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School to hold NHS hearings

By JOHN BROOKS
Managing Editor

Several persons are expected to attend tonight's Hereford school board meeting, where an open hearing will be held to discuss the cases of three Hereford High School students who were dismissed from the National Honor Society.

The students and their parents contend the students were dismissed while another student who committed a similar offense was allowed to remain in NHS.

The students were dismissed from NHS after they were alleged to have been in a motel room where alcohol was consumed during a statewide PALS conference. The students signed statements admitting they were in the motel room and knew alcohol was present.

The students were dismissed from NHS. On appeal to NHS sponsors, the dismissals were upheld. The dismissals were also upheld by HHS Principal Terry Russell and Superintendent Charles Greenawalt.

The parents contend the dismissals were unfair, especially when another NHS member was not dismissed despite having criminal charges filed against him for a March incident. The student pleaded guilty to minor in possession of alcohol at Whiteface Field during a March baseball game.

"It is so unfair," said Mary Alaniz, a parent of one of the dismissed students. "I don't understand why they could not at least put them on probation. They made them serve in-school suspension, they were punished through athletics, and then this with NHS."

Delia Griego, who sent a "media release" to the **Brand** and KPAN, said parents and students were concerned "over the unfair and unequal treatment of students within the school district."

"The major concern is the fact that not all students committing the same offense are punished in the same way," said Griego. "Some are punished more severely than others. A group of students were caught doing something that they knew they should not have been doing. Three of these students were expelled from the NHS from which they had been members for at least two years, while the others were not. These students had never been in trouble before."

City will help with residences

Clarification of a city offer to haul off trash during clean-up week has been made by City Manager Chester Nolen.

"We will help this week by sending trucks for extra residential pickup, but not commercial," Nolen said Tuesday.

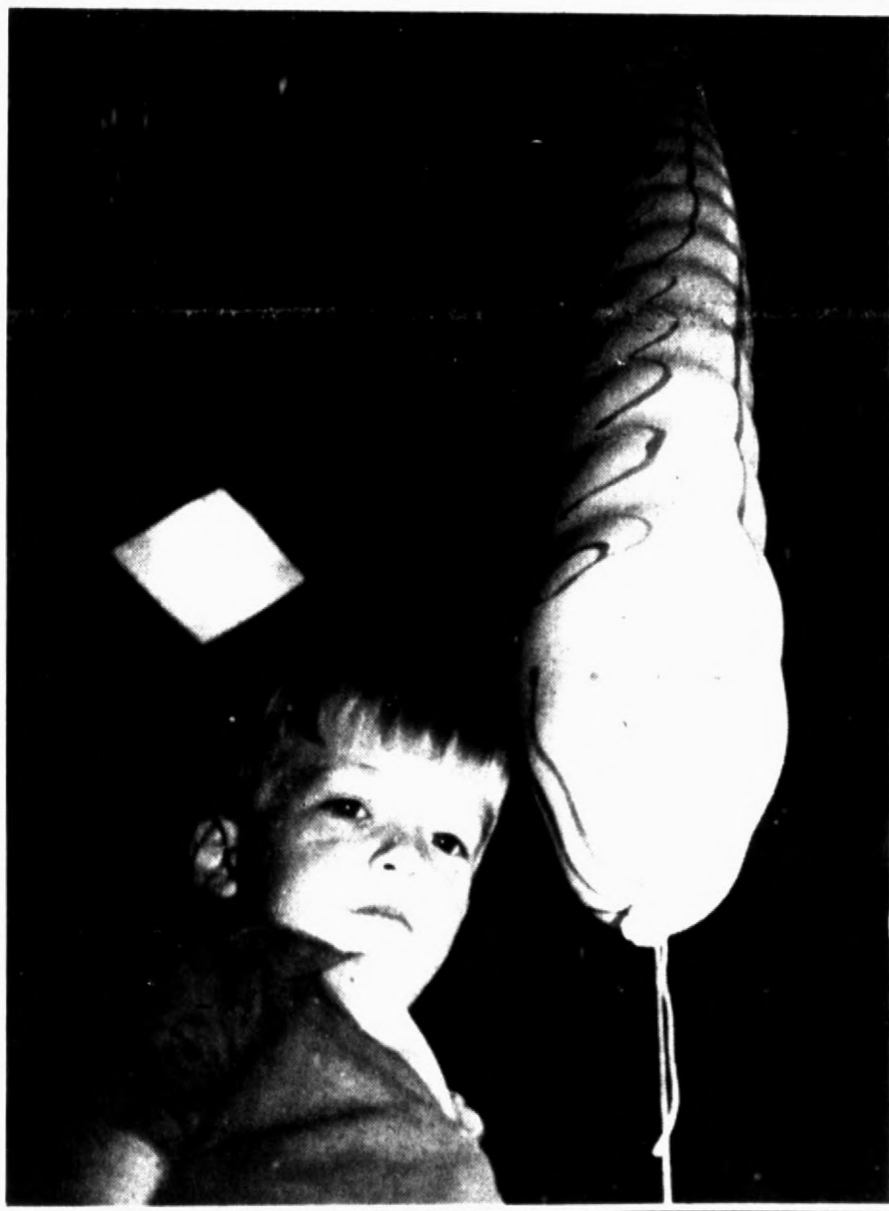
Nolen said the city wants to assist residents who are improving their neighborhoods by providing extra pickups but the offer does not extend to commercial operations.

Recently, the city has learned that used refrigerators may not be placed in the landfill unless the refrigerant has been drained, Nolen also said.

Landfill regulations prevent dumping refrigerators if refrigerant still is present.

"If they can show that the cap has been removed and the refrigerant drained, we can take the old appliance," Nolen said.

Deaf Smith Chamber of Commerce is spearheading a spring clean-up drive in Hereford. Residents are asked to cooperate by improving the appearance of their own property as well as working with neighbors for area improvement.



Karnival Kraziness

Casey Page, left, holds onto a giant balloon he won at Karnival Krazy on Sunday at St. Anthony's School. Above, Whitney Foster waits patiently as Katie Betzen paints a design on Whitney's face. Children enjoyed a variety of games and other attractions while adults enjoyed an auction and country store. Food of all types also highlighted the event, which benefitted the school.

USDA unveils 'pyramid' of healthy food choices

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Agriculture Department finally is unveiling its new dietary chart showing what's good for you: more grains, fruits and vegetables and less meat, fats and sweets.

Years - and hundreds of thousands of dollars - in the making, the pyramid-shaped chart almost was unveiled last year, but was withdrawn for further study following criticism from the meat industry.

Now, with the backing of the industry, Agriculture Secretary Edward Madigan was releasing the chart today.

The pyramid replaces the food "wheel" that advised people to eat meat, breads, fruits, vegetables and dairy products in basically the same quantities.

The only changes since the meat industry's objections have been artistic, according to people who have had input or association with the project.

The main criticism now comes from original supporters of the pyramid, who think it was a waste to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars and take a year to question 3,000 people in five cities - only to confirm what the original designers proposed a year ago.

"I was in one of the focus groups," said Bonnie Liebman, nutrition director for the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a private group that promotes food and health issues. "They showed us three pyramids, all of which were pretty similar."

One had a black background and one had colors, she said. The design changes were believed to have some impact on how people received the message, she said.

The message is and always has been to depict the variety and quantities of food that should be consumed daily for the healthiest possible diet.

The illustration is based on the government's 1990 revised guidelines, which emphasize that whole grains, fruits and vegetables should be eaten in greater quantities than meat and dairy products.

It has grains - bread, rice, pasta and cereals - at its base to show they should be the biggest part of the diet, eaten in quantities of nine to 11 servings a day.

The next level has vegetables - three to five daily servings, and fruits - two to three daily servings.

The third level shows meat and dairy products, limited to two to three

servings daily. Sweets, fats and oils are at the pinnacle of the pyramid, with advice they be used sparingly.

Besides the pyramid, the government tested pictures of a cereal bowl, a shopping cart and a table setting with different quantities of the basic food groups.

Opinion-gathering sessions included industry, health and consumer representatives, children, senior citizens and people with various income levels and ethnic and educational backgrounds.

"The USDA really did its homework," said Sara Clarke of the American Meat Institute.

Mark Armentrout, a rancher and National Cattlemen's Association official, also praised the effort. He said earlier testing, which had been just on adults, had been insufficient.

Liebman said consumer groups and health organizations believed the pyramid did the best job of all the illustrations conveying the information.

"I'm not saying it is perfect," she said. "The deficiency is that the top of the pyramid is sweets and oils. That doesn't teach people that most of the fat in an average person's diet comes from meat and dairy."

County uneasy over legal fees

By GEORGIA TYLER
Staff Writer

Uneasiness about expense that may arise in legal fees for redistricting and defending a federal lawsuit prompted Deaf Smith County Commissioners' Court Monday to delay decisions on a budget for the next fiscal year.

After reviewing with Alex Schroeter, county auditor, requests submitted by departments for the year beginning Oct. 1, commissioners took no action.

"I think we should put off as long as we can because we don't know about legal fees," said Johnny Latham, Precinct 4 commissioner.

The county has been advised that new precinct boundary lines do not meet U.S. Department of Justice approval. Because of denial of preclearance on the lines, a lawsuit has been filed in federal court, claiming results of the March primary elections are invalid.

A letter received Monday from the Austin law firm representing the county set out fees charged for legal work. Jim Allison and Associates of Austin will bill at a rate of \$125 to \$190 per hour, Allison's letter advised the commission.

In the budget review, Schroeter projected tax revenue of \$1.9 million for the general budget. Total income for general operation of the county is estimated at \$3.045 million.

On the expense side of the general budget, county government is expected to cost \$3.195 million, a figure that does not include an overall pay increase for employees.

Taxes designated for the road and bridge fund amount to \$307,000 in a total revenue of \$822,000. Expense for the four precincts' road and bridge operations is tagged at \$818,000.

For the current budget year, the county started with reserves totaling \$839,000. The year could end with a \$100,000 increase in reserves,

based on expenditures through March.

Since the cost of finishing the redistricting and defending the lawsuit cannot be estimated with any assurance of accuracy, commissioners decided to go no further on budgeting at present.

In other business, the commission:

-- Approved a lease for 1,300 square feet of office space at \$250 per month for two years. The county tax office will move to the offices adjacent to Deaf Smith County Appraisal District.

Courthouse space now occupied by the tax office will be remodeled to accommodate the justice of the peace office and other county needs.

-- Accepted the Stevens Chevrolet-Olds bid of \$18,234.84 for a new pickup for Precinct 4 use. Hereford Buick submitted a bid of \$19,444.14 for a GMC and \$19,416 for a Dodge. A Whiteface Ford bid of \$16,727.61 did not meet specifications.

-- Voted to notify the Texas Department of Highways and Transportation that the county is ready to move on a proposal to widen bridges on FM 809.

-- Agreed to handle several maintenance jobs at the Kids, Inc., baseball complex, including adding clay to at least one field, tying down outfield fences, extending backstops and weed control.

-- Approved advertising for a parttime job in the justice of the peace office.

-- Heard a report from the county treasurer, Vesta Mae Nunley, on requirements for providing access for disabled persons.

-- Voted to advertise again for purchase of chemicals for control of weeds on county right-of-way. Several weeks ago, the commission refused to award bids when the three suppliers submitted identical prices.

House may dig into 'classic' check kiting

WASHINGTON (AP) - A special counsel investigating thousands of overdrafts at the House bank says his preliminary inquiry already has found evidence "that a classic check-kiting scheme may have occurred."

In a four-page letter sent to House leaders Monday, Malcolm R. Wilkey said, "It has been claimed that there have been no violations of law in the operations of the House banking facility. How can anyone possibly make such a claim?"

"As a matter of fact, our preliminary inquiry has already unearthed evidence that a classic check-kiting scheme may have occurred," the retired federal appeals court judge said.

Wilkey's letter became public as House Republican leader Robert Michel of Illinois joined Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., in trying to block a blanket subpoena of House bank records sought by Wilkey.

Michel accused Wilkey, a Justice Department appointee, of conducting a "fishing expedition" by asking for all account records - even of members who wrote no overdrafts.

But one freshman Republican and a GOP veteran said Monday they favor giving Wilkey everything he wants to avoid the appearance of a cover-up.

"My concern is this gives off the appearance, once again ... that we have something to hide," said the freshman, Rep. Jim Nussle of Iowa. "While this is a constitutional issue, it is also an issue of credibility. I see no reason why he can't have everything."

The House ethics committee has disclosed names of 325 current and former members who together wrote more than 24,000 overdrafts at the now-closed members' bank. The revelations have shaken the House as an institution and have become a prominent issue in many campaigns.

In his letter, Wilkey said "The House (ethics) committee was not charged with this responsibility ... and specifically shielded itself from knowledge of certain facts which might be relevant in a criminal inquiry."

Michel told reporters that Wilkey's subpoena is not a political issue, but an argument over the House's right to control its records as a separate branch of government.

"What right does he have to invade a member's privacy?" Michel said of Wilkey.

Michel, whose position parallels that of Foley, said he would convince GOP members, who once accused Democratic leaders of trying to cover up the overdrafts, that the subpoena should be narrowed.

But one veteran Republican, Rep. Henry Hyde of Illinois, said he too supported Wilkey's request for all the records and was certain that the special counsel would shield private account records from public disclosure.

"The public is suspicious and wants an explanation of why you won't reveal your financial transactions," Hyde said in an interview. "The political damage has already been done to those who wrote non-sufficient fund overdrafts."

Wilkey was appointed by the Justice Department to determine whether criminal laws may have been violated in operations of the bank - which permitted overdrafts without financial penalty.

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Local Roundup

Blood drive is Wednesday

A blood drive will be held Wednesday from 4-7 p.m. at the Hereford Community Center.

The blood drive is sponsored by the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce. All eligible persons are encouraged to donate blood.

Event doesn't include lunch

A special May Fellowship Day on Friday, sponsored by Church Women United, will not include a luncheon.

The May Fellowship Day will be observed from noon until 12:45 p.m. on Friday at Wesley United Methodist Church, 410 Irving. All women in the community are invited to attend.

Several arrests recorded

Hereford police arrested four persons over the weekend: a man, 18, for driving while intoxicated at Grand and Ave. F; a man, 20, for domestic violence assault in the 200 block of Ave. A; a man, 48, for domestic violence simple assault in the 100 block of Ave. H; and a woman, 21, for violation of probation in the 800 block of Brevard.

Reports on Saturday included domestic disturbances in the 400 block of N. 25 Mile Ave., 200 block of Ave. J and in the 600 block of Blevins; a juvenile throwing a rock at a door in the 400 block of Long; disorderly conduct in the 600 block of S. 25 Mile Ave.; dog running loose in the 100 block of Ave. F; trespass in the 600 block of Blevins; criminal mischief in the 300 block of Jackson; dog bite in the 300 block of Bradley; and theft in the 1300 block of E. First.

Reports on Sunday included a runaway in the 100 block of W. Park; phone harassment in the 100 block of Bradley; assault in the 400 block of N. 25 Mile Ave., 600 block of Ave. G, 400 block of Barrett and 500 block of E. fourth; disorderly conduct in the 500 block of Ave. G; criminal mischief in the 500 block of Ave. K (car was egged) 1100 block of W. Park (landscaping items at Gibson's were damaged), and 100 block of S. Centre, where BB guns were shot at children and vehicles by juveniles; a domestic disturbance in the 300 block of Ave. C; disorderly conduct in the 100 block of N. Texas; and theft of a dog worth \$300 in the 600 block of Ave. K.

Police issued 12 citations over the weekend.

Sheriff's deputies arrested seven persons over the weekend: four men, ages 34, 51, 24 and 43, for driving while intoxicated; a man, 26, for violation of probation on an assault charge; a man, 25, for sexual assault of a child; and a man, 33, for violation of probation.

Reports included dead livestock problems; a dog bite; theft of a trailer sticker; and a forgery.

Monday, police arrested a man, 42, for evading arrest and on outstanding Randall County warrants.

Reports in the city included theft of a washing machine from a rent house in the 300 block of Jowell; injury to a child in the 400 block of Ave. C; theft of a bike in the 500 block of W. fourth; theft of beer from a store; and a report of a suspicious vehicle in the 300 block of Union.

Police issued no tickets Monday.

Sheriff's deputies arrested four persons Monday: two men, 21 and 33, for violation of probation; a woman, 28, for bond forfeiture; and a woman, 42, on a warrant for theft by check.

Dry through Saturday

Tonight, clear and mild. Low in the lower 50s. North wind 5 to 10 mph. Wednesday, sunny and warm. High in the mid 80s. Variable wind 5 to 15 mph.

The extended forecast: dry Thursday through Saturday. Cooler Saturday. Highs in the mid to upper 80s except upper 70s Saturday. Lows in the 50s. This morning's low at KPAN was 53 after a high Monday of 83.

News Digest

World/National

WASHINGTON - A special counsel investigating the House bank tells congressional leaders his preliminary inquiry already has found evidence "that a classic check-kiting scheme may have occurred."

PHILADELPHIA - Pennsylvania's primary today gave Bill Clinton a chance to cement his grip on the Democratic presidential nomination. The front-runner abandoned his fight with Jerry Brown to shape his fall message in that critical general-election battleground.

Texas

AUSTIN - A Texas baby shower project is being promoted by state agencies to help fill gift bags for mothers-to-be who get a prenatal checkup at their local health clinics.

HOUSTON - Compaq Computer Corp.'s president has warned that the company's earnings aren't likely to turn around until the end of the year after several new products are introduced.

DALLAS - Two women in a Dallas courtroom have painted a picture of a conniving romancer who stole their hearts along with their checkbooks.

WASHINGTON - A team of young Texans from Lubbock High School have earned a trip to Europe and a visit to the White House by winning the National Science Bowl.

ODESSA - Oil service companies in the Permian Basin are banking on tens of thousands of idle wells in the former Soviet Union.

Hospital Notes

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Infant girl Balderaz, Sheila Mar Balderaz, Robert Denning, Andrew Fetsch, Lisa Rivera, Castulo Rodriguez, Aurora Roman, Infant girl Roman and Marjorie Smith.

NEWBORNS

Mr. and Mrs. David Carroll Fetsch are parents of a baby boy, Andrew David Fetsch, 8 lbs. 12 1/2 oz., born on April 22, 1992.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dean Ray have a baby girl, Amie LeAnn Ray, 7 lbs. 1 oz., who arrived April 22, 1992.

CORRECTION

In Sunday's letter to the editor from Virginia Artho, two sections of the letter were omitted by the person typing the letter.

In the fourth paragraph, the letter should have read:

"What of Country Bed and Breakfast Inns that charm the big city dwellers? Or taking advantage of our being in the path of major migrating flyways and develop our wildlife areas for birdwatchers? Why not invite tourists onto our farms and ranchers to experience our beautiful landscape, roundups, chuckwagon breakfasts and harvests?"

Also omitted were the facts about the American Quarter Horse Heritage Center drawing 15,000 visitors in its first six months, and Clarendon's new theme park, Thunder Junction.

The Brand sincerely regrets the omissions.

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Judge asked to schedule hearing Lawyer seeks injunction on CED tax collection

AUSTIN (AP) - Efforts to settle a taxpayer lawsuit against the state overuse of the current school property tax system "appear to be at an impasse," a lawyer for the taxpayers has told a federal judge.

Lawyer Jim Keahey on Monday asked U.S. District Judge James Nowlin to schedule a hearing on an injunction, which Keahey has requested against collection of county education district taxes for the 1992-93 school year and beyond.

Keahey said in documents filed in federal court that it appears Gov. Ann Richards will not call a special session on school finance "unless forced to by the funding shortfall created from this court's enjoining collection of the CED (county education district) tax."

He cited a news report indicating that likelihood.

Any settlement of the suit would

require legislative action, Keahey said.

The federal lawsuit was filed after the Texas Supreme Court found the CED tax unconstitutional, but allowed its collection for this school year and the next. The 1991 taxes were due this January, and the 1992 taxes will be due in January 1993.

If the governor does intend to promptly call a special session, and Nowlin is so advised by the state attorney general, Keahey asked that the motion for a hearing be held under advisement to give parties additional time to negotiate.

Chuck McDonald, a spokesman for Richards, said the biggest factor determining a special session is whether enough lawmakers will support some proposed constitutional amendment on school finance.

A two-thirds vote of the Legislature is required to put a proposed

amendment before voters. Richards' office said she still is getting feedback from lawmakers. Richards has cited May 11 as a likely date if a special session is convened.

"The judge's decision will have an impact, but really the larger issue remains getting the legislative support necessary to put a measure on the constitutional amendment ballot," McDonald said.

He added, "It would be helpful to have a decision by the judge."

In the CED tax system, 188 taxing districts made up of one or several counties levy property taxes for public education.

The system was meant to equalize education funding. But the Supreme Court found that it violates the Texas Constitution by imposing a statewide property tax and by levying a property tax without voter approval.

However, the court gave lawmak-

ers until June 1, 1993, to fix the system.

Taxpayers in the federal lawsuit said collection of an unconstitutional tax, without opportunity for a refund, violates their due process rights under the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Nowlin has certified an estimated 8 million-plus Texas taxpayers as plaintiffs in the case.

Keahey is not asking that the hearing include plaintiffs' request for a declaration that CED collection of the tax violates the U.S. Constitution. He has said such a declaration would allow plaintiffs to seek relief in state court for taxes already paid.

Keahey has proposed a settlement to the state in which the CED tax would be repealed, and a constitutional funding system put in place. In return, taxpayers would forgo their claims for refunds of 1991 taxes.



HJH band earns honor

Hereford Junior High School's eighth grade band won a first division rating in concert competition last week at Canyon.

The first division rating was the first earned by the eighth grade band in several years. The band is directed by Don Summersgill.



Courthouse Records

COUNTY COURT DISPOSITIONS

Charles Bishop, 29, criminal non-support, two years probation, one year in jail probated, \$162 court costs, April 22.

James Samuel Betts, 38, driving while license suspended, judgment and sentence, three days in jail, \$100 fine, \$162 court costs, April 22.

Brian David Moore, 35, theft by check, judgment and sentence, \$162 court costs, April 22.

Rodolfo Ramirez, 28, assault, one year probation, 180 days in jail probated, \$162 court costs, April 22.

Enrique Marquez, driving while license suspended, judgment and sentence, \$100 fine, \$162 court costs, April 22.

Luis Salas, second offense, driving while intoxicated, two years probation, driver's license suspended 180 days, \$500 fine, \$147.50 court costs, April 24.

Ruben Olivo, reckless driving, 10 days in jail, \$162 court costs, April 24.

Rodolfo Cervantez, second offense, driving while intoxicated, 60 days in jail, driver's license suspended 180 days, \$300 fine, \$217 court costs, April 24.

Charlie Torrez, revocation of probation on assault conviction, nine months in jail, April 24.

John Ruffins, reckless driving, \$200 fine, \$162 court costs, April 24.

222nd DISTRICT COURT

State vs. Richard Vara Casarez, order appointing attorney, John Lesly, April 14.

In the marriage of Dwight Carter Rasmussen and Sammie Kay Rasmussen and in interest of children, decree of divorce and order for child custody and support, April 15.

Vicky Romero vs. Herman Romero, reciprocal uniform support petition filed by State of New Mexico, April 15.

In interest of Jerrod D., Russell R. and Samantha Rasmussen, minor children, order for nonsuit, April 15.

In interest of Crystal Bianca and Sonya Denise Silva, minor children, order for nonsuit, April 15.

In interest of Johnathan L. McGee, minor child, order enforcing child support, April 15.

In interest of Miguel Castillo Jr., order establishing parent-child relationship and child support, April 15.

In interest of Jerrod D., Russell R. and Samantha Rasmussen, minor children, order in suit affecting parent-child relationship, April 15.

State vs. David LaFuente, revocation of probation on 1986 conviction for delivery of controlled substance, LSD, sentenced to nine years, Texas Department of Criminal Justice institutional division, April 16.

State vs. Ferman Olivarez, modification of probation on 1985 conviction for burglary, sentenced to 25 days in jail, April 16.

JUSTICE OF PEACE COURT
Hereford Independent School

District vs. Brad Sanders, judgment for delinquent taxes and court costs, \$221.71 paid in full, April 6.

HISD vs. Judith A. Sanders, judgment for delinquent taxes and court costs, \$483.86 paid in full, April 6.

HISD vs. Kari C. Sanders, judgment for delinquent taxes and court costs, \$220.90 paid in full, April 6.

HISD vs. Kiri C. Sanders, judgment for delinquent taxes and court costs, \$334.69 paid in full, April 6.

HISD vs. Leon and Sherry Whitson, judgment for delinquent taxes and court costs, \$76.92 paid in full, April 6.

Deaf Smith County vs. Toby Liscano, judgment for delinquent taxes and court costs, \$342.95 paid in full, April 14.

HISD vs. Mike G. Cantu, judgment for taxes and court costs, \$135.46 paid in full, April 21.

G.R. Smith vs. Garrison Seed Co., dismissed, no jurisdiction, April 22.



Lee plays Plunko at Karnival

Brendan Lee lets go of a chip on the plunko game at Sunday's Karnival Krazy at St. Anthony's School. Children enjoyed games of all types while adults enjoyed an auction and country store at the annual event. Benefits went to St. Anthony's School.

Guadalajara officials facing many charges

GUADALAJARA, Mexico (AP) - Eight officials were jailed and the mayor surrendered after investigators meted out blame for a series of sewer line explosions that killed at least 191 people and left thousands homeless.

The governor said hazardous facilities would be moved out when the city rebuilds the neighborhood devastated by Wednesday's blasts, which federal officials say resulted from a leak in a gasoline pipeline owned by Pemex, the state-owned oil monopoly.

Mayor Enrique Dau Flores turned himself in late Monday.

Dau Flores had initially obtained a temporary restraining order against his arrest, but on Monday made statements to federal law officials and then to a federal judge who will decide if there is enough evidence to file charges.

By law, the judge must decide by late Wednesday.

Seven defendants - four from Pemex and three from city water and sewer departments - were arrested Monday and appeared at a preliminary hearing at the state prison outside the city.

They stood in green prison jumpsuits as the judge read charges including negligent homicide, causing damage and injury to others, causing to public communications and violation of federal environmental laws.

Defendants are assumed guilty and must prove their innocence. The judge said the average sentence for

negligent homicide is about five years.

Late Monday, police arrested state urban development secretary Aristeo Mejia after he was released from a hospital.

Last Wednesday's explosions were caused by a gasoline leak from a corroded pipeline owned by Pemex. Attorney General Ignacio Morales Lechuga on Sunday accused Dau Flores and Mejia of failing to act before the explosion on residents' complaints of a strong smell of gasoline.

Pemex has denied responsibility for the blasts. However, the monopoly said Sunday it will give about \$30 million for reconstruction - one-tenth the officially estimated damage of \$300 million.

Jalisco Gov. Guillermo Cosio Vidaurri late Monday announced that plans to rebuild shattered neighborhoods would include "the relocation of hazardous plants."

Between 8,000 and 15,000 people living in the 80 blocks around the sprawling Guadalajara plant have been evacuated. Officials say gasoline soaking the ground could explode.

Red Cross workers at refugee centers continued testing the blood of people evacuated from an area soaked with the leaded gasoline that leaked from a government-owned pipeline.

They said they feared people had inhaled lead in the dusty air raised during the explosions.

Life!



Wagner wins 1992 Junior Miss title

Sarah Wagner, left, daughter of Pam and David Wagner, was named 1992 Junior Miss at the Little Miss Hereford Pageant on Saturday. First runner-up was Courtney Gearn, right, daughter of Ken and Ben Gearn. Second runnerup, center, was Tarabeth Homes, daughter of Debbie and Richard Holmes. Presenting them with their trophies was Misty Dudley, 1991's Junior Miss Hereford.



Klos wins Little Princess category

Heather Klos, center, daughter of Kim Klos, was named winner of the Little Princess division of the Little Miss Hereford Pageant on Saturday. Tina Chavez, left, daughter of Lucy and Robert Chavez, was first runner-up; second runner-up was Emily Fry, daughter of Dr. Stan and Beckie Fry. Their trophies were presented by Monica Caperton, 1991 Little Princess. The pageant was sponsored by the Women's Division of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce.

Ann Landers

DEAR READERS: Some interesting statistics were compiled by Jenefer Shute while researching her book, "Life-Size," about an anorexic woman. What follows may be a wake-up call for those who are borderline nutty on the subject of weight loss. Read on:

A Glamour magazine survey of 33,000 women revealed that American females value being thin more than success or love. The average woman would like to lose 10 to 15 pounds.

As many as one-fifth of all female college students have a severe eating disorder. Every year, 150,000 American women die from complications associated with anorexia and bulimia. According to the National Association of Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders, 7 million American women suffer from anorexia and bulimia.

A generation ago, fashion models weighed 8 percent less than the average woman. Today, fashion models weigh 23 percent less.

The average model, dancer or actress is thinner than 95 percent of the female population.

A recent study of high school girls showed that by age 13, 53 percent said they were unhappy with their bodies.

Women's distorted body image translates into big bucks. The diet industry has grown to \$33 billion a year, and women spend \$300 million a year on cosmetic surgery, including breast implants.

There's always a diet book on the best-seller list, yet Americans are still fat, and statistically speaking, they are getting fatter.

In certain African and South Sea island cultures, fat is beautiful. Women are fattened up before marriage by being placed in special enclosures where they are encouraged to eat all day long.

What sex was to women in the 19th century, food has become to females in the 20th century—a source of guilt and shame.

So, dear readers, all I can say is this is a sad commentary on the values of millions of American women.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: This is for the North Dakota wife whose husband never said, "Bless you," when she sneezed. Maybe my letter will make her feel better.

I have been married 30 years. Never once have I heard my husband call me by my first name. He has never wished me a happy birthday, anniversary, merry Christmas or a happy New Year. He has never said, "Please," "Thank You," "Good dinner," or anything else. My clothes always "look like hell." If I ask him if he likes my hair, he says,

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Michael Chiklis, star of the TV series "The Commish," is engaged to actress Michelle Epstein.

Miss Epstein and Chiklis, who plays a police commissioner on the ABC series, plan a June wedding, his spokeswoman, Cheryl Kagan, announced Monday.

Chiklis and Miss Epstein, both 28, were introduced at a party last summer, Kagan said.

"It's good enough for the garbage man."

"Bill" went to California for a week, came home, patted the dog's head and asked, "What's for dinner?" He never mentioned one word about his trip. The man comes and goes as he pleases and has absolutely nothing to say when he gets home.

I am not ugly. I could pass for Liz Taylor's older sister. I wear makeup every day and keep myself neat. My only satisfaction in life is that I am costing Bill a fortune in doctor, psychiatrist and hospital bills.

Tell Mrs. North Dakota that I suspect there is more to her story than "bless you." And there's more to mine than I have written. Is there any hope for us, Ann?--Canton, S.D.

DEAR CANTON: Your marriage sounds like a nightmare for both Bill and you. You mention a psychiatrist. Is he or she helping you? A woman whose only satisfaction in life is socking it to her husband with big medical bills needs the guidance and support of a competent mental health professional. Good luck to you.

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 \$3.65 (this includes postage and handling) to: Teens, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562.

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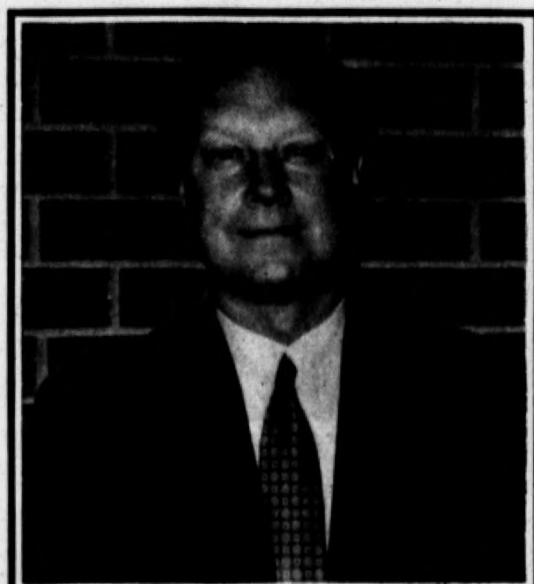
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SPORTS

Hereford hires Main as basketball coach

Joe Main has been chosen as the new boys' basketball coach at Hereford High School, boys' athletic director Danny Haney announced Monday. Main has 26 years of basketball coaching experience, including 22 as head coach at Pearsall, Kingsville, Huntsville, Aldine and Cy-Fair, where he coached for the last 10 years. His resume includes a 413-288 record, seven playoff trips, six district championships and the 1978 4A state championship while at Huntsville. "I feel very fortunate to get someone of his caliber," Haney said. "Everywhere he's been, they've been down, and he brought them up to not only being competitive but contenders. He gets a lot out of the material he has. His experience was a plus, and his age (50). He's crossed most of the bridges you can in athletics. He can handle any situation that comes up." Main will begin work in Hereford sometime in May, Haney said.

Golfers lead regional field

The Hereford girls' golf team leads the Region 1-4A golf tournament after one day. Hereford placed four girls in the top ten, and the team totaled 341. That's three strokes ahead of Andrews, the defending state champion. "We had a pretty good first day," Coach Stacey Bixler said, "we just need to come back and play well (today)." They were to play the second and final round today at Bentwood Country Club in San Angelo. Cecelia Albracht led the Hereford girls with round of 84. She was followed by Jennifer Prater at 85 and Paula Britten and Dusty Saul, each

at 86. Those four took up places five through eight on the medalist charts. Hereford other player Monday was Brook Weatherly, who shot 97. "The girls really played consistently," Bixler said. Monahans is third at 369--28 strokes behind Hereford--which means Hereford has an excellent chance at a return to the state tournament in Austin. The region's top two teams advance to state. "We need to play steady and play our game and we'll be all right," Bixler said. "We don't need to do anything differently." Borger shot 376, which is good for fourth. The Lady Bulldogs are

followed by Snyder at 379; Stephenville at 385; Burkburnett at 385; Justin Northwest at 387; Brownwood at 407; Lamesa at 440; and Boswell at 504. The tournament's 12th team, Arlington Heights, had an injury to one of its players and could not get a team score. Individually, Andrews' Lisa

McQuatters and Brownwood's Melissa Isham are tied for the lead at 80. Next are Tory Hester of Andrews and Brook Lawrence of Snyder, each with an 82. They're followed by Hereford's foursome, and Monahans' Shallen Conner at 88 and Brownwood's Valerie Brown at 89 round out the top 10. Results are not yet available, but will be printed this week in the Brand.

HJH track teams take titles

Hereford Junior High claimed two of the district's four track championships at meets Friday. Hereford's eighth grade boys and seventh grade girls won their district meets. The seventh grade boys came in second, and the eighth grade girls were fourth.

Stevens cards ace

Jerry Stevens nailed a hole-in-one Saturday at Pitman Municipal Golf Course. He used a 7-iron on the 155-yard 14th hole. It was witnessed by Steve Stevens, Linda Stevens and Anthony Gale. In other golf news, tee times are not available for earlier than 1 p.m. Saturday because of a tournament in the morning. While golfers are waiting, Titleist sales representative Bob Scrivner will be at Pitman at 11 a.m. Saturday, and anyone is invited to come and try out the equipment.

Y deadlines extended

The sign-up deadlines for two YMCA sports leagues have been extended. The deadline for the youth soccer league has been extended to April 30, while the deadline for the co-ed softball league is now May 6. The softball league will begin play May 11.

Kapka, Sellers stay alive in tourney

Hereford's boys' doubles team of Jamie Kapka and Torey Sellers is still alive at the Region 1-4A tennis tournament after winning two matches Monday. They were to play a semi-final match early today. Hereford's other three entries lost Monday and are finished for the season. Greg Coplen and Teresa Baker both lost first-round singles matches. In girls' doubles, Robyn Sublett and Bri Reinauer fell in a second-round battle with the

bracket's top seed. Kapka and Sellers started off with a 6-4, 6-2 win over Levelland's Robbie James and Gordon Hartin. Next, they beat second-seeded Jeremy Ryan and Ethan Booth of Fort Worth Brewer 6-1, 6-2. "That No. 2 seed: they're good, but (Kapka and Sellers) were on," Coach Natalie Sims said. Kapka and Sellers were to face the No. 3 seeds, Mark Gentry and Brian Seabury of Wichita Falls, today.

Sublett and Reinauer won 6-1, 6-4 in the first round over Arlington Heights' Summer Reese and Kelly Franczyk. Then in the second round, they lost 7-5, 6-2 in what Sims called an "excellent match" to top-seeded Sharon Sudarshan and Suzanne Singleton of Wichita Falls. Coplen lost 6-2, 6-3 to Veit Raddatz of Andrews. Baker lost 6-0, 6-3 to Lindsay Woodworth of Arlington Heights, who went on to

upset the bracket's top seed in her next match. Of District 1-4A's four champions, three advanced past Monday's play. Only Borger's Barry Thutchley, hampered by an injury, lost. Those still playing Tuesday were Dannett Jordan in singles and Lyndee McNeese and Dawna Denny in girls' doubles--all of Borger--and Joe Welborn and Sameer Mohan of Pampa in boys' doubles.

Lewis emerges as Celtics finish Pacers

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Larry Bird is injured. Dec Brown is ill. Kevin McHale and Robert Parish are fighting age. Which means it's time for Reggie Lewis to emerge as the new star of the Boston Celtics. "Reggie Lewis has been our offensive go-to guy all season long," Boston coach Chris Ford said. "He's stepped up his game to that next level and, beginning with his selection to the All-Star Game, he's just carried it on." Lewis scored 28 of his 32 points in the first half Monday night as the Celtics defeated Indiana 102-98 to sweep their best-of-5 series and become the first team to advance to the second round of the NBA playoffs. Boston is riding an 11-game winning streak and 18 of 19. The sweep gives the Celtics, who have Bird sidelined by back spasms and Brown recovering from a viral illness, a chance for some welcome

rest before their next series. Both players missed the entire series with Indiana and their status for the next round remains uncertain. Tonight, Cleveland is at New Jersey, New York at Detroit, Golden State at Seattle and Utah at the Los Angeles Clippers. On Wednesday, it will be Chicago at Miami, Phoenix at San Antonio and Portland at the Los Angeles Lakers. Cleveland, Utah, Chicago, Phoenix and Portland have 2-0 leads in their series, while the Detroit-New York and Golden State-Seattle series are tied 1-1. The Celtics are the second seed in the Eastern Conference and will meet the winner of the Cleveland-New Jersey series, which the Cavaliers lead 2-0. Boston led by as many as 18 points in the third quarter, then survived a late Indiana charge that saw the Pacers grab a 95-94 lead.

Kevin Gamble, one of five Celtics in double figures with 17 points, then hit a jumper to put Boston ahead to stay 96-95 with 1:48 remaining. The Celtics' defense then held Indiana scoreless until Detlef Schrempf made a 3-pointer with 12.4 seconds left, cutting Boston's lead to 100-98, before Ed Pickney made two free throws to seal the victory with 11.9 seconds remaining. Lewis said that in the first half, "everything I was throwing up was going in for me. Down the stretch, we were able to execute our offense and get the job done." "We just could not get over the hump," said Reggie Miller, who led

Indiana with 32 points. "We played hard and everybody gave 100 percent, but they just held on and didn't give in." Detlef Schrempf, who was given the NBA's Sixth Man award for the second consecutive year earlier Monday, had 23 points and 12 rebounds for Indiana - his 12th consecutive double-double. McHale contributed 15 points to the victory, while John Bagley had 14 points and 11 assists. Pinckney, who had 13 points and a game-high 14 rebounds, helped the Celtics post a 63-54 advantage off the boards. For the series, Boston outrebounded the Pacers 166-114.

Hollins haunts Padres


By The Associated Press. At least for one game, Dave Hollins proved the San Diego Padres made a mistake. Dave Hollins had a career-high five RBIs with a two-run homer and a three-run triple to help Philadelphia beat San Diego 12-9 Monday night. The Padres drafted Hollins in the sixth round of the June 1987 draft, but let him get away two years later in the winter draft to the Phillies. "I do get up a little more for them than any other team," Hollins said. "It's just the fact that I did play for them. It gives me incentive to play well because I do like to beat them." Hollins never actually played for the Padres, but now he can say he beat them. In the first inning, Hollins hit a drive over the right-field fence, going the opposite way, for his third homer. It also gave him five hits in his first five at-bats against left-hander Bruce Hurst, including two home runs. Hollins also drew a one-out walk and stole second to spark a four-run third inning. The Phillies recorded their first victory ever against Hurst (1-2), who entered the game with a 5-0 mark in eight career starts against them. He was tagged for seven runs and nine hits in 3 2-3 innings. "I gave up the farm. I couldn't get a ball down. I had lousy location," Hurst said. "It was just brutal."

Mulholland, touched for seven runs and nine hits in 4 1-3 innings, gave way to Curt Schilling (2-0), who worked 1 2-3 innings for the victory. Mitch Williams got the last three outs for his third save. Elsewhere in the NL it was Atlanta 5, Chicago 0; San Francisco 2, Montreal 1; and St. Louis 5, Los Angeles 4. Yankees 8, Rangers 7. At Yankee Stadium, Jesse Barfield and Roberto Kelly homered, and Kevin Maas drove in the go-ahead run with a bloop single in the seventh inning as New York beat Texas. Texas had taken a 7-6 lead with four runs in the top of the seventh on pinch-hitter Dean Palmer's two-run homer off Lee Guetterman and Ivan Rodriguez's two-run single off winner John Habyan (1-0). Kelly led off the bottom of the inning against Terry Mathews (1-2) with his first home run of the season. Mel Hall doubled, took third on a wild pitch and scored one out later on Maas' pinch-hit, opposite-field bloop down the left-field line with the outfielders shifted over to right. Steve Farr relieved Steve Howe and got the last out for his fourth save.

Although Phillies starter Terry Mulholland was handed a 7-0 lead, he remained at 0-3 in five starts. He was chased in the fifth inning with the Padres in the middle of a five-run rally that cut the Phillies' lead to 8-7.

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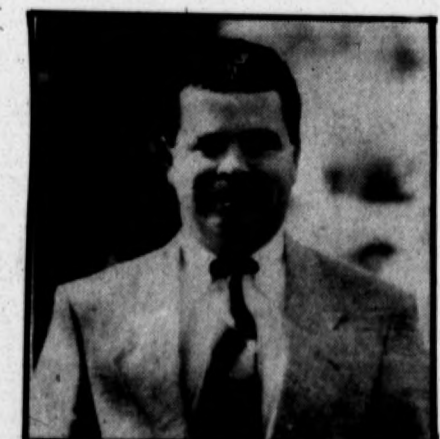
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Bulldogs hang on to beat Hereford, 8-5

Jake Head got his first start on the mound for Hereford Saturday in Borger. He wasn't hit hard; he was bunted to death. Borger's big inning was the third, when the first three batters--the bottom third of the Bulldog order--reached on bunt hits. Each one later scored on ground balls.

That gave Borger a 5-1 lead, which eventually turned into an 8-5 win for the Bulldogs. Hereford is now 1-5 in district and 4-17-2 overall.

"(Head) threw pretty well," Coach T.R. Sartor said. "We made some mistakes behind him that hurt him, and they got three bunt hits that hurt him."

The highlight of the game for Herd fans came in the fourth, when Cano doubled with the bases loaded to cut Borger's lead to 6-5. Ruben Ramos started the inning with a single, Kyle Hansen followed by reaching on the second baseman's error, and Chris Brummett got plunked to load the bases. Cano hit a liner down the right field line, and the wheel turned.

"It's not very often you get to wind three people through third," Sartor said.

Unfortunately, those were the last runs Hereford would get, while Borger picked up insurance runs in the fifth and sixth--one on an error and a hit, the other on a walk and a hit. Sammy Casarez was pitching

then; he relieved Head after Head faced two batters in the third.

Hereford had scored single runs in the first and in the third. Cano led off the game with a single to right field, stole second and came home on Head's single. In the third, Head singled, moved up on Tab Hathaway's single and scored on Russ Watts' double.

Head went 3-for-4 for the day, and Cano went 2-for-3 with the three RBIs.

Hereford hosts Pampa today at 4:30 at Whiteface Field. The Herd and the Harvesters are tied for fifth in District 1-4A with 1-5 records. Pampa is 11-11 overall.

Dumas is all alone in first at 6-1. Randall and Caprock are tied for second at 5-2. Dumas hosts Randall today, and Caprock hosts Borger, which is 3-4 and in fourth place.

Hereford's junior varsity finished off its season with a flurry of games: five since Thursday. They won two of those games to finish 13-10 on the season.

They played in the Lubbock JV Tournament Thursday and Friday. They won the first game 8-4 over Plainview, lost the second 15-3 to Coronado, then lost 9-7 to Frenship in eight innings.

Frenship tied the game at 7-7 in the top of the seventh inning. Hereford had a runner on third with one out in the bottom of the seventh, but a close play at the plate forced extra innings. Frenship only needed one extra inning.

The JV played Borger's JV Saturday in the second game of the varsity-JV doubleheader. Hereford jumped out to a 6-0 lead with Ray Hastings on the mound and held on for a 7-4 win.

On Monday, the JV close the season with a 10-7 loss in Dumas. The Demons scored six in the first and four in the second and held on as Hereford chipped away. Andrew Tijerina pitched five innings for Hereford, and John Nava finished the game.

Hereford's freshmen won both games of a doubleheader with Plainview Saturday at Whiteface Field.

When Raymond Alaniz stepped on the plate after Isaac Moreno's hit in the sixth inning of the second game, it ended the game because of the ten-run rule. It also ended the doubleheader mercifully after six hours of play. Hereford won that game 19-9 and won the first game 18-11.

The totals from the marathon afternoon: 57 runs, 47 hits (28 for

Hereford) 29 bases on balls (19 allowed by Plainview pitchers) and 27 errors (20 committed by Plainview).

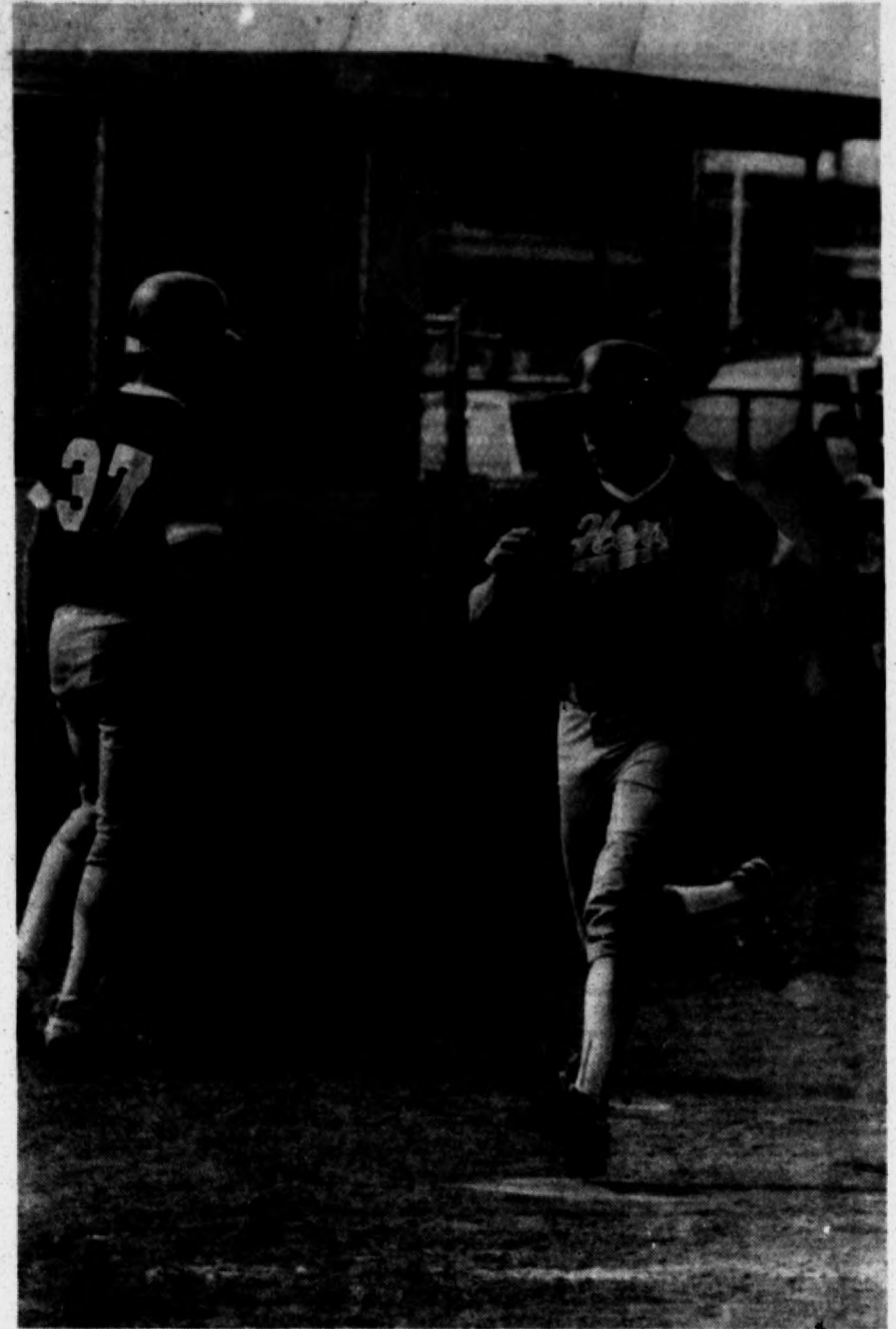
In the first game, Hereford took a 5-1 lead after one inning, then let Plainview back in the game with seven runs in the second. Plainview would score only three more runs, though. Hereford plated one each in the second and third innings, then broke loose with seven runs in the fourth. At the end of four the score was 14-9, and that held up.

In the second game, Plainview scored once in the top of the first and didn't allow a run in the bottom of the inning. Hereford's first inning was the only one all day in which they didn't score. The Herd scored one in the second to tie and five in the third to take a 6-2 lead, and the rout was on.

Individually, Chris Castro went 6-for-11 with five runs batted in and six runs scored for the day. Michael Marquez and Raymond Alaniz also scored six runs on the day. Alaniz went 5-for-7 at the plate.

O.J. Rodriguez pitched the first game, and Marquez pitched the second game with relief help from Alaniz.

The Hereford freshmen have only a doubleheader Saturday at Caprock left on their schedule.



Another run

Hereford's Michael Marquez steps on home plate during a game with Plainview Saturday at Whiteface Field. Fans who attended the six-hour doubleheader saw this often as Marquez scored six times. The two teams combined for 57 runs as Hereford won both games, 18-11 and 19-9. Hereford's Jacob Lopez (37) waits to bat.

Dallas takes Harris as last pick

IRVING, Texas (AP) - The Dallas Cowboys wrapped up their draft by picking a baseball player.

The Cowboys used their 12th pick (317th overall) to take Donald Harris, a former first-round pick of the Texas Rangers in 1989.

Harris, from Waco, played defensive back at Texas Tech, where he earned Southwest Conference defensive newcomer of the year honors in 1987 and all-league acclaim in 1988.

Harris plays for the Rangers' Double-A affiliate in Tulsa, Okla.

"We felt he could be a possible pick for the future," Cowboys coach Jimmy Johnson said. "When the proper time comes, we'll have some visits with Donald and talk about his future. But we don't want to do anything to disrupt the baseball thing right now."

Harris said he will keep focusing on his baseball career.

"It definitely gives me something

to think about, but right now I am going to concentrate on baseball," Harris said.

Harris made 104 tackles as a freshman and 141 as a sophomore. He intercepted six passes in his two seasons.

"We're not encouraging him to come to football. We're just saying, 'Here's an alternative if the baseball career doesn't work out,'" said Dick Mansperger, the Cowboys' director of college scouting who did the research on Harris.

Harris has struggled at the plate in baseball. After hitting .264 with Butte in the short-season rookie Pioneer League, Harris hit .160 at Tulsa in 1990 and .227 there in 1991.

"We certainly want him to stay with baseball," said Marty Scott, the Rangers' director of player development. "Donald started to look more like a player in the way he carried himself this spring. He's making progress. I hope he'd look at the

lifespan in football and the way salaries are going in baseball."

Harris will earn \$28,900 for spending a full season in the minors. He would earn a pro-rated share of \$109,000 for time spent in the majors.

Except for Harris, the Cowboys decided they would take no player who wouldn't come to a quick contract agreement so they could get them into mini-camps and training camp.

"Signability was very important for us," said owner Jerry Jones. "We wanted to get it done today. We didn't want a situation where draft picks held out of training camp. We need them in camp to learn our system. They lose a year if we don't get them into training camp."

The only exception was Emmitt Smith, who missed training camp but became the NFL's offensive rookie of the year in 1991.

Jones and vice president Mike McCoy made quick deals on Sunday almost as fast as Johnson decided which player he was going to draft.

The Cowboys first six picks, cornerback Kevin Smith of Texas A&M, linebacker Robert Jones of East Carolina, wide receiver Jimmy Smith of Jackson State, strong safety Darren Woodson of Arizona State, cornerback Clayton Holmes of Carson-Newman, and offensive tackle James Brown of Virginia State all agreed to terms.

Johnson was pleased with the draft as Dallas filled the need of shoring up a defense that had been riddled by run-and-shoot teams.

"We had holes and needs and we identified players to fill those holes," Johnson said.

Dallas on Monday drafted Tulsa's Fallon Wacasey, who will play tight end. The 6-7, 241-pound Wacasey, a former basketball player, was the ninth pick in the sixth round.

In the ninth round, the Cowboys selected Nate Kirtman, a defensive back-wide receiver from Pomona-Pitzer and defensive back Chris Hall of Eastern Carolina.

The Cowboys chose Livingstone guard John Terry in the 10th round and wide receiver Tim Daniel of Florida A&M in the 11th round.

'Ags' Richardson plans to play QB for Houston

HOUSTON (AP) - Bucky Richardson plans to do more than hold a clipboard for the Houston Oilers next season.

Drafted in the eighth round by the Oilers on Monday, the former Texas A&M star says he wants to contribute on the field--even if it's on special teams.

"If I'm going to be the third string quarterback, I don't want to just hold a clipboard," Richardson said. "I want to be on special teams and help out wherever I can. I think that's a part of my value."

Richardson, 6-2, 221, led the Aggies to the SWC title last season with his gutsy play at quarterback, shunning the quarterback slide for headlong plunges to gain an extra yard.

"He's a quarterback with special teams mentality," Oilers coach Jack Pardee said. "We watched him in one of the All-Star games and I thought he was the best quarterback in the game."

Richardson, a tough, versatile

leader with the Aggies, was projected at several positions Pardee wants him to play quarterback.

"I've talked with Coach (Jack) Pardee some and every indication is they want me to be a quarterback," Richardson said from his parents' home in Baton Rouge, La. "They said they want me to do some other things too but I'm not ready to get into that now."

Richardson was a dangerous runner with the Aggies but he was not as highly rated as a passer.

Oiler offensive coordinator Kivin Gilbride had to be convinced to add Richardson to the quarterbacks depth chart.

"He's such a versatile athlete and to be quite candid I wasn't necessarily projecting him as a quarterback," Gilbride said. "But Jack worked him out and was very impressed with his arm strength and based on those qualities he'll play at quarterback."

Richardson was the Aggies No. 2 rusher last season, gaining 448 yards on 103 carries. He completed 79 of

156 passes for 1,492 yards. He rushed for 10 touchdowns and passed for five.

Richardson thought he'd be picked higher.

"Don't get me wrong, I'm happy Houston drafted me," Richardson said. "Going in, I thought I'd be picked a little higher but for one reason or another I slipped. You have to go through this not expecting too much and stay on an even keel."

The Oilers started the second day of the draft by picking wide receivers Mario Bailey of Washington and Elbert Turner of Illinois.

Bernard Dafney, an offensive lineman from Tennessee, was chosen in the ninth round. The Oilers took wide receiver Dion Johnson from East Carolina in the 10th round and picked linebacker Anthony Davis of Utah in the 11th round.

Joe Wood, a kicker from Air Force was their final pick in the 12th round.

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Fry wins Miss Petite division

Katherine Fry, center, daughter of Dr. Stan and Beckie Fry, won the Miss Petite division of the Little Miss Hereford Pageant on Saturday. At right is the first runnerup, Jenna Urbanczyk, daughter of Sue and Martin Urbanczyk; at left is second runnerup Danna Brooks, daughter of Donna and Dan Brooks. Their trophies were presented by 1991 Miss Petite Kali Michelle Hall.



Cutest Miss winners

Kara Landers, left, daughter of Elizabeth and Steve Landers, was the winner of the Cutest Miss division of the Little Miss Hereford Pageant on Saturday afternoon. First runner-up was Leanna King, center, daughter of Jan King and Randy King. Second runner-up, right, was Kealie Dee Ann Fellhauer, daughter of Valerie and Tom Fellhauer. Their trophies were presented by 1991 winner Stephanie Shaw.

Between the Covers

By JOE WEAVER

WHY should you never say 288 in public? Because it's two gross!

I realize that's a pretty lame way to get into an article about humor, but it's the best I can come up with surrounded by librarians attending an educational meeting. (Librarians, as a rule, are more educational than humorous.)

A few weeks ago I listed some of my favorite books and promised to reveal more later. Since thousands of you have beseeched me night and day for the rest of my list (I can dream, can't I?), and since the last collection consisted of serious authors, I thought I'd let you in on my favorite humor writers.

By and large (whatever that means), humor writers are columnists rather than authors. Their books are generally

only collections of articles that have run previously in some magazine or newspaper, so I pick my favorites on the basis of style and content. There are a couple of exceptions.

Mark Twain is one of those exceptions. I know that he wrote some columns in his newspaper days, but he is primarily remembered as an author of books and short stories. I'll wager that if you asked a number of people worldwide to name an American author, living or dead, about eighty percent would choose Twain. As with any "populist" writer of a hundred years ago, he uses some expressions that have passed from the scene; but his observations on the human race are as relevant today as they were in the days of Tom Sawyer...or Henry VIII...or King Arthur...or Adam and

Eve. I ashamedly admit that I have never read Tom Sawyer or Huckleberry Finn. I have read The Prince and The Pauper. A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court, and The Diary of Adam, as well as a number of short stories. These are not books that make you laugh, really, but there's a lot of humor, nonetheless. (And, on my soapbox, DON't settle for the movie versions. I hate to sound like an English teacher, but there is more to Twain's stories... than stories.)

Patrick McManus fits the more conventional brand of humor writer mentioned above. He is well known as the guy who writes the back article in Outdoor Life, but I first became aware of his stories in condensed form in Reader's Digest. He is not limited to "huntin' and fishin'" tales, but they,

along with yarns of his childhood in rural Idaho, make up the bulk of his repertoire. When I realized that some of his articles had been collected into books, I immediately checked them out and nearly got sick laughing. This is not droll humor, folks, this is funny stuff, even if you've never been hunting, or fishing, or a kid.

Dave Barry is not as well known in this area as he is elsewhere. He is a columnist for The Miami Herald and is syndicated in other papers, none of which, as far-as I can determine, are readily available in Deaf Smith County. Fortunately, this does not mean we have to do without. Not only have his articles been amassed in a number of books (several are in our library), but he has written some "free-standing" books as well. Without

question my favorite is Dave Barry Slept Here-subtitled "A Sort of History of the United States." Here's a sample from the chapter on The Colonial Lifestyle:

The most famous novelist of the era was Cliff, the author of the famous Cliff Notes, a series of works that are still immensely popular with high school students. The best known, of course, is The Scarlet Ladder, which tells the story of a short man named Miles Standish, who lived in a tall house with seven people named Gable, only to be killed in a sled crash with an enormous white whale.

You get the idea. We won't go into THE HAWLEY-SMOOT TARIFF. One word of warning. Sometimes Barry can get a little crude (about like a PG-13 Movie).

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SAVINGS!

"Sew New" program tonight

"Sew New" will be presented by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service Clothing Specialist Alma Fonseca at 7 p.m. today in the Hereford Community Center Banquet Room.

The program, featuring new tips, techniques and notions, will be beneficial to all levels of sewing experience. The main focus will be on time saving short cuts designed to give the professional look of ready-to-wear.

Using notions and products to streamline sewing time and yield quality finished products will also be featured.

Deaf Smith County 4-H'ers will feature a pre-program exhibit beginning at 6:30 p.m. on "Make It Yourself-Starch"; "Fabric Coloring The Natural Way"; "Remove Those Stains"; "Patterns That Last"; "Pack It-The Right Way"; "Create Seminoles"; and "Sweaters-With Character."

Ruth Knox gives LAE program

Ruth Knox reviewed the book *The Navajo Code Talkers* when members of the La Afflatus Estudio Club met recently in the home of Annie Delozier for their closing spring program.

Written by Doris A. Paul and published in 1973, the book is the story of the Navajo Indian enlisted in the United States Marines.

During the business meeting, correspondence was read from Big Brothers/Big Sisters. A report was made on club member, Della Stagner, who had been a patient at Deaf Smith General Hospital.

Committee reports were heard and members made plans for the club's spring luncheon to be held May 19 at the Hereford Country Club.

Refreshments were served by Delozier to Lydia Hopson, Marie Harris, Mary Williamson, Aileen Montgomery, Opal Elliston, Alberta Higgins, Virginia Beasley, Pet Ott, Louise Kinsey and Emily Suggs.



Rehearsing for dinner theater

The Nazarene Christian Academy is sponsoring a dinner theater at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday in the church gym. Tickets are priced at \$10 per person which will include a meal of brisket, asparagus, homemade bread, salad, cake and beverages. Reservations may be made by calling 364-8303. All proceeds will be used to benefit the school. Rehearsing for the play, entitled "Snapshots and Portraits", are, from left, Ken Gearn, David Fanning and Beverly Bryant.

Table settings, China discussed at meeting

A program on table settings and China was given by Kay Williams when members of Xi Epsilon Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority met recently at West Park Drug.

Williams said, "You do not have to set a boring table. You can use your imagination." She also talked about the differences in China and how to take care of it.

President Holly Bixler led the opening ritual with 14 members reciting. During the business session, Melinda Henson, recording secretary, took roll and read the minutes which were approved. Thank yous were heard from Williams, Denise Hafliker and Deann Harris.

It was announced that the service committee had picked up books to be delivered to the Texas Department of

Human Services. The program committee announced that the next meeting will be May 5 with Connie Matthews and Sharon Bodner serving as hostesses.

Election of officers for 1992-93 was held. Williams will serve as president; Deann Harris, vice president; Sharon Bodner, recording secretary; Linda Arellano, treasurer; and Ruby Lee, correspondence secretary. City council representatives will be Denise Hafliker, Peggy Hyer and Henson. Lee will serve as alternate.

Williams and Susan Cardinal served cookies, punch and coffee to Arellano, Bixler, Bodner, Danell Culp, Hafliker, Harris, Henson, Hyer, Lee, Matthews, Ruby Sanders and Susan Shaw.

Sorority chapters to observe Founder's Day

Members of three local Beta Sigma Phi Sorority chapters will be among 12,500 chapters of 250,000 members throughout the world to celebrate their Founder's Day Thursday.

The chapters of Alpha Alpha, Xi Epsilon Alpha and Alpha Iota Mu will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Hereford Country Club for the annual observance. Gaye Reily is serving as celebration chairman and the mistress of ceremonies for the evening will be Brenda Thomas.

Teresa Hopping has been selected for the honor of presenting the special message from the International Executive Council of Beta Sigma Phi. Other members taking part in the program will be Ruby Lee, Merlene Streun, Patty Frerich, Holly Bixler, Glenna Calaway, Barbara Burkhalter, Ruby Sanders, Kay Williams and Virginia Jackson.

Awards will be presented during the evening to outstanding chapter members, recognizing them for their sorority and community work. Some local Beta Sigma Phi projects include Operation Good Shepherd, American Red Cross and the American Cancer Society.

Basic to Beta Sigma Phi are the socials for its members. One of the most important is their founder's Day celebration.

During the depression, Walter W. Ross thought that young women needed more in their lives than work, responsibility and hardship. He thought a social and cultural outlet was needed and that he was the man to see that it was provided. His efforts brought seven young women in Abilene, Kan. together on April 30, 1931, to form that sort of organization. Beta Sigma Phi began and time proved Ross's idea a good one. Because Beta Sigma Phi has continued to meet their needs, on this

April 30, Ross will be remembered by this largest Greek letter sorority in the world.

Throughout the 61 years of their history, the members of Beta Sigma Phi have enjoyed programs for cultural studies and numerous social events; they had a difference in their lives. As they enjoyed these opportunities for personal growth, they came to devote much of their time and effort to service; they came to make a real difference in the world around them.

A typical year finds the chapters donating over \$3 million directly to local charities, reflecting over two million work hours. Early, the chapters created their own international funds for purposes they selected. Their International Endowment Fund has donated over \$2 million to health research groups, to homes for underprivileged children and to many other worthwhile causes. Through Beta Sigma Phi's International Loan and Scholarship Funds, members and their families receive assistance.

For further information about Beta Sigma Phi, contact Brenda Thomas, City Council president, at 289-5811.

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PIGEON FORGE, Tenn. (AP) - Dolly Parton says she's not trying to save the world, just keep some of it in school.

Parton and Education Secretary Lamar Alexander joined forces Monday to congratulate the first class of her Buddy program.

Announced in 1988, the program promised the 750 students in the seventh and eighth grades in Sevier County schools \$500 each if they got a high school diploma. This year, 474 students were awarded the prize money.

"I think the money is minor," Parton said, calling it "an incentive to let them know we're interested."

The actress and Grammy-winning country star is a native of the poor, eastern Tennessee county.

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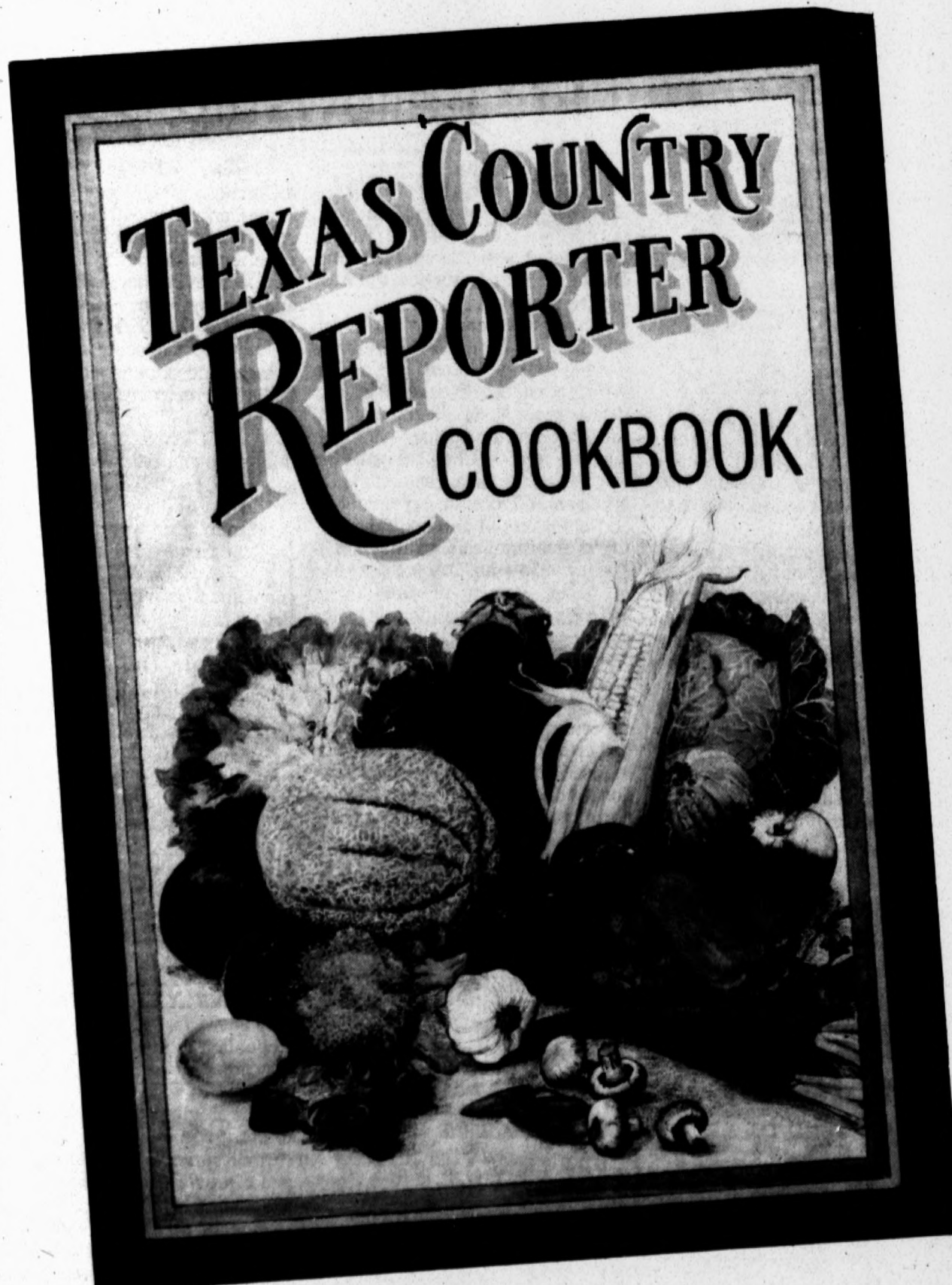


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