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High school labeled as 'low-performing' by TEA

Attendance, dropout rate, test scores cited as areas of concern

By GARRY WESNER
Managing Editor

The Texas Education Agency was concerned that only 15 of the 80 economically disadvantaged Hereford High School sophomores who took the TAAS math test last spring passed.

As a result, the Hereford Independent School District was notified Tuesday that HHS has been designated a "low performing" campus.

HHS is one of 265 campuses across Texas given the below-acceptable ranking.

Assistant Superintendent Nena Veazey said the low math scores were just one area where HHS fell short of state education standards.

HHS also was notified that TEA was concerned with its high school dropout rate and its attendance rate, both of which are based on 1993-94 school year figures.

Attendance was the first area of concern by TEA, Mrs. Veazey said. The state standard is 94 percent attendance, she said, and HHS had a rate of 93.4 percent for the 1993-94 school year.

Also, she continued, this is the first

year that TEA has broken down the dropout rate by four sub-groupings -- African-American, Hispanic, Anglo and economically disadvantaged.

Although the district's overall dropout rate was 5.9 percent -- below the state standard of 6.0 percent -- Mrs. Veazey said the rate among African-American and Hispanic students was found to be too high.

The state agency used a figure of 1,347 students to determine the dropout rate, which reflects all students enrolled at HHS at some time during the 1993-94 school year.

African-American students make up 2.3 percent of the total school population, but 9.7 percent of them dropped out during the 1993-94 school year, the TEA found.

Principal Terry Russell said that translates to three students out of the 31 African-Americans enrolled that year.

In addition, the agency discovered that 8.1 percent of Hispanic students -- who make up 59.4 percent of the high school's population -- quit during that same year.

Russell said that was 65 students out of the 800 Hispanics who were

enrolled at one time or another during the 1993-94 school year.

Regarding test scores, Mrs. Veazey reported last month to the school board that 18.8 percent of economically disadvantaged 10th graders passed the TAAS math test, which is what caught the eye of the state.

The state requires at least 25 percent of each sub-group pass all areas of the TAAS tests in order to avoid the low-performing designation.

HHS is the only local school to be designated as low-performing.

Hereford Junior High School

recorded low TAAS test scores in the same area as HHS -- 23.2 percent of poor eighth graders passed the math test.

However, Mrs. Veazey said, the junior high is allowed to average its seventh and eighth grade scores, meaning no single area recorded a passing rate of under 25 percent.

The junior high and Bluebonnet Intermediate School were designated as low-performing following the 1992-93 school year, but had that designation removed a year later when test scores rose.

Both Mrs. Veazey and Russell said the school has already begun looking

at ways to reverse the three sub-par areas.

The 10th grade math test, Mrs. Veazey said, "is based on essential elements taught through the eighth grade."

This year, HJH will implement a HOSTS (Helping One Student To Succeed) math program and a TAAS math class.

Mrs. Veazey said work there should carry over to the 10th grade, resulting in an improvement in scores.

In addition, she said, a team representing the HHS math department has worked all summer to

address areas of concern in the math curriculum.

Mrs. Veazey told board members last month that the district focused on math during the 1994-95 school year, but that educators realized there were areas where not enough emphasis was placed, such as on probability and statistics.

"(The) math department at the high school has done a wonderful job of analyzing their students' strengths and weaknesses," Mrs. Veazey said Thursday, while the curriculum committee has identified area -- including probability and statistics --

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Proposed teacher pay raises to be discussed

Hereford ISD Superintendent Charles W. Greenawalt said Thursday morning that the school board will be asked to take action on one of two items on its agenda for a special meeting today.

An initial meeting notice in Tuesday's Hereford Brand indicated neither discussion item was identified on the agenda as being for action.

However, Greenawalt said, the first item for discussion -- employee compensation -- will be brought for a vote.

The meeting will be at 6 p.m. in the administration building, 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue.

The action item, Greenawalt said, is a discussion of proposed raises for teachers. Greenawalt said he has proposed an across-the-board 3 percent pay hike for teachers.

He said the board needs to vote on raises as soon as possible so contracts can be issued before school starts.

The school board also will conduct a budget workshop. No action will be taken on the budget.

The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in open session.

Hereford Bull



By Speedy Nieman

That feller on Tierra Blanca Creek says the toughest thing about raising kids is convincing them you have seniority.

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Wisdom is the quality that keeps you from getting into situations that require wisdom to get out of.

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In case you missed an important date last month, you finished paying for your government on July 9.

Americans for Tax Reform have calculated that from Jan. 1 to May 6, you labored to pay your taxes. From May 7 to July 9, you worked to pay for the cost of government regulations.

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The slow summer season is about over, so get ready for the busy period between now and Christmas. The opening of Hereford Aquatic Center and the start of Town & Country Jubilee this weekend signals the beginning of many community activities.

School registration starts today; the Jubilee activities open with the Beef Fajita Cookoff Aug. 5; football practice begins Aug. 9; the Women's Division Jubilee Style Show is Aug. 10; the Jubilee will be in full swing Aug. 11-12; merchants will start back-to-school sales next week, and The Brand's "Back-to-School" edition will be published Aug. 13; school will begin Aug. 21.

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The long-awaited opening of Hereford Aquatic Center is scheduled Saturday, and those who haven't kept up with the project are going to be pleasantly surprised when they see

the new "swimming hole." As Brand reporter Georgia Tyler recently wrote: "It may turn out to be the envy of cities everywhere."

Opening ceremonies are set for 10 a.m. Saturday. If the pool survives the first trip down the big water slide by KPAN's Captain Billy, public swimming should start soon thereafter.

A Beach Challenge Volleyball Tournament is to start at 10:30 a.m. with teams from The Brand and KPAN clashing in the opener. Other first-round games in the special tourney will be the Chamber vs. School Board, Red Cross vs. Senior Citizens, YMCA vs. City Commission, and Hospital Board vs. County Commission.

For some reason, the winner of the media match gets a bye into the finals. Officials probably felt sorry for these two, or they wanted to make sure there was good publicity on the event!

We understand that Clint Formby, himself, will be in town and start for the KPAN Panhandlers. Although we are allergic to radio and didn't hear it, we've been told that--on his 12,499th consecutive Old Philosopher broadcast--Clint bragged about beating the Brand Bandits. Even the optimistic but zany Captain Billy knows better than that!

Unless KPAN resorts to underhanded shenanigans--such as recruiting players not employed at the station, they have little chance against the talented Brand team. I have instructed our team to allow the Panhandlers to score a few points.

After all, this is just a friendly game.



Putting up the banners

Members of the Hereford High School Key Club practice putting up a Jubilee Banner on Thursday in the downtown area. The club, working in conjunction with the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce, is distributing banners throughout Hereford in preparation for the Town and Country Jubilee, which gets under way on Saturday. A portion of the proceeds from banner sales will benefit the Key Club. Those interested in banners may contact the chamber at 364-3333. Shown is club president Matthew Artho, left, who directs a crew of club members from the safety of the ground. On the ladder are, from left, Division 7/33 Lt. Gov. Tyson Foerster; club vice president Johnathan Keenan; and club treasurer Rob Reinauer.

HEDC receives grant of 61 acres of land suitable for use in industrial development

By GEORGIA TYLER
Staff Writer

A gift of a 61-acre parcel of land, with an appraised value of \$122,000, suitable for industrial development was accepted by the board of Hereford Economic Development Corporation Wednesday.

The property is located on Progressive Rd., in what originally was Hereford Industrial Park.

Donor is the Town East Ford Sales, Inc., of Dallas.

In other business during the HEDC board's regular meeting, representatives of Holly Sugar distributed information about the Hereford plant and the economic impact of sugar beets.

The board directed Mike Hatley, executive director, to follow proposals made by Hereford State Bank when the bank became the depository for HEDC.

Hatley reported that approximately

\$65,000, representing receipts from the half-cent sales tax collected in Hereford, has accumulated in recent months.

"Our operating expense is about \$5,000 per month," he observed. The board told Hatley to place the money in interest-bearing accounts in the local bank.

Terry Langehennig, city attorney, explained that the land gift first was proposed to City Manager Chester Nolen.

"Mr. Nolen believed the economic development group is the appropriate agency to accept it," said Langehennig.

Although the donor is a corporation, Langehennig said his contact has been with Charles Seeds Jr., whose family has had ties to Hereford in the past.

Mayor Bob Josseland told the board that the property has some features that can be utilized in

industrial development. "For one thing, there is a rail spur on the land," Josseland reported.

Voting unanimously to accept the land were board members in attendance, Shirley Garrison, Rosendo Gonzalez, Don Graham and Jerry Stevens. Cliff Skiles was not present.

Representing Holly Sugar in a presentation to the board were Dennis Printz, David Duncan and Randell Caloway.

Printz reported that sugar beet acres are down this year. He said the company contracted 25,000 acres last year and only 20,000 for 1995.

One of the reasons cited for the reduction is the necessity for crop rotation on a cycle of at least five years. Printz said some growers also became discouraged when weather impacted the crop several years ago.

Mayor Josseland asked Printz, "What can this group do to help you?"

Printz pointed out that Holly is "trying different things... we want people to know we are working."

He also reported that the company is looking at other locations for beet production, but "Hereford is very important. We've got to have it."

Duncan reviewed figures on beet production by growers and sugar production at the Hereford plant.

He pointed out that the company purchased 514,360 tons of sugar beets in 1994, paying growers \$19,060,000. More than \$7 million was paid to Deaf Smith producers. Holly Sugar \$494,911 to taxing jurisdictions in 1994.

At the height of the sugar harvest, the company has a work force of approximately 372 persons. Of the total, 250 are seasonal, 87 are factory workers and 35 are staff personnel.

Duncan pointed out that the company considers area growers and Holly as a "growing" partnership.

State schools earn C grade

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) - State Education Commissioner Mike Moses says Texas schools deserve a grade of "a high C" based on new performance rankings.

"That's up from the previous year, but that means we still have a lot of improving to do. I would be very concerned if my fourth-grader and seventh-grader brought home C's this year," Moses said in releasing the rankings Wednesday.

There were 265 campuses rated low-performing this year. That's up from 54 last year, when less stringent state standards were used in judging Texas' 6,229 campuses.

But the number of schools with high ratings also increased: for example, 245 were found to be exemplary, up from 67.

This year, the state looked at student performance and dropout rates specifically by ethnic and economic group, not just at the student body as a whole.

In addition, the state placed schools in the low-performing category based solely on high dropout rates, said Texas Education Agency spokesman Joey Lozano.

Of the low-performing campuses, 120 received the rating only because of failure rates on the math section of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, particularly by black students, Moses said. TAAS also includes reading and writing.

Another 113 campuses received the lowest rating only because of their dropout rate, he said, citing in particular Hispanic dropouts. Other campuses had a combination of problems.

Eight campuses have been on the low-performing list for three years in a row: in San Antonio Independent School District, Wheatley Middle, Poe Middle, M.L. King Middle, J.T. Brackenridge Elementary and Washington Elementary; in Wilmer-Hutchins ISD, Kennedy-Curry Junior High; and in Houston ISD, Attucks Middle and Jackson Middle.

The state also ranked its 1,045 school districts, each of which may contain several campuses.

Among 38 low performers were Houston ISD, the state's largest, and San Antonio ISD, which is in the top 10 in school-district size.

Houston received the ranking because of its overall and Hispanic dropout rates, and San Antonio because of its black and white dropout rates.

Low-performing school districts tended to be mixed in size and a high-percent minority, according to the Texas Education Agency.

Schools that are ranked low-performing must develop an improvement plan and have public hearings. They also are subject to additional state intervention.

"If we're going to see significant improvement in achievement, it's going to have to come because

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Lifestyles

Local students represent Hereford at Annual State 4-H Horse Show

Deaf Smith County 4-H was represented by four 4-H horsemen at the 33rd Annual Texas State 4-H Horse Show held July 23-29 at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene. The members participating were Ty Boggeman, Courtney Crawford, James Payne and Meredith McGowan. Each of the members qualified for the show by placing at the Panhandle District 4-H Horse Show.

Members Payne and Crawford competed in both the Invitational Show held August 23-26 and in the State Qualifying Show held July 27-29. McGowan participated in the State Qualifying Show and Boggeman competed in the Invitational Show in the roping events.

Courtney Crawford and James Payne fought it out in the three-year-old stock horse competition. The event had two go rounds with a winner in each go round.

In the first go round, Payne placed 1st in the event with 76 points and Crawford placed 4th with 72 points. In the second go round, Crawford placed 1st and took the lead with an outstanding 89 point performance. Payne placed 3rd in the go round with a score of 80 points. Crawford won the championship with a score of 161 points. Payne tied for second in the overall event with a score of 156 points.

Crawford was also a finalist in the English riding event, hunter under saddle, and in showmanship at halter. She was also a semi-finalist in the western pleasure competition.

She also competed in hunter showmanship, hunter horsemanship, western horsemanship, and western riding.

James Payne was also a finalist in the western horsemanship competition. He also competed in showman-

ship, western riding, and western pleasure.

Meredith McGowan, a first year participant in the show, placed 6th in the grade gelding halter class and also competed in showmanship, western pleasure, and western horsemanship.

Accompanying the 4-H members to the show were Ed and Sandy Crawford, Kathy Payne, Jim and Lucy McGowan, and Dennis Newton, county extension agent.

Newton said that the show was very exciting this year with the Deaf Smith County 4-H members competing at a very high level. He continued by saying that he was very proud of the youth for the way they represented Deaf Smith County.

4-H programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all youth regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, handicap or national origin.



Shower for baby

A baby shower was held for Donnie O'Rand, wife of Jeff O'Rand, July 29 in the parlor of Christ's Church Fellowship. Guests of honor pictured are (from left) Kathy Kerr, sister of the mother-to-be; Jewell Milliken, her grandmother; Donnie O'Rand, the honoree; and Joan Norrell, her mother.

Ann Landers

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I am writing to you for advice because there is no one I can talk to about this. My 15-year-old daughter ran away from home in January. I had no idea "Claire" was unhappy before she left a note saying she "just couldn't take it anymore." I never laid a hand on her or abused her in any way.

There was a time when Claire was charged with conspiracy to murder me. The charges were dropped because of insufficient evidence. When I later talked to her, she said she was never really going to do it.

Now Claire wants to come home to visit, not so she can patch things up with me, but because she really wants to see her sister. She said she misses her a lot. They were extremely close.

Claire definitely isn't the same sweet girl she used to be before she turned violent and strange. My question is this: Should I purchase the plane ticket for her to come?

I realize you have thousands of letters to read, but I really need help. - P.D.Q.

DEAR P.D.Q.: If you want to treat Claire to an airline ticket, OK, but please arrange for her to stay in a motel. And tell her up front your "treat" is for a three-day visit.

Under no circumstances should you allow Claire to come see you unless someone else is present, nor should you permit your other daughter to be alone with her. Not

only is Claire "violent and strange" (your words), but she could be dangerous. I do hope the girl will get some psychiatric treatment.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I am a recovering alcoholic. Tell your readers that one can or one bottle of beer has the same effect for an alcoholic as a one-ounce shot glass of whiskey. Also, 10 beers have the same effect as 10 scotch-and-sodas.

I haven't had a drink in 20 years, but I'm aware that alcoholism is a lifetime disease. No one is ever "cured." This means I am only one beer or one shot of whiskey away from a binge that could end with a serious accident or death.

Alcoholics will dream up all kinds of excuses to take "just one more." If you recognize yourself in that last sentence, you have a problem.

There are two kinds of alcoholics - functional drinkers and spree drinkers. The functional alcoholics keep enough alcohol in their bloodstream to be legally drunk. The spree drinkers will not drink for a month or more, but then off they go on a toot lasting from one night to four weeks.

Alcoholism is a disease that affects the lives of all family members, friends and neighbors. Don't fool yourself into thinking you don't have a problem just because you drink only one beer. You can get just as drunk on beer as you can on scotch, bourbon or gin. Your gut doesn't care what is coming down the hatch. -- Barstow, Calif.

DEAR BARSTOW: Thanks for the testimony. The beer companies spend millions of dollars every year on advertising to make beer drinking look like a great way to solidify friendship. The truth is that beer has landed thousands of people in divorce courts, hospitals and cemeteries. Thank you for putting this hail-fellow-well-met social facilitator in a more realistic light.

Gem of the Day: The real test of class is how you treat people who can't possibly do you any good.

Do you have questions about sex, but no one to talk to? Ann Landers' booklet, "Sex and the Teen-Ager," is frank and to the point. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Teens, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562.

O'Rand honored with baby shower

Donnie O'Rand, wife of Jeff O'Rand, was recently honored with a baby shower in the Parlor at Christ's Church Fellowship.

Greeting guests with the honoree were Joan Norrell, mother of the honoree, Kathy Kerr, sister, Jewell Milliken, grandmother, and Frankie O'Rand, mother-in-law.

Linda Cumpton, Carol Hasley, and Krista Farrell, served refreshments of petite cinnamon rolls, mixed fruit and dip, mini broccoli and cheese quiche, and banana slush and coffee.

The refreshment table was decorated with a floral arrangement of mixed pastel roses surrounded by a variety of baby items including infant pictures of the mother-to-be, baby shoes, gowns and dresses.

A stroller and exercise stroller were given to the honoree by hostesses Marilyn Culpepper, Carlynn DeLozier, Nina Brown, Marilyn Bell, Nena Veazy, Marsha Winget, Kathy Kerr, Esther Walker, Donna Brooks, Rene' Johnson, Camille Beville, Cumpton, Hasley, Connie Gilbert, Cindy Cole, Glenda Keenan, Farrell, Gayle Nielsen, and Deanna Edwards.

When you reread a classic you do not see more in the book than you did before; you see more in you than there was before.

—Clifton Fadiman

Rebekah Lodge holds meeting

Vice grand Leona Sowell presided Tuesday evening at the meeting of Hereford Rebekah Lodge #228. Thirteen members attended.

Sadie Shaw was installed as left support to the noble grand by district deputy president Mary Lou Weatherford.

A short school of instruction on balloting in the lodge was given by Weatherford.

Six visits to the sick and 40 cheer cards were reported.

Sowell served as hostess to Weatherford, Ben and Anna Conklin, Tony Irlbeck, Shaw, Jessie Matthews, Peggy Lemons, Rosalie Northcutt, Irene Merritt, Susie Curtsinger, Lucille Lindeman and Dorothy Landry.

4-H bake show to be held Tuesday

Deaf Smith County 4-Hers will hold their annual Bake Show on Tuesday, August 8th, at the Community Center.

The youth will enter a loaf of quick bread, a copy of their recipe, and the 4-H project record sheet to enter.

Products and paper work should be checked in at the Community Center between 8:30 and 9:30 in the morning.

Judging will begin at 9:40. An informal awards program will begin at 11:30 and a tasting of the entered quick breads will follow the awards ceremony.

Youth that do not have rules may call the Extension office and obtain information.

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Names in the news

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Meryl Streep is burning her bridges in Los Angeles County.

Streep has sold her six-bedroom Brentwood home for close to its \$3.75 million asking price, the Los Angeles Times reported Sunday. The house features maid's quarters and canyon views.

"The Bridges of Madison County" star and her husband, sculptor Donald Gummer, bought the house five years ago.

NEW FRANKLIN, Ohio (AP) - On his break from the courtroom, Judge Lance Ito went back to the classroom.

He accompanied his wife, Los Angeles police Capt. Margaret "Peggy" York, to her elementary school reunion, attended by about 200 former students Saturday.

"I was too embarrassed to go up and talk to him," said Grace Morrison, a former student. "I figured he was tired of everybody coming up to him."

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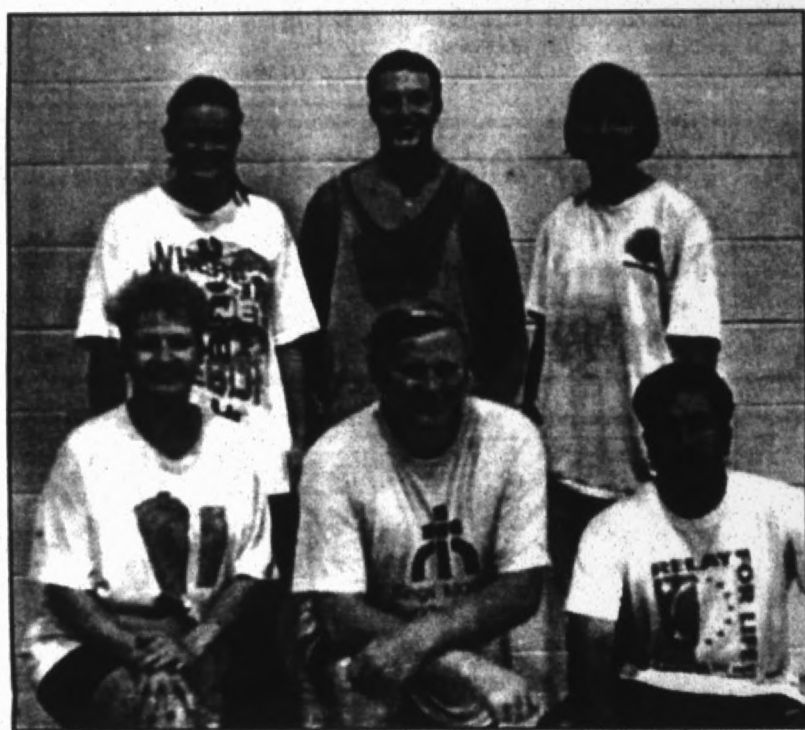
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Sports



YMCA volleyball champs--B division

Royal Flush bowled over Gearn Industries, 15-12, 10-15, 11-0, for the championship of the Hereford YMCA co-ed volleyball league, B division. Royal Flush is (front row, left to right) Claudia Smith, Florencio Zamora, Michelle Zamora, (back) Dean Crofford and Dale Smith.



YMCA volleyball champs--A division

The A-Team attacked ColorTyme and beat it 11-15, 16-14, 11-9 Tuesday for the championship of the Hereford YMCA co-ed volleyball league, A division. A-Team is (front row, left to right) Charlene Sanders, Weldon Knabe, Emilio Romero, (back row) Tarabeth Holmes, Stacey Sanders and Heather Hodges. Not pictured are Brittney Binder and Kelly Jowell.

Entries needed for 3-on-3 tourney

The entry deadline for the Town and Country Jubilee 3-on-3 basketball tournament has been extended to Saturday in hopes that a few more Hereford kids will sign up.

"We've had a great response from out-of-town teams, but we don't have many local kids," said Elaine McNutt, one of the organizers.

The tournament, to be held Aug. 12-13, is limited to boys and girls entering the 6th-9th grades. A \$40 per team entry fee guarantees three games.

For more information, call 364-8408, 364-5375 or 364-8002.

The Town and Country Jubilee Volleyball Tournament has been expanded to include six-man teams in addition to two-man teams.

The entry deadline also has been extended to 4 p.m. Aug. 8.

Both divisions will start play Aug. 10 in the sand pits at Dameron Park. The two-man tournament originally was to begin Saturday, but that was changed.

Both six-man and two-man teams can be made up of men, women or both. The tournament is single elimination. Winners of the finals, which will be held after the parade Aug. 12, receive one-month family passes for each player to the Hereford Aquatic Center.

Entry fees are \$10 for two-man teams and \$30 for six-man teams. Payment must be made at the time of registration from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Hereford Aquatic Center.

Other sports events to be held during the Hereford Town and Country Jubilee include:

--The Hereford Aquatic Center Beach Volleyball Challenge, set for Saturday, will be a four-man tournament pitting teams from

The Oakland Raiders won the 1981 Super Bowl as a "wild card" contender.

The first field goal in Super Bowl history was kicked by Mike Mercer of Kansas City in 1967.

Hereford governmental agencies, charitable organizations and media outlets against each other.

The tournament, which celebrates the opening of the Hereford Aquatic Center, starts at 10:30 a.m. with a match between Hereford Brand employees and radio station KPAN.

First-round matches that will follow are: Chamber of Commerce vs. the school board; Red Cross vs. senior citizens; YMCA vs. the city commission; and the hospital board vs. the county commission.

With a 10-minute time limit on each match, the finals should start at about 11:50 a.m.

--The Greg Black Memorial 10-K Run will start at 8 a.m. Aug. 12 in front of the Hereford YMCA. The race also includes a two-mile fun run and a two-mile walk.

The 10-K race includes many divisions: six age groups each for men and women, plus wheelchair divisions for each gender. The two-mile run and two-mile walk races are divided only by gender.

Entry fees are \$8 is paid in advance at the Hereford YMCA. Day-of-race entries cost \$10 and should be paid from 7-7:45 a.m. Aug. 12 at the race site.

All entrants registered and paid by Sunday will receive a free running cap.

For more information, call the YMCA at 364-6990.

--If those activities are too much for those with more leisurely lifestyles, there's always a nice dip in the pool. The Hereford Aquatic Center is due to open to the public Saturday.

Weekly scramble ends in tie again

Two teams tied again Wednesday in the Weekly Golf Scramble at Pitman Municipal Golf Course, so prizes will be carried over to next week.

Scoring 29 on the nine-hole event was the team of Jeff Shelton, Ted Hoelscher, Bobby Crooks and John Yocum. Also posting a 29 was the team of Steve Stevens, L.V. Watts, Leland Shelton and Lillie Shipman.

With a carryover for the second straight week, next week's prize will be about \$600 in golf merchandise for the winning team.

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NCAA punishes Tide with 3 years probation

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) - Even Gene Stallings, the mild-mannered coach of the Alabama Crimson Tide, was bitter.

Stallings broke into a clenched-teeth oratory after the NCAA delivered a sentence so stiff it even targets Alabama's hallowed record book.

The top officials in Alabama's athletic department and fans all over the state were horrified at the breadth of the penalties: three years' probation including a postseason ban this season, scholarship reductions and the forfeiture of 11 games in which an ineligible athlete played.

As it all unfolded inside Alabama's football building, life went on outside. On a sun-soaked lawn across the street from the Paul W. Bryant Museum, cheerleaders kicked and twirled with all their might, practicing for a season that will be shrouded in infamy.

"The biggest thing is, the unity and the family of this football team is in question right now," said senior Shannon Brown, a defensive lineman. "What is it going to take to keep that together?"

Never before on probation during decades of prominence, including six

national championships, Alabama now faces a task similar to that undertaken by its fiercest rival, Auburn. The Tigers were banned from the postseason for two years and television for one, but recorded a 20-1-1 record.

A television ban was not imposed on Alabama, but the Crimson Tide stands to lose about 30 scholarships over three years - a sanction that could stick with the team for years to come.

A statement released by the NCAA said Alabama was censured for three chief reasons:

- A player obtained from boosters six impermissible deferred-payment loans totaling \$24,400, during 1989 and 1990. The player, Gene Jelks, completed his career in the fall of 1989. The NCAA said he never repaid the loans.

- Antonio Langham was allowed to play in 11 regular-season games in 1993 even though he had signed with an agent, and athletic officials were aware that a potential violation of rules had occurred.

- The school's faculty athletics representative provided "false and misleading information" to the NCAA in the Langham case.

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Aikman may not return next year

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - Forget the \$5 million year. Troy Aikman plays the game because he likes to win. His thirst for competition drives him like a former coach he used to have, the one with the perfect hairdo, chubby cheeks, and win-or-die attitude. But after this season the quarterback of the Dallas Cowboys could walk away from the Sundays he loves. Aikman doesn't guarantee he'll be around forever. Or next year. "I really don't know," Aikman said. "There are times when I say I want to do this until they drag me off the field. There are times when I could take it or leave it. "I have physical concerns and I don't want to get to the point where I just play for a paycheck. "Injuries might drive him from the game but it may be two or three years to win big before the ravages of free agency take over. "Who knows what will happen with free agency. That's why you have to win when you have the shot," Aikman said. Aikman, 29, said when he retires he wants to be remembered and make it into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. "Well, I hope I do make the Hall someday," he said. "I think I'd like to be remembered for two things. "One, I would want the people to know what I was about, that I wanted to be a winner and that individual stats weren't important. And, two, I would hope my teammates would know that I was always loyal to them. That I always took their side on every issue." Aikman is primed for one of his best seasons, his seventh in the NFL. He's almost 10 pounds lighter, the better to avoid those blitzing safeties and linebackers. In practice, he has been throwing what the receivers call "laser beams." The only negative thing that's happened to him was when he went through, of all places, Troy, Texas. A trooper clocked him doing 78 mph in a 65. "He was a nice guy just doing his job," Aikman said. "I'll pay the fine." He appreciates attention to duty no matter where he finds it.

Switzer as head coach. Aikman likes Barry, but ... "We differ in the approach to discipline," Aikman said. "I pretty much parallel Jimmy's approach. It was easy for me to relate to. Barry's approach is much different and that doesn't mean it's the wrong approach." Aikman felt the Cowboys weren't regimented enough last year during weekly practice. "We can't go into games feeling all we have to do is just show up," Aikman said. "We have to prepare ourselves like in the past. Some guys kept saying they'd be ready for the big game. That just doesn't work on this team and that's the way it was last year. I feel we are as talented as anybody in the league. If we don't accomplish what we want to it will be from our own internal problems and lack of discipline." Aikman said the Cowboys have a window of maybe two or three years to win big before the ravages of free agency take over. "Who knows what will happen with free agency. That's why you have to win when you have the shot," Aikman said. Aikman, 29, said when he retires he wants to be remembered and make it into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. "Well, I hope I do make the Hall someday," he said. "I think I'd like to be remembered for two things. "One, I would want the people to know what I was about, that I wanted to be a winner and that individual stats weren't important. And, two, I would hope my teammates would know that I was always loyal to them. That I always took their side on every issue." Aikman is primed for one of his best seasons, his seventh in the NFL. He's almost 10 pounds lighter, the better to avoid those blitzing safeties and linebackers. In practice, he has been throwing what the receivers call "laser beams." The only negative thing that's happened to him was when he went through, of all places, Troy, Texas. A trooper clocked him doing 78 mph in a 65. "He was a nice guy just doing his job," Aikman said. "I'll pay the fine." He appreciates attention to duty no matter where he finds it.

Padres blast Giants in 9th inning

By The Associated Press
The parade of Padres seemed to go on forever. Nine straight hitters came to the plate, nine straight reached base and nine straight scored, all before the first out of the eighth inning was recorded Wednesday night. San Diego scored all 11 of its runs in the inning to beat the Giants 11-3. "They had a 3-0 lead and were cruising," Tony Gwynn said. "We basically turned it around and stole it." San Diego wasn't the only team pounding pitchers. The Dodgers and Rockies combined for eight homers as Los Angeles beat division-leading Colorado 10-7. In all, the Padres sent 16 men to the plate against five Giants pitchers: starter Trevor Wilson, who had a shutout through seven innings; Chris Hook; Shawn Barton (2-1); Terry Mulholland; and Jose Bautista. Nine consecutive batters reached base, and neither Wilson, Hook nor Barton recorded an out. Only after Nieves' grand slam gave the Padres an 9-3 lead was a batter retired. Mulholland got Brian Johnson on a fly ball to right.

San Diego tied a team record by getting nine hits in the inning. The last time the Padres scored as many runs in an inning is when they produced 13 runs on nine hits May 31, 1994, against Pittsburgh. Gwynn scored the go-ahead run when Barton walked Archi Cianfrocco with the bases loaded. "I think the damage was already done before that," Barton said. **Astros 4, Cardinals 2** Mike Simms, the injured Jeff Bagwell's replacement at first base, homered and drove in two runs for Houston at St. Louis. The Astros have won 14 of their last 20 and 21 of 31. St. Louis has dropped a season-high six straight. Shane Reynolds (7-6) won for the fifth time in six decisions. Houston trailed 2-1 heading into the seventh inning against St. Louis starter Donovan Osborne (0-4). **Dodgers 10, Rockies 7** Eric Karros drove in four runs with a pair of homers as Los Angeles pulled within 1-1/2 games of Colorado in the NL West and won their fourth straight. Kevin Tapani, acquired Monday

from Minnesota, survived a rough beginning to win his Dodgers debut with four shutout innings. Dante Bichette had two homers for the Rockies, his 22nd and 23rd. Kevin Ritz (9-6) couldn't hold the Rockies' 5-3 lead, surrendering four runs in the fourth. The Dodgers are unbeaten in five games at Coors Field this season. **Pirates 4, Cubs 3** Jeff King's two-out RBI single in the 10th inning ended Pittsburgh's four-game losing streak. King's game-winning hit off Anthony Young (1-4) scored John Wehner, who singled and advanced to third when Young made an error on a pickoff attempt. The loss at Three Rivers Stadium snapped the Cubs' four-game winning streak. Dan Miceli (2-3) pitched a scoreless 10th as the Pirates won for the second time in 12 games. **Marlins 7, Expos 6** The Florida Marlins won their club-record sixth straight game on Jesus Tavarez's 10th-inning RBI single. Tavarez entered the game 10-for-46 this season before getting his winning hit off Jeff Shaw (1-6). Alejandro Pena (1-0), in his first appearance for the visitors, pitched one inning for the win. Robb Nen closed out for his 11th save. Montreal lost its third straight and has dropped five of six.

Reds 6, Mets 2 David Wells remained unbeaten since May 18, winning his debut with Cincinnati. Wells (1-0), acquired Monday from Detroit, allowed nine hits and struck out six in 7 1-3 innings. Chris Jones hit a two-run homer off Wells in the second inning to put the Mets ahead, but the Reds rallied against slumping starter Bobby Jones (6-8) to make Wells a winner at Riverfront Stadium. **Braves 7, Phillies 5** David Justice and Fred McGriff broke out of slumps to help Atlanta hold off Philadelphia for the Braves' first home victory over the Phillies in six games. Justice hit a solo homer, and McGriff and Mark Lemke each had two RBIs. The win stretched Atlanta's NL East lead to eight games over the Phillies, who lost for the fourth time in five games. Kent Mercker (5-6) earned his first victory since June 18, and Mark Wohlers got the final four outs to record his 12th save. Mike Munoz (0-2) was the loser.

Orioles defeat Jays on one really big hit

By BOB GREENE
AP Sports Writer
Mike Mussina threw a four-hitter and didn't allow a runner past second base. He still was the second-best pitcher in the game. "They got four hits and spaced them out, while we got one big one," Mussina said. "I'd say we got pretty lucky." Toronto's Paul Menhart tossed a one-hitter. But the one hit was Harold Baines' second-inning homer, and that was enough to give the Baltimore Orioles a 1-0 victory over the Blue Jays on Wednesday night. Making his third major league start, Menhart (1-2) hurled his first complete game, struck out three and walked four. He dropped his ERA from a stratospheric 9.87 to 7.11. "You can't pitch much better than that," teammate John Olerud said of Menhart. "You have an outing like that and it definitely gives you confidence." But not necessarily victories. "It hurts a lot. Earlier this year I had two starts, gave up five runs in each and got no decision," Menhart said. "It's not fair, but that's baseball." In other American League games Wednesday, Milwaukee defeated New York 5-2, Texas edged Oakland 5-4, Cleveland clobbered Minnesota 12-6, Detroit blanked Boston 5-0, Chicago downed Kansas City 5-2, and California stopped Seattle 5-4.

homered for Seattle before Lee Smith got the final three outs for his 25th save. **Tigers 5, Red Sox 0** At Tiger Stadium, Travis Fryman hit two homers and Sean Bergman (4-6) pitched a four-hit shutout as Detroit ended a five-game losing streak by beating Roger Clemens and handing Boston its first shutout loss of the season. **Brewers 5, Yankees 2** At Yankee Stadium, Dave Nilsson's two-run, eighth-inning homer snapped a 2-2 tie and Milwaukee's five-game losing streak. Nilsson's homer, his fifth, was a two-run shot off reliever Steve Howe, and the Brewers added another run in the inning on John Jaha's RBI single. **Indians 12, Twins 6** At Jacobs Field, Paul Sorrento hit his third career grand slam and Albert Belle homered twice in Cleveland's win over Minnesota.

Cowboys sign Kennard

AUSTIN (AP) - Looking to solidify an offensive line long on injuries and short on depth, the Dallas Cowboys have reached agreement with veteran guard Derek Kennard. Kennard reported to camp Wednesday, after signing a two-year contract that will pay him an estimated \$275,000 this year and up to \$900,000 next year. "He's valuable. He's like having two people," coach Barry Switzer said of Kennard, a former center who started 16 regular-season games and two playoff games for the Cowboys last season.

Switzer said he'll look to Kennard to fill in the holes on the offensive line. The Cowboys are thin with starting tackle Erik Williams recovering from injuries he suffered in a car accident last year. In addition, rookie guard Shane Hannah, a second-round draft pick, is scheduled for knee surgery Friday and is expected to miss six to eight weeks. On Tuesday, the problems worsened. Backup center Dale Hellestrae broke his right thumb, putting him out of action for two to three weeks.

Pats pick up Richardson

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - It didn't take former Houston Oilers quarterback Bucky Richardson long to get a job. The Oilers waived Richardson early Tuesday and by Wednesday afternoon, the popular former Texas A&M star had been picked up by the New England Patriots. "The last 24 hours have been such a roller coaster," Richardson said. "You get down in the dumps, thinking no one wants you, but as soon as teams start calling, it lifts your spirits." Richardson got his call from Patriots coach Bill Parcells. "To be lucky enough to have a guy like coach Parcells to call is a great deal for me," Richardson said. "It gives me a chance to compete and that's all I want to do."

The Oilers waived Richardson and his \$400,000 salary to make room on the roster for rookie running back Rodney Thomas of Texas A&M, the team's third-round draft pick. Richardson lost his battle for the Oilers' backup job to Will Furrer, who will earn the NFL minimum salary of \$178,000.

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Higgins home site of shower for Campbell

The home of Edith Higgins was the setting for a wedding shower honoring Toni Campbell and Todd Culp who plan to be married Aug. 13. Greeting guests with the couple were Ethel Culp, mother of the prospective bridegroom; Esther Culp, his grandmother; and Brenda Campbell, mother of the bride-elect. Linzy Woodard attended at the guest register. Refreshments consisted of finger sandwiches, cookies, assorted cakes, mints, punch and coffee served from a table decorated with a burgundy and hunter green floral arrangement. Excel cookware and china were gifts from hostesses Candice Campbell, Edith Higgins, Jesse Ann Davis, Lesley Woodard, Rene Kuper, Merle Ellen Fortner, Brenda White, Lou Behrendson, Cindy Kimbell, Thelma McMinn, Jonnie Messer, Jean Turpen, Ivagene Elliston, Lou Sherman, Opal Blakely, Linda Baird, Becky Roesch, Lois Jones and Paula McGinley.

Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: Do you have a suggestion for how to liquefy nail polish when it gets too thick to use? — A Reader, Lansing Mich.

Sure do! Nail-polish thinner, or enamel solvent, is specifically made to thin thick polishes. It is available at most beauty-supply, drug and grocery stores.

Just add a few drops to the nail polish and shake well. You may have to add a little more to get the desired thickness.

Professionals don't recommend using nail-polish removers as thinners because they contain fragrances and oils that could alter the polish. However, in a pinch, I've used it and it's OK. — Heloise

STRAW CLEANER

Dear Heloise: For tumblers or cups that have plastic straws, I bought pipe cleaners, which I dip into soapy water and run through the straw and the sipper on top. Rinse them well and they are ready to be used again.

The pipe cleaners can be rinsed and hung up to dry in the kitchen with a clothespin. — Gertrude Anderson, Costa Mesa, Calif.

Send a money- or time-saving hint to Heloise, PO Box 795000, San Antonio TX 78279-5000 or fax it to 210-HELOISE. I can't answer your letter personally but will use the best hints received in my column.

Wedding shower

Toni Campbell and Todd Culp were honored with a wedding shower recently at the home of Edith Higgins. They plan to be married Aug. 13. Greeting guests were (from left) Cory Garcia, sister of the prospective bridegroom; Esther Culp, his grandmother; Ethel Culp, his mother; Todd Culp and Toni Campbell, the honorees; Brenda Campbell, mother of the bride-elect; and Candice Campbell, sister of the bride-elect.

Cooking not only for wife of the house, 'The Bear' serves as Pack family cook

By MIA B. MOODY
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO, Texas - When Bill Pack was growing up, the household secret was that his father was a good cook. Today Pack is the family cook, but he doesn't try to hide it.

"That was a different era," he said. "It doesn't bother me that people know I'm a good cook, but some don't believe me because I look more like a linebacker."

Pack, who is known as Les Parker on the radio station 102.5-FM, The Bear, said his parents were both good cooks, but he didn't learn his techniques from them.

"I never helped them cook because we didn't have a lot of money so if you messed something up, you couldn't run to the store to replace it," he said.

Pack said he didn't start experimenting until he moved out of the house at age 18. "Since I liked to eat, I started buying stuff at the grocery store and experimenting," he said. "I can't tell you how much I've thrown away."

Mike Snuffer, a KCEN-TV news director, is another father who does much of the cooking for his family. While Pack is an experimenter, Snuffer sticks to the basics.

"I can take a bland can of peas and turn them into a gourmet dish with just a few spices," he said.

Snuffer, who started cooking when he was in middle school, said it was out of necessity when his mother started working full time.

"When I got home from school, she wasn't home yet and I didn't want to wait. So I learned how to do my own thing," he said.

Today he picks up his techniques from watching cooking shows on television. His wife, Carol, said he's not artistic, but he gets the job done. "Unless he cooks, the kids and I usually eat beans and weenies or something out of a box such as scalloped potatoes or rice," she said. "And if we're both feeling lazy, it's Domino's Pizza."

Like the rest of America, both Pack and Snuffer have jumped on the health food band wagon. Snuffer said he usually sticks to vegetables and white meats.

"I like chicken because it is cheap, easy and quick," he said.

Pack said he used to fry most of his meats, but now he prefers to broil. What's the secret to his success? He's not telling.

He claims he doesn't know what goes into about 95 percent of his

dishes. "I just reach up into the cabinet and dump different seasonings into the mix," he said.

The one thing all his dishes have in common is lots of spice.

"To make my bread pudding, he jokes, "you need six eggs, six cups of sugar and a bottle of Maalox to counteract the cinnamon and nutmeg that are sure to upset your stomach."

His wife, Vickie, who works the night shift at M&M Mars, said his experimentation has paid off.

"Our two children like his cooking much better than mine," she said.

PACK FAMILY FAVORITES

Bill Pack loves cooking for his family and his family loves eating the dishes he prepares. He shared some recipes for Pack family favorites:

STIR FRY

- 1/2 pound of chicken breast or beef
- 3 stalks celery
- 3 carrots
- 1 stalk broccoli
- 1 zucchini
- 1 medium onion, coarsely chopped
- 1 bell pepper
- 1 small can water chestnuts
- 1 clove garlic, finely minced
- 1 tablespoon oil
- Worcestershire sauce and white worcestershire sauce

Combine onion with oil and garlic; add to wok. Cut meat into 1/2-by-1-inch strips, place in wok. Add about 2 tablespoons of each type of worcestershire sauce and allow meat to marinate. While meat is marinating, cut up vegetables and set aside.

Turn burner on stove to its highest setting and cook meat, stirring until it has a done appearance (you will have to add about 4 ounces of water while cooking).

Add vegetables at this point to the sides of the wok and allow to steam, making a well in the center of the wok with ingredients on the sides of the wok. Add 4 more ounces of water and cover with lid. Allow vegetables to steam for 7 minutes or until vegetables

are tender. Serve over rice.

- BREAD PUDDING**
- NEW ORLEANS STYLE**
- Stale at least 1-1/2 loaves of bread
- 6 eggs
- 6 cups sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 3 fresh peaches or 2 cans (16 ounces each) peaches
- 2 tablespoons cinnamon
- 2 teaspoons nutmeg
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- Orange Sauce

In a 9-by-13-by-2 inch pan (preferably Pyrex) break bread into approximately 1/4-inch cubes.

In a large mixing bowl combine the eggs, milk, sugar, 1 tablespoon of ground cinnamon and 1 tablespoon of vanilla, mix by hand with fork until ingredients are consistent.

Add fruit. If fresh, chop peaches into 1/2-inch squares and dump them in juice and all, stir and pour over bread and stir until consistent.

Dust the top of this mixture lightly with cinnamon and nutmeg (light on the nutmeg, just enough to let your guest know you had it in the room).

Place this pan in the oven at 350 degrees for about 45 minutes (until the mixture is as consistent as a very moist cake. Do not overcook if the pudding quits bubbling you are in trouble. Pour Orange Sauce over pudding while it is still steaming.

Orange Sauce: Pour 8 ounces powdered sugar into a small mixing bowl. Add 1 tablespoon vanilla extract and 1 teaspoon orange extract. Mix with milk until this has the consistency of pancake syrup. Warm in the microwave.

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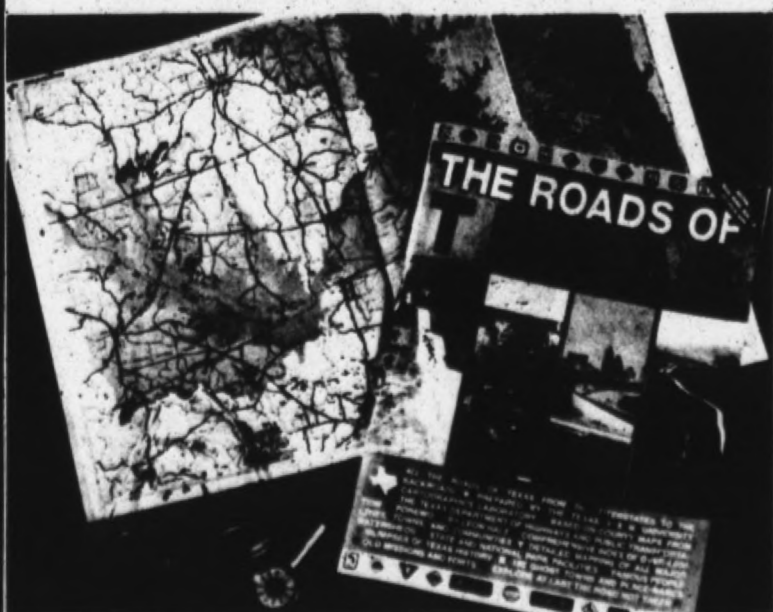
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Report ties Clinton veto action to friends' business interests

WASHINGTON (AP) - Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and a business partner successfully lobbied then-Gov. Bill Clinton to sign legislation that favored their business interests, according to a published report today.

Documents related to the failure of an Arkansas thrift with ties to President Clinton show how Tucker and his business partner pressed Clinton to reverse his veto of a bill to deregulate small water companies. The businessmen's company had a loan from the thrift, Madison Guaranty.

Tucker and business partner R.D. Randolph reminded Clinton of his ties to Madison Guaranty, which financed Clinton's investment in a real estate project and which had used Hillary Rodham Clinton for legal work, according to a memo obtained by The

Washington Post.

The legislation would have allowed small water companies to set their own rates. Tucker and Randolph wanted to raise the rates of their water company, Castle Sewer & Water Co., and without one they might walk away from Castle's \$1 million debt at Madison, the Post said, citing the documents and memos.

Clinton vetoed the bill in April 1987.

Attorney David Kendall, representing the Clintons, told the Post there were differences between the vetoed bill and the legislation he signed two months later. The vetoed bill narrowly applied to Castle, while the one he signed applied to small water companies throughout the state, Kendall said.

"Any suggestion that the approval

of this bill was motivated by anything other than the merits of the legislation is false and absurd," Kendall said.

Soon after Clinton's veto, Randolph visited the governor's office, the newspaper said.

According to a memo to Clinton from one of his aides, Randolph "wants to know if the veto is going to stand." The memo adds, "He mentioned a meeting between you, Tucker and Jim McDougal a couple of years ago which involved \$33,000. This was pretty cryptic."

Two years earlier, Madison owner McDougal had sponsored a fund-raising reception for Clinton that raised about that much, the Post said, and Randolph and Tucker were listed as contributors to the event.

The Post said it was unclear whether that was the meeting referred to in the memo.

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The \$92 million hall, nearing completion on the shores of Lake Erie, is scheduled to open Labor Day weekend. Performers including Springsteen, Johnny Cash and Dr. Dre.

Tickets were originally priced at \$30, \$80, \$160 and \$540. At the time, promoters said the concert at cavernous Cleveland Stadium would have a maximum capacity of 62,000. About 38,000 tickets have been sold so far.

Promoter Jules Belkin said Tuesday that an additional 6,000 seats at \$30 each and 8,000 to 9,000 tickets at \$80 apiece will be made available.

hurricanes.

Shutters went up on Stewart's new \$8 million mansion in Palm Beach, Fla., as Hurricane Erin closed in Tuesday, real estate agent Helene Prashman told the New York Post. The home is across the street from Donald Trump's residence and down the road from from Jimmy Buffett's digs.

"When Rod first looked at the house, he made jokes about earthquakes in California and hurricanes in Florida," Prashman said in Wednesday's Post. "I bet he didn't expect a hurricane before he even closes on the home."



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