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Group says work without pay unconstitutional Union calls for ruling on working during shutdown

By LAURIE ASSEO
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WASHINGTON (AP) - It never hurts to plan ahead, so federal workers' unions are asking a judge to rule that employees shouldn't be forced to work without pay if the budget stalemate leads to another partial government shutdown.

The government made good on its promise to give late paychecks to employees declared essential and kept on the job during the latest shutdown. That's not enough, say the National Treasury Employees Union and the American Federation of Government Employees. The unions argue that requiring federal employees to work without pay violates the Constitution, even if their salaries are paid after a shutdown is resolved.

And the unions want a federal judge to rule on the issue before Jan. 26.

"We don't want this situation to keep coming up over and over again," says Gregory O'Duden, the NTEU's lawyer. "Even though people have been paid, the law that led to this situation is still on the books."

The unions say the late paychecks didn't adequately reimburse employees who had to take out high-interest loans to pay household expenses or who had their power shut off for nonpayment of bills.

The unions lost a round in the fight earlier this month when U.S. District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan refused to issue a temporary order that would have barred the government from keeping 480,000 employees on the job without paychecks.

The judge said such an order would lead to chaos.

Sullivan plans to hear arguments Thursday on the overall validity of the unions' claim. Their argument is somewhat arcane, and it's far from certain the judge will see things their way.

The unions rely on the Constitution's requirement that "no money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in consequence of appropriations made by law."

The unions contend that means the government cannot create an obligation to pay federal employees if no money has been appropriated. Even if such an obligation were allowed, there must be limits on what the government can spend, they say.

The Clinton administration says Congress can authorize the government to incur debts, and it has done

so through a federal law called the Anti-Deficiency Act. Under that law, the government cannot "employ personal services exceeding that authorized by law except for emergencies involving the safety of human life or the protection of property."

Requiring the employees to temporarily work without pay amounts to incurring a debt the government has promised to pay, the administration contends.

Justice Department lawyers also can argue that the issue is moot because the most recent shutdown has been resolved and the workers have been paid. The unions hope to persuade Sullivan to decide the case on the ground the issue could arise again.

Constitutional law experts are divided on the issue.

Yale law professor Kate Stith says she thinks the unions have a valid

argument that, in requiring 480,000 people to work this month without pay, the government went far beyond its authorization to keep operating during emergencies.

"Having such a broad exception, by permitting so much to continue, Congress and the president are avoiding the pressure the Constitution intends" to control government spending by requiring appropriations, Stith said.

Harvard law professor Laurence Tribe says the unions' argument is "not frivolous, but in the end it is not very convincing."

The specific issue raised by the unions has not been decided by a court, but Tribe says rulings in other cases support the general idea that Congress can allow the executive branch to create financial obligations without an appropriation.

Sullivan hasn't tipped his hand on how he will rule.

Panel delays vote on HS credit plan If approved, students would need 22 credits to graduate

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) - A State Board of Education committee has delayed action on a proposal to strengthen minimum high school graduation standards by adding technology and speech as requirements.

Members of the Committee on Students said Thursday that before they vote on the proposal recommended by Education Commissioner Mike Moses, they want time for discussion and more input from teachers and others.

An initial vote now is expected next month, with final action possible in April.

The proposal would increase the minimum number of credits required for graduation from 21 to 22. Students get a half-credit for each semester of coursework in a particular area.

The new requirements would apply to students entering the ninth grade in the 1997-98 school year.

In addition to English, math, science, social studies, economics, physical education and health, the proposal would require students to have a half-credit of speech and one credit of technology applications - such as a computer class - to graduate.

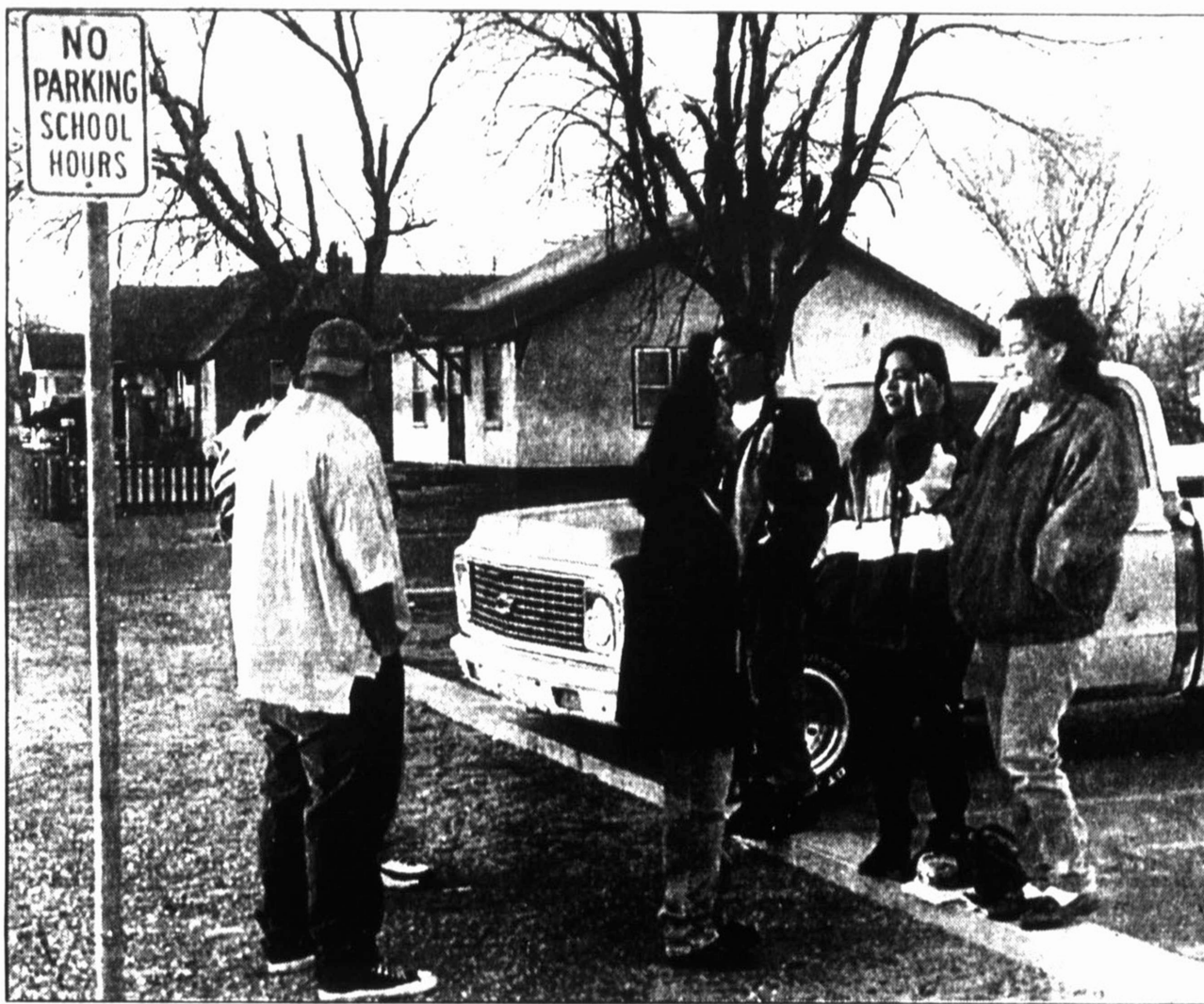
The number of credits for elective courses in the minimum required program would be reduced from seven to 6-1/2 under the proposal.

"These additions respond to the many comments and concerns voiced by parents and the business community to ensure that students are fully prepared for the world of post-secondary education and work," Moses said in a memorandum to board members recommending the changes.

The proposal also would delete high school graduation credit for "reading improvement" courses. Moses said in his memo that the move would "complete the elimination of the 'lower-level' or 'remedial' courses at the high school level and would target all high school programs toward high levels of performance."

The proposal also would specify that students take Algebra I and Biology I as part of the math and science requirements in the minimum required program.

The recommendation said this would ensure students have the option of taking end-of-course tests in those subjects. If students pass end-of-course tests in English II, Algebra I and either U.S. History or Biology I, they don't have to take the exit-level Texas Assessment of Academic Skills to get their diploma.



Pre-school parking

The first week of school after Christmas break came to a close on Friday, with all students finally in the classroom following special meetings at two campuses that extended the break for those children. Here, a group of Hereford High School students appear to be violating the law as they "park" by the parking lot at Avenue F and Union before school. Actually, the sign is to control traffic along Avenue F, not to keep students off the median between the street and the parking lot.

U.S. challenges ban on hormone-treated meat

By ROBERT GREENE
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Arguing that science should govern trade decisions, the United States says it will challenge the European Union's ban on U.S. beef from hormone-treated cattle.

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman and U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor announced the decision Thursday. Kantor said he will seek redress through the World Trade Organization, which has governed world trade since Jan. 1, 1995.

"The EU ban is harmful to American ranchers and has no scientific basis," Kantor said.

The European Union says the restrictions, in place since 1989, reflect consumer preference for untreated foods. "There is no question that the European consumer does not want to eat meat which has been treated with hormones," said Ella Krucoff, Washington spokeswoman for the 15-member European Union.

The U.S. position is that the consumer-preference argument is a shield for protectionism, preserving the large European market for European livestock producers. The United States has retaliated against the ban for years with duties on agricultural imports from Europe.

The United States says Europe blocked legal challenges to the ban under the old General Agreement on

Tariff and Trade. It is harder to thwart findings by the 124-nation World Trade Organization.

He said he decided to recommend that Kantor take the dispute to the organization after a telephone call Thursday morning with Franz Fischler, the EU's agriculture commissioner.

The ban costs the U.S. beef industry \$100 million to \$200 million in lost exports, mostly for products such as liver, kidney and tongue. Exports of higher quality beef products, such as steaks, are limited by a quota in addition to the ban.

The National Cattlemen's Association says about 7 percent of U.S. beef production is exported.

Exports were worth \$2.8 billion in 1994.

Close to 70 percent of U.S. beef cattle receive hormones, generally through implants. The products, some naturally occurring and some synthetic, help produce leaner beef at less cost.

Last summer, the Codex Alimentarius Commission, a U.N. organization, approved the use of such hormones in meat animals by setting residue limits.

Fischler argued then that science does not exist in a vacuum. "I attach great importance to scientific evidence," he said, "but without ignoring - at least in our democracies - the views of consumers."

Probation set in court cases

Probated sentences were imposed on defendants entering pleas Thursday in 22nd District Court and probation of an offender was revoked during the court session.

On revocation of probation, Gilbert Murillo, previously convicted of delivery of marijuana, over 1/4 oz. but under 40 oz., was ordered to serve a four-year sentence in Texas Department of Criminal Justice institutional division. He originally was sentenced to five years' probation.

On a plea of nolo contendere (no contest) to theft, over \$1,500 but under \$20,000, Rebecca Rodriguez,

54, was sentenced to two years in state jail, probated five years.

A plea of guilty to burglary of a building was entered by Rudy Balderamma, 20. He was sentenced to two years in state jail, probated five years, and fined \$1,500.

Ricky Moore, 34, was sentenced to five years' probation after pleading nolo contendere to delivery of marijuana, over 1/4 oz. but under four oz.

On a plea of guilty to sexual assault of a child, Daniel Villarreal, 23, was assessed a six-year probated sentence and fined \$1,500.

HISD trustees meet to evaluate Greenawalt

Hereford Independent School District trustees took no action Thursday when they met to evaluate Superintendent Charles W. Greenawalt. Trustee Raul Valdez said Greenawalt was not present for the 2-1/2-hour meeting, which was conducted in executive session. State law allows a closed session when discussion is about a specific employee of the district. Valdez said trustees just discussed the superintendent during the session, but made no formal decisions regarding him.

New storm lashes East, South before digging out from first one done

More than 100 deaths attributed to first blizzard

By LARRY RYCKMAN
Associated Press Writer

A new storm dumped snow and freezing rain across the East today, bringing a fresh blast of misery to cities and towns still struggling to dig out from this week's blizzard.

The storm stretched from the South into New England. It packed less punch than the blizzard that dumped more than 2 feet in many areas, but it served up a dangerous mix of snow and freezing rain that made driving even more difficult.

"We are talking about ice versus snow, and to me ice is much worse," said Richard Jones of the National Weather Service in Raleigh, N.C. "You can't control a vehicle on ice and that makes it much more hazardous."

In Pittsburgh, two buses collided head-on on a snow-covered highway, killing one person and injuring at least 52.

Up to 5 inches of snow fell on parts of North Carolina. Drivers were urged to stay off the roads "unless it's a life-or-death job," said Capt. P.J. Bissette of the Wake County Sheriff's Department.

In southeastern North Carolina, three homes were destroyed and 10 others damaged when a possible tornado went through. No injuries were reported.

Government offices in Washington closed again today because of the new snow.

In Maryland, Baltimore-Washington International Airport closed this morning after heavy snow began falling, although officials hoped to reopen it later. Washington's Dulles International and National airports also closed, the latter after a jet

skidded while taxiing. No one was injured.

"I'm a dedicated employee," Marriott Corp. employee Michael Olzewski said as he trudged through inches of newly fallen snow, on his way to refill vending machines in Baltimore. "I just want to do what I have to do and get home."

Seven inches fell in the mountains of West Virginia, and parts of northeast Georgia got 6 inches of snow late Thursday and early today.

Heavy snow fell in central and northern Virginia, prompting officials to close schools again. Up to 4 inches of snow fell on parts of South Carolina, and schools closed in several counties.

"It's snowing to beat the wagon," said Steve Sullivan, a spokesman for

the South Carolina Highway Patrol.

Philadelphia schools were closed for a fifth consecutive day as new snow began falling on top of the record-breaking 30.7 inches the city got Sunday and Monday.

"It's like Mother Nature kicking us when we're down," lamented Mayor Edward Rendell.

Most East Coast businesses and schools that were shut down by the blizzard were able to reopen by Thursday. Federal workers finally slogged back to work after the storm and a three-week partial government shutdown, only to be told to stay home again today when it began snowing.

On Thursday, President Clinton announced disaster aid to states that need help digging out.

The blizzard of '96 has already claimed at least 100 lives, including a homeless man in Baltimore found dead Tuesday in a doorway where he sought shelter from cold. Police said he apparently froze to death.

"Oh, my Lord, expect to hear more of that," said Bea Gaddy, a Baltimore advocate for the homeless who runs three shelters.

Up to 5 inches of snow was possible today in Massachusetts, some areas of which received up to 2 feet from the blizzard. Snow and freezing rain began falling mid-morning in New York City, which was still digging out from under 20 inches of blizzard snow.

The new storm was welcomed by some.

"I built a baby snowman with my mama, another baby by myself and a big one named Frosty with my daddy," said 6-year-old Lindsey Lampros in Clayton, Ga. "I'll be happy for it to snow some more."

Many were fed up. "We're all going to Mexico," joked Lucien Chalfien, a New York City Sanitation Department spokesman.

In Charlottesville, Va., two teen-agers were charged with misdemeanor after shoveling snow onto a car parked in a space they had spent hours clearing. The charges were car tampering and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

"People have become kind of primitive," said Lyn Day, a psychologist in Roanoke, Va. "They're getting ugly in public right now. My husband said he saw two people fighting over a carton of milk in the grocery store."

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Local Roundup

Temperatures to soar once more

Hereford temperatures resemble speed limits these days more than typical January weather, as KPAN Radio reported a high of 55 degrees on Wednesday and forecasters are calling for the mercury to soar to 70 to 75 degrees on Saturday. The overnight low here Friday was 28 degrees. For tonight, expect mostly clear skies with a low in the lower 30s and northwest winds at 5-15 mph. Saturday, skies will be mostly sunny with southwest winds at 10-20 mph.

Recycling day set Saturday

Community School and the Hereford Beautification Alliance will sponsor their regular monthly recycling day from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday on the St. Anthony's parking lot. The recycling day was rescheduled from last week. Items that will be accepted are: glass, newspapers in bundles, aluminum cans, all other metals and car batteries.

Special HISD hearing called

The Hereford ISD board of trustees will hold a public hearing on the 1994/95 Academic Excellence Indicator System report at 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 15, at West Central Intermediate School. The district will discuss the performance and profile sections of the report for each campus and for the district as a whole. Copies will be distributed at the meeting.

News Digest

WORLD/NATION

WASHINGTON - America's fate looks foggy from Sue Lessard's lighthouse off the Maine coast. There's trouble in Paradise, too, a Utah town where Garth Howells wonders about "the mess this country's in." As the major Republican presidential candidates prepare to debate in Iowa Saturday, a variety of Americans pitched in to pose the questions they'd ask in such a forum if they had the chance.

WASHINGTON - Caught in a swirl of accusations centered on his wife, President Clinton is denouncing suggestions of wrongdoing in the Whitewater and White House travel office affairs. "An allegation," he snapped at a reporter, "is not the same thing as a fact."

MAGLAI, Bosnia-Herzegovina - In half-decimated towns like this, about three hours over mountain roads from Tuzla, schools, gyms, private homes and any other shelter that can be spared are full of travelers without destination.

STATE

BROWNSVILLE - The Cameron County district attorney has been cleared of sexual harassment charges brought by his former receptionist, but a special grand jury will reconvene next month to continue looking into other allegations.

HOUSTON - Two women who were nicknamed the "Thelma and Louise" handits are under a judge's restraining order that bars them, at least for now, from profiting from any movie that may result from their exploits.

AUSTIN - A State Board of Education committee has delayed action on a proposal to strengthen minimum high school graduation standards by adding technology and speech as requirements.

DALLAS - While they love brats, beer and, of course a good cheddar, they absolutely adore Favre, White and Holmgren. And, they are out of place in Dallas.

AUSTIN - A Nebraska phone company that wants to take on Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. and GTE Southwestern Inc. in Texas may have to put its plans on hold.

AUSTIN - From crutch to cornerstone in the Texas horse racing industry, simulcast wagering's growth has led to a contentious split between the state's quarter horse and thoroughbred groups.

AUSTIN - Two Republican presidential candidates plan to appear in person and two more via satellite television for next week's National Issues Convention at the University of Texas.

SAN ANTONIO - Cosmetics queen Mary Kay Ash had her followers in tears with emotional anecdotes about success. She had them praying as she reminded them of her motto: God first, then family, then career.

Police, Emergency Reports

Emergency services reports for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Friday contained the following information.

HEREFORD POLICE

A 40-year-old female was arrested on outstanding DPS warrants.

A unspecified incident was reported in the 800 block of Irving.

A dog bite was reported.

Theft was reported in the 1100 block of West Park.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of Avenue C and in the 100 block of Avenue H.

Domestic disturbance was reported in the 200 block of Higgins.

Forgery was reported in the 600 block of East First.

Burglary of a vehicle was reported in the 800 block of West Park Avenue and in the 300 block of Avenue A.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 700 block of East Third.

Runaways were reported in the 800 block of Knight and in the 800 block

of South Texas.

A mental patient was reported in the 800 block of East Third. The person was later transported to the Pavilion in Amarillo.

Officers issued 29 traffic citations.

DEAF SMITH SHERIFF

A 23-year-old male was arrested for violation of probation (DWI).

A 22-year-old male was arrested on an assault commitment.

A 19-year-old female was arrested for violation of probation (theft by check).

A 27-year-old male was arrested for DWI.

A 25-year-old male was arrested for speeding and failure to appear.

A 20-year-old female was arrested for bond forfeiture and violation of probation.

Criminal trespass was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No calls.

EMS

Ambulances ran on one medical run.

Injunction being asked on property use

Residents of an area north of the Hereford city limits are going to court in an attempt to stop owners of acreage from moving houses onto the property.

Claiming deed restrictions and covenants of the North Acres Subdivision are being violated, plaintiffs in the case have filed a petition for an injunction.

Owners of the property at issue are listed as Domingo Diaz Jr., and his wife, Juanita Diaz. They are defendants in the case, filed Thursday

in 222nd District Court.

More than 30 names are identified as plaintiffs in the case.

Judge David Wesley Gulley has set a hearing on the petition for injunction for 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 29.

According to court documents, an "incomplete structure" was moved onto the Diaz property, in mid-November. The shell of a two-story house was moved from a site on 25 Mile Ave. in Hereford.

Plaintiffs claim that the incomplete structure violates deed restrictions

Endeavour dodges dead satellite

Space junk came too close to shuttle for comfort

By MIKE DRAGO
Associated Press Writer
SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) - Space shuttle Endeavour had to dodge a bit of space junk today.

Commander Brian Duffy fired Endeavour's jets to maneuver the spacecraft out of the way of a dead Air Force satellite that otherwise would have been too close for comfort - within a mile of the shuttle - in 90 minutes.

The shuttle and its six-man crew were in no danger during the close encounter, NASA said. The spaceship and the satellite, orbiting Earth at 17,500 mph, ended up passing within about 6 miles of each other.

"I'm glad to hear that," Duffy said.

"Us, too," said Mission Control's Tom Jones.

NASA said the Defense Department satellite, called Misty, was launched from Vandenberg Air Force

Base in California in May 1994. The Air Force lost contact with the craft about 1-1/2 years ago.

"I guess we found it," Duffy said.

Mission Control warned Duffy about the satellite about 2-1/2 hours before the two vehicles were to have passed within 0.8 miles of each other. Endeavour's steering thrusters were fired about an hour after that, slowing the shuttle by 4 feet per second and providing plenty of room between it and the satellite.

NASA said a collision was unlikely even without the evasive maneuver. Under agency flight safety rules, a shuttle can fly no closer than 1.3 miles above, below or beside another orbiting object or 3.1 miles behind another object.

"It wasn't any big deal for us," Duffy said in an interview with CNN later in the morning. "There are a lot of things in orbit, in space. We know where they are."

Duffy said the satellite was too far away for the crew to see.

Space shuttles have swerved to avoid other orbiting objects several times over the years.

The U.S. Space Command in Colorado Springs, Colo., uses radar and telescopes to track more than 7,000 orbiting manmade objects, mostly spent rocket bodies, dead satellites and other spacecraft fragments.

There are millions more objects out there that can't be tracked, including paint flecks, fuel particles from rocket firings and frozen urine droplets flushed from spaceships. Given the extreme speeds, even tiny objects can do major damage to spaceships.

Officials said today's maneuver would have no effect on the chief goal of the nine-day mission: the capture of a Japanese science satellite, planned for Saturday. Endeavour was 9,000 miles behind

the science probe just after launch from Florida on Thursday. By this morning, the distance was down to a little over 600 miles.

Japanese crew member Koichi Wakata will use the shuttle's 50-foot robot arm to snare the 8,000-pound craft early Saturday. The reusable satellite was launched aboard an unmanned rocket from Japan last March 18 and carries an infrared telescope, crystal-growing furnaces and other science experiments.

After the retrieval, the astronauts will keep busy with the release and capture of a U.S. science satellite and a pair of two-man spacewalks to practice space-station construction techniques.

Astronaut Leroy Chiao, who will take part in both the space walks, spent part of today checking out the crew's spacesuits. Chiao will venture outside Endeavour late Sunday with crewmate Daniel Barry and again on Tuesday with Winston Scott.

Owner of burned mill continues to provide paychecks for workers

By ROBIN ESTRIN
Associated Press Writer
LAWRENCE, Mass. (AP) - It's getting to be that every time the president of the mill complex talks to his employees, they start to cry.

They love him.

On Thursday, hundreds of factory employees erupted in cheers as Aaron Feuerstein announced that he would continue paying salary and benefits to the approximately 1,000 workers left unemployed by a spectacular fire that devastated Malden Mills Industries Inc. in Methuen one month ago.

"It's unbelievable what the man's doing for us," said Teresa Perkins, who, even on crutches, raced up to her boss to give him a huge hug.

Since the Dec. 11 fire, Feuerstein has stood behind his workers. Within hours, he pledged to rebuild. Within days, he promised his employees paychecks for 30 days and health insurance coverage for 90 days while he tried to resume operations. He even gave his union employees a \$275 holiday bonus, which had been promised before the blaze.

Soon after, he extended the salary benefits for another week. And on Thursday - the one-month anniversary of the fire - he extended them for 30 days more.

"You're a saint!" Perkins yelled.

"I love you, Aaron," another woman cried.

"Why am I doing it? I consider the employees standing in front of me here the most valuable asset that Malden Mills has," Feuerstein said.

"I don't consider them, like some

companies do, as an expense that can be cut. I know in the long run that what I'm doing today will come back tenfold and will make Malden Mills the best company in the industry."

The weekly payroll for all hourly employees totals \$1.5 million, a company spokeswoman said.

"He could have taken the money and gone south and left us all stranded here without a job," said Velma Pouliot, of Plaistow, N.H.

Three of the nine buildings at the 130-year-old Malden Mills complex were destroyed in the fire, which injured 33 people and put about 1,800 employees out of work just before Christmas. Six workers remain hospitalized.

Feuerstein's company, which produces fabrics including Polartec and Polarfleece, employs 3,200 people worldwide and has annual sales of \$400 million.

About 65 percent of all employees were back at work by this week, and Feuerstein said he expected many more would be recalled within the next few months.

He said he hoped to have the flock division, which was hit hardest by the fire, fully operational within one to two years. The flock division produces nylon velvet material for chairs and other furnishings.

Feuerstein said employees at the Malden Mills facility in Hudson, N.H., should be back at work within 30 days; and the knitting facility in Bridgton, Maine, should be running at full capacity within 30 to 60 days.

As of Thursday, the company was able to fill 90 percent of its Polartec

and Polarfleece orders for its customers, including L.L. Bean.

Malden Mills was one of the biggest employers in the former industrial area along the Spicket River in the Lawrence-Methuen area.

"Do you have a corporate chief willing to give you \$300 or so a week for doing nothing?" asked Rene Gingras, 74, of Derry, N.H., who has worked at Malden Mills for 25 years. "It might make AT&T think twice about laying off 40,000 people."

Individuals and other corporations and labor unions have donated \$600,000 to a fund for Malden Mills employees, Feuerstein said. Bank of Boston, Raytheon and L.L. Bean each gave \$50,000; Patagonia gave \$30,000 and the employees' union \$100,000.

Feuerstein said he has received between 3,000 and 5,000 letters of sympathy and good wishes from all over the country.

Gov. William Weld lauded him in his state-of-the-state address Tuesday for his commitment to his workers and the commonwealth.

An orthodox Jew, Feuerstein also was named Thursday to receive the top award from the Orthodox Union, the largest synagogue service organization.

"What it says is, this is a man who represents the best in our community," said Mandell Ganchrow, the group's president.

Richard Lizotte, 28, a machine operator for Malden Mills, said he wasn't surprised that Feuerstein had extended workers' benefits.

"He's a man of his word," Lizotte said.

Nueces County won't pay full price of trial of Selena's killer in Houston

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) - Nueces County officials have informed Harris County and the city of Houston they plan to pay less than one-third of the \$90,930 they were billed for expenses of the October murder trial of Selena killer Yolanda Saldivar.

County commissioners voted Wednesday in Corpus Christi to offer Harris County \$29,620 to settle the account.

And, although no action was taken on the city of Houston's bill for \$44,163, Nueces County Judge Richard M. Borchard is recommending that the city be paid nothing.

In a letter sent last week to Harris County Judge Robert Eckles, Borchard argued that Harris County's bill included costs that would have been incurred even if Ms. Saldivar's trial had not been moved to Houston.

"Needless to say, the magnitude of the charges billed to Nueces County for the trial is well above anything we anticipated or budgeted," Borchard said in his letter.

A change of venue resulted in Ms. Saldivar's high-profile murder case being tried in Houston, rather than in Corpus Christi where Selena's shooting took place.

The Harris County bill, which was faxed to Nueces County in November, includes more than \$70,000 for security, about \$10,700 for courtroom and building costs, more than \$8,000 for jury fees and meals, and \$920 for jail expenses for Ms. Saldivar.

Assistant Nueces County Attorney Rosemary Ward told commissioners at their meeting Wednesday that the county is legally liable for paying only juror expenses, the cost to house Ms. Saldivar in the Harris County jail, and expenses associated with Ms. Saldivar's defense because she was given court-appointed attorneys.

Borchard's executive assistant, Steve Waterman, said Nueces County should not have to pay the regular salaries for sheriff's deputies who would have been working anyway.

Sally Lehr, Eckles' media liaison, said the judge received Borchard's letter but has not taken any action.

"We are looking into Judge Borchard's letter and we will assess the issues," she said. Ms. Lehr added that she is not sure Nueces County officials "understand the magnitude of what went on here."

"We never ever had the entire courthouse surrounded by press like that," Ms. Lehr said. "It was simply not an ordinary situation at all. To assume that we ordinarily staff the courthouse like that is a curious assumption."

Jack Cato, a spokesman for the Houston Police Department, said the city never expected to be reimbursed.

"The city Police Department extended all courtesies to Nueces County," Cato said. "The bill was a formality. We'll take the money if they pay it, but we're not going to send a collection agent to get it."

Hereford students to play in All-Region orchestra

Several Hereford High School orchestra students will participate in the 1996 All-Region Honor Orchestra this weekend, according to an announcement made this morning by director Ray Jenkins.

Both the high school and junior high versions of the honor orchestra will perform at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Tascosa High School auditorium.

Seniors Luis Ochoa and Adriana Ramirez will join the violin section

of the All-Region orchestra. Ochoa will be making his fifth appearance as a member of the orchestra.

Three junior high seventh-graders also will be playing this weekend in the Junior High All-Region orchestra. Jimmy Gilliam, violin, Erin Dahlsad, cello, and Javier Alonzo, string bass, were named to that group.

Conductors for the evening will be James Angerstein of El Paso and Wayne Muller of Stillwater, Okla.

Obituaries

GLADYS CRAIG

Jan. 10, 1996

Gladys Craig, 97, of Hereford, died Wednesday at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in Rose Chapel of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home. Burial will be in Rest Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery, by Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Craig was born in Indian Territory, Oklahoma, and came to Deaf Smith County in 1921 from Shamrock. She married Lon Sullivan in 1915 in Shamrock. He died in 1920. She was married to William Craig in 1922. He died in 1956.

Survivors are a son, Bill Craig of Hereford; a daughter, Betty Lookingbill of Friona; 12 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two children, Lloyd Sullivan in 1990 and Loree Sullivan Wolcott in 1972. Two Grandsons, Max Sullivan and Lloyd Sullivan Jr., also preceded her in death.

The family has suggested that memorials be directed to Crown of Texas Hospice or Deaf Smith Health Care Foundation.

DELIA CARROLL MARTIN

Jan. 10, 1996

Delia Carroll Martin, 87, a former Hereford resident and teacher, died Wednesday in Midland.

Services were held Friday at Parks Chapel of Trinity Towers Manor Park. Graveside services and burial were in Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland, under direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Martin was born in Maude, Okla., and earned a bachelor's degree in 1933 from East Central State College in Ada, Okla., and a master's degree in education from West Texas State University. She taught at schools in Oklahoma before moving to Hereford in 1949. She taught in Hereford schools until retiring in 1975. She was married to Donald Curtis Martin in 1929. They moved to Midland in 1985. H died in February 1995.

Survivors are her son, C.D. Martin of Midland; a granddaughter and two great-grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews.

The family has suggested that memorials be directed to the Mabee Health Center at Trinity Towers Manor Park in Midland or Alzhimer's Association of the Permian Basin.

Hospital Notes

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Manuela Berumen, Felicitima T. Brown, Silvia Carrera, Doris Hargrove, Edna M. Jones, Blasa R. Mancillas, Nellie Pittman, Grace K. Sanders.

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-6-8 (seven, six, eight)

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Lifestyles



AMBUCS donation

Melinda Henson, left, receives a \$100 donation for the Girl Scouts from Johnny Rickman, president of the American Business Club of Hereford.

Bippus FCE club adopts projects for coming year

Projects for the year accepted by the Bippus Family Community Education Club at its recent meeting were adopt-a-neighbor and secret pals.

In other business, committee chairman were named and yearbooks were completed by members present.

Kate Bradley, chairman of the finance committee, reported that the pecan sale was successful.

The report on volunteer hours was high reflecting that club members

were willing to give of their time to others.

President Mariellen Homfeld presided during the business session.

The meeting was held in the home of Sue Thweatt and a luncheon of salads, ham, chips and dips, fresh baked rolls and sweets was served.

Prayer was led by Chris Larson and scripture from Luke 10:17-21 was read by Zedie Mae Bettis.

Guests present were Sammie Nation and Mattie Lewis, sister of the hostess.

Ann Landers

Reader expresses strong support for prayer in public schools

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I enjoyed your column comparing attendance at religious and sporting events. You can increase the number of people turning out for worship by assuming that 99 percent of those attending sporting events are praying for their team to win.

You also mentioned your support for individual silent prayer, so I thought you'd like to see something my mom wrote about prayer in public schools. Just sign me--Mark in Santa Barbara

DEAR MARK: I liked your mother's approach to prayer in public schools and am delighted to share her views with my readers. Here they are: Prayer in school? Lord, yes.

Let us pray that students will not assault their fellow students and faculty.

Let us pray that students will not bring guns or knives into the schools.

Let us pray that these priceless school hours will serve to direct students to useful and rewarding careers.

Let us pray that we can all learn to respect our fellow man regardless of race, color or creed.

Now, let us pray in our own homes and places of worship.--Fay Reed Graham, West Palm Beach

DEAR ANN LANDERS: Would you mind hearing about one more random act of kindness?

It was August 1989, and I was so tired and depressed at my job that I was desperate for a new challenge. I heard about a wonderful job in San

Francisco, 100 miles to the north, and was lucky enough to be granted an interview.

On the morning of the big day, my car broke down during rush hour in the rain on one of the Silicon Valley's most congested expressways. I was sure I would never make it to the interview and the dream job was not to be.

I pushed my car to the shoulder and got back inside with my best suit drenched. I was on the verge of tears and had no idea what to do next. At that moment, a pick-up truck stopped in front of me, and its driver came over to my car. He said he'd just been rained out of a construction job and would do what he could to help me. He drove me to a mechanic who fixed my car ahead of all the others. I phoned my prospective employer and explained my plight. He moved my appointment time to accommodate me.

I got the great job after all, thanks to that thoughtful man who had nothing to do on a rainy morning. His name was Robert, but I don't have his address. I hope he sees this and knows how grateful I am.--Lucky in Calif.

DEAR LUCKY: So do I. If I hear from that kind gentleman, I'll let you know.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I have spent quite a bit of time recently watching TV and am dismayed to see so many comedy skits that involve the waste of food.

On one show, I saw six cream pies thrown at a person's face. On another show, two people were dueling with turkey drumsticks that splattered across the stage while other drumsticks were tossed into the audience. Since one audience member was shown eating the drumstick he caught, I assume these were not stage

Wills subject of program

Barrett Richards, attorney from Amarillo, was guest speaker at the recent meeting of the Hereford Retired School Employees in the Hereford Senior Citizen Center.

Richards discussed preparation of wills and a living trust for a small estate. He explained the different advantages of each and stressed that everyone should prepare either a will or a living trust.

The discussion was followed by a question and answer session.

Doris Bryant, president, conducted the meeting. Betty Jo Carlson gave the opening prayer and Dempsey Alexander led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the reading of the minutes by Eleanor Hudspeth, committee reports were given.

A total of volunteer service hours was given by Carol McGilvary, Margaret Lomenick, program chairman, introduced the speaker.

Kingdom Seekers have class meeting

Kingdom Seekers Sunday School class of Avenue Baptist Church held its class meeting at the church.

The opening prayer was led by Nancy Duncan. Rosie Wall conducted the business meeting.

The meeting closed with the friendship circle and singing "Blest Be the Tie" followed by prayer led by Trudie Gray.

Dorma Kirby and Erma Bain were co-hostesses to Ruby Skelton, Maxine Coleman, Velma Carroll, Wilma Bryan, Nita Houle, Luella Thomas, Pauline Landers, Ruby Stevens, Coy Tice, Dorothy Sargent, Perry Keyes, Gray, Wall and Duncan.

Hereford students on AC honors list

Seven Hereford residents were among the 202 students named to the fall 1995 honors list at Amarillo College.

Honorees must be enrolled in 12 or more hours of academic courses and make a grade point average of 3.6 or above to qualify for the honors list.

Students earning a 4.0 grade point average include Doug Boozer, engineering; Daniel Del Toro, Jason Frisk and Marcus Loyd, all basic peace officer; Barbara Kerr, general studies; and Karma Rogers, associate degree nursing major.

Additional honorees include Cody Calaway, vocational nursing major.

Menus

HEREFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS Breakfast

MONDAY-Pancakes with syrup; or cereal, buttered toast, rosy applesauce, milk.

TUESDAY-Little smokie, biscuit and jelly; or cereal, buttered toast, orange wedges, chocolate milk.

WEDNESDAY-Scrambled eggs, buttered toast and jelly; or cereal, buttered toast, fruit cocktail, milk.

THURSDAY-Breakfast burrito; or cereal, buttered toast, orange juice, chocolate milk.

FRIDAY-Texas style cinnamon toast; or cereal, buttered toast, banana, milk.

Lunch

MONDAY-Steak fingers with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot fruit cobbler, whole wheat rolls and butter, chocolate milk.

TUESDAY-Soft tacos with picante sauce, lettuce and tomatoes, pinto beans, Spanish rice, pineapple T.B., cinnamon roll, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Rib-A-Que on bun, tator tots with catsup, mini corn on cob, rainbow frozen fruit bar, chocolate milk.

THURSDAY-Oven fried chicken with gravy, fluffy potatoes, green peas, fruit salad, hot rolls and butter milk.

FRIDAY-Chili dog with mustard, crispy coated fries with catsup, baked beans, fresh fruit choice, no bake cookie, chocolate milk.

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL

MONDAY-No School. Staff Development.

TUESDAY-Soft tacos, pinto beans, tossed salad, cinnamon roll, orange juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Stuffed baked potato, corn, bread, cherry cobbler, milk.

THURSDAY-Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, sliced peaches, milk.

FRIDAY-Pigs in a blanket, vegetarian beans, French fries, Jello, milk.

ASU students on Dean's List

Area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's List for the fall semester at the University.

Those listed include Chad Michael Beavers, a psychology-counseling option major; Brek Amber Binder, a mathematics major; Melissa Ann Cloud, a history major; Stacy M'Lynee Culpepper, a psychology major; Angela Jill Dutton, a special

learning and development major; Amber M. Mason, an early childhood major; Heidi Lynn Ruland, an accounting major; and Eric Scott Sims, a medical technology major, all from Hereford.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

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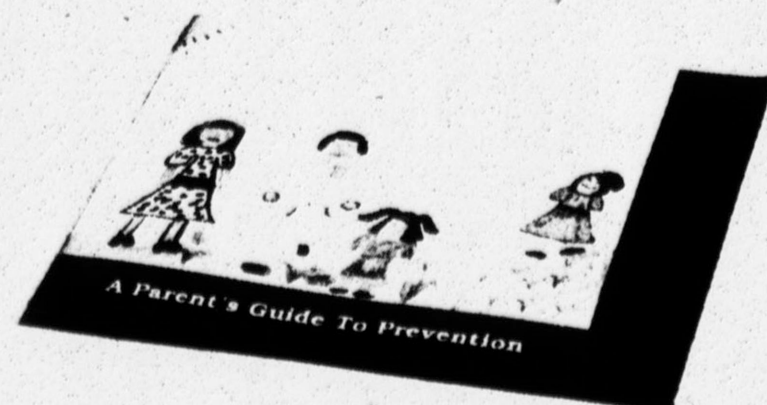
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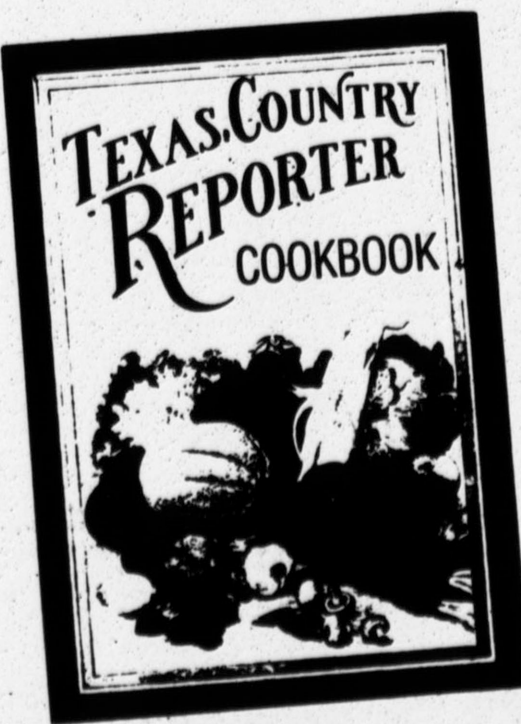
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Church News

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The Hereford Brand publishes Church News items as a community service. Churches in Deaf Smith County are invited to submit information about upcoming church activities for publication in the Church News listing. Information must be submitted to the Brand offices by 5 p.m. Wednesday for the following Friday's paper. News items may be edited for length.)

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

A service to begin the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is scheduled to be hosted by our parish on Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. Rev. Jeremy Grant, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, will deliver the message on "Unity." Music will be provided by the choir from First Baptist Church under the direction of Mike Sabo. Child care will be provided. Fellowship and refreshments will follow the service.

Parkinsons Support Group will meet Sunday at 3 p.m. at 825 S. Miles. Call 364-1736 or 8022 for more information.

There will be a special CYO meeting at 8 p.m. in the Antonian Room.

CYO will have a breakfast Sunday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in St. Anthony's cafeteria. Pay by donation. Menu for this fundraiser will include pancakes, eggs, ham, fruit, coffee and juice.

Exercise class open to all from 5-6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday in the Antonian Room. If you need additional information, call Cookie at 364-4243.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"Jesus Calls Peter, the Disciple" will be the sermon topic for Dr. Ed Williamson on Sunday, with the scripture lesson taken from Matthew 4:18-20. The anthem "I Was Glad" will be presented by the Sanctuary Choir, and Margaret Williams and Betty Wolfe will sing the duet "Amazing Grace" as an offertory at the morning's service. The evening service will begin at 6 with Dr. Williamson leading the worship.

Sunday School classes for all age groups begin each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. A cordial invitation is extended for attendance at all events on the church schedule.

The Confirmation Class and their mentors are attending a spiritual retreat at Ceta Canyon, with the session to continue Friday evening and all day Saturday. Billie and Mark Landrum are the coordinators of the confirmation studies.

Jack Gallerneau, a leading Volunteers in Mission worker, will speak at the Methodist Men's breakfast Sunday at 8 a.m. He will tell about the recent mission trip made to Russia by a group of area Methodist laypeople. All men are urged to attend this timely presentation.

The Board of Trustees will meet in the Friendship Classroom Thursday at 7 p.m.

The United Methodist Youth Fellowship will resume its regular schedule on Sunday at 4:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall with a parents' meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Ward Parlor.

DAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

Everyone is invited to our church services each time we meet.

Bible Study for all ages is held at 9:50 a.m. Worship services are 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Rev. Bill O'Dell will bring both messages Sunday.

Midweek prayer service is Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Come join us as we praise our Lord.

SUMMERFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

The public is invited to attend all of the church services. Sunday school is held at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The Wednesday service is held at 7 p.m.

For more information, call 357-2535.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Pastor Ed Warren and the church congregation invite the public to all services at the church located on S. Hwy. 385 and Columbia St.

For additional information, call 364-3487.

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"A Great and Holy Calling" is the title of the sermon by The Very Rev. Charles A. Wilson on The Second Sunday after The Epiphany. The Holy Eucharist is celebrated at 11 a.m. and there is a coffee hour after the service.

Christian Education for all ages is at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday. Children and Youth meet in the Sunday School room in the Education Wing for "Living the Good News," based on the Sunday Bible readings in the liturgy. The Adult Class meets in the church parlor and concludes the series "Before Death Happens," with Part 4, "Sure and Certain Hope."

The regular Wednesday Public Service of Healing is at 7 p.m. with the Litany of Healing, the Laying-on-of-Hands with Holy Unction, and Holy Communion. The Proper collect, psalm and readings will be for the major feast of The Confession of Saint Peter the Apostle.

Intercessory prayer requests from the community are most welcome. To have them included in the Prayers of the People at all services, please call 364-0146 and leave a message. In case of Emergency, or to make appointments for personal conferences, please call Father Wilson in Amarillo at 353-1734.

St. Thomas' Annual Parish Meeting is Jan. 21 following the 11 a.m. service. There will be a Fellowship Meal, presentation of the 1995 financial report, the 1996 annual budget, election of two members to St. Thomas' Vestry, and the election of a delegate and alternate to the annual Diocesan Convention.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have classes for all ages. If you need a ride, our number is 364-1667 or 364-1668. Our Adult Bible class will continue with a study of the Old Testament books of Prophecy.

Morning worship is at 11. "God's Purposes in all People" will be the title of the sermon, and the text is John 1:29-41. During the worship service we will install our officers for the coming year.

The morning worship service will be followed by a fellowship meal and our quarterly business meeting. Some very important issues have been brought up during the last several weeks, and it is very important that you attend this meeting.

First year confirmation class will meet on Wednesday at 7 p.m. Second year will meet at 8 p.m.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Temple Baptist Church congregation and the pastor, H. Wyatt Bartlett, invite everyone to come worship with them this week.

Sunday School and Bible Study for everyone begins at 9:45 a.m. The morning service is at 11. The pastor will be preaching.

Evening services begin at 6 for Discipleship Training and the worship service will be at 7 with the pastor preaching again.

The mid-week prayer meeting and Bible Study will be at 6:30 on Wednesday.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. Taylor and congregation would like to welcome you to join us at 10:30 a.m. Sunday to share in praise and worship. Pastor Ted's sermon will be "Excuses Not to Follow Christ."

Church of Naz. Unity Service will be Jan. 21 at St. Anthony's Church at 6 p.m., sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance. We hope you plan to attend.

Children, join Pastor Carol in Children's Church as we begin the new year with News Radio Kids Church Network. The annual parents meeting is Sunday at 4:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Youth Bible Clubs are on Wednesday mornings at 7 in the senior high gymnasium and Thursday mornings at 7:20 at the junior high.

Regular Youth Fall Care Groups will meet on Sunday evenings at 6 p.m. in the following homes: Junior High Guys-the Keeling home; Senior High Men-Jim's home; Junior High Gals-the Walden home; and Senior High Ladies-the Torbert home.

We are planning a baptism on Jan. 21. We will welcome new members on Jan. 28. If you are interested, please

contact Pastor Ted. Join Susie Merrick's Bible study class on Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Kids, join us at Nazarene Kid's Korner on Wednesdays and Fridays to share the fun, games, good movies and outings we enjoy. Call Eleise at 364-8161.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Dorman Duggan and the church congregation would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone to come and worship with them Sunday morning.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. and the morning worship service starts at 10:30. A nursery is provided.

Frankie Garcia will teach a series on marriage and family Sunday evenings at 6. If you would like to improve your marriage, come see how God intended for us to live. Nursery provided.

The Ladies Prayer Group meets on Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

The Wednesday schedule includes children's church, youth groups, and prayer time, all beginning at 7 p.m.

For more information or if you need prayer, call 364-8866 or 364-2423.

WESTWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

We at Westway Baptist Church welcome one and all to join our services.

We are a country church that still believes in and preaches God's Holy Word.

Come grow with us! Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship begins at 11 a.m. Sunday Evening at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Craft Class 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Ray Sanders is the pastor and Ronny Sanders is the song leader.

COUNTRY ROAD CHURCH OF GOD

Pastor Woody Wiggins and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services and activities at the church.

The winter schedule of services is as follows. Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services are conducted at 6 p.m. each Wednesday. Thursday night prayer service begins at 6 p.m.

Ladies ministry is the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 9 a.m.

A nursery is available. Pastor Wiggins said, "If you are needing a place to worship, come be with us. We are here for those who are hurting."

Our 24 hour information and prayer line is 364-5390.

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY CHURCH

Pastor Don Cherry and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services at the church located on S. Main St.

We have dismissed Sunday school for the time being and changed our Sunday morning worship service time to 10:30. The Sunday evening service will remain the same (6 p.m.) as will the Wednesday night service at 7.

For additional information, call 364-5874.

GOOD NEWS CHURCH

400 N. 25 Mile Ave. Sugarland Mall

Pastor David Alvarado and the Good News congregation invite you to come and worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us in the spirit of love.

Come and experience the goodness of God and his power. Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and Wednesday services are at 7 p.m.

If you have any questions or you need prayer, please call Pastor David Alvarado at 364-5239. God bless you.

FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS

The Fellowship of Believers invites you to attend services this Sunday.

The Bible study class begins at 9:30 a.m. and is being led by Guy Greenfield. Doug Manning will be the speaker at the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

Classes for children are at 9:30 a.m. and are available through elementary ages. Nursery facilities are available during the worship service.

If you need transportation to the church services, please call 364-0359.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

You are welcome to come and witness our worship or join in with enthusiasm.

Sunday morning during the 10:30 service, the Rev. J. Jeremy M. Grant will preach on John 1:29-42 and Psalm 40:1-11. His message is titled "Singing a New Song." It will be Christian Vocation Sunday, so Rev. Grant will look at the Christian life in the daily workplace.

Prior to our service of worship, at 9:30 a.m., all ages of folks will have the opportunity to study with other Christians. We have classes from nursery age, up.

At 10:10 a.m. we meet in the fellowship hall for light refreshments and friendly conversation.

Youth groups will meet Sunday night from 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

The prayer group meets Monday evening from 5:30-6 to lift up the needs and pains of our congregation and community.

Adult Bible study on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. continues under the direction of Dwight Joiner. He is offering insight into the Old Testament practices and rituals of the tabernacle and temple. All are welcome to come and be enriched.

Adult Choir meets Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. They are now working on music for Lent and Easter.

On Thursday Kenneth Wyatt, western artist and man of faith, will speak at an open forum about his art and walk with God. Prior to his talk, the youth are serving a chili dinner for donations. The dinner starts at 6 p.m. and the program at 7 p.m.

Little Blessings Day Care is accepting enrollees now. We have extended our care to both Mondays and Tuesdays from 7:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. Our fees have recently been adjusted and we offer great incentives for regular attendees.

AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Johnny Griffith extends a warm welcome to you and your family to join us for worship. If you don't have a church home, we are a friendly, caring and growing church. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m., morning worship is at 11.

Wednesday prayer meeting is at 6:30 p.m. All other organizations such as RA's, GA's, Youth time and Adult Choir practice are at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday.

We invite you to come and join us.

This Sunday will be Brotherhood Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. All men and boys are encouraged to attend.

The Youth will go to Lubbock Jan. 19 for the Al Denson concert. Please turn in your \$6 to the church office if you plan to attend.

There will be an Outreach meeting on Jan. 21 at 9 a.m. This is for all Outreach leaders in each Sunday School class. Please make plans to attend this very informative meeting. If your class does not have an outreach leader, please contact Juanean Stephens at 364-7557 or 364-5900.

The Youth will go skiing Feb. 16-18. Make sure you have your \$50 deposit in by Feb. 5.

Watch for more details as we observe "Baptist Men's Day" Jan. 28.

CHRIST'S CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Our Sunday schedule is 9 a.m.--music ministry; 9:30 a.m.--Bible classes for all ages; 10:45 a.m.--worship service and K.I.D.S. church.

The PRECEPTS Bible study is at 7 p.m. on Monday and 10 a.m. on Wednesday.

Also on Wednesday, we have supper at 5:30 p.m., choir practice at 6 p.m., Bible clubs at 6:30 p.m., Teens at 6:45 p.m. and praise, Bible study and prayer for adults at 7 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Our regular business meeting will be this Sunday night during evening worship.

The Deacons Meeting is scheduled immediately following the business meeting Sunday night.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. Evening worship is at 6:30.

Children's Choir and Acteans meet at 6 p.m. on Wednesday. Also on Wednesday, prayer meeting is at 6:15 p.m. Youth, R.A.'s, G.A.'s and Mission Friends meet at 7 p.m. Praise Choir practices at 7:10 p.m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

You are invited to join us Sunday morning at 9:45 for Sunday School. Classes are provided for all ages. Morning worship service begins at 10:45.

Pastor Gaston will begin a series on The Holy Spirit Sunday evening at 6. This week's message will deal with the modern Pentecostal movement which now embraces 450 million people worldwide.

Men's Fellowship will meet Monday at 7 p.m. During the meeting, they will refurbish the church pews.

Women's Ministries will meet Tuesday at 10 a.m., continuing their study on the book *Becoming a Woman of Excellence*. Following the discussion, a lunch will be served.

Royal Rangers and Missionettes, a scouting program for boys and girls, will meet Tuesday from 7-8:15 p.m. Get your kids involved in this exciting program.

On Wednesday evening from 7-8:15 p.m. we will have a special guest speaker. Missionary Marvin Gilbert from Africa will be ministering in the service. There will be a youth service held concurrently in the fellowship hall.

For more information, please call 364-0305 or 364-4848.

NEW HOPE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

13th and Avenue H

Pastor Elda Olivarez and congregation invite you to worship with them.

Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship is at 10:30. Evening worship is at 6 on Sunday and 7 on Wednesday.

The youth meet Friday at 7 p.m.


There are monthly meetings for men and women.

This is a growing church and we are planning to enlarge our facilities. If you can help us with this project, please let us know.

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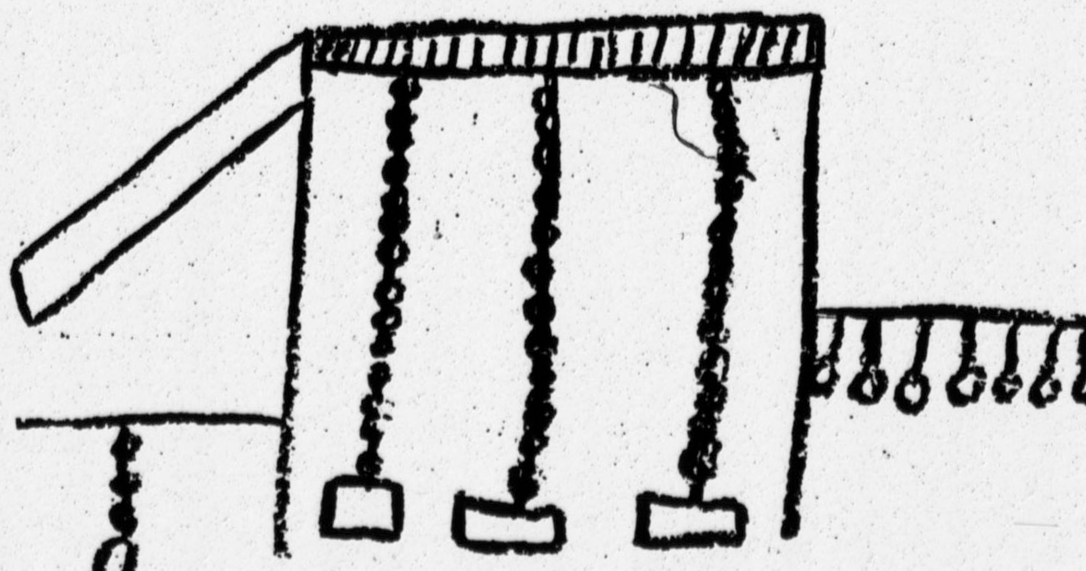
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Vivian Rivera
Northwest



If you are interested in helping with this ambitious project, you are asked to clean and deliver the following articles to Northwest Elementary at 400 Moreman Street: aluminum cans, steel food cans and all kinds of paper.

Collection bins have been located in the front foyer of the school for steel and aluminum, and a green dumpster located outside of the school is for paper products.



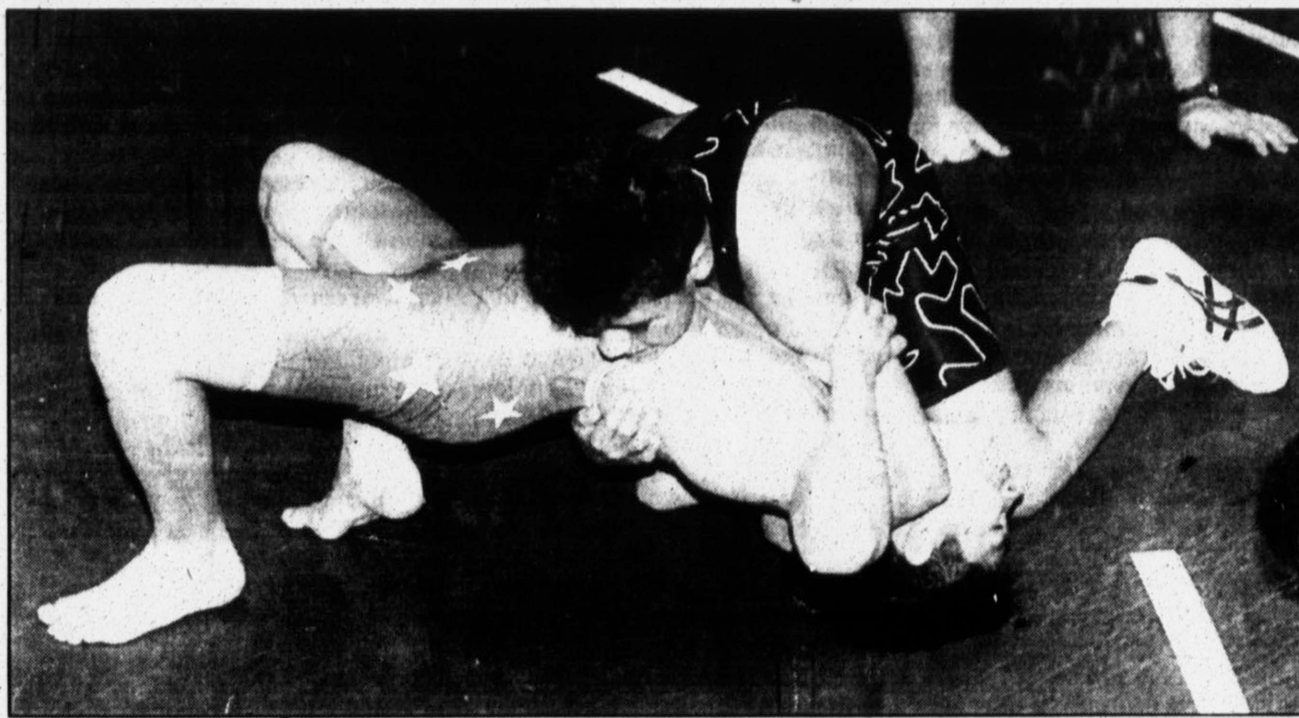
The icicle sprite, Jack Frost, probably originated in Scandinavia. In Norse mythology, the god of the winds had a son named Jokul or icicle and Frosti or frost.

Sports

Hereford to host tournament for rookie wrestlers

More than 200 wrestlers are coming to Hereford for the West State Championships, which will be held Saturday at Hereford Junior High. The tournament, which is only for first-year wrestlers, will start at 9 a.m. and continue until about 5 p.m. Hereford Wrestling Club is hosting the tournament, and four of its members will participate: Johnny Zamarripa, Kris Hammarbeck, Jeffrey Gomez and Ricky Lara. The tournament here is one-half of the state championship process for rookie wrestlers. The East State Championships will be held Saturday in Dallas, then the champions of both tournaments will meet Feb. 2 in Dallas.

There will be no admission charge for the tournament Saturday in Hereford. There will be a concession stand, and proceeds from that benefit the Hereford Wrestling Club.



Get off of me!

Ricky Lara arches his back to get out of the hold put on him by Jeffrey Gomez. Lara and Gomez are two of the four members of the Hereford Wrestling Club who will wrestle in a tournament, the West State Championship, to be held Saturday at Hereford Junior High.

Packers must avoid big plays

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer
IRVING, Texas (AP) - For three seasons, the Green Bay Packers have trudged into Texas Stadium, once each year in the regular season and once each year in the playoffs. The first five times, they've trudged home with a loss.

Sunday, the NFC championship game is the sixth time, one that can propel the Packers into their first Super Bowl since the second one, when Vince Lombardi was the coach and Paul Hornung and Jim Taylor were stampeding behind Jerry Kramer, Forrest Gregg and Fuzzy Thurston.

"Twice we were in it, the others we were blown away by big plays," coach Mike Holmgren said. "That's

been our emphasis all week. Things will happen, but we don't want to give up big plays."

Big offensive plays, of course, have been the specialty of the Cowboys.

But playoff games are decided as much by big defensive plays that seem to turn a game's momentum early.

In last season's NFC title game, for example, San Francisco took advantage of two turnovers early to jump to a 21-0 first quarter lead over the Cowboys and held on to win 38-28.

Last week, the Packers turned the tables on the 49ers, upsetting San Francisco by jumping to a 21-0 lead. The first touchdown came on the 49ers' first offensive play, when Wayne Simmons stripped Adam

Walker after a short pass and Craig Newsome returned it 31 yards for a touchdown.

And in Dallas' 34-24 win on Oct. 8, the Cowboys took a 24-3 lead, helped by an early interception by Godfrey Myles that set up their first touchdown.

But it's more than just defensive big plays. Dallas broke the first meeting open with a 48-yard touchdown pass from Troy Aikman to Michael Irvin early in the third quarter, and Green Bay's late comeback was largely in garbage time.

In fact, the Green Bay defense has simply been blown away against the Cowboys, who are averaging 35 points a game in those five victories, including a 42-31 win on Thanksgiving

last season when their quarterback was third-stringer Jason Garrett.

Overall in those five games, Dallas has outscored the Packers 174-95 and averaged 422 total yards per game.

Dallas, of course, says the right thing.

"We're not overconfident," Irvin said. "How can you be overconfident against a team that's reached this level. Who cares if we've beaten them five times? We've got to play a sixth game, and it's Sunday. It starts 0-0."

The Packers suggest that:

a. They have no psychological hurdle to climb and,

b. The law of averages is with them.

"This is a different team," Holmgren says. "We're stronger now and we believe in ourselves."

Says safety LeRoy Butler: "We think about the positives, how we can shock the whole world like we did Saturday."

"We like that kind of stuff."

Johnson is already designing championship team for Miami

By STEVEN WINE
AP Sports Writer
DAVIE, Fla. (AP) - Impatient Jimmy Johnson wants to assemble a championship team in Miami, beginning yesterday.

"We don't have a timetable," Johnson said. "Whatever the timetable may be is not soon enough."

In a transition that was surprisingly swift and smooth, Johnson succeeded Don Shula as coach of the Miami Dolphins. The changing of the guard culminated Thursday with a news conference in the same room where Shula announced his resignation last Friday.

Johnson, 52, signed a four-year, \$8 million contract, less than expected, but enough to make him the highest-paid coach in the NFL. He was delighted the Dolphins are better than the team he inherited at Dallas in 1989, when the Cowboys went 1-15.

"I don't think this team needs a major overhaul at all," said Johnson, the Dallas championship ring on his left hand reflecting the glare of TV lights. "That was one of the big pluses in coming to the Miami Dolphins. There's talent on this team."

The underachieving Dolphins had

a disappointing 9-8 record this season, stumbling to the end of an era when Shula retired after 26 years in Miami. Along with many other prognosticators, Johnson picked Miami as the preseason favorite in the AFC, and even after the team barely made the playoffs, he picked them to reach the Super Bowl.

Instead, the Dolphins were stampeded at Buffalo in the first round, and Shula decided five days later to retire.

"On the outside, I felt they had the opportunity to go all the way," Johnson said. "I was wrong. On the inside, it's going to be my responsibility to make the adjustments so we can achieve that."

The third coach in the Dolphins' 30-year history, Johnson hopes to avoid the growing pains that came with rebuilding teams in his previous jobs. Along with the rough start at Dallas, he went 8-5 in his first year with the Miami Hurricanes and 4-7 his second year at Oklahoma State.

But Johnson also won a national championship with the Hurricanes and went 50-22 in his final four years with Dallas.

"My gut told me if we want to win," Huizenga said, "this is the guy who is going to do it."

Talent such as quarterback Dan Marino lured Johnson back into coaching after a two-year vacation. He was also attracted by what he described as owner Wayne Huizenga's commitment to success.

"I saw somebody who wanted to win as badly as I wanted to win," Johnson said.

It took just one four-hour meeting Wednesday for Huizenga and Johnson to seal a deal.

"I thought this was going to be a much longer process than it turned out to be," Huizenga said. "It's hard for me to believe."

NCA splits with Bible Heritage

The Nazarene Christian Academy basketball team traveled to Amarillo Thursday and split two games with Bible Heritage School.

The NCA boys won their game, 41-20. Dustin White led the way with 12 points, and three others had eight each: Joe Mac Boggeman, Jacob Power and Tyler Keeling.

The Bible Heritage won the girls' game, 31-13. Sally Cochran topped the NCA girls with five points.

Caprock cagers visit Herd

Hereford will host Caprock for a District 1-4A basketball doubleheader tonight.

The girls tip off at 6 p.m. in Whiteface Gym. Hereford is 3-2 in district and 17-3 overall, while Caprock is 0-4 and 7-12.

The boys will follow at about 7:30 in a matchup of teams with perfect district records. Hereford is 3-0 (14-7 overall), and Caprock is 2-0 despite a 7-14 overall record.

Three sub-varsity games also will be played today. The Hereford and Caprock sophomore boys' teams actually start the night's action at 4:30. The boys' junior varsity teams will play at 6 in the junior high gym,

followed by the JV girls at about 7:30.

The boys' basketball players of the week last week were Isaac Walker on offense and the whole team on defense. There was not academic award last week.

The freshman girls' basketball team will host Pampa at 10 a.m. Saturday in Whiteface Gym. The freshman boys go to Pampa Saturday for two games: a B game at 10 a.m., then an A game at 11:30.

In junior high action Monday, the HJH girls will be at Pampa and the Pam pa boys will come to Hereford. Games start at 5:30 and 6:45 in the HJH gym.

TPWD plans meeting in Amarillo

Campers, hunters, fishermen and other outdoor enthusiasts can meet with representatives of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department at a meeting Jan. 30 in Amarillo.

The meeting is being hosted by Sportsmen Conservationists of Texas and the Texas Panhandle Chapter of Quail Unlimited. It will start at 7 p.m. at Amarillo National Bank Conference Room, Plaza 2.

The meeting is one of several

being held across the state to let TPWD users offer suggestions and ask questions.

"We view these meetings as an important step in the process and an additional opportunity for our user groups to share their input with us," said Andrew Sansom, executive director of TPWD. "It's important if we are going to keep our finger on the pulse of our constituency."

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Pistons' Hill outduels Miller as Pacers lose

By The Associated Press
The Detroit Pistons and Indiana Pacers don't always need their stars to have a great first half. They do, however, need them to be there at the end.

On Thursday night, Grant Hill was there for the Pistons, and Reggie Miller was there for the Pacers.

Hill missed his first six shots against the Charlotte Hornets, but made his last nine, finishing with 21 points in Detroit's 95-93 victory.

"Once I made the first one," Hill said, "things started happening."

Hill added 12 rebounds and seven assists to help the Pistons win in

Charlotte for the first time in nine games.

Miller scored 20 of his 24 points in the second half in the Pacers' 96-88 comeback win against Milwaukee.

In other NBA games, it was Atlanta 87, Toronto 79; Phoenix 111, Golden State 106; and the Los Angeles Clippers 109, Minnesota 89.

Once Hill, guarded mainly by Glen Rice, got untracked, the Pistons were able to erase a 12-point deficit and go ahead on Allan Houston's scoop shot in the lane with 4:50 left.

"We had no answer for Hill in the second half," Charlotte coach Allan

Bristow said. "Something woke him up. He had a terrific game."

There were three more lead changes before Detroit went ahead to stay on Joe Dumars' banked 3-pointer from the top of the key as the shot clock was about to expire, making it 88-86 with 2:08 remaining.

With Detroit clinging to a one-point lead with four seconds to go, Dumars missed the second of two foul shots with 3.3 seconds left. Charlotte got the rebound, but Larry Johnson's 50-footer sailed over the top of the backboard as time expired.

Houston had 26 points for Detroit, which got its ninth victory in 12

games.

Johnson had 21 points for Charlotte.

Pacers 96, Bucks 88
Dale Davis, who finished with 21 points and 11 rebounds, scored Indiana's first seven points of the fourth quarter as the Pacers, who trailed by eight points early in the third quarter, tied the game 75-75.

Rik Smits added 20 points and 12 rebounds, and Derrick McKey finished with 15 points. Milwaukee, which has only five road victories, was led by Vin Baker with 23 points and Glenn Robinson with 15.

Hawks 87, Raptors 79
Mookie Blaylock hit seven of nine 3-point attempts and finished with 24 points to lead Atlanta at Toronto.

It was the fewest points scored by the expansion Raptors, who were led by rookie Damon Stoudamire with 18 points.

The Hawks scored the game's final nine points to send the Raptors to their fifth consecutive loss.

Suns 111, Warriors 106
Charles Barkley sat out his second straight game, but Phoenix still was able to break a four-game losing streak by winning at Golden State.

A.C. Green had 17 points and 10 rebounds while playing 47-1/2 minutes for the Suns, who dressed just eight players. Barkley was out following minor surgery on his left big toe.

Elliot Perry added 20 points, eight assists and tied a career high with six rebounds.

Joe Smith had 28 points and 13 rebounds for the Warriors, who had won six straight at home. Latrell Sprewell added 23 points.

Clippers 109, Timberwolves 89
Loy Vaught had 18 points and 12 rebounds to lead Los Angeles to its fourth straight victory.

Lamond Murray added 17 points and Malik Sealy 16 for the Clippers, who used an 11-2 run early in the fourth quarter to put the game away. Terry Dehere scored 15 points and rookie Brent Barry had 13-11 in the fourth quarter.

Christian Laettner led the Timberwolves, who have lost four straight games and 13 of their last 15, with 24 points - 11 in the fourth quarter. Sam Mitchell had 21 and Isaiah Rider 15 for visiting Minnesota.

Cincinnati, Penn State remain undefeated

By The Associated Press
The ranks of the undefeated were nearly reduced by one.

No. 4 Cincinnati and No. 20 Penn State were the only two of the four remaining undefeated Top 25 teams playing Thursday night, and both came away with victories. Penn State's was relatively easy; Cincinnati's wasn't.

The Nittany Lions (12-0, 3-0 Big Ten), playing their first game in the new 15,000-seat Bryce Jordan center, pulled away from Minnesota in the second half and defeated the Golden Gophers 76-61.

"They don't run any faster or jump any higher, but they can make shots," Minnesota coach Clem Haskins said of Penn State, which has never been undefeated this late in the season and hasn't been ranked since 1965.

Cincinnati didn't have as easy a time with Southern Mississippi,

which self-destructed down the stretch and lost 75-70. The Bearcats (10-0, 2-0 Conference USA) scored the final eight points of the game and held the Golden Eagles to no field goals in the final 3:37.

"We had to do a lot of good things to be (in the game late), but I was certainly upset with some of the decisions our guys made there at the end," Southern Miss coach M.K. Turk said. "You have to give credit to Cincinnati because they made some things happen."

In other Top 25 games, No. 3 Kansas beat Florida 69-54, No. 9 Memphis defeated DePaul 74-55 and No. 17 UCLA stopped No. 24 Stanford 64-56.

No. 4 Cincinnati 75, Southern Mississippi 70
At Hattiesburg, Danny Fortson had 34 points and 15 rebounds for Cincinnati, going 11-for-17 from the field and 12-for-13 from the

free-throw line.

The Bearcats won this one by going to a full-court press in the final minutes. Southern Mississippi (9-6, 1-2) had three of its 11 turnovers in the final 1:41.

Darnell Burton's only field goal, a put-back with 57 seconds left, put Cincinnati in front 71-70 before Fortson added four free throws.

"We knew we had to play defense and try to force turnovers. We knew it would work soon or later, we just had to stick with it," said Fortson, who has averaged 26 points the past five games.

No. 20 Penn State 76, Minnesota 61
Nittany Lions coach Jerry Dunn told the team at halftime to concentrate on the game and not on the 14,852 fans in the new arena or the television cameras.

Penn State went on a 14-2 run early in the second half, sparked by a one-handed, fast-break slam by

Calvin Booth and two jumpers by Dan Earl. The Nittany Lions led 51-38 with 12 minutes remaining, and the Golden Gophers (9-6, 1-2) never seriously threatened again.

Penn State moved to the new \$55-million arena after 67 years in 6,846-seat Rec Hall.

No. 3 Kansas 69, Florida 54
At Gainesville, Raef LaFrentz scored 15 of his 21 points in the second half to help Kansas (12-1) pull away from a six-point halftime lead.

Scot Pollard also had a strong second half, scoring 10 of his 12 points to offset the lack of offense the Jayhawks got from Jacque Vaughn and Jerod Haase.

Demetri Hill led Florida (5-7) with 21 points. Greg Williams was the only other player in double figures for the cold-shooting Gators, hitting a 3-pointer in the final minute to finish with 10.

No. 9 Memphis 74, DePaul 55
At Memphis, Lorenzen Wright led the Tigers (10-2, 2-0 Conference USA) with 23 points and 12 rebounds, his seventh double-double of the season, and Mingo Johnson finished with 21 points and a team-high five assists.

"We played better than we have in some time," said Memphis coach Larry Finch, whose team recently lost to No. 1 UMass and Houston.

Bryant Bowden led DePaul (7-6, 0-2) with 17 points, while Marcus Singer added 14 and Brian Currie 12. Jermaine Watts, DePaul's leading scorer with 17-point average, was held to 10 points on 5-for-14 shooting.

No. 17 UCLA 64, No. 24 Stanford 56
At Los Angeles, Toby Bailey scored 14 points and UCLA won its eighth straight.

The Bruins (10-3) beat Stanford for the 10th consecutive time, dropping the Cardinal (8-3, 2-1) out of first place in the Pac-10. UCLA and California share first with 3-0 records.

The Cardinal was 21-of-61 from the floor and got outrebounded 51-30.

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White's church vandalized by racists

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) - Reggie White believes he could have been the target of "demonic hatred" by the people who burned down his church in Knoxville, Tenn., earlier this week.

"They're not going to hurt Reggie White," he said. "No more of our leaders are going to die off because of people who hate. We aren't going to be the kind of Christians who people walk up to and slap around."

"I'm not going to walk around in fear," White added. "Nobody is going to make me or my family afraid of anything. And I would hope that people of all races would rally together and begin to fight against this."

The Green Bay Packers said this was the first they'd heard of White's concerns and were uncertain whether they would provide their star defensive end with extra security Sunday at the NFC championship in Dallas.

On Thursday, White didn't feel like talking about the game or his torn hamstring. He wanted to discuss racial hatred in America and the firebombing of the Baptist church where he is an associate pastor.

Melting ice revealed racial graffiti spray-painted on the back door of the two-story brick Inner City Church, but federal investigators said the attack apparently wasn't linked to the burning of four predominately black churches in West Tennessee last year.

"The only thing I'm upset about is maybe our police department is not taking this thing serious enough," White said. "... All they're going to do is come back and say, 'Well, we're doing our best.'"

"My stepfather got murdered four years ago and the Chattanooga Police

Department says, 'Well, we're doing our best.' There's a murderer on the loose. So I'm getting tired of hearing, 'We're doing our best.' You got to find out who did it."

In offering a \$10,000 reward, investigators said the torching of the church early Monday with gasoline, kerosene and Molotov cocktails didn't appear to be a prank.

"I'm upset because it's a lot more than just a church being burned down," White said.

"Here are some of the slurs written on the building," he said, reading several racial epithets from a piece of paper.

White said he learned Thursday that "one of our security guys" received a call Friday night from somebody threatening to burn down the church.

White's pastor, Jerry Upton, received two death threats Wednesday night. And white supremacists placed hate material in the parking lot at a Tennessee bank where he is an investor and which lends money to minorities.

"Some of the stuff on the paraphernalia said, 'We will fight against interracial churches, integrated schools and organizations' and they said, 'We will not tolerate any of this,'" White said. "So, it is a lot deeper than what I thought it was. And I don't know if any of it was focused toward me or our church."

White said he does know it's time to address the racial schism in this country.

"It's time to stop sweeping this stuff under the rug," White said. "If we don't do something about these groups, more people are going to die."

White said he wasn't sure about rebuilding plans for the church.

He also said the attack won't detract from the Packers' preparations for Sunday's playoff game with the Dallas Cowboys.

He said several teammates have offered money to help rebuild the church, which opened two years ago, and citizens in Green Bay have taken donations to his house.

In the rubble of the \$750,000 church and the smoke-damaged adjoining building that housed a nursery and radio station, investigators found as many as 18 Molotov cocktails.

FBI spokesman Ed Velasco confirmed racial epithets were found at the cordoned-off crime scene, but refused to discuss their content because of the FBI's own investigation into the possibility of a hate crime.

White, who played football at Tennessee, lives in the area in the offseason. He is an ordained minister and an associate pastor and executive board member of the church.

"I think until this country starts dealing strongly with these organizations that are doing things like this, we're going to continue to have these problems," White said.

Miami linebacker Lewis decides to go into draft

By The Associated Press
All-America linebacker Ray Lewis of Miami is turning pro early, along with 24 other underclassmen.

Lewis, who led the Big East with 160 tackles, was among the group of college players who applied for early entry to the NFL draft. The list was released by the NFL on Thursday, one day after the application deadline.

Other top juniors, including Nebraska running back Lawrence Phillips, Texas A&M running back Leeland McElroy and Ohio State receiver Terry Glenn, announced previously they were skipping their senior seasons to turn pro.

Alumni Baseball Game planned

The start of the high school baseball season is right around the corner, and Herd coach Pete Rodriguez has set the Alumni Game for Feb. 17.

Last year's Alumni Game was a success, with more than 20 former Herd players teaming up to tie the 1995 team, 10-10.

All interested former Herd baseball players should call Rodriguez at 364-4427 or at 363-7626.

The final list included several players whose decisions weren't announced or widely reported before Thursday. The most prominent were Lewis and All-Pac-10 linebacker Duane Clemons of California.

Also on the list were running backs Alfred Shipman of Miami, Terrell Willis of Rutgers, Clarence Mathews of Northwestern State and Jermaine Johnson of Vanderbilt; receiver Terry Guess of Gardner-Webb; defensive backs Ricky Bell of North Carolina State and Jamie Coleman of Appalachian State; and defensive linemen Keith Drayton of Georgia, Jevon Langford of Oklahoma State and Regan Upshaw of California.

In addition to Phillips, McElroy and Glenn, these juniors previously announced they were turning pro: running backs Tim Biakabutuka of Michigan, Karim Abdul-Jabbar of UCLA, Moe Williams of Kentucky and Jerald Moore of Oklahoma; receivers Freddie Scott of Penn State and Eddie Kennison of LSU; offensive linemen Jon Runyan of Michigan and Willie Anderson of Auburn; defensive lineman Tony Brackens of Texas; and defensive back Lawyer Milloy of Washington.

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Americans have variety of questions for candidates

By CALVIN WOODWARD
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - America's fate looks foggy from Sue Lessard's lighthouse off the Maine coast. There's trouble in Paradise, too, a Utah town where Garth Howells wonders about "the mess this country's in."

In the approach to a major Republican presidential candidates' debate in Iowa on Saturday, a variety of Americans pitched in to pose the questions they'd ask in such a forum if they had the chance.

The questions were pointed, gloomy, hopeful and broad. They cover Social Security, the balanced budget, health care, computer literacy, "decency in the White

House," taxes and overarching matters like the capacity of future presidents to be great.

"Oh Lordy, there's so many questions I'd like to ask them," said Christine Miller, 72, of Madison, W. Va., retired from clerk and cashier jobs that never earned her a private pension.

"But if it had to be just one, I would want to know what they plan to do about Medicare and Social Security."

Most Republican candidates want power moved from the federal government, welfare turned over to the states and more decision-making in communities. "Less from Washington and more from ourselves," is candidate Lamar

Alexander's slogan, but it applies in varying degrees to most of the GOP field.

But many of the Americans invited by The Associated Press to come up with questions continue to believe Washington is capable of big things - whether they like what it's up to now or not.

Many wanted to know what the government will do for the poor. Some were interested in what the government will do for them.

"How are they going to help us?" asked Vickie Smith, 38, manager of the Big Tussle Steak House in Cold Springs, Ala., referring to working people.

The 90-minute afternoon debate, sponsored by The Des Moines

Register, is to be the first this year bringing all the major candidates together.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, the front-runner, and publisher Steve Forbes, a latecomer running a surprising if distant second in a recent poll, did not attend one in South Carolina last weekend.

Lessard is town manager of Vinalhaven, an island 15 miles off the Maine coast, and lives in a lighthouse called Brown's Head Light. A Republican unhappy with GOP leadership, she wants the candidates to sort out their priorities, among education, social programs and defense.

Then there is Montana hobo Jerry "Frog" Fortin, holding an artfully

carved and twisted walking staff, who lives on a disability pension and says he has AIDS.

"What are you going to do to relieve the pressure on churches and the private sector to alleviate our problem with the poor and homeless?" he asked.

"How will you keep from dumping that whole avenue of problems on the private sector?"

In Miami, businessman Baldie Patterson, 35, would ask, "What can the Republicans do for the country in one year?"

Mainly he wishes people would stop griping, because: "This is the best the country has been in eight years."

That wasn't the view from Paradise. "What are you going to do about the mess this country's in?" asked Howells, a 38-year-old airport worker.

Rick Ponte, a Grants Pass, Ore., logger and horse trainer, wonders whether any of the candidates have the potential to join Washington, Lincoln, Wilson and Eisenhower on his list of great presidents.

"Setting aside the predictable, questions, and equally predictable

prepared sound-bite answers ... just what is it that makes you believe you might be something more than just another caretaker president?"

At least in this question-invention exercise - unscientific as a measure of public opinion - campaign strategy, abortion, Whitewater and gun control did not figure prominently.

The need for a balanced budget, programs for the poor and fewer foreign entanglements did.

There wasn't much on the flat tax, but one on flat feet.

Hashim Coates, 20, an unemployed man from Denver, drew his question from his experience as a man rejected by the military because of his feet.

He asked: "What can you do for flat-footed citizens, or other people who don't qualify for military service even though there's nothing really wrong with them?"

A professor can never better distinguish himself in his work than by encouraging a clever pupil, for the true discoverers are among them, as comets among stars.

—Linnaeus

Given chance, here's what they would ask

By The Associated Press

Questions some Americans would ask presidential candidates if they had the chance:

"Are you honest?" Linda Shurtleff, 44, Salt Lake City administrative assistant.

"Why doesn't the government implement a better system to crack down on people who don't pay taxes?" T.C. Hung, 56, owner of a Chinese restaurant in Pittsburgh.

"What would you do to ensure that taking care of people at home would take priority over taking care of people abroad? Have you ever been exposed to the people in need in your own country?" Marcie Draheim, 25, Ithaca, N.Y., administrative assistant.

"How will the proposed Republican budget affect chronically ill Americans who depend on Social Security and Medicaid for life support?" Jeffrey DuPont, 32, student at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque, N.M., who requires dialysis three times a week.

"Can we get some decency in the White House?" Mike Balls, 24, of Guilderland, N.Y., co-manager of a clothing store.

"Will we be able to choose our own doctors?" Carolyn Martel, 32, of Niskayuna, N.Y., a mother of two who is concerned about health care.

"I'd like to know why Social Security can't be changed so millionaires

don't get the same money as ordinary income people." Tanya Hultberg, 34, Salem, Ore., waitress.

"Why do we cut and are cutting such things as education and Medicaid but we still have the CIA?" Gordon Payne, 57, Portland, Ore., retired Army officer, former fisherman and writer.

"What would they do to get crack and dope off the street?" Larissa Craig, 21, Cincinnati student.

"Will there be money for Social Security when I retire?" Dorothy McNeil, 48, of Boston, a Nynex employee.

"I would ask, when are you going to start putting money back into the country and taking care of the people?" Kevin Young, 32, Phoenix police officer.

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MRE's from Texas go to soldiers in Bosnia

By BONNIE PFISTER
The Monitor (McAllen)
McALLEN, Texas - It's raining lentils from Texas.

Around the world, wherever U.S. soldiers pause during maneuvers for a quick bit of chow, or where isolated Bosnian and Croatian war refugees partake of packaged foods air-dropped by NATO planes, there is a little bit of McAllen in every bite.

Right Away Foods is one of the top suppliers of field rations to the U.S. military. The company produces and packages foods that are "shelf-stable," designed especially for the needs of soldiers and people whose nutrition is endangered by civil, military or natural disasters.

Right now, in the former Yugoslavia, U.S. soldiers as well as refugees are breaking open polyurethane packages of foodstuffs produced locally.

"It's important," said Benny Diaz, 31, of Palmview, of his role in supplying food to those in need. Diaz is a quality control manager who has worked with the company for 13 years.

"I know that all these people are doing whatever they can to support the U.S. troops," he said.

Founded in 1979, the 180,000-square-foot facility is dedicated to food processing, manufacturing, custom contract assembly, and research and development, said Kathleen Louder, spokesperson for the company.

In October 1995, Right Away received a \$32 million contract from the Defense Logistics Agency's Defense Personnel Support Center. The center is an organization that provides food, clothing and medical supplies worldwide for the U.S. Armed Forces and other non-defense customers.

The contract is for Right Away to deliver more than one million cases of meal packets.

Military contracts make up 80 percent of the company's business, Louder said. Right Away also is expanding into other realms, such as providing for nongovernmental organizations that provide nutrition to impoverished countries.

Right Away foods pioneered the modern ration, called Meals Ready-To-Eat, or MREs, which replaced the C-rations and canned food that nourished soldiers in past wars, Louder said.

An entree, vegetable, crackers and spread, dessert and beverage powder makes up an MRE - a square brick, packed and covered in dark brown or olive drab polyethylene bag, all according to military specs. It fits conveniently into the thigh-pocket of a soldier's standard-issue trousers.

The packages have camouflage markings and are water- and insect-proof. The meals are designed to stay fresh for up to three years.

Inside is a meal of about 1,300 calories. It can be heated or eaten as-is, Louder said. MREs also contain a heating device packed into a slim package in wax-like paper. When water is added, it reacts with the magnesium inside. An entree slipped into the bag can then be heated as if in a microwave.

Right Away also produces Humanitarian Daily Rations, a full day's supply of food, including two entrees and complementary foods designed to meet the special nutritional needs of moderately malnourished people, Louder said.

The foods are ready-to-eat and vegetarian, to be acceptable to persons whose religion and culture forbids the consumption of meat products.

The cuisine is a far cry from drab

C-rations. No Spam here.

As the U.S. military has moved across the globe, so has the food adapted culturally. Vegetarian lentil stew. Caribbean-style jerk chicken, served to Haitian and Cuban refugees held at the U.S. base in Guantanamo Bay. And gummy bears, minus the animal product gelatin, which Right Away accidentally included in vegetarian aid packages in 1993. This mistake was corrected at the urging of the Department of Defense.

Louder said Right Away is looking to market MREs domestically, for use by campers and hikers, and for people preparing against potential natural disasters such as earthquakes, landslide, fire or flood.

They can be purchased commercially by the case at Army-Navy and surplus stores, for about three or four dollars per MRE, Louder said.

The biggest burst of activity by Right Away occurred five years ago, during Operation Desert Storm. Business increased tenfold.

"We were working 24 hours," Diaz said.

Working near a massive American flag, and signs declaring their efforts "A Vital Link in Our National Defense," several workers last week said their overriding feeling about their work was that it was steady job.

Turnover is low at the plant, Louder said. Many of the 300 workers have been on the job for 10 to 15 years.

"It's my living," said Adela Guerrero, a nine-year veteran who earns \$7.25 per hour as a team leader.

Diaz said the employer-employee relationship is good.

"I depend on this company to be here for me to have a job, and this company depends on me to do a good job," he said.

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PUT YOUR CAR IN THE FAST LANE.

On a low-fat diet? Stay away from Dallas-area cookie shop

By MELISSA WILLIAMS
Fort Worth Star-Telegram
NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, - It takes a lot of butter to make nine dozen triple-chocolate chip cookies.

And you don't even want to know the fat grams in these babies.

For the first batch of the day at Auntie Em's Home-Baked Goodies and Tearoom, a baseball-capped Gregg Hogue unwraps and drops eight sticks of butter - that's two pounds - one at a time into the stainless steel mixing bowl.

Several ingredients and a half-hour later, the fragrant, tender, lightly browned results emerge from the oven.

Aaaah. They smell almost as good as the Italian cream cake cooling on the rack. And the oatmeal raisin cookies, the peanut butter cookies and everything else made at the direction of Emily Underwood.

"Tell her what you really said," says Underwood's niece, Beth Hogue. "You're gonna blow Mrs. Fields out of the water."

Don't put it past Underwood, 56, an elegant grandmother, to triumph over the big-league queen of cookie making. Just a year ago, Underwood was trying to recover from a slip-and-fall neck injury that left her unable to concentrate on her oil and acrylic painting. In February, casting about for a new way to make a living, she asked the owner of a mall espresso bar whether he would buy home-baked cookies from her.

"I told him, 'I've got a cookie I'd like to market,'" Underwood recalls. "I took him five dozen. He sold out in one weekend."

With that encouragement, she went into businesses, wholesaling up to 150 dozen cookies per week to Divine Cappuccino, Barnes & Noble and other shops. When her home kitchen could handle no more, Underwood took on her business partners - Beth and Gregg Hogue, who are married - and found space in the Rufe Snow Antique Mall in North Richland Hills.

Their tearoom and bakery have been open about six weeks.

"It's fantastic food," said mall manager Steven Leonard, who helped persuade the Auntie Em's team to offer lunch as well as baked goods. "I especially like their soups, but I'm a soup kind of person."

Leonard said that since Auntie Em's opened, he has heard people asking where the tearoom is. "Traffic has picked up. There are people stopping in because they've heard about it."

Beth Hogue, 47, formerly an administrative assistant at E-Systems, is the business manager. She also puts together gift baskets, washes dishes and bakes cookies. Former electrical lineman Gregg Hogue, 38, does much of the baking and keeps a close eye

on costs. Underwood, whose four children range in age from 28 to 40, supplies the recipes and helps bake. Her ex-husband, Bennie Underwood, a 68-year-old retired IRS agent from whom she has been divorced for at least a decade, delivers cookies, measures ingredients and generally makes himself useful.

Emily Underwood has her eye on statewide expansion. But she will have to negotiate that with her

business partners. "Emily's favorite saying is, 'We can do that,'" Beth Hogue said.

"We're going to take our time and learn the tearoom first," Gregg Hogue interjected, "before we start running off to Houston and everywhere."

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60	0.80	0.60	0.50
62	0.60	0.40	0.30
64	0.40	0.20	0.10
66	0.20	0.10	0.05
68	0.10	0.05	0.02
70	0.05	0.02	0.01
72	0.02	0.01	0.00
74	0.01	0.00	0.00
76	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Our Lady of the Lake observing 100th anniversary in San Antonio

By DON DRIVER
San Antonio Express-News
SAN ANTONIO - When the Sisters of Divine Providence first came to San Antonio 100 years ago, they listened to the howls of coyotes near their new home on the prairie.
 "The trolley line stopped at Commerce and Hamilton, and out here was just flat, empty space except for the beauties of nature," said Sister Lora Ann Quinonez, Superior General of the order.
 The order, which founded Our Lady of the Lake University, recently rededicated the cornerstone of their first building here - part of a yearlong observance of the university's centennial anniversary.
 "There are descriptions in some of the sisters' writings of those days about mesquite bushes, open prairies and the coyotes howling at night," Quinonez said.
 The rededication of the cornerstone was followed by a special Mass and a tour of the order's convent.
 "We're celebrating today

perhaps the first tangible evidence that this was really going to be our homeplace and it was coming into being," Quinonez said. "I'm proud of the fact we have never stopped moving into new territories - if not geographic, then educational - in terms of service and in terms of people being reached."

Originally, the order established a frontier home in Castroville in 1866. In 1888, the town was bypassed by the railroad; the only way to reach Castroville was by stagecoach. So the nuns, who were looking to expand, began searching for a new home. Their eyes turned to San Antonio.

The order first looked at a possible site on Government Hill, where Fort Sam Houston is now located, but decided on a plateau on the shores of Lake Elmendorf just southwest of San Antonio.

Then-mayor Henry Elmendorf offered the order 16 free acres of land if they would commit to spending \$75,000 in new construc-

tion there over the next decade.

On Aug. 14, 1895, ground was broken on the site. The cornerstone was dedicated on Dec. 10, 1895. The sisters soon transferred from Castroville, and they opened the doors of the Academy of Our Lady of the Lake on Sept. 1, 1896.

The academy eventually became Our Lady of the Lake University.

In 1957, the sisters relinquished some of their role in day-to-day administration of the university and made the school a separate corporation that operates independently of the order.

The centennial celebration continues this year, with the next major event set for June. That ceremony and other activities will mark the time when the nuns made the tough trip from Castroville to San Antonio 100 years ago.

In September, the order will commemorate the anniversary of the day it officially opened its doors to students.

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Meeting to draw GOP candidates in person, by satellite television

AUSTIN (AP) - Two Republican presidential candidates plan to appear in person and two more via satellite television for next week's National Issues Convention at the University of Texas.

The convention is bringing about 600 people from across the country to UT for a discussion of key issues - the economy, family and role of the nation in the world.

Publishing executive Steve Forbes and Indiana Sen. Richard Lugar plan to attend, while Texas Sen. Phil Gramm and former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander are to take part via satellite broadcast.

Professor James Fishkin, who is organizing the convention, said talks continue with the other campaigns.

"We hope that all of the candidates - both Democrat and Republican - will realize the importance of this opportunity," Fishkin said.

"This is democracy at work. We're putting the entire country in one room for an open dialogue on the subjects that matter to many of us," he said.

Delegates have been chosen at random from sites around the nation. They will be surveyed before the Jan. 18-21 convention, then again after to see how their attitudes change after lengthy examination of the issues.

The Public Broadcasting Service plans 11-1/2 hours of televised coverage of the gathering.

But lining up participation by presidential candidates has been a moving target.

Pat Buchanan, the first Republican presidential contender to express interest in attending, has decided against it, the Austin American-Statesman reported

Thursday.

K.B. Forbes, Buchanan's spokesman, said the candidate would be flying to Alaska on Jan. 20 when the GOP presidential candidates are to be interviewed by convention participants.

GOP front-runner Bob Dole said last month that he wouldn't attend. But since the satellite transmission became available this week, Dole's campaign hasn't said whether he would choose that option.

President Clinton hasn't responded yet to his invitation, organizers said.

In other political news Thursday: - The Houston Chronicle reported that a Democratic challenger to U.S. Rep. Steve Stockman is complaining that the Republican improperly spent about \$28 in 1992 campaign contributions on haircuts and dry cleaning.

Jack Cherry, a Houston lawyer who recently moved to the 9th Congressional District to run against Stockman, called the expenditures an abuse of power. "It is one more example of why Steve Stockman is an ongoing embarrassment to the district," Cherry said.

Stockman, of Friendswood, acknowledged using campaign money on two haircuts and two dry-cleaning bills. He said it was legal and at the request of a donor who told him to "get a haircut and put on a clean suit."

"At the time, my (only) suit was held together with staples and tape," said Stockman, who in 1994 defeated longtime Democratic Rep. Jack Brooks of Beaumont.

- Travis County Republican Party officials said Mark Wetzel, who filed as a candidate for Congress in the

10th District, was disqualified for failing to include voter registration numbers on his filing petition. That leaves Austin businesswoman Teresa Doggett unopposed in the March 12 primary. In November, she will face incumbent Democratic Rep. Lloyd Doggett.

County gets bingo fees

Deaf Smith County has received more than \$2,300 in Charitable Bingo prize fees for the third quarter of 1995, according to the Texas Lottery Commission.

The \$2,353.52 represented the prize fees collected by the two charitable bingo halls in the county.

Overall, the lottery reported, the 6,659 bingo players who played at the two halls - Hereford Lodge No. 2269 Inc. BPOE of the USA and San Jose Catholic Church - won \$93,904 during July, August and September.

The third quarter figure represents a jump of three-quarters of a percent over the previous three-month period of 1995.

Cities and counties that have imposed a gross receipts tax on a local-option basis receive or share quarterly payments equal to 2-1/2 percent of the prizes won by bingo players in their jurisdictions.

The tree which moves some to tears of joy is in the eyes of others only a green thing that stands in the way.

-William Blake

Youth feel effects of drug, alcohol use in special Michigan program

By BRIAN S. AKRE
Associated Press Writer
ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) - John Thackaberry, 14, played dead as emergency room nurses zipped him into a body bag. His father sobbed real tears as he contemplated losing John to drugs and alcohol.

Later, they toured the morgue with a pathologist who showed them the effects of trauma on human organs - a slice of a brain, a heart, a liver. They saw another teen wired to life support in an intensive care unit.

All of it had the desired effect on John: For the first time, he faced his own mortality, that a stupid mistake could kill him.

"It was being ... in the body bag and thinking that this can actually happen, you're not immortal," John

said Thursday. "I actually thought about me being dead."

Scaring teens away from drugs and alcohol with a heavy dose of reality is the goal of a new program at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

Called Facing Alcohol Challenges Together, the program brings parents and youngsters together for a half day of role playing and frank talk about the consequences of abusing drugs and alcohol.

"The goal is to bring kids through the front door of the hospital now instead of through the emergency room later," said program coordinator Dr. Paul Taheri, medical director of the center's trauma-burn unit.

Role-playing scenarios have

youngsters watching sobering scenes: a nurse telling a mother of an accident victim that her child is dead; a chaplain giving last rites to a pretend victim.

"It's very emotional for all involved," said registered nurse and program coordinator Pam Pucci.

Parents learn as well. "It was an unbelievable dose of reality," said Karen Nutting, who went through the first run of the program Wednesday with her daughter, Rachel.

Rachel, who is about to turn 13, said she thought the program could help teen-agers resist peer pressure to drink and use drugs.

"There are kids in my neighborhood already caught in the drug web," she said. "They already have problems and they're still in middle school."

Nutting said the program forced at least one change in her behavior. She now keeps her rarely used liquor cabinet locked.

"You can't just put it all on your children," she said. "There's things you can do as responsible parents to make sure problems don't come up."

Grazing conference slated Saturday in Amarillo center

The 7th Annual Southern Plains Conference, "Recovering the Art of Grazing," will be held Jan. 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the North Meeting Hall of the Amarillo Civic Center.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. The conference will focus on grazing rangeland and CRP acreage.

Keynote speaker will be Peggy Sechrist, rancher and executive director of Holistic Resource Management of Texas, Inc.

Sechrist will present a program on increasing grazing profits through improving the natural resource base.

Other speakers will include Jay O'Brien of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association; J. Michael Harter, Austin Middle School teacher; Dr. David Murrah, director of the

Southwest Collection and associate director of Libraries for Special Collections at Texas Tech University.

Panelist will include Dr. Ron Thomason, professor of plant science at West Texas A&M University; Sally Youngblood, rancher and co-owner of the Rocking H Ranch; Alan Birkenfeld, farmer and loan officer from Nazareth; and Jenny Pluhar, range management consultant from Canyon.

Approximately 35 exhibitors will be featured during the conference. Registration is \$10 per person \$15 per couple and \$5 for students. Refreshments and noon meal are included.

For more information contact Virginia Artho at (806) 364-5429.

Grant program seeking applications for funding

Panhandle area non-profit agencies are invited to apply for federal funds to help provide public transportation to the elderly and to people with disabilities.

The Texas Department of Transportation's Amarillo District is calling on private, non-profit agencies to apply for its Federal Transit Administration Section 16 grant program.

The goal of the program is to

provide assistance in meeting the transportation needs of elderly and/or people with disabilities where public transportation services are unavailable, insufficient or inappropriate.

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