna Arquette is 41. Actor Antonio Banderas is 40. Rock musician Jon Farriss (INXS) is 39. Singer Julia Fordham is 38. Singer Neneh Cherry is 36. Singer Aaron Hall is 36. R&B singer Lorraine Pearson (Five Star) is 33. Rock musician Todd Nichols is 33. Singer-producer Michael Bivins is 32. Actress Angie Harmon is 28. R&B singer Nikki Bratcher (Divine) is 20.

Thought for Today: "Some people think that doctors and nurses can put scrambled eggs back into the shell." —Dorothy Canfield Fisher, American author (1879-1958).

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City champ determined

■ Hereford High School head golf coach James Salinas crowned city champ

Last weekend golfers from around Hereford gathered together at the John Pitman Municipal Golf Course to find out who had the best game in town.

After two rounds of tough competition complicated by club pro Craig Nieman's tricky hole location, Hereford High head golf coach James Salinas proved himself to be Hereford's champ.

In the championship flight, Salinas edged out Cory Newton by four strokes to win the City Championship with a gross score of 144. Newton finished just behind Salinas with a gross score of 148.

Net score winners in the championship flight included Johnny Dan Alaniz and Don Leverett. Alaniz scored a 138 net score and Leverett scored a 139 net score.

In the men's regular flight, Ken Cosper took top honors finishing with a gross score of 145. Pete Rodriguez was second with his total gross score of 148 followed by Cory Schumacher's 149. Kevin Kelso finished fourth in gross firing a 156.

In the men's regular flight net scores Richard Davila finished first with a 133. Sam Metcalf was second with a net total of 136 followed by

Pete Wilt who shot a 139. Joe Sherman also had a net score of 139.

In the senior flight, Bill Allen fired a final round 74 to beat Steve Stevens by one stroke to win first place. Allen's gross total of 155 narrowly edged out Steven's gross of 156.

Lynn Jones placed first in net score with a 127. Jones finished ahead of N.D. Kelso whose net total was 134.

The first and second place net and gross winners each received cash prizes for their performances. Prize amounts ranged from \$120 to \$30.



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PERFECT PRACTICE MEANS PERFECT PERFORMANCE

Practice makes perfect—Head volleyball coach Brenda Kitten, left, watches her players practice during workouts on Wednesday. As Kitten watches her players the girls huddle up, top, to get the plays straight. Kitten is beginning her sixteenth year as volleyball coach at Hereford High. The Lady Whitefaces also are defending class 4A state champions and look to repeat last year's performance and make it to Austin.

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THE LEAGUE: Everyone plays in every game.

The league is designed for boys 1st-6th grade.

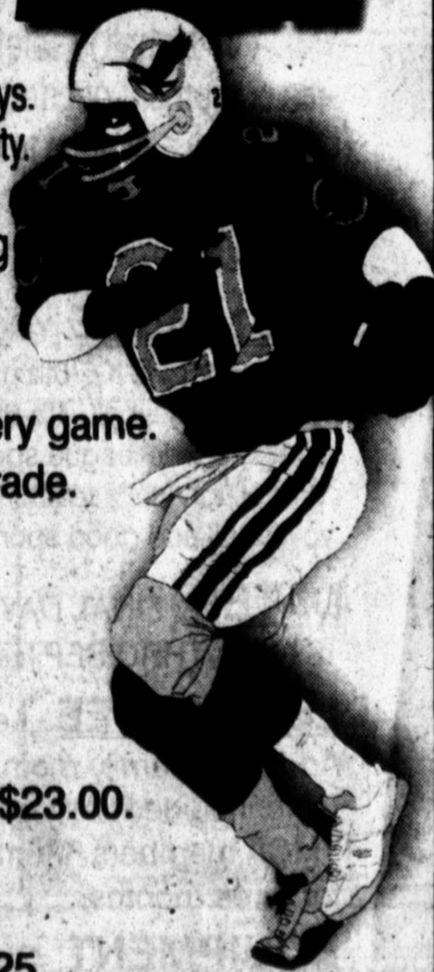
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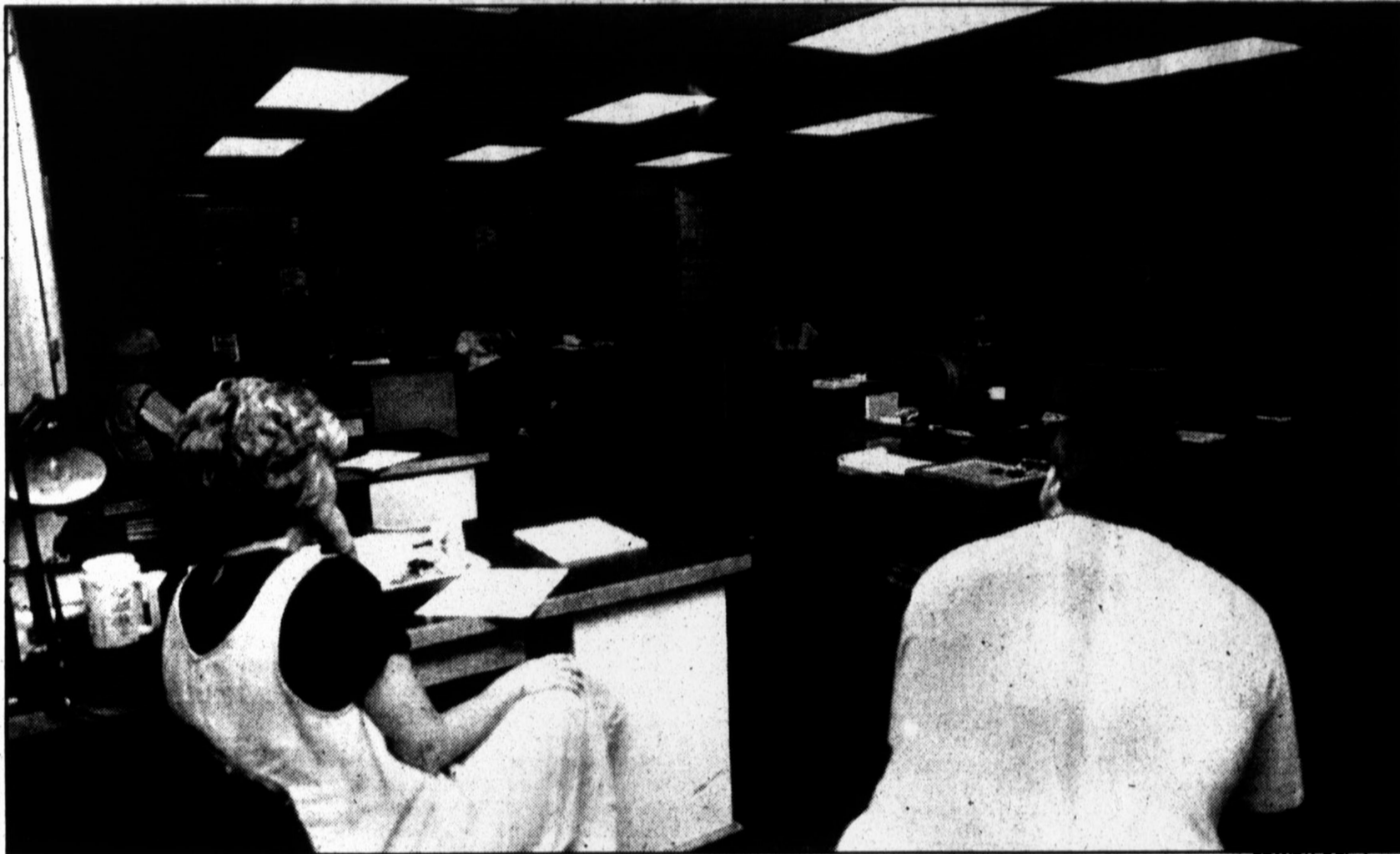
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BOOSTER, BOOSTER



Booster booster—The Hereford High School Whiteface Booster Club met Wednesday evening at the Field House to discuss plans for upcoming Fall sports including everything from tailgate parties to field decorations. The new booster club president for this year is Jeff Carlile.

Weekly golf results in tie

Wednesday golf tournament ends in second consecutive tie

The Wednesday Night Scrambles money will again carryover to next week's competition because of a tie.

The \$360 pot is a result of two weeks of ties at the event. This week two teams fired a 30 to force a carryover.

L.V. Watts, Bill Brown, Lynn Jones and Lupe Ramirez combined for a 30 along with the team of Carlos Mendez, John Kovacs, Terry Kearns, Don Davison and Dewayne Davison.

Four other scrambles tied at 31 for the evening making for a close finish.

Wednesday Night Scrambles take place each summer week at the John Pitman Municipal Golf Course. Each participant must pay an entry fee to play. The fee pays for nine holes of golf along with helping add to the winnings.

The contest is sponsored by the John Pitman Golf Course Association.

For more information call the course at 363-7139.

Mets hammer Houston, 12-5

Hamilton comes back with a bang

HOUSTON (AP) — After being out for four months, Darryl Hamilton made his presence felt immediately.

Hamilton hit a pinch-hit, two-run home run Wednesday night in the New York Mets' 12-5 victory over the Houston Astros.

The outfielder returned to the club after missing 107 games with a sprained left foot, injured April 7 in New York's sixth game of the year.

The Mets outfield is a little more crowded now. Left fielder Benny Agbayani is hitting .313 and center fielder Jay Payton is at .291.

"I don't think that's a dilemma," Valentine said. "I think it's a strength of the team."

Hamilton's teammates agree, even Agbayani who admits he was surprised he was lifted for Hamilton in the sixth.

"It just makes us that much stronger," Agbayani said. "We're coming down the stretch where we need everybody."

"Sure you have concerns when you're pulled. I'm right

in a groove and you don't know how it's going to work out. But when Bobby said Darryl was hitting, I just said OK. You can't get mad at the decision."

Hamilton, who lives in Houston, was elated to finally be playing again.

"I was excited no doubt," Hamilton said. "It felt kind of weird. I look at this as the first at-bat of the season because it's been so long since I've seen major league pitching."

"I knew it was hit pretty good, but I was surprised it went out. It was good to get that first at-bat out of the way mostly and it felt especially good to get the home run here in Houston."

It was the first ball to hit the left-field scoreboard wall and career into the visitors' bullpen. Under Enron Field ground rules that is a home run.

"I wasn't sure at first," Hamilton said. "I looked into the bullpen and they were

signaling home run. I knew it had good placement when the outfielder started looking around the corner (of the scoreboard).

"But I wasn't thinking home run then. I was just thinking extra bases until they said it was a home run."

Rick Reed (7-2) won his third straight decision by allowing four runs — three earned — on eight hits. He struck out four and walked none.

Mike Piazza, 2-for-5 including his 30th home run in the eighth inning, missed New York's previous three games with a mild knee sprain. He was injured running to first base at Arizona on Saturday.

Todd Zeile went 3-for-5 to lead a 16-hit New York attack.

Jose Lima (4-14) lost for the first time since July 4. He was 3-0 with two no-decisions since the All-Star break. The right-hander went 3 1-3 innings and allowed seven runs on seven hits.

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DATES: FINAL DAY TO REGISTER IS NOW THRU SEPTEMBER 7TH.

LEAGUE FEE: League fee will be \$23.00. Additional family members \$18.00. (shirt included) All participants must be YMCA members. Memberships are \$7.25 for three months.

EQUIPMENT: Girls will have to supply their own shoes and kneepads (optional). Only tennis shoes will be permitted for play and practice.

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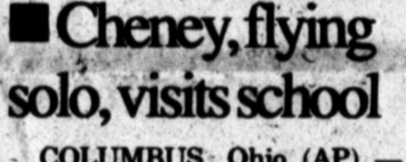
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Bush says he will be fighting for California



SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (AP) — George W. Bush is telling Californians he will battle for every vote he can get in their powerhouse state, dismissing as Democratic wishful thinking the suggestion that he might write it off the way his father did eight years ago.
At a railroad depot rally in San Luis Obispo Wednesday, Bush scoffed at the idea that he will wind up backing away from California, rather than spend the time and money to challenge Al Gore all fall in a state where the Democrats hold the advantage.
"Nobody said, 'You know, Gov. Bush isn't going to try hard in California,'" he told the crowd at the end of a day of campaigning from a chartered train. "That's wishful thinking. Nor only are we going to try hard, come November we're going to carry the great state of California. ... And should we do so, you're looking at the next president.
"We're not writing off any place, particularly this important state," Bush had declared earlier at a rally in Oxnard.

Cheney, flying solo, visits school
COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Dick and Lynne Cheney, flying solo on the campaign trail, got an education on hungry caterpillars and eight-legged spiders on a visit to an elementary school reading program.
Cheney, the GOP vice presidential candidate, promoted an early reading program, but he passed up a chance to join the parade of politicians reading to children.
"Why don't you go ahead and start. You're the expert on reading," Cheney said to his wife, Lynne, as they settled into a classroom with a summer reading program at Tussing Elementary School, where students have some of the highest test scores in the state.
Lynne Cheney, a former educator, writer and talk show pundit, read Eric Carle's "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" to a nine children. "You've got to read a lot because it helps you through your whole school," Mrs. Cheney told them.
A few minutes later, in another classroom, 10 children took turns reading "How Spiders Got Eight Legs."
The class is aimed at kids identified as having potential reading problems, said Martha England, director of instruction for the Pickerington district.
The Gore campaign ridiculed Cheney's school visits with a reminder of some of his conservative votes in Congress.



Democratic ticket to contest for South's votes
ATLANTA (AP) — Focusing on welfare reform and economic revival in the South, Al Gore and Joseph Lieberman signaled their intent to contest the region despite its recent Republican tilt.
The first stop Thursday was a meeting southern Democratic governors convened here specifically to tie into the Gore-Lieberman campaign.
While they planned no new policy initiatives, they were couching welfare issues in terms geared to sell with moderates, arguing they represent a new generation of leaders.
"We imposed time limits and required work," Gore said in remarks prepared for the conference, taking pride in facets of welfare reform that angered liberals.
"We moved millions from welfare to work and gave people more than a paycheck, we gave them pride again," said Gore.
Gore aides said the southern Democratic governors want to push welfare reform as an issue in the region. Gore noted that the nation now has the fewest number of people on welfare since 1968 and pledged to continue the effort.
If elected, Gore said he would seek "the next generation of welfare reform, to encourage responsible fatherhood."

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Visit to Iraq irks the U.S.
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BAGHDAD, Iraq — Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez drove across the Iran-Iraq border Thursday, the official Iraqi News Agency reported. Chavez became the first head of state to go to Iraq since the 1991 Gulf War. His visit has delighted President Saddam Hussein and drawn scorn from the United States.
U.S. prison population exceeding 2 million
WASHINGTON — The number of people behind bars in the United States broke the 2 million mark last year, a record high despite the slowest prison population growth rate in 20 years, the Justice Department said Wednesday. At end of 1999, prisons and jails held 1,890,800 inmates with the bulk of them held by state authorities, according to a Bureau of Justice Statistics report. An additional 135,800 people were held in juvenile, military, immigration and other facilities, including those in U.S. territories and commonwealths.

Sri Lanka prime minister retires
COLOMBO, Sri Lanka — Prime Minister Sirimavo Bandaranaike, the first woman elected head of government, retired from office Thursday at the age of 84. The decision allows her daughter, President Chandrika Kumaratunga, to reorganize the Cabinet ahead of elections. Bandaranaike has been a dominant force in Sri Lankan politics for four decades but has been in ill health for months and had canceled most public appearances. Bandaranaike set a pattern when she first assumed the leadership of Sri Lanka in 1959. She was followed by the region's most towering figure in the last 30 years — male or female — India's Indira Gandhi, who became prime minister in 1966.

UPenn affiliate is sold to rival
PHILADELPHIA — The private company affiliated with gene therapy research at the University of Pennsylvania has been sold to a rival a year after the death of a teen-ager in the program. Targeted Genetics Corp. of Seattle said it would buy Genovo Inc. in an all-stock deal valued Wednesday at nearly \$90 million. Genovo provided about 20 percent of the funding for Penn's Institute for Human Gene Therapy. The institute's ties to a for-profit company drew scrutiny following the death of 18-year-old Jesse Gelsinger, the first person known to have died following gene-therapy treatment.

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New gun laws go into effect

GARDEN CITY, N.Y. (AP) — It was a special day for Catherine Murphy, a New York City police officer whose 11-year-old son was accidentally killed in 1997 by a friend playing with a gun.
She was on hand Wednesday as the governor signed into law a sweeping bill that requires mandatory trigger locks, ballistic "fingerprinting" to better track weapons and background checks on gun buyers at gun shows in the state.
"It's a great day for me," Murphy said. "It means my son did not die in vain."
New York becomes the first state in the nation to close a loophole in the federal Brady Law, which requires gun sales by federally licensed firearms dealers to be accompanied by background checks. Sales at gun shows currently do not require such checks, however, unless the firearms are sold by a federally licensed dealer.
"This is something the rest of the nation should take a look at," Gov. George Pataki said. "I hope this serves as a model."
The bill-signing ceremony was held at the Garden City railroad station where a man went on a shooting rampage on a Long Island Rail Road train in 1993, killing six people.
The law's centerpiece would require New York handgun dealers and manufacturers who sell to dealers in the state to submit shell casings from the test firing of guns in their inventories to the state police's forensic lab. Computerized images of the casings would be kept on file.
Authorities would check the database against bullets and casings recovered at crime scenes to track the guns. Gun barrels leave telltale markings on bullets and shell casings.
The National Rifle Association has opposed the taking of bullet samples for the government, arguing that it is a preliminary step toward national gun registration.
Pataki stressed that the legislation is aimed at those engaged in illegal activity and not those who own guns to protect their homes, families or for hunting.

INSIDE

ON THE ISSUES

Lieberman shares a few Bush positions that have been under attack by Gore

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrat Al Gore has picked as his running mate a long-time advocate of school vouchers — an idea Gore says would undermine public education.

Gore and Sen. Joseph Lieberman are a close centrist fit on a variety of issues. But Lieberman's support for vouchers, his earlier statements on Social Security privatization and his backing of a national missile defense program raise questions about how Gore can continue to plausibly attack Republican candidate George W. Bush on those very matters.

The National Education Association, the largest teachers union, said Lieberman's favored education reforms have no bearing on its endorsement of Gore for the presidency.

"We have to look at who's heading up the ticket," said Kathleen Lyons, speaking for the union. "There's no confusion about how Vice President Gore feels about this issue."

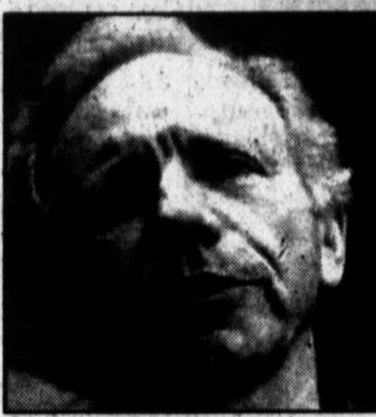
Sandra Feldman, president of the American Federation of Teachers, voiced similar senti-

ments. But some teachers were sharply critical of Gore's selection.

"I'm stunned he would make such a bad choice considering how much he's going to need to count on teachers for support," said Gary Krane, a Los Angeles substitute teacher and NEA member.

Lieberman, from Connecticut, was an early proponent of experimental voucher programs that would let parents use federal money to send children to a public, private or religious school of their choice.

In the mid-1990s he introduced an ill-fated plan to try vouchers for thousands of children in up to 20 communities nationwide. Although his most recent education initiatives have not included vouchers, his spokesman Dan Gerstein



SEN. JOSEPH LIEBERMAN

Gore's running mate has supported some of the same things as George W. Bush.

after Democratic primary opponent Bill Bradley for supporting the same pilot projects Lieberman wanted to try.

"I will never, ever support private school vouchers," Gore told the 2.5-million member NEA last month.

He told the 1-million member teachers federation, "It's as clear as A-B-C. You cannot save the public schools of America by destroying public schools in America."

said "he hasn't changed his mind" and still supports them.

Still, Gerstein said Lieberman is "going to work with Al Gore on the Al Gore agenda."

Gore has frequently attacked Bush for proposing vouchers for children in chronically failing schools. As well, Gore repeatedly went

"I find it a real strike against Gore," said Bill Taxerman, a 25-year veteran teacher in Los Angeles and federation member. "He stood up and swore to us he would never support vouchers and chooses a vice presidential running mate who's for it."

Gore, a founder of the centrist Democratic Leadership Council, and Lieberman, its chairman for the last five years, are close in their positions in favor of liberalized trade, strong environmental protection, abortion rights and more.

But Lieberman has repeatedly sided with Republicans on a national missile defense.

And in 1998, he spoke favorably of exploring the partial privatization of Social Security, telling *The San Diego Union-Tribune*: "A remarkable wave of innovative thinking is advancing the concept of privatization. ... I think in the end that individual control of part of the retirement-Social Security funds has to happen."

Bush has proposed partial privatization; Gore calls that risky.

Report: 'Star Wars' would spur Chinese arms buildup

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new U.S. intelligence report predicts China would accelerate its nuclear arms buildup if the United States erected a national defense against long-range missiles.

The prediction, in a classified report known as a National Intelligence Estimate, was disclosed Wednesday by U.S. officials speaking on condition of anonymity. They said it is part of a broader assessment of how foreign countries might respond to a U.S. decision to go ahead with a national missile defense.

President Clinton has said he would decide soon whether to authorize the initial steps toward deploying a network of missile interceptors, missile-tracking radars and battle management computers to defend all 50 states against a small-scale nuclear attack. China is among the few nations capable of a nuclear strike on the United States.

Clinton has said he would take into account four main factors: the urgency of the missile threat, the cost of a missile defense, the feasibility of building a reliable defense and the implications for U.S. foreign policy, including re-

sponses from China and other nations.

China and Russia are strongly opposed to the U.S. plan, arguing it would undercut the deterrent value of their nuclear arsenals, violate the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty and undermine global stability. As well, many U.S. allies in Europe are leery.

Clinton and his national security aides have tried, with little apparent success, to convince China's leaders that a U.S. national missile defense would not be directed against China's nuclear missile capability. A defensive system, they contend, would be for "rogue" nations like North Korea and Iran that are pursuing intercontinental ballistic missile technologies and might not be deterred by U.S. nuclear threats.

Separately, an unclassified CIA report released Wednesday said China increased its missile technology assistance to Pakistan last year and also had a hand in missile development in North Korea, Iran and Libya. The report said, "The Chinese have taken a very narrow interpretation of their nonproliferation commitment."

The spread of missile technology is at the heart of the Clinton administration's justification for developing a missile defense.

The fear is not only of an attack but also of the possibility that a country like Iraq might try to use the threat of an attack to persuade the United States to stay out of a regional crisis such as a conflict in the Persian Gulf.

U.S. officials who are familiar with the classified intelligence report said it states that China plans to increase its nuclear arsenal regardless of U.S. national missile defense plans. It adds that the increase likely would be sped up if a missile defense were built.

Additions to China's nuclear arsenal probably would be modest, the report said, and designed to give China a numerical edge over the U.S. missile defense system, which in its initial configuration might overcome a couple dozen incoming missiles.

The *New York Times* reported Thursday that the intelligence report estimates that China might increase its arsenal of intercontinental ballistic missiles.

Reform 'parties' convene

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — A deeply fractured Reform Party formally opens its convention Thursday with one faction battling presidential candidate Pat Buchanan and threatening to hold a breakaway gathering nearby.

Buchanan backers "have attempted to take over control through some predatory tactics," former chairman Russ Verney asserted Thursday. Interviewed on NBC's "Today," Verney said Buchanan and his campaign manager and sister, Bay Buchanan, "stuffed the ballot box with 500,000 names."

The nominee is selected by mail ballot.

Bay Buchanan, interviewed on the same program, retorted: "The reason they are walking out of this convention and having their own convention is because they've lost."

Phone co-op putting out its first directory

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The first-ever West Texas Rural Telephone/WT Services telephone directory is in the works.

WTRT and WT Services Inc. will be publishing their own telephone directory for their customers. Publication date is expected to be in December. The directory will include listings for all WTRT exchanges, plus Hereford, Friona, Bovina, Farwell, Muleshoe and Lazbuddie.

"We have been providing telephone service to our rural customer/members for 50 years and are continuing to strive to offer the best services and products available. Publishing a directory is a new undertaking for us, but one that we think will benefit our members and customers," WTRT assistant manager Jimmy Bell said.

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