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## U.S. trade deficit narrows as exports hit record high

WASHINGTON (AP) - America's trade deficit narrowed slightly to \$11.6 billion as increased demand for civilian aircraft and chemicals helped push U.S. exports to a record high, offsetting a continued flood of imports. The deficits with Japan and China both declined slightly.

The Commerce Department said today the February imbalance was 8.5 percent lower than January's deficit of \$12.7 billion. That figure had been the highest on record since the government switched to a new system of tracking the monthly flows of both

goods and services.

Even with the slight improvement, the deficit for the year was running at an annual rate of \$145.6 billion, a sharp deterioration from an imbalance of \$114.3 billion for all of 1996.

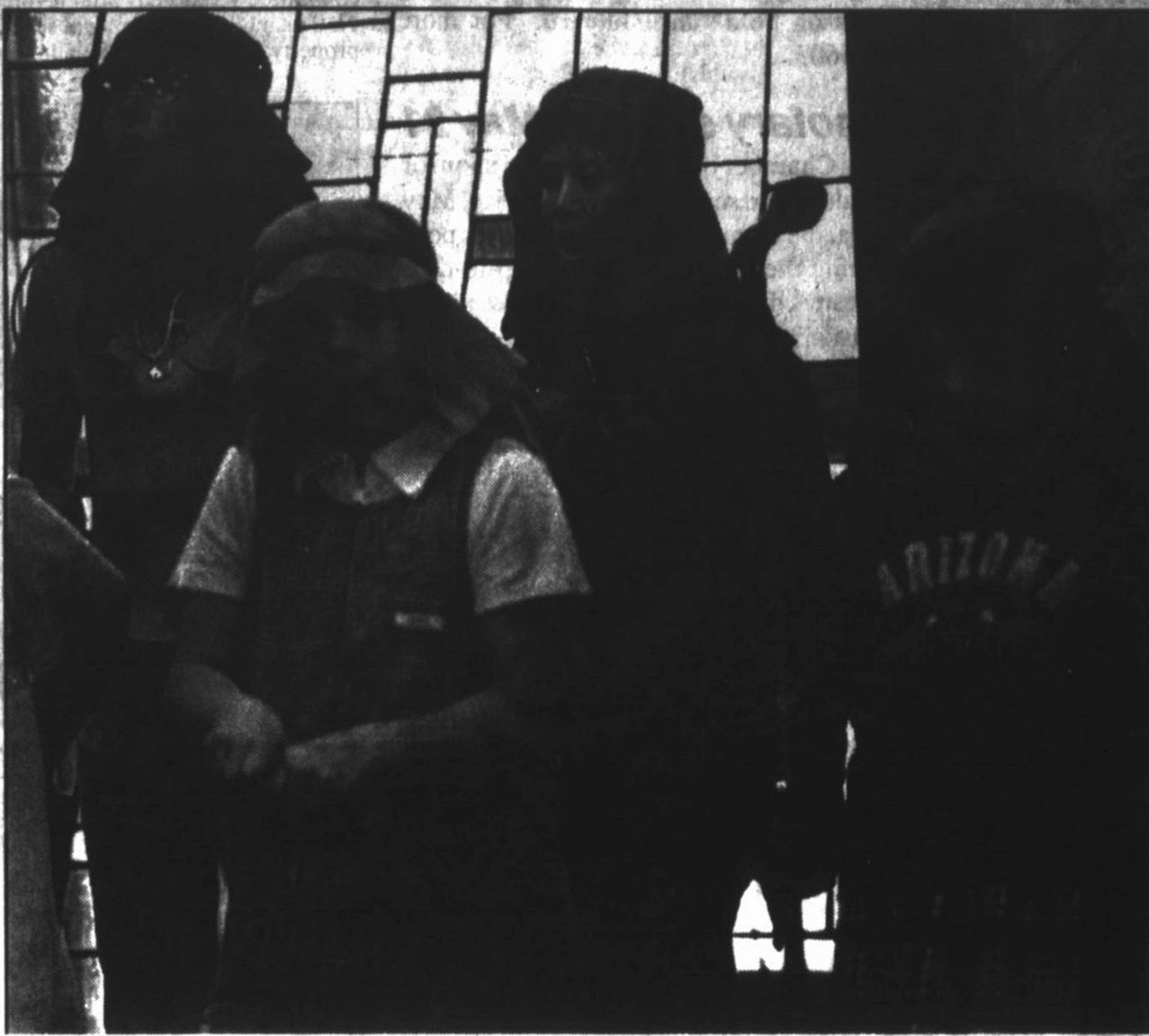
The 1996 deficit was the worst in eight years and economists are predicting it will widen this year with growing demand for imports and as the strong dollar dampens sales of increasingly expensive exports.

Already, U.S. automakers are appealing to the Clinton administration to do something to hold down the

dollar's rise as Japanese and other imports are taking an increasing share of the U.S. market. Critics see the rising trade deficit as a sign the administration's campaign to promote freer trade has been a failure.

In another report today, the Labor Department said that new claims for unemployment benefits rose by 8,000 last week. The number of Americans' filing first-time claims totaled 332,000, the highest level since late January. Even with the increase, the four-week average for claims continued to hover near its lowest levels of the 1990s.

Faced with growing protectionist sentiment in Congress, President Clinton is facing tough fights to win congressional approval for the authority he needs to negotiate new trade pacts and to gain the annual approval for China's most-favored-nation trade status.



**Go, Go Jonah**  
 The Carol and Sunshine Children's Choirs of First United Methodist Church will present Go, Go, Jonah, a kid's musical, at 6 p.m. on April 27 in the Fellowship Hall. Here, left to right, Amanda Fellers, Amanda Moss, Linzy Woodard and Blayre Hatley practice their singing parts in the musical.

## Federal agencies edgy about April 19 events

WASHINGTON (AP) - At Social Security Administration offices across the country the word went out: "Anniversaries can unfortunately be a focus for additional activity."

The warning is for the April 19 anniversaries of the Waco and Oklahoma City tragedies - this Saturday. And Social Security, as well as other federal agencies are getting nervous and quietly taking precautions.

At the Justice Department, the word was passed that Venetian blinds be drawn behind windows that face the street to lessen injury in case of flying glass. And the FBI sent a reminder to agencies about the April 19 date and its history.

In 1993, the compound of the Branch Davidian religious cult

burned to the ground near Waco, Texas, ending a 51-day standoff with the FBI and other law enforcement authorities. Cult leader David Koresh and 80 of his followers died by fire or gunshots six hours after the FBI started filling the compound with tear gas through holes punched by a tank.

The tragedy enraged many, including militant conservative groups that blamed an intrusive government. On April 19, 1995, a bomb exploded outside a federal building in Oklahoma City, killing 168. On the fourth anniversary of Waco this year, Timothy McVeigh, a young man charged with causing the Oklahoma City deaths, is standing trial in Denver.

"If you are putting in security procedures, you don't want to tell the world about it," says Ricky Dodd of the Postal Inspection Service. He could be speaking for federal agencies around the country.

"It's just common sense that when you have a tragedy like Oklahoma City, advice has been given to each and every Marshals Service employee," said Bill Dempsey of the U.S. Marshals Service.

The service, he said, "is indeed very much aware of this and other anniversaries coming up. Necessary and appropriate steps are being taken."

For February, the deficit with Japan narrowed by 0.9 percent to \$4.3 billion, but for the first two months of the year the deficit is running 11 percent above the same period a year ago. U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky told reporters Wednesday that the rising deficit with Japan is a major concern and Clinton plans to raise the issue when he meets next week with Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto.

The deficit with China dropped 9.6 percent to \$3.4 billion in February but for the first two months of the year is up a dramatic 37 percent from the same period a year ago. The rising trade deficit with China and allegations the Chinese attempted to influence last year's election through illegal campaign contributions have provided ammunition for opponents of renewing China's MFN trade privileges this year.

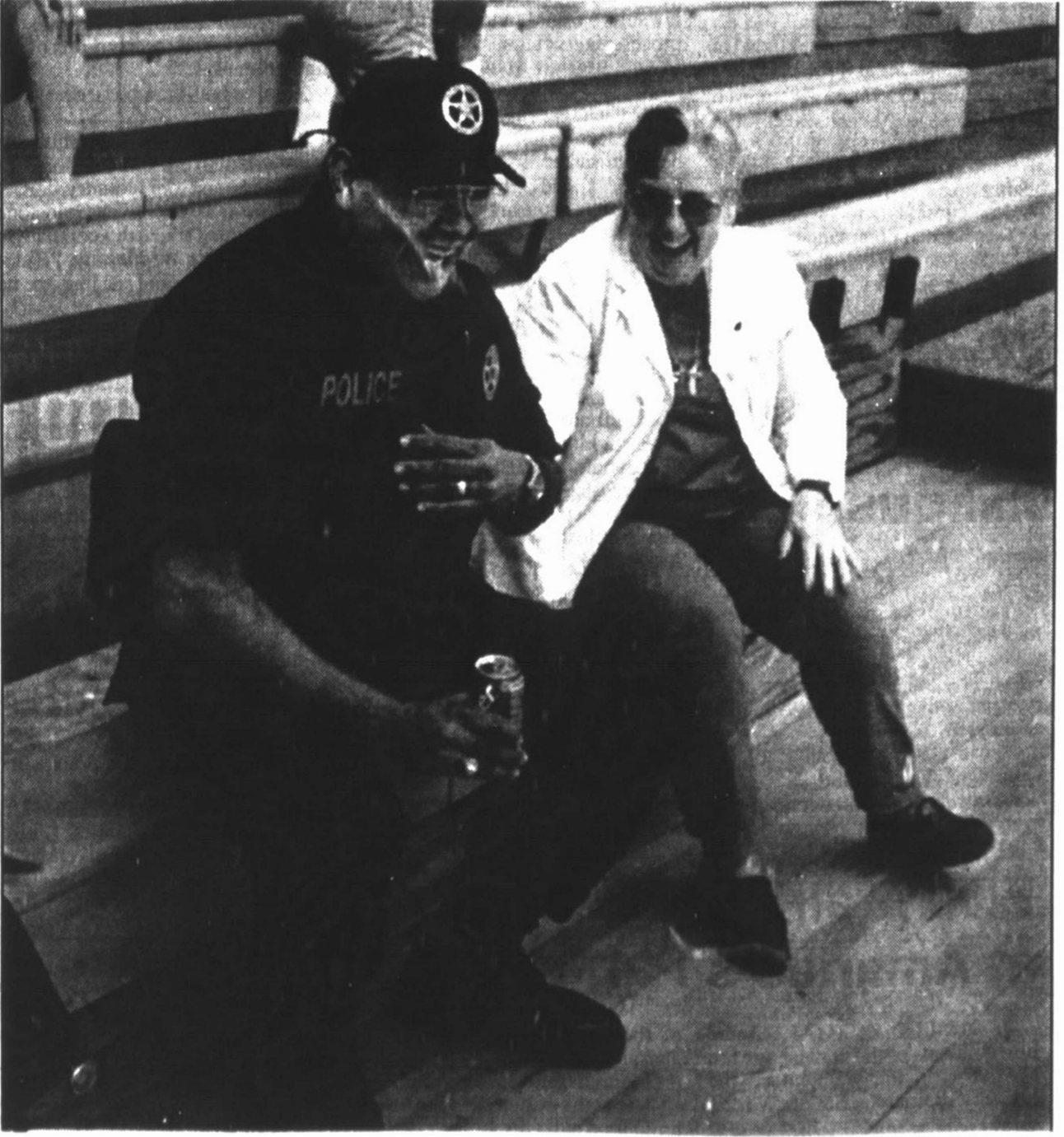
The deficit with America's partners in the North American Free Trade Agreement shrank in February. The deficit with Canada dropped by 12.8 percent to \$1.48 billion as U.S. exports to Canada rose sharply to \$12.1 billion, the highest total in history for any single country.

The deficit with Mexico was down 1.1 percent to \$1.27 billion.

## Siren tests are planned again

The City of Hereford cancelled the siren warning test again Wednesday due to cloudy skies.

The tornado warning signals are scheduled to be tested at 9:30 a.m. Friday if skies are clear.



**The right stuff**  
 Senior Deputy United States Marshall Albert Arrias took time out from visiting with the students at Hereford Junior High School Wednesday to share a laugh with one of the school's nurses. Arrias, a native of San Antonio who had visited the high school earlier in the day, told the students that the choices they make today could very well affect them later. The U.S. Marshall's office is responsible for the search and arrest of escapees and parole violators.

## Senate passes water bill; would require Texans to a pay user fee

AUSTIN (AP) - A bill that would give Texas its first-ever water conservation and drought management plan passed the Senate without controversy.

That may not be the case in the House Natural Resources Committee, where the bill is now being considered.

Rep. Ron Lewis, D-Mauriceville, says he will propose an amendment to the Senate-passed water bill that would require Texans to pay a water-use fee on more than 5,000 gallons per month.

Critics call the fee in Lewis' bill an unfair tax, while supporters argue it is imperative to provide proper funding for water projects.

Estimates by the Texas Water

Development Board show that the water-related infrastructure projects needed in Texas over the next 50 years will carry a price tag of \$65 billion.

"The only complaint I've heard from anybody is not that Senate Bill 1 (the water bill) was not a great bill - it's just show me the water... Show me how we create more water," Lewis told the San Antonio Express-News.

Under Lewis' plan, city water providers would charge a sliding scale fee to residential ratepayers who use more than 5,000 gallons a month.

Industrial and hydroelectric users and irrigators would be assessed a fee on annual water consumption.

The money would be deposited

into a statewide water fund that could be used by cities to help finance local water supply projects and water resource programs.

Lewis also foresees the state getting into the business of large-scale water supply projects.

"I don't think there's any reason why the state shouldn't go out and build some reservoirs," then allow cities to contract for water with the state, he said.

The fee under Lewis' amendment ranges from \$1 for residences using 5,000 gallons of water a month to \$3 for usage in excess of 40,000 gallons.

Large cities, such as Dallas and Houston, are leveling the most criticism against Lewis' proposal.

## No. 3, Hispanic America series Hispanic population outpacing other ethnic groups over Texas

By MIKE DRAGO  
 Associated Press Writer  
 PLANO, Texas (AP) - Chris Aparicio remembers his last year at Plano East Senior High, when he was among only a few Hispanics in the Class of '87.

"I knew maybe a handful, maybe five others," he says, ticking them off on his fingers while recalling each by name.

Back then, this affluent Dallas suburb, dubbed an "All-America City" in 1994, was nearly all white.

But like most everywhere else in Texas, Plano is changing.

The library has a special section for Spanish-language books and an outreach program for Hispanics. The local newspaper prints a jobs section, "Trabajos y carreras," in Spanish.

The biggest difference is as easy to find as strolling the streets of downtown Plano.

"We see Hispanics now," Aparicio says.

From 1980 to 1996, Plano's Latino population grew nearly sixfold, from about 2,500 to just over 14,500. That's still only a fraction of all residents in this burgeoning metropolis of 188,000, but Hispanics accounted for 12 percent of all growth from 1990-96 and city officials predict Hispanics will comprise 19 percent of all growth through 2002.

In five years, a white majority that topped 90 percent in 1980 will be

down to 72.5 percent, according to one city projection. Hispanics will comprise the largest minority at 9.5 percent.

The shift in Plano is evidence that Texas' Latino boom - Hispanics accounted for half of the state's population growth from 1980 to 1990 - isn't happening only in such border cities as Brownsville, Edinburg and El Paso or in urban pockets of Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston and Austin. It's happening everywhere.

It's happening in suburbs like

Plano and Carrollton as well as in areas like Lubbock, Tyler, Waco, Odessa, Bryan, Victoria and Galveston.

"The growth was even more extensive geographically than we expected," says Texas State Data Center director Steve Murdock, whose three-year demographic study, dubbed "Texas Challenged," was published last year.

"That was as true in non-metropolitan areas, in rural areas, as it was

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### Texas population projections through 2030

Texas' population, broken down by ethnicity, according to the 1990 U.S. Census, and projections through 2030, according to the Texas State Data Center at Texas A&M University. Projections were calculated under the assumption that factors associated with future growth rates will equal those documented from 1980-1990. The second table breaks the same numbers down by percentages.

Year	Anglo	Black	Hispanic	Other	Total
1990	10,308,444	1,980,693	4,339,900	357,473	16,986,510
1995	10,747,549	2,149,428	5,244,578	475,886	18,617,441
2000	11,111,556	2,312,032	6,268,472	626,202	20,318,262
2005	11,422,421	2,472,706	7,421,759	816,410	22,133,296
2010	11,699,905	2,632,711	8,710,050	1,056,340	24,099,006
2020	12,185,462	2,945,363	11,782,038	1,720,569	28,633,432
2030	12,407,560	3,208,745	15,518,668	2,675,173	33,810,146

Year	Anglo	Black	Hispanic	Other
1990	60.7	11.7	25.5	2.1
1995	57.7	11.5	28.2	2.6
2000	54.6	11.4	30.9	3.1
2005	51.6	11.2	33.5	3.7
2010	48.6	10.9	36.1	4.4
2020	42.6	10.3	41.1	6.0
2030	36.7	9.5	45.9	7.9

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# Local Roundup

## Citywide garage sale planned

The retail business committee of Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce is asking citizens to participate in a Citywide Garage Sale which is planned July 19. The chamber will sponsor the event and advertise it all across the Panhandle in an effort to attract as many out-of-town customers as possible. Don Cumpton, C of C manager, urged local citizens who are planning a garage sale to "put it on hold" until July 19. For more information, call 364-6603.

## CofC to hold notary seminar May 21

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Texas Notary Public education seminar on Wednesday, May 21, 1997, from 1-4 p.m. at the Community Center. The purpose of this seminar is to bring the most relevant and up-to-date information to Texas Notaries through an accredited educational seminar. There must be a minimum of 20 people attend to warrant Shirley Irby coming from Austin to conduct the seminar. All interested persons should call the Chamber office at 364-3333 by May 9 to reserve a place. The fee for this seminar will be \$25 per person.

## Breezy, sunny and warmer Friday

Hereford had a high of 62 Wednesday and a low of 46 this morning, reports KPAN Weather. Tonight, the forecast is for partly cloudy with a low in the middle 40s. South to southwest wind 10-15 mph. Friday, partly sunny and breezy with a high around 80. Southwest wind 15-25 mph and gusty. Saturday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms.

# Obituaries

**JAMES H. UTTERBACK**  
April 12, 1997

James H. Utterback, 89, of Amarillo, died Saturday. He is the grandfather of Kay Lynn Caviness of Amarillo, a former Hereford resident. Graveside services were held Tuesday at Llano Cemetery with Rev. Howard Childers, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors. Mr. Utterback was born in Murray, Ky., and had resided in Amarillo most of his life. He graduated from Amarillo High School in 1926. He married Bernice Hill on July 13, 1929 in Amarillo. He was preceded in death by a daughter, DeLois Lyman, in 1978. He had worked for Santa Fe Railroad in the accounting department for 46 years. He transferred to Topeka, Kan., where he lived for 10 years before moving to Mercedes to retire. Mr. Utterback moved back to Amarillo in 1993 and was a member of First Christian Church. Survivors include his wife, of the home; two grandchildren, Mrs. Caviness of Amarillo and Bodie Lyman of Dallas, and two great-grandchildren.

# House plan to lower property taxes faces Senate opposition

**AUSTIN (AP)** - A central part of a House plan to lower local school property taxes will face opposition in the Senate, according to a key lawmaker. House members cheered a special committee Wednesday after it voted 11-0 on a bill lowering local school property taxes by about \$2.5 billion a year. To pay for the tax cuts, the House committee voted to expand the state business tax, increase some other taxes and add about 30 goods and services to the list of those subject to state sales taxes. It also would use \$1 billion in additional state funds and proceeds from the lottery for schools.

Another provision would replace local school taxes on business property with a state business property tax. But a state property tax would pose a problem, said Sen. Ken Armbrister, D-Victoria and chairman of a special Senate committee that would consider the plan if the full House approved it.

"It's not the rate, it's not the amount, it's where you take all of a district's commercial property and ... pool the levy off of that commercial property into Austin to be redistributed out to a statewide basis. School districts don't like losing that," he said.

Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, chairman of the House committee, said the state business property tax is a key part of the bill because it gets rid of the so-called Robin Hood school funding system.

Approved in 1993, Robin Hood requires 91 school districts with an abundance of taxable property to share their tax income with poorer schools.

"You can't cut property taxes without getting rid of Robin Hood," Sadler said.

Outside the Capitol, reaction to the bill was mixed.

Dick Busby, president and owner of Busby Maintenance and Construction Co. in Dayton, between Houston and Beaumont, said his business would fare well.

"My understanding is that the governor and the Legislature are trying to do something revenue neutral," he said. "If that is true, you're probably going to end up with a net (tax) decrease for the average Joe," he said.

"Some people are going to pass this on and someone is going to have to pay for it. But what we had before has tended to be unfair," Busby added.

Dick Lavine, an analyst for the Center for Public Policy Priorities, said the bill has some good points but isn't likely to make the state's tax system fair for poorer and middle class Texans.

"I wouldn't be surprised if it made it worse," he said.



## French horn quartet

The Hereford High School french horn quartet has qualified for the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest in Austin on May 26. Pictured, front row from left, are Wendy Brisendine and Jamie Steiert; back row from left, Robin Bell and Misti Davison.

# Activists warn against giving cigarette makers blanket protection from lawsuits

**By EDDIE DOMINGUEZ**  
Associated Press Writer

**MIAMI (AP)** - Leading figures in the drive to regulate tobacco as a dangerous drug warned today against giving cigarette makers blanket protection from the lawsuits that have pushed them into settlement talks.

"I would have grave reservations about giving this industry immunity," David Kessler, outgoing commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

"I think it is very difficult to deal with people that have lied to us for three decades," former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop said in arguing against immunity on the same show. "I think we've got to keep our focus on the fact that this is a public health issue, not a financial issue."

Analysts say it just made good business sense for the nation's two largest tobacco companies and tobacco litigants to enter into secret settlement talks, which were acknowledged Wednesday.

The threat of huge judgments, legal setbacks and jittery stock prices - not a recognition of smoking dangers - may be the straw that broke Camel's back.

"They are paying lawyers some \$600 million a year," said Marc Cohen, a tobacco analyst with Goldman, Sachs & Co. in New York. "There is risk attached to all of this

litigation. ... That is sound motivation for the industry to try and seek a resolution."

The industry's tactic of fiercely defending against any lawsuit served cigarette makers well for four decades. Lawsuits met with little success despite mounting evidence of smoking's addictiveness.

But now the industry faces a mountain of litigation, from individuals as well as nearly half the attorneys general in the United States.

Even shareholders have sued, claiming stock prices were overvalued because the companies failed to disclose damaging information on smoking hazards. Revenues were \$45 billion last year, but stock prices were jumpy nonetheless.

It was under these kinds of financial and legal pressures that Philip Morris Cos. and RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. began talks of a settlement with eight of 23 states seeking to recover smoking-related health costs. Alaska on Monday became latest state to sue.

The tobacco companies also lost two state court rulings this week. A Louisiana judge on Wednesday certified for trial a class-action lawsuit that would enable lawyers to seek damages directly from cigarette makers for hundreds of thousands of smokers all at once. No such trial has been allowed since an appeals court rejected that approach at the federal

level last May.

And in Pascagoula, Miss., a judge ruled Tuesday that any money the state saved from early deaths of smokers - on lower pension costs, for example - cannot be considered as offsetting the money it paid out in medical care for poor smokers.

A settlement would give companies blanket protection from smoking-related lawsuits. In return, the companies would pay billions into a compensation fund and agree to cut back on advertising.

Public health officials and the states see the talks as a breakthrough. Others see them as a smokescreen for avoiding the terrible costs of their product.

Giving companies immunity from lawsuits would violate the due process rights of thousands of people, Miami attorney Stanley Rosenblatt said.

"That has always been the goal of the tobacco industry and that would be a disaster for the American people," said Rosenblatt, who represents thousands in smoker class-action suits. "It's a good business deal for them and a lousy deal for the American people."

The settlement reportedly could cost as much as \$300 billion over 25 years and require the industry to restrict its advertising, including the end of characters like Joe Camel and the Marlboro Man.

A sticking point is whether the FDA would get the right to regulate the nicotine levels in cigarettes, making them less addictive, two sources close to the talks told The Associated Press.

In New York Stock Exchange trading Wednesday, Philip Morris jumped \$4.25 per share to close at \$43.25. RJR Nabisco rose \$3.25 to \$33.50 per share.

Representatives from Philip Morris, RJR Nabisco, Lorillard, and Brown & Williamson met at undisclosed locations with attorneys general from Minnesota, Florida, Connecticut, Mississippi, Washington, Massachusetts, Wisconsin and Arizona. The

White House monitored the talks, which ended for the week on Wednesday. Florida claims credit for bringing companies to the table.

A 1994 state law stripped most of the industry's legal defenses, opening the door for a Jacksonville jury to order Brown & Williamson to pay \$750,000 to a man who got lung cancer after smoking 44 years.

Tobacco companies are most concerned with individual cases like Jacksonville's, Salomon Brothers Inc. analyst Diana K. Temple said in a report. The reason may be that the number of lawsuits that could arise from smoking-related deaths is potentially enormous.

Lawyer Norwood "Woody" Wilner, who won the Jacksonville case, said a settlement would be beneficial "as long as (it) protects the rights of the injured parties."

Fairness is all the tobacco companies say they want.

"I do think a resolution of this issue is important to our shareholders, our customers and our country," RJR Nabisco chairman Steven Goldstone told shareholders at the company's annual meeting Wednesday. "But it has to be fair and it has to be reasonable."

**LOTTO TEXAS**

**TEXAS LOTTERY**

**AUSTIN (AP)** - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-9-7 (seven, nine, seven)

**AUSTIN (AP)** - The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery: 4-6-8-16-37-47 (four, six, eight, sixteen, thirty-seven, forty-seven)

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers. Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot Saturday: \$24 million

## Floodwaters still gushing

**FARGO, N.D. (AP)** - Sandbaggers worked through the night, raising the level of the dikes, and police pounded on the doors of homes in one neighborhood early today to evacuate people in the way of the worst flood this city has ever seen.

Across the swollen Red River in Moorhead, Minn., the floodwaters gushed like geysers from storm drains.

"I've been here 22 years, been through lots of floods, and we've never had an evacuation like this," Lt. John Sanderson said as officers set out to deliver evacuation orders under a clear night sky.

The meltdown from this winter's record snowfall has overwhelmed the rivers south of Fargo, causing them to spread over the flatlands like spilled milk.

At Fargo, the Red rose to 39.29 feet at 6 a.m. Five hours earlier, it surpassed the city's old record of 39.1 feet, set precisely 100 years ago. Flood stage is 17 feet.

Dennis Walaker, Fargo's operations manager, said this morning he was cautiously optimistic.

"The rate of rise is slowing down," he said. "So we have to hang in there for two, three more days. I don't think the river is going to go up substantially any more than it

presently is - maybe 2, 3, maybe 4 inches."

The levels of several dikes were raised overnight, with hundreds of college student volunteers helping the effort, he said. They had been at 40 feet but some had low spots after settling.

"Team Fargo seems to be working," Walaker said.

"We were able to contain 'most everything last night," Mayor Bruce Furness said.

## Five prairie dogs trapped at Amarillo's Pantex plant

**AMARILLO, Texas (AP)** - Some little veterans of the nuclear age are headed east today to meet the loneliest prairie dog in Fort Worth.

Officials from the Fort Worth Nature Center, a 3,500-acre wildlife preserve, trapped five prairie dogs overnight at the Pantex Plant here.

The plant is where the U.S. nuclear weapons arsenal is serviced and dismantled.

"The prairie dogs have been a problem in the more secure areas," said plant spokeswoman Kerry Campbell. "We've had to cull some

of them out, because they set off alarms sometimes. That's the only problem they cause, though."

The webs of tunnels prairie dogs build for shelter are called "towns." The nature center's town had been vacant since 1989 floods until one prairie dog mysteriously popped up there recently, probably a discarded pet.

Nature center officials figured it needed friends, so the search began.

"What we're all wondering here is whether they'll glow in the dark or not," Ms. Vallejo said.

# News Digest

## STATE

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**HUNTSVILLE** - Convicted killer and escape artist Kenneth Gentry, crying while strapped to the death chamber gurney, asked for forgiveness before his execution for a 1983 slaying.

**WASHINGTON** - A day before being sworn in as the nation's newest congressman, Texan Ciro Rodriguez sampled one of the perks of office: A White House audience with the president. Rodriguez was to be sworn in today.

**AUSTIN** - Sixty thousand Texas public school students could get tax-funded private school tuition under a proposal aimed at giving pupils who aren't doing well a way to transfer out of low-performing campuses.

**AUSTIN** - Juvenile court proceedings for children under 14 would be closed to the public under a measure that has won tentative approval by the House.

**AUSTIN** - Proponents of a rejected House bill that would restore public access to information in closed criminal cases say they'll retool the measure and try again.

**WASHINGTON** - Winter wheat farmers could keep some land in a popular conservation program even if it is rejected by the Agriculture Department under legislation being considered in the House.

# Emergency Services

Activities reported by law enforcement agencies Thursday:

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
-- 26-year-old male arrested for outstanding Swisher County warrants for DWI.

-- 47-year-old male arrested on outstanding city warrants and failure to appear.

-- Theft of gasoline reported in the 100 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.

-- Money allegedly stolen out of customer's banking account. Charges unfounded.

-- Two teenage girls taken into custody for fighting at Hereford Junior High.

-- Assault reported.

-- Domestic disturbance reported in the 900 block of 16th Street.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
-- Responded to a vehicle fire in Westway, where 1985 Honda Accord was destroyed by the fire.

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**  
-- 38-year-old male arrested for theft by check.

-- 19-year-old female arrested for burglary of a building, theft by check.

-- 28-year-old female arrested for assault.

-- 22-year-old male arrested for burglary of a building, theft.

-- 22-year-old female arrested for violation of probation.

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# Lifestyles

## Results of health, fitness survey say most have exercise program

Hereford Retired School Employees met Monday at Hereford Senior Citizens Center for lunch and their regular meeting.

Louise Witkowski presided in the absence of Betty Mercer. Mary Dziuk gave the invocation and John Poindexter led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag. Carole McGilvary, legislative chair person, discussed the proposed salary increases for retired school employees and advised that health care costs and benefits will remain the same for two more years.

Marie Stringer reported that \$6,082 had been donated by this district to the Retired Teachers

Building Trust Fund.

HRSEA members voted to give a memorial to the Building Trust Fund in memory of long-time Hereford teacher, Leta Kaul.

Jean Beene reported on a survey taken of HRSEA members during February of this year. Thirty-two members responded to the survey on health and physical fitness.

Survey results showed that 55 percent of those surveyed have a regular planned exercise program in which they participate three or four times a week; 24 percent seek opportunities to get more exercise such as climbing stairs or parking

greater distances from store entrances; and 21 percent had no exercise program at all.

In the general population in Texas, 26.5 percent have an exercise program.

Following the business meeting, a silent auction was held to raise funds for the HRSEA treasury.

Twenty-five members and guests attended the meeting.

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## Garden Beautiful Club has election of officers

Garden Beautiful Club elected new officers for the coming year at its recent meeting in the home of Jerrye Wheeler with Louise Streun as co-hostess.

Elected were Louise Streun, president; June Hubbard, vice president; Helen Spinks, second vice president; Jerrye Wheeler, secretary; Jeane Dowell, treasurer; and Doris Bryant, reporter.

Installation of officers will be held during the next meeting at Something Special.

Glenda Drager of McLain Nursery presented the program on getting flower and vegetable garden plots in shape for planting. She stressed the use of the correct fertilizer for the soil and tilling the ground correctly. Also,

using the correct insecticides for plants and trees, stating now is the time to start spraying trees, especially fruit trees.

Marguerite Cole, president, conducted the business meeting. Financial reports were given by treasurer, Jeane Dowell.

Members present were Louise Axe, Leona Andrews, Ruby Carmichael, Shelly Minecke, Dorothy Noland, Bessie Story, Cole, Dowell, Hubbard, Spinks, Streun and Wheeler.

## Shaw performs with HSU choir

Hardin-Simmons University School of Music's Concert Choir includes Scott Shaw of Hereford on a seven-city, two-state spring tour, April 15-20.

The choir will be presented in concert at HSU at 8 p.m. April 21 in Woodward-Dellis Recital hall.

The choir is directed by Dr. Loyd Hawthorne, dean of the School of Music and professor of choral music.

At the close of the tour, performances will have been given in Corsicana, Palestine, Alexandria, La., Lake Charles, La., and Nederland.

## Hospital Notes

Report from Hereford Regional Medical Center on April 17:  
Admitted: Marcellino Cervantez, Jesse Quinoz.  
Discharged: Carlos Gonzales.



## Make an offer

Bidders in the silent auction to be held at Karnival Krazy's Country Store can make an offer on the picture of Dan Moreno that Andra Schlabs is holding or on the redwood bench, also pictured. The annual fund-raiser to benefit St. Anthony's School begins at 12 noon Sunday. In addition to the silent auction, there will be games, food and crafts -- something for the whole family. Silent auction items are on display at Peddler's Cove through Saturday.

## Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I read about -- M.S.G.

this in the Palm Springs (Calif.) Desert Sun and decided it belonged in your column. To say I was shocked is putting it mildly.

It seems a Wisconsin psychiatrist charged a group therapy fee for a woman with multiple personalities. The woman then sued her former psychiatrist for malpractice and asked for \$2.4 million. She claimed he convinced her that she had 120 personalities -- and then charged her insurance company for group therapy.

Nadean Cool said that the \$300,000 treatment by Dr. Kenneth Olson left her suicidal and haunted by false memories. Her multiple personalities included a duck, Satan and angels who talked to God.

What do you make of this, Ann?

Dear M.S.G.: When I read about

this in the Chicago papers, I thought it was a joke. It turns out to be real life -- and not very funny. The case was settled out of court last month. I would say Miss Cool had a pretty hot lawsuit.

Dear Ann Landers: I would like to express a different point of view concerning domestic violence.

I am a male who found himself on the receiving end of physical and emotional abuse by my wife. My wife and I were seeing a family psychologist in an effort to address our situation. I soon discovered that an abused male is viewed very differently. The therapist dismissed my wife's violence and encouraged me to be

more loving and understanding.

I set out to find a support group for battered men. To my surprise, I couldn't locate any. I live in Denver, which takes domestic violence quite seriously. The only groups I found were for convicted male offenders. No support network exists for helping abused males.

A very important aspect in the education and treatment of domestic violence is being overlooked. The issue shouldn't be gender-specific but all-inclusive. -- Denver Dan

Dear Dan: Warren Farrell, an authority in this field, did an opinion piece in USA Today in June of 1994, in which he wrote that women are more likely to be the initiators of domestic violence, they hit men more frequently than the reverse and women use more severe methods, like tossing boiling water.

Farrell said more than 90 percent of domestic violence calls to police come from women, and while the women may land the first punch, the men hit harder and break more bones. But it is precisely because a man can hurt a woman more than women are more likely to use a weapon against a man -- such as a frying pan, a baseball bat or whatever she can lay her hands on.

In a sample survey conducted by Farrell, about 60 percent of the women who were battered admitted that they were usually the ones who had hit their male partners first. Ninety percent of the men who were in abusive relationships said that the women hit first.

Farrell made a strong point that domestic violence is a two-way street and that often women hit men because they feel men can take it. But let us not lose sight of the fact that most men are bigger and stronger than their wives and girlfriends.

Frequently in domestic disputes, alcohol and drugs are a paramount factor. If a woman feels physically threatened, she may resort to using a kitchen knife or a gun to protect herself. If you ask me, except in life-threatening cases of self-defense, it is never OK for a man to hit a woman, nor is it OK for a woman to hit a man.

## Keyes presents program at Cultural FCE meeting

Cultural Family Community Education Club met recently at the Hereford Community Center with six members present.

## Local students visit Wayland

More than 350 students, including six from Hereford, participated in Wayland Baptist University's "Big Weekend" recently.

Hereford students were Matthew Baird, Michael Davies and Curt Sherrod of Hereford High School and Christi Duggan, Miriam Wilks and Rachel Wilks of Community Christian School.

Prospective students were able to attend a Pioneer baseball game and the Rebecca St. James Concert on Friday.

Saturday's events included seminars for financial aid, admissions and student activities. Also tryouts were held for various teams and organizations.

Virginia Sumner led the F.C.E. prayer and pledges to the flags. For the opening exercise, she read a poem titled "What is Love?"

Roll call was given by answering the question, "Which present day law do you dislike most?"

Minutes were read by Marilyn Smith and the treasurer's report was given by Edna Marnell.

During the business meeting, members were asked to submit five recipes for next year's Tasting Bee as soon as possible. Several on-going projects were also discussed.

Perry Keyes gave a brief report on the District I spring meeting held in Perryton April 10.

Keyes also gave the club program, "Public Policy," pertaining to laws and policies that govern our lives daily.

Members present were Jewell Hargrave, Nell Pope, Sumner, Smith, Marnell and Keyes.

The next meeting will be a noon luncheon May 9 at the Community Center. All members are urged to attend.

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# Sports

## Cowboys to trade first round draft pick?

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Cowboys owner Jerry Jones says chances are 3 to 1 that Dallas will trade out of the first round of the NFL draft for the fourth time in five years.

He said Wednesday he has spoken with 10 teams about moving up in the draft and expects to talk with every club before Saturday.

Jones cited the salary cap and a lack of potential starters in the first round of this weekend's draft. He said he'd like to trade the team's 25th overall selection for picks in the second and middle rounds.

### Jones says odds are Dallas will deal its No. 1 pick

The 25th spot is the Cowboys' highest draft spot since 1992, when they moved up to acquire cornerback Kevin Smith at No. 17.

"It's difficult to see a first-rounder worth moving up for who could start for us. That's why I say there's a 75 percent chance we'll be moving out," Jones said.

He indicated the club will concentrate its efforts on free agency. "You can take the same amount

of money (for an unproven first-round pick), go out in free agency and get a starter," Jones said.

He said wide receiver and linebacker are the team's top priorities.

Although Jay Novacek is expected to retire, tight end is not high on Dallas' list, Jones said.

"We think we've got our starter at tight end in Eric Bjornson," Jones said.

Jones is the only one in the Dallas camp who's talking about draft day. Everyone else is under a strict gag order. Jones doesn't want any secrets finding their way to NFL rivals.

Pressed about the matter, personnel director Larry Lacey coyly drew his finger across his lips like they were zipped close.

"One would assume the Cowboys could use a wide receiver, a

linebacker, an offensive lineman, help in the secondary and, of course, kickers to replace punter John Jett and placekicker Chris Boniol," a questioner said.

"You may assume all of the above," Lacey responded.

Indeed, the Cowboys are talented but depth shy. They can use help in just about every area.

They've already signed free agent

kickers Richie Cunningham, Danny Kight and Marshall Young seeking a replacement for Boniol.

Dallas scouts took quarterback Troy Aikman on one of their forays to see if he saw any receivers he liked. Aikman threw to some receivers one day in California, then tackled Pebble Beach where he and Lacey won a few bets off unsuspecting opponents.

Did Aikman find anything he liked?

See DRAFT, Page 5

## Dykes tells Hereford crowd 'good' will come of recent Tech problems



### Raider fans, coaches gather here

A Hereford/Dimmitt Red Raider Day here Wednesday including a golf scramble and an evening dinner at Hereford Country Club. Participating in Tech talk were Steve Locke, associate athletic director; Spike Dykes, Tech football coach; Cal Mitts, local Raider Club member; Gerald Myers, Tech athletic director; and Dave Hopper, local chairman of the Red Raider Club.

### Stevens, Charest pace locals in Red Raider tourney

BY SPEEDY NIEMAN  
Editor-Publisher

Athletic Director Gerald Myers, addressing a Red Raider Day gathering here Wednesday night, commented on the negatives of a NCAA investigation but reported "there are a lot of positives" in the Texas Tech University athletic programs.

Myers said he hoped the NCAA probe into academic problems at Tech will be completed in four to six months. "We don't know what will happen but if there are sanctions imposed, we will work through them and move on."

Myers said the investigation will assure one thing - Tech athletes will be in one of the best supervised academic programs in the country. He added that Tech will need the full support of its fans to continue being a contender in the Big 12 sports programs.

Raider Football Coach Spike Dykes added that "It's a time when we're finding out who the fans are that still say 'we' when referring to Tech, and those who have changed to 'they.'"

Dykes praised the support which

See GOLF, Page 5

## Now a senior, Letheridge ready to take center stage in Tech's show

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - For the first time in his collegiate career, Zebbie Letheridge will enter next season as "the man."

With no 2,000-yard rusher behind him, few war-tested horses up front and a questionable receiving corps to the sides, he'll carry the load of a rebuilt offense.

"Zebbie's got to come out of the gate firing," said offensive coordinator Rick Dykes, who lost junior tailback Byron Hanspard to the NFL last December. "He's going to have to be very consistent for us throughout the year, and that's one thing he improved on this spring."

Letheridge, entering his senior season, drew coaching raves for his springtime performances against his own defense, which is expected to be the Red Raiders' trademark.

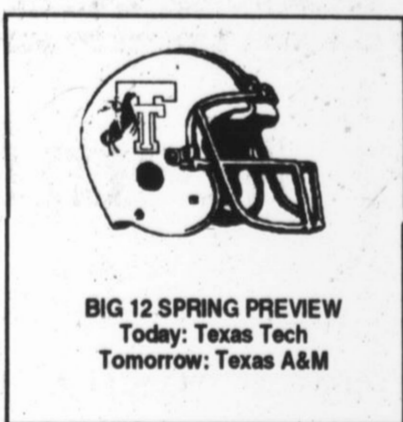
Sophomore tailback Clint Robertson also wowed the staff until the last full-contact intrasquad scrimmage, when reserve linebacker Mike Autenreith's tackle sent Robertson's right knee buckling in the wrong direction.

"His chances of coming back (this season) are up in the air," Letheridge said, noting that Robertson probably will be out four to eight months. "It's up to his determination and how hard he's willing to work."

Robertson returned kicks as a redshirt freshman last season. His injury leaves Letheridge, already a three-year starter, as the only backfield player who's performed at least one full season.

Last season's 7-5 Alamo Bowl team featured senior reserves at all three backfield positions. With virtually no depth, Tech can't withstand many more freak injuries if it plans on a fifth straight postseason game.

Untested Anthony Malbrough and James Easterling will compete for Robertson's job this summer.



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Coaches are excited about incoming freshman Dominic Rhodes of Abilene Cooper, but he's no guarantee to qualify academically.

Another option might be to move talented but smallish fullback Sammy Morris into Hanspard's old slot.

"But then we have a problem at

fullback," Dykes said. "We really don't have a proven player behind (Morris)."

The spotty receiver play that helped hinder Letheridge's early season play in '96 can't happen again this year, Dykes said. Even so, he added that it's still going to be up to Letheridge when the going gets tough.

"We're going to have to count on Zebbie to step up and take more responsibility for our offense and hope one of those guys behind Clint will step up and become good players next fall," Dykes said.

As for Letheridge, a team captain for an unprecedented third season, he says he's ready.

"I've been elected by my teammates, so the leadership role is on my shoulders," he said. "But this is something I'm used to."

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# SCOREBOARD

## BASEBALL

American League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	9	3	.750	-
Boston	8	6	.571	2
Detroit	7	8	.467	3 1/2
Toronto	5	6	.455	4
New York	5	9	.357	5
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	6	4	.600	-
Minnesota	7	7	.500	1
Kansas City	6	6	.500	1
Cleveland	5	8	.385	2 1/2
Chicago	4	9	.308	3 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	9	5	.643	-
Texas	6	5	.545	1 1/2
Oakland	7	7	.500	2
Anaheim	6	7	.462	2 1/2

**Wednesday's Games**

Boston 11, Cleveland 6  
 Milwaukee 7, N.Y. Yankees 4  
 Seattle 7, Detroit 3  
 Toronto 4, Oakland 3  
 Chicago White Sox 9, Baltimore 3  
 Texas 2, Kansas City 0  
 Minnesota 4, Anaheim 2

**Thursday's Games**

Oakland (Prieto 1-0) at Toronto (Hanson 0-0), 12:35 p.m.  
 Seattle (Fassero 2-0) at Detroit (Lira 0-1), 1:05 p.m.  
 Anaheim (Springer 0-0) at Minnesota (Radko 0-1), 1:15 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 3-0) at Milwaukee (McAndrew 1-0), 2:05 p.m.  
 Cleveland (Lopez 0-1) at Boston (Wadlin 0-0), 6:05 p.m.  
 Texas (Oliver 0-1) at Kansas City (Belcher 1-1), 8:05 p.m.  
 Baltimore, Mussina 1-1 at Chicago White Sox (Darwin 0-0), 8:05 p.m.  
 Only games scheduled

National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	11	3	.786	-
Florida	9	4	.692	1 1/2
Montreal	5	7	.417	5
New York	4	10	.286	7
Philadelphia	3	10	.231	7 1/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	9	6	.600	-
Pittsburgh	5	7	.417	2 1/2
Cincinnati	5	9	.357	3 1/2
St. Louis	4	9	.308	4
Chicago	0	12	.000	7 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Colorado	10	3	.769	-
San Francisco	10	3	.769	-
Los Angeles	9	4	.692	1
San Diego	8	5	.615	2

**Wednesday's Games**

Atlanta 7, Cincinnati 1  
 Los Angeles 5, N.Y. Mets 2  
 Colorado 4, Chicago Cubs 0  
 San Diego 7, Pittsburgh 5  
 Florida 2, St. Louis 1  
 San Francisco 6, Philadelphia 5, 10 Innings  
 Houston 10, Montreal 2

**Thursday's Games**

St. Louis (Stottlemire 0-1) at Florida (K Brown 2-0), 1:35 p.m.  
 Cincinnati (Morgan 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Loaiza 1-0), 7:05 p.m.  
 Montreal (Bullinger 0-2) at Philadelphia (Maduro 0-2), 7:05 p.m.  
 Only games scheduled

## HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL POLL

BRYAN, Texas (AP) The Texas High School Baseball Poll, as selected by the Texas High School Baseball Coaches' Association:

Class 5A		
Rk.	Team	Record
1	Duncanville	(21-2)
2	Lubbock Monterrey	(21-2)
3	Woodlands	(17-1)
4	Bellaire	NA
5	C.C. Moody	NA
6	Cy-Creek	(18-3)
7	Kingwood	(19-3)
8	Round Rock	(20-4)
9	Mesquite	(18-3)
10	Be, Baytown Sterling	(19-2)
10	Be, SA South San	(19-3)
Class 4A		
1	Catalan	(24-2)
2	Little-Cypress Mauriceville	(18-2)
3	Kerrville Tivy	(18-2)
4	Waxahachie	(16-3)
5	Nederland	(21-3)
6	Waco Midway	(19-4)
7	Andrews	(21-2)
8	Athens	(20-1)
9	Sherman	(23-5)
10	Brenham	(19-5)
Class 3A		
1	Hallettsville	(20-2)
2	Bellville	(16-2)
3	Waco Robinson	(16-2)
4	Crockett	(14-4)
5	China Springs	(15-1)
6	Frisco	(16-2)
7	Whitesboro	(15-3)
8	Lake Worth	(15-2)
9	Liberty	(16-3)
10	Be, Medina Valley	(18-4)
10	Be, Whitney	(13-3)
Class 2A		
1	Weimar	(15-5)
2	Alto	(17-0)
3	Ranger	(15-0)
4	New Diana	(15-1)
5	Elysian Fields	(17-2)

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# Taiwan nixes Little League, World Series

By MICHAEL RAPHAEL  
 Adv: Associated Press Writer  
 The crowds in Williamsport, Pa., used to boo when the team from Taiwan took the field for another Little League World Series championship run.

"Whichever team made it to the World Series - it has a lot of prestige for that school or county. This is a loss."

Now, after 12 championships in 23 years and numerous blowout victories during that span, Taiwan is quitting Little League baseball over a rule dispute.

Little League officials announced on Wednesday that Taiwan would not return to defend its title. Officials said Taiwan broke league rules by drawing its players from an area with too large a population.

"I think that Taiwan looks to it as a symbol of pride," said David Tsai of the Center for Taiwan International Relations in Washington.

Representatives from the Chinese Taipei Baseball Association, the governing body in Taiwan, met with Little League officials April 1 to discuss alleged violations.

League rules restrict teams from drawing players from areas with a population larger than 20,000. Since 1992, high-density areas have been able to tie their leagues to school populations; one league is permitted per 1,000 students in grades kindergarten through seventh grade.

ularizing and prospering Taiwan's development of baseball in the past years," the fax read. "However, due to the diversity of society status and culture, we have difficulty in implementing completely in compliance with LLB's regulations."

In Taiwan, single leagues were pulling from schools with more than 3,000 children, said Lance Van Auken, a spokesman for Little League Baseball.

"We do appreciate the openness of the CTBA in making this decision," said Stephen D. Keener, president of Little League Baseball. "As with any group ... willing to abide by (our) rules and regulations, we welcome the leagues in Chinese Taipei to return to their affiliation with Little League at any time."

On Wednesday, CTBA faxed notice of its withdrawal. "We cannot deny that LLB has played a very important role in pop-

## BASKETBALL

### National Basketball Association

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

##### Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Miami	60	20	.750	-
x-New York	55	25	.688	5
x-Orlando	45	35	.563	15
Washington	42	38	.525	18
New Jersey	24	56	.300	36
Philadelphia	22	58	.275	38
Boston	14	66	.175	46

##### Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Chicago	69	12	.852	-
x-Atlanta	55	25	.688	13 1/2
x-Charlotte	54	26	.675	14 1/2
x-Detroit	53	27	.663	15 1/2
Cleveland	41	39	.513	27 1/2
Indiana	39	41	.488	29 1/2
Milwaukee	32	48	.400	36 1/2
Toronto	28	52	.350	40 1/2

#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

##### Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Utah	61	18	.772	-
x-Houston	55	25	.688	6 1/2
x-Minnesota	39	41	.488	22 1/2
Dallas	24	56	.300	37 1/2
Denver	20	59	.253	41
San Antonio	20	60	.250	41 1/2
Vancouver	13	67	.163	48 1/2

##### Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Seattle	55	25	.688	-
x-L.A. Lakers	54	25	.684	1/2
x-Portland	46	33	.582	8 1/2
x-Phoenix	39	41	.488	16
x-L.A. Clippers	36	44	.450	19
Sacramento	33	46	.418	21 1/2
Golden State	30	50	.375	25

z-clinched conference title  
 y-clinched division title  
 x-clinched playoff berth

#### Wednesday's Games

Late games not included

Charlotte 108, Boston 102  
 New York 96, Atlanta 92  
 Philadelphia 113, New Jersey 105  
 Washington 103, Indiana 90  
 Cleveland 78, Orlando 63  
 Detroit 92, Milwaukee 85  
 Miami 102, Chicago 92  
 Dallas 92, Minnesota 77  
 Denver at Portland, (n)

## TRANSACTIONS

### BASEBALL

#### American League

DETROIT TIGERS - Designated OF Vince Coleman for assignment. Activated INF Phil Nevin from the 15-day disabled list.

MINNESOTA TWINS - Activated OF Roberto Kelly from 15-day disabled list. Optioned OF Brent Brade to Salt Lake of the Pacific Coast League.

TEXAS RANGERS - Assigned OF Warren Newson to Tulsa of the Texas League on injury rehabilitation assignment.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS - Activated OF Jacob Brumfield from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned Outfielder Shannon Stewart was optioned to Syracuse of the International League.

#### National League

CINCINNATI REDS - Activated RHP Jeff Brantley from the 15 day disabled list. Sent INF-OF Eric Owens and RHP Scott Service to Indianapolis of the American Association.

## LOCAL

### BABE RUTH BASEBALL

Kids, Inc. will be holding their final Babe Ruth League registration date on April 23rd from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Hereford Community Center. All boys, ages 13-15, interested in playing should sign up.

# Bullets, Cavs vie for final NBA playoff spot

The race for the final NBA playoff spot is down to two teams, Washington and Cleveland. And it might not be settled until the final day of the regular season.

in our own hands," said Washington's Chris Webber, who had 20 points and 12 rebounds in a 103-90 victory over Indiana that knocked the Pacers out of playoff contention.

The Bullets and Cavaliers both won Wednesday night, leaving Washington one game ahead with two to play. If both teams win on Friday - Washington plays Orlando at Landover, Md., while Cleveland meets Detroit at Auburn Hills, Mich. - the playoff berth will be determined Sunday when the Bullets visit the Cavs.

Cleveland kept pace with Washington by beating Orlando 78-63. If the Cavs and Bullets finish in a tie, Cleveland would get the final playoff spot because it has a better record against conference playoff teams.

"I just feel like we're playing good ball right now. Our destiny is

"Now we have Detroit on Friday night, and we have to play the same way so it all comes down to Sunday afternoon," Cavs coach Mike Fratello said.

## GOLF

comes from Hereford, and he made special presentations to two local avid Red Raider Club members - Dave Hopper and Cal Mitts. He presented them with footballs autographed by all the team members.

Country Club. The team loses only three seniors and has some fine recruits coming into the program.

Dykes proclaimed the recruiting year a big success. "We've got the best class of recruits we've ever landed since I've been here."

"We had our ups and downs this past season, and part of it was team leadership. I think our seniors next year will provide the leadership needed."

The Raider grid boss also commented on the negatives of the NCAA probe. He said the majority of the athletes and coaches were doing a great job. "This investigation is about academic shortcomings - not rape charges, DWI's or burglaries."

Steve Locke, associate athletic director, introduced the coaches, who then introduced their assistants in attendance. Don Cumpton served as emcee for the event, which attracted about 80 people.

He also said many people didn't know the whole story about Byron Hanspard. "He attended classes but he used poor judgement and didn't take his finals when he decided to declare for the pro draft. And no one reported about the 10 nights in a row that he spent an hour with a 10-year-old burn victim in the hospital here."

Rick Roden presented prizes to the winning golf foursomes who participated in a scramble Wednesday afternoon. The winning team, with a 62, was composed of Joe Hornaday, associate athletic director at Tech; Steve Stevens, Mel Charest and Chris Reed.

## DRAFT

"Yes," was all Lacewell would say.

There was a four-way tie for second. Winning on a scorecard playoff was the team of Jim Feagan, Coach Clovis Hale, John Yocum and Pete Heiman of Amarillo. Brent Loflin of Friona had the longest drive, and Mel Charest was closest to the pin on a 3-par hole.

Dallas does need a receiver to help take the heat off Michael Irvin.

Cincinnati Reds. Aikman would love to have Alvin Harper back if he gets cut by Tampa Bay.

The Cowboys drafted Stepfret Williams last year and he wasn't much help. He wasn't a disciplined route runner and his hands left something to be desired.

Look for the Cowboys to sign a veteran receiver if they can't find one in the draft. They also will have to sign another linebacker because of the possible losses of Darrin Smith and Jim Schwantz to free agency.

Deion Sanders was a bust as a receiver, catching only one touchdown pass and driving Aikman to distraction with his poor routes.

Sanders will be only used as a spot receiver this year because he'll miss training camp as he tries to revive his baseball career with the

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# Entertainment

## Stations get sneak peak at high-definition TV

NEW YORK (AP) - I want my HDTV!  
High-definition television, of course. Couch potato bliss for a new millennium.

Maybe you've been hearing more and more about this gourmet viewing experience, how it's so good it will boost your car's mileage, get the kids to do their homework, and leave the grout between your bathroom tiles sparkling clean.

Well, last week I came face to face with HDTV. Big mistake. Now I'm even less satisfied with what I see on my Sony Trinitron.

Sure, sometimes the claims get a little out of hand. Here's a recap of HDTV facts you can count on: HDTV is panoramic and it's high-resolution. And it's digital.

HDTV is something to see. Too bad you can't see it. Yet.

You will. Last week, the FCC said so. By Christmas 1998, 26 stations in the top 10 markets will go digital. And within two years, 30 percent of the nation's viewers will be able to get high-def programming on the HDTVs you'll be able to purchase at your neighborhood electronics store.

I just couldn't wait for a peek. "It really is very exciting to show people what this is like the first time," said high-def veteran Barry Rebo as he sat me down in his conference room.

Rebo heads up the Rebo Group, a Manhattan-based video production house that since 1986 has pioneered HDTV programming for a global market the United States wasn't yet part of.

HDTV, he said portentously, "is the third generation of television - and a new medium."

I didn't need Rebo to get me

psyched. Waiting for his demo tape to roll, I reverted to child-state, recalling my earliest sighting of television's second wave - color.

Time: 1958. Place: An Athens, Ga., hotel lobby. Program: "Arthur Murray's Party." As a Strauss waltz played, I saw women whirl about the dance floor in multi-hued gowns - gowns that, had I been watching at home on my family's black-and-white Magnavox, would have been nothing more than shades of gray.

I paid no attention to the greenish tinge that afflicted every gown and the men's suits, too. Whatever its shortcomings, I was thrilled with NBC's "living color."

Now Rebo fired up his tape deck. A video projector filled the 80-inch-diagonal screen on the wall. TV's next generation! What would I see?

For one thing, sharpness. Rather than the soft-focus look of even the best analog TV, these HDTV images

seemed etched.

Here was Ray Charles performing at the Montreux Jazz Festival. I marveled at the beads of perspiration on his face, the detailed patterns on his shiny purple jacket, even an ink-pen scribble on a tiny square of masking tape stuck to the microphone stand.

In an excerpt from a wildlife documentary, I could count the shafts on the animals' fur.

A computer-generated music video packed extra punch in HDTV, as a real-life woman kissed an animated frog, which then morphed into a real-life prince. Dazzling!

Then, a more sedate display of several Edward Hopper paintings. Staying true in color and texture to its oil-on-canvas nature, each looked remarkably like a painting.

After that, I stopped taking notes, and allowed myself to be totally absorbed.

I hope I wasn't won over by HDTV last week as uncritically as I tumbled for color TV as a kid.

Certainly, I recognize reasons why we shouldn't lose our heads over HDTV just yet. The price of digital receivers, at least initially, may be as out of reach for most of us as the cost of early color TVs. And as with color broadcasting in its infancy, for a while there may be insufficient

"Must-See HDTV" programming to justify moving up to digital anyway.

Skeptics already have broached another issue: Does the hyperreality of HDTV's picture really serve a useful purpose beyond gimmickry?

Do you really want to behold Rosie O'Donnell or Andy Rooney in any higher resolution than you see them now? Who wants high-def

commercials for antacids or bug spray or Archer Daniels Midland?

Just wait. With HDTV, seeing is believing. Believe me.

As Rebo observes, "No one ever saw it and then said 'What's the big deal?' Everybody says, 'Gee, that's cool! When can I have it?'"

Me, I want my HDTV... ASAP.

## Television

### THURSDAY

### APRIL 17

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
22	Movie: Little House on the Prairie *** (45)	Movie: Old Yeller Dorothy McGuire. (15)	Movie: Planet of the Apes Charlton Heston. 'G'								Movie:
23	News	Ent. Tonight	Friends	Suddenly	Seinfeld	Fired Up	ER		News	(35) Tonight Show	
24	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Antiques Roadshow	Mystery!					School	Computer	Charlie Rose	
25	News	Wh. Fortune	High Incident	Vital Signs	Turning Point						(35) Movie: Nightline
26	Fam. Mat.	Bzzz!	Major League Baseball Baltimore Orioles at Chicago White Sox					News	H'mooner	Heat	
27	News	Home Imp.	Diagnosis Murder	Moloney	48 Hours			News	(35) Late Show		
28	Rosanne	Mad-You	Martin	Single	New York Undercover	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Mad-You	Cops	Real TV		
29	Sportsctr.	Stanley Cup Playoffs Conference Quarterfinal Game 1 - Teams To Be Announced				Stanley Cup Playoffs: Conf. Quarterfinal					
30	Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911		700 Club			Three Stooges		Carson	
31	(5-15) Movie: L.A. Story	Movie: The Usual Suspects *** 'R'	(45) Movie: Fast Money Yancy Butler. 'R'								Movie: Under the Gun 'R'
32	Movie: Star Trek Gen	Movie: The Big Fall C. Thomas Howell. 'R'	Movie: Mirage Edward James Olmos. 'R'	Taxicab Cont.							Movie:
33	Movie: Journey-King	Movie: Strange Days (1995) Ralph Fiennes, Angela Bassett. *** 'R'	Movie: Last Time I-Suicide								Movie:
34	Movie: Trail-Panther	Buster Keaton	Buster Keaton	Movie: The Cameraman (1928) ***							
35	Dukes of Hazzard	Championship Bull Riding	Prime Time Country	Today's Country				Dallas		Dukes	
36	Wings	Wild Discovery	Mysterious	Movie Magic	Shipwreck-Fitzgerald	Wild Discovery					Mysterious
37	Law & Order	Biography	Unexplained					Law & Order			Biography
38	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Wh:n Innocence Is Lost (1997) Jill Clayburgh.					Homicide: Life			Mysteries
39	FOX Sports News	Major League Baseball Baltimore Orioles at Chicago White Sox						FOX Sports News			Sports
40	In the Heat of the Night	Movie: The River (1984) Mel Gibson, Sissy Spacek. ***	(35) Movie: This Boy's Life (1993) Robert De Niro. ***								
41	Doug	Rugrats	Alex Mack	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	Bewitched	Newhart	Odd Couple	Taxi	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke
42	Highlander: The Series	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: Tin Men (1987) Richard Dreyfuss, Danny DeVito. ***								Silk Stalkings
43	Bendita Mentira	Te Sigo Amando	Sentimientos Ajenos	Bienvenidos Operacion	P. Impacto	Noticiero					AI Ritmo
44	Combat at Sea	Most Decorated	War and Remembrance								Decorated
45	RPM 2Night	Stanley Cup Playoffs Conference Quarterfinal Game 1 - Teams To Be Announced						NHL 2Night	X Games	X Games	NBA 2Night

### FRIDAY

### APRIL 18

	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
22	Chip 'n' Dale	Mermaid	Pooh	Mickey	Wonderland	Pooh Cnr.	GummyB'r	Care Bears	My Little	Mermaid	Ducktales
23	Today				Leza	Geraldo Rivera	Sunset Beach				Days-Lives
24	Nutrition	Nutrition	Sesame Street	Puzzle Place	Mr Rogers	Storytime	Reading	Arthur	Barney		Lamb Chop
25	Brady	Bewitched	Little House on the Prairie	3's Co.	Mama	Griffith	Griffith	(05) Matlock			Movie: Fast
26	Good Morning America				Live - Regis & Kathie Lee	Caryl & Marilyn: Friends	Medicine Woman				News
27	BugsDaffy	Animanacs	Woody	Bewitched	Griffith	Empty Nest	In the Heat of the Night	Geraldo Rivera			News
28	This Morning				Ricki Lake		Price is Right	Young and the Restless			News
29	Ducks	Spider-Man	Mask	Batman	Fox After Breakfast	Murphy	Paid Prog.	K. Copeland	Paid Prog.		Gunsmoke
30	Sportscenter		Sportscenter								Senior PGA Golf: PGA Sr. Champ.
31	Father Dowling Mysteries	Waltons			700 Club			Rescue 911			Home
32	Movie: (15) Movie: Tap (1989) Gregory Hines, Sammy Davis Jr. *** Directed By	(05) Movie: The In Crowd *** 'PG'	Movie: Johnny Danger								
33	(6-15) Movie: Grace Kelly Cheryl Ladd. ***	What About Your Friends?	(45) Movie: Lucas (1986)								
34	(6-15) Movie: Sense and Sensibility 'PG'	Movie: Revenge of the Nerds III	Movie: Dead Heat on a Merry-Go-Round James Coburn. Movie:								
35	Movie: The Hard Way (1942) Ida Lupino. ***	Movie: Janie (1944) Joyce Reynolds, Edward Arnold. **	Movie: The Happy Years (1950) ***								
36	(Off Air)	VideoMorning	Dallas					Aleene's Crafts			Wildhorse
37	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Forbidden City	Home Matters	Housemart!			Start		Interior Mot.	Home
38	McMillan and Wife			Cosby Mysteries	New Mike Hammer	Quincy					Law & Order
39	Baby Knows KidsDays	Sisters	Handmade	Gourmet	Our Home	Our Home	Living	Main Ingrid.			Supermit
40	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.			Outdoors
41	Scoby Dooby Doo	Flintstones	Flintstones	Gilligan	Spenser: For Hire	CHiPs					Thunder
42	Looney Tunes	Rugrats	Busy World	Rupert	Muppets	Allegra	Gullah	Little Bear	Blue's Clues		Busy World
43	MortalK	Dragon	Murder, She Wrote	Wings	Wings	Movie: Tin Men (1987) Richard Dreyfuss, Danny DeVito. ***					
44	(6:00) Despierta America	Lo Mejor de Chespirito	Malte	Doce Mujeres Un Camino	Bejo un Mismo Rostro						Sombra
45	Classroom	History Showcase	Real West	Movie: The Immortal Battalion (1944) David Niven. ***	Canadian						
46	Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Crunch	Training	Perfect	Crunch	Gotta Sweat	Fitness	Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Sports Babe

	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
22	C. Brown	Pooh	Donald	Movie: Magic Island Zachery Ty Bryan.	C. Brown	Tale Spin	Ducktales	Chip 'n' Dale	Gool Troop		
23	Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Maury		Oprah Winfrey					NBC News
24	Body Elec.	Antiques Roadshow	Painting	New Garden	Science	Wishbone	C. Sandiego	Science Guy	Creatures		Bus
25	(12:05) Movie: The Fastest Gun Alive	JonQuest	Flintstones	Flintstones	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.		
26	Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Montel Williams	Rosie O'Donnell						ABC News
27	News	St. Jude's	Beauty and the Beast	Beverly Hills, 90210	Fam. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell			
28	Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Dating	Newlywed	Am-Journal	Hard Copy				CBS News
29	Gunsmoke	Little House on the Prairie	Matlock	Bobby	Spider-Man	Beetleborgs	Rangers	Fresh Pr.	Simpsons		
30	(11:00) Senior PGA Golf PGA Seniors' Championship - Second Round			Cross-Sport Challenge	Sr. PGA	Inside PGA	Up Close	Sportsctr.			
31	(12:00) Home & Family	ShopDrop	Shopping	It Takes Two Blooper	Carson	Carson	C. Burnett	C. Burnett			
32	Movie: Johnny Danger	Movie: Cactus Flower Walter Matthau.	(15) Movie: A Pyromaniac's Love Story *** 'PG'								Movie: Tap (1989) PG-13
33	(11:45) Movie: *** Lucas	Congo	Movie: The Adventures of Baron Munchausen 'PG'	Anaconda	Movie: Head Office Judge Reinhold. **						
34	Movie: Weekend-Bar. 2	Movie: Mr. Mom Michael Keaton. 'PG'	Movie: Three Wishes Patrick Swayze. ** 'PG'								Movie: For the Moment
35	Movie: All Fall Down (1962) Eva Marie Saint. ***	Eva Marie Saint. ***	Movie: Seven Sweethearts (1942) Van Heflin ***	Movie: Curse-Panther							
36	Wildhorse	VideoPM	Voices	America's Country Hits	Dallas			Wildhorse Saloon			Club Dance
37	Home	Housemart!	Interior Mot.	Start	Great Chefs	Great Chefs	Travelers				Movie Magic
38	Law & Order	McMillan and Wife		Cosby Mysteries	New Mike Hammer	Quincy					
39	Debt	Movie: Schemes (1995) Polly Draper, John Glover.	Commish	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Supermit	Debt				
40	Outdoors	NBA Action	Thorshbrd	Horseworld	Rodeo	Fame	Starbuck	Big 12 Show	Fishing		
41	Thunder	How the West Was Won	Wild, Wild West	Movie: Jory (1973) Robby Benson, John Marley. **							In the Heat of the Night
42	Papa Beaver	Looney	Beetlejuice	Tiny Toon	Muppets	Chipmunks	Gadget	You Affraid?	Rocko's Life	Clarissa	Tiny Toon
43	USALive	USA Live	USA Live	USA Live	USA Live	PGA Golf MCI Classic - Second Round					Renegade
44	Sombra	Quipa de Tres Mujeres		Cristina	Primer Impacto						Dr Perez
45	Canadian	Rain of Steel	Real West	Movie: The Immortal Battalion (1944) David Niven. ***	Los Canadienses						
46	Sports Babe	NBA 2Night	NBA's Great	Auto Racing	Auto Racing	1996 NASCAR Winston Cup - Goody's 500					Auto Racing

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
22	Movie: The Sword in the Stone *** 'G'	(25) Movie: A Kid in King Arthur's Court	Movie: Kids of the Round Table 'NR'	(35) Movie: Real Genius							
23	News	Ent. Tonight	Unsolved Mysteries	Dateline	Homicide: Life						(35) Tonight Show
24	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Wash. Week	Wall St.	History-Texas	Red Green	Vicar			Keeping Up	Charlie Rose	
25	News	Wh. Fortune	Fam. Mat.	Boy-World	Sabrina	Step-Step					Movie: Fast
26	Fam. Mat.	Major League Baseball Chicago Cubs at New York Mets							News	Wingsuy	Heat
27	News	Home Imp.	JAG	Cold Case		Nash Bridges					(35) Late Show
28	Rosanne	Mad-You	Sliders	Millennium	Babylon 5				Mad-You	Cops	Real TV
29	Sportsctr.	Stanley Cup Playoffs Conference Quarterfinal Game 2 - Teams To Be Announced				Baseball	Sportscenter				Baseball
30	Waltons	Highway to Heaven	Rescue 911		700 Club				Three Stooges		Carson
31	(5:00) Movie: Tap (1989)	Movie: Unstrung Heroes ** 'PG'	Riot	Outer Limits	Pottersgal: The Legacy						Movie: Lammow Man
32	Movie: Days of Thunder Tom Cruise. *** 'PG-13'	Boxing Tiger Jones vs. Ike Quarry									Dennis H.
33	Movie: For the Moment	Movie: Pinocchio's Revenge *** 'R'	Movie: Under Siege 2: Dark Territory 'R'	Movie: Safety Last (1923) ***							Movie: Sin of Harold
34	Movie: Curse-Panther	Harold Lloyd	Harold Lloyd	Movie: Safety Last (1923) ***							
35	Dukes of Hazzard	Auto Racing NASCAR Late Model 125 & SuperTruck 125							Dallas		Auto Racing
36	Wings	Wild Discovery	News	World-Word	Adventures-20th Century	Wild Discovery					News
37	Law & Order	Biography	Movie: The Little Princess (1939) ***						Law & Order		Biography
38	Dish	Dates	Wire	Pandora	Movie: Her Hidden Truth (1995) Kellie Martin.				Homicide: Life		Mysteries
39	FOX Sports News	FOX Sports	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Houston Rockets						FOX Sports News		Sports
40	In the Heat of the Night	NBA Basketball Phoenix Suns at									

# Area Events

## AMARILLO

A series of four workshops sponsored by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for people newly diagnosed with multiple sclerosis will begin on April 19.

The workshops are open to men and women who have a been diagnosed since January 1994, and their family members and friends.

On April 19, Dr. Michael Ryan, Amarillo neurologist, will focus on what multiple sclerosis is, who get it, symptom management and new research into its cause and cure.

Dr. Ryan is a past chairman of the Professional Advisory Committee of the Panhandle Chapter.

On April 26, there will be a discussion of the emotional aspects of the disease and how to deal with

it, led by Ellen Lawrence, LMSW, the director of social services at Texas Tech clinic.

Ms. Lawrence has been active with the chapter many years.

On May 10 and 17, small group workshops will focus on issues of employment, insurance and local resources.

The workshops will be from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

For more information, call Fredricka Gens at (806) 372-4429.

The Amarillo Symphony will present a new program called the Palo Duro Canyon Pops at 8 p.m. on April 25 and 26. The program will feature popular American music performed in the spectacular setting of the "TEXAS" Pioneer Amphitheater in

Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

The program will be preceded by a Sutphen's barbecue dinner from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tickets may be ordered by calling the Amarillo Symphony offices at 806-376-8782. Reservations for the barbecue dinner may also be made in advance by calling the symphony office. Tickets for the concert are \$20 each and the dinner costs \$10 per person.

The Amarillo Symphony Youth Orchestra will close its 1996-97 season with a free performance on April 28 at 8 p.m. in the Amarillo High School Auditorium.

This concert marks the 10th anniversary of the Youth Orchestra. It will feature 70 players from middle and high schools from around the Texas Panhandle.

Also scheduled for the evening is the announcement of this year's winners of the Youth Orchestra's three annual scholarships.

to the public.

For more information, contact Altermann at (214) 871-3035 or Baughman at (806) 655-1111.

## WTAMU

West Texas A&M University's Branding Iron Theatre's final production for the academic year is *Taming of the Shrew*. Performances begin at 8 p.m. April 25 and 26 and at 3 p.m. April 27.

*Taming of the Shrew* is an early comedy written by William Shakespeare about courtship and marriage utilizing the age-old motif of the battle between the sexes.

Tickets are \$10 at the door or can be purchased in advance at the Department of Art, Communication and Theatre, Room 151 in the Fine Arts Building on the WTAMU campus.

For more information or to reserve tickets, call 806-656-2798.

## TURKEY

The 26th Anniversary of Bob Wills Day in Turkey will be April 26.

Special events will begin on Thursday, April 24 with an autograph party and jam session with some of the former Texas Playboys.

There will be a dance beginning at 9 p.m. Friday, but the big day will be Saturday.

A pancake breakfast kicks off the schedule of events at 6 a.m. There is a parade down the main street at 10 a.m. followed by a barbecue lunch.

The afternoon program at the old football field is free. The Saturday night dance begins at 7 p.m. featuring Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys.

The weekend concludes with a community worship service at 8:30 a.m. Sunday.

## CANYON

Art collectors will get their chance to bid on paintings that formerly decorated Norwest Bank of Canyon in an effort to benefit two West Texas A&M University scholarships.

A pre-auction reception will be from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. April 20 in the bank's new location at 2111 4th Avenue in Canyon.

Eight paintings will be displayed, and sealed bids will be taken by Tony Altermann of Altermann and Morris Galleries in Dallas. Altermann then will take the bids and paintings with him to Dallas for his annual auction sale May 10.

Proceeds from the eight paintings will support the Levi Cole scholarship and the Norwest Bank scholarship at WTAMU, according to Charles Baughman, president of Canyon Community Banking at Norwest Bank of Canyon.

Altermann said the subject matter of the eight paintings includes western landscapes and wildlife.

The pre-auction reception is open

## ESL class set at two locations

An Adult English as a Second Language (ESL) class is being offered at two Hereford locations.

San Jose Community Center is offering classes from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. three days a week, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, beginning April 21 in San Jose Community Center.

Hereford Independent School District is offering classes from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. two evenings a week, Monday and Thursday, beginning April 21 in Room 131 in Hereford High School.

Classes in both locations are free to all adults, who may register at the site.

Child care will be available at both locations.

For more information on the classes at Hereford High School, call Severo Reyna at 363-7625 or on the classes at San Jose, call Tony Martinez at 364-1064.



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the general public on Monday. Reservations may be secured by calling 806-355-9991.

## 'Oliver' is finale of ALT season

As the finale of the 1996-97 season, Amarillo Little Theatre will present "Oliver," by Lionel Bart, a musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' classic novel *Oliver Twist*.

Hereford thespian, Amy Gilliland, will portray Old Sally in the production which will open on the ALT stage at 8 p.m. May 1, the "two-admissions-for-the-price-of-one" discount night.

ALT is pleased to feature members of the Amarillo Boy's Choir, under the direction of Jerry Perales, appearing as "Workhouse Boys" in the opening scenes of the production.

Additional performances will be held May 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16 and 17 at 8 p.m. with matinees scheduled on Sundays, May 4 and 11 at 2:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$12 for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens and \$6 for children under 12.

The ALT box office will open to

## Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, April 17, the 107th day of 1997. There are 258 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 17, 1961, about 1,500 CIA-trained Cuban exiles launched the disastrous Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in a failed attempt to overthrow the government of Fidel Castro.

On this date:

In 1492, a contract was signed by Christopher Columbus and a representative of Spain's King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella, giving Columbus a commission to seek a westward ocean passage to Asia.

In 1524, Giovanni da Verrazano reached present-day New York harbor.

In 1790, American statesman Benjamin Franklin died in Philadelphia at age 84.

In 1861, the Virginia State Convention voted to secede from the Union.

In 1941, Yugoslavia surrendered to Germany in World War II.

In 1964, Ford Motor Company unveiled its new Mustang model.

In 1964, Jerrie Mock of Columbus, Ohio, became the first woman to complete a solo airplane flight around the world.

In 1969, a jury in Los Angeles convicted Sirhan Sirhan of assassinating Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

In 1969, Czechoslovak Communist Party chairman Alexander Dubcek was deposed.

In 1970, the astronauts of Apollo 13 splashed down safely in the Pacific, four days after a ruptured oxygen tank crippled their spacecraft.

In 1975, Phnom Penh fell to Communist insurgents, ending Cambodia's five-year war.

In 1986, the bodies of American librarian Peter Kilburn and two Britons were found near Beirut; the three hostages had been slain in apparent retaliation for the U.S. raid on Libya.

Ten years ago: President Reagan slapped \$300 million in punitive duties on imported Japanese computers, television sets and power tools, in retaliation for Japan's alleged violation of a computer chip trade agreement.

Five years ago: Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told the Senate Banking Committee the modest pace of economic expansion wasn't adequate, a remark interpreted as a signal he might cut interest rates further.

One year ago: Seeking to calm Pacific security jitters, President Clinton and Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto signed a joint declaration establishing new U.S.-Japan ties for a "stable and prosperous" Asia. A jury in Los Angeles opted to spare Erik and Lyle Menendez the death penalty, recommending that the brothers instead serve life in prison without parole for gunning down their wealthy parents.

Today's Birthdays: Rock promoter Don Kirshner is 63. Composer-musician Jan Hammer is 49. Actress Olivia Hussey is 46. Rock singer-musician Pete Shelley (Buzzcocks) is 42. Actress Lela Rochon is 33. Singer Liz Phair is 30.



## Square dancers and campers

In spite of unseasonably cold weather this past weekend, members of the Wagoneers Camping and Square Dance Club camped and danced at the Bull Barn. Some played games, shopped and dined in local restaurants. On Saturday night they were joined by members of the local Merry Mixers Square Dance Club for a pot luck supper and lots of dancing, including square dancing, line dancing and good ole country two-stepping. The Wagoneers hope to put Hereford on their yearly schedule of campouts.

## Clark gives book review for Veleda Study Club

Charlotte Clark gave a review of the book *The Mothers of American Presidents* by Martha Bullock at the recent meeting of Veleda Study Club.

The book includes mothers of 35 presidents, the most recent being Lyndon Johnson's mother. Common themes uniting the women were that they were all deeply religious and intelligent. Their oldest sons were the ones who became president.

The meeting was held in the home of Theda Seivers. Frances Crume led

the club collect and roll call was answered with "Name a mother of an American president."

Bettie Dickson, Margaret Zinser and Norma Walden were appointed to the nominating committee.

The next meeting will be April 28 at the home of Della Hutto.

Those present were Marcella Brady, Juanita Brown, Mary Dziuk, Betty Gilbert, Clovis Seago, Hutto, Walden, Zinser, Crume, Seivers and guest Clark.

## Substance abuse program offered

A substance abuse program, A.C.T.S. Alcohol Chemical Treatment Series, will be taught in Hereford beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the church building located at the corner of Lafayette and Avenue H.

This program is designed to assist anyone looking for a way out of their situation, and it's free.

The program was designed by Rod Carpenter, a former prison inmate, who is now the director. The four major areas covered within the program are education/prevention, recovery, openness (discussion) and social awareness.

This will be an on-going program held every Friday. You may attend any or all meetings.



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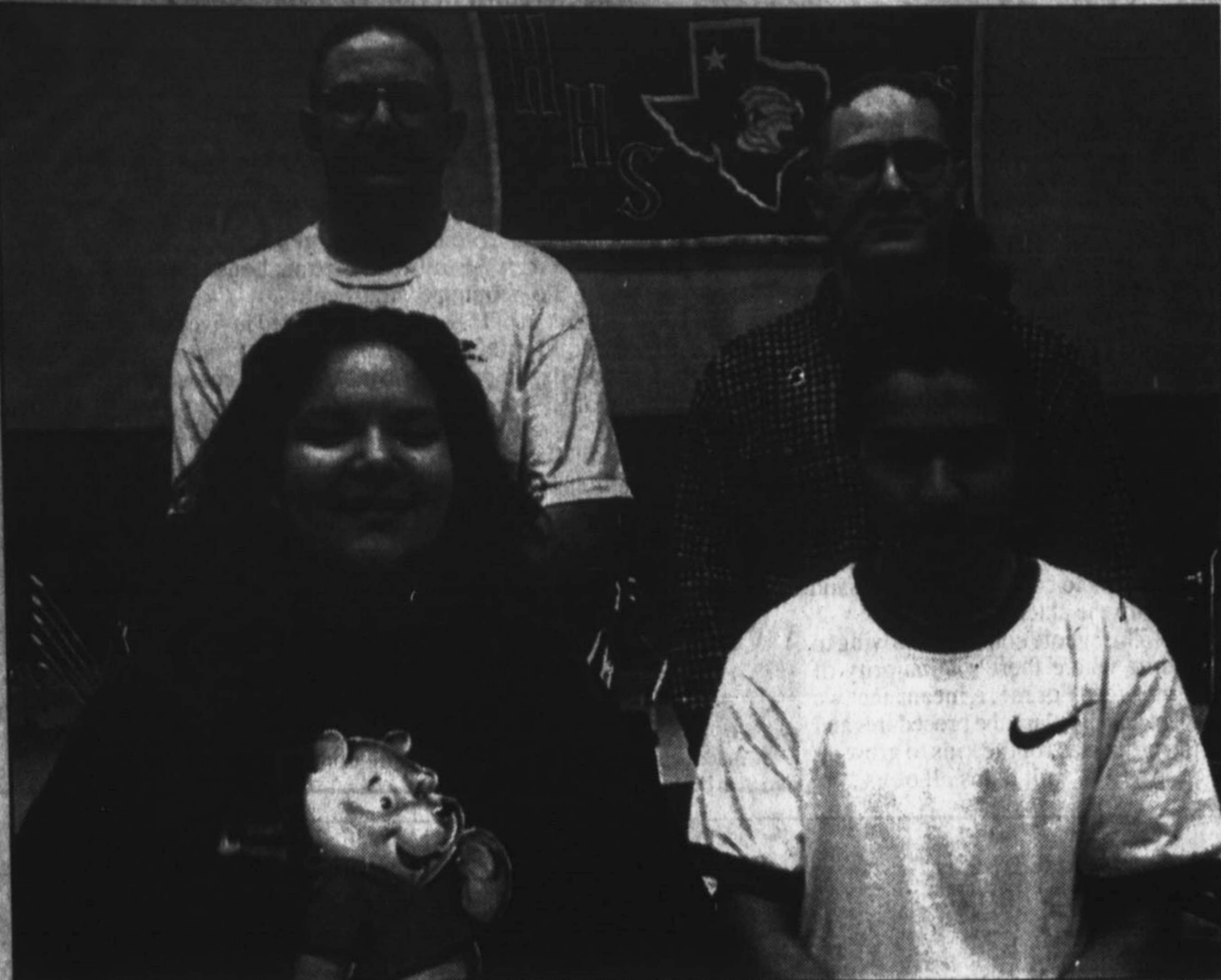
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**Bill to address CRP concerns**

WASHINGTON (AP) - Winter wheat farmers could keep some land in a popular conservation program even if it is rejected by the Agriculture Department under legislation being considered in the House.

Rep. Bob Smith, R-Ore., chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, said his panel will take up a bill today that would give certain farmers the option to remain in the Conservation Reserve Program for one more year. The draft bill would address concern that farmers who grow fall-planted crops won't have time to prepare their ground if the Agriculture Department rejects their applications to re-enroll land in the CRP.

"Farmers need to make planting decisions," Smith said Wednesday. "Folks who grow winter crops needed to know weeks ago if they will be enrolled in CRP, and USDA is still nowhere near ready to make that call."

CRP pays farmers not to grow crops on land that is prone to erosion or has other environmental benefit, such as wildlife habitat.

CRP contracts on about 22 million acres expire Sept. 30. Farmers have offered roughly 26 million acres for CRP under this year's new signups.

USDA announced new CRP rules in February and completed signups, but thousands of farmers won't know at least until June whether their land will be accepted.

In Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and other winter wheat states, farmers need to know in the spring whether they will convert CRP ground that is

based on agriculture, not rules and regulations dictated from Washington," Moran said.

If the CRP decisions don't come until summer, farmers that are rejected will get nothing out of the land because it will be too late to plant by September, said Kansas Farm Bureau spokesman Paul Fleener.

"You won't be able to get a wheat crop in it, so it's going to sit there for a year," Fleener said.

Rep. Jerry Moran, R-Kan., said the bill is narrowly tailored to address a specific need and should overcome objections raised by the Clinton administration to a blanket one-year extension of CRP.

"Farmers ought to be able to farm

Under the House bill, to be eligible a farmer must have planted fall crops on the land either when it was first enrolled in CRP or in 1996 alone, and the farmer must have placed a bid to re-enroll the land under the new CRP rules.

If USDA has not notified the farmer by May 2 whether the land is accepted or rejected, the farmer could re-enroll the land for up to one year by notifying USDA by May 16. The payment rate would be either the maximum county rental rate or the bid offered by the farmer, whichever is lower.

**State Capital**

**HIGHLIGHTS**  
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and minority areas by forcing residents to pay higher premiums.

And, the study says, the overall rejection rate has increased and insurance availability worsened over the past five years.

Insurance industry spokesman Jerry Johns, in a report by the Associated Press, said, "Any allegations that this is a racial or minority issue are absurd and totally without foundation. What apparently has occurred is groups have cobblestoned numbers together to prove what they want to prove."

Jim Davis, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Insurance, said the department recently established a hotline for people who believe they have experienced insurance discrimination by ZIP code, also known as redlining.

**Senate Approves Adoption Bill**  
The Texas Senate last week approved a bill that would make adoptions quicker, in some cases.

Sponsored by Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, the bill is aimed at expediting adoptions of children who have been removed from their parents by the state because of neglect or abuse.

"What's happening is that these children are growing up without a family. They move from foster home to foster home, and they age out (turn 18) and they're out on the street," Zaffirini said.

The bill also would create a paternity registry, making it easier to terminate the parental rights of fathers who don't claim their babies and allow the infants to be adopted, the Associated Press reported.

**Commission Merger Opposed**  
Gov. George W. Bush is opposed to a bill by Sen. David Cain, D-Dallas, that would merge the Public Utility Commission into the Texas Railroad Commission. The PUC regulates electric and telephone utilities, while the Railroad Commission regulates the state's oil and gas production, as well as gas utilities.

Under the measure, which the Senate State Affairs Committee approved 10-3, the appointed three-member PUC would be abolished and its staff and duties taken over by the Railroad Commission, whose three members are elected.

"The governor is opposed to the bill," Karen Hughes, Gov. Bush's communications director, said of Cain's bill.

But Charles Matthews, chairman of Railroad Commission, said he favors passage of the merger legislation.

**Other Capital Highlights**  
The Texas General Land Office said its annual spring sale of leases on state land to explore for oil and gas has collected \$26.6 million, the highest since 1964. A majority of

the lease bids were concentrated in the coastal bay area and in the Gulf of Mexico.

The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission this spring will use undercover agents to reduce underage drinking at senior proms and graduation events across the state. Agency spokesman Rolando Garza said agents will inspect 60 to 70 percent of the celebrations around the state and will step up undercover operations aimed at catching minors who illegally buy alcohol and vendors who illegally sell it.

**SPC schedules basic jail school**

LEVELLAND--A Basic Jail School for all area law enforcement personnel is scheduled April 21-25 at South Plains College.

Classes will meet 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Cost is \$40. Registration deadline is April 18.

The course is specifically designed for Texas jailers and guards of county jails who must complete the minimum training standards pertaining to state certification. For more information, contact the SPC Law Enforcement Office at 806-894-9611, extension 2291.

AUSTIN — State Reps. Harold Dutton and Scott Hochberg, both Houston Democrats, have filed separate bills that would make public schools more accountable for the academic progress of special education students.

Included in the legislation are provisions that would remove incentives for schools to place low-achievers in special education programs.

"We have more kids being pushed into special education for the wrong reasons. More often than not, it is a place where kids are languishing in an educational cesspool that forever labels and stifles their educational progress," Dutton said.

The proposed laws would keep school districts from routinely exempting special education students from state achievement tests. They also would count special education students' scores in schools' evaluations.

Education Commissioner Mike Moses believes special education students should be tested and their scores counted. "We need to get as many children as possible in the assessment system," he said.

**House Passes Tax Work-off Bill**

Citizens 65 and older would be able to work for school districts to pay off their school property tax, under legislation passed by the Texas House last week.

The measure, sponsored by Rep. Brian McCall, R-Plano, is modeled after a Colorado plan that allows school districts to contract with older citizens who want to work off their tax debt at minimum wage. The money earned is credited to their property tax bills.

"School districts in many cases have trouble finding people to do certain jobs in schools," McCall was quoted in the *Austin American-Statesman*.

"If a community has a concert pianist and they are short in the music department, they can bring in a retired concert pianist to work with the students."

**Auto Insurers Discriminate?**

A study by the Austin-based Center for Economic Justice says insurance companies writing auto policies for Texas drivers are discriminating against low-income

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