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Today's weather OUTLOOK

Mostly clear skies

Tonight: A less than 20 percent chance of mainly evening thunderstorms, otherwise mostly clear skies, lows in the upper 60s, south winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny with highs in the mid-90s, south winds 15 to 20 mph.

Thursday night: Mostly clear, lows in the upper 60s.

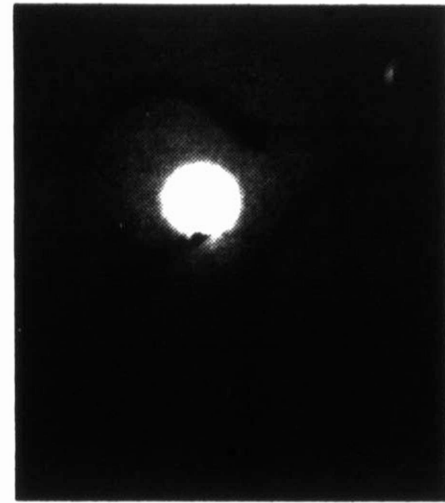
Extended forecast

Friday: Mostly sunny, highs in the mid-90s.

Saturday and Sunday: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of late afternoon and nighttime thunderstorms, lows 65 to 70, highs in the lower 90s.

Hereford weather

Tuesday's high, 95; low, 67; no precipitation; year-to-date rainfall, 11.19 inches, according to KPAN Radio.



High-pressure system to dominate the week

Much of Texas will be under the influence the rest of this week of high pressure, which will bring hot and dry summertime conditions.

Early morning temperatures were in the 70s across the southern half of Texas, with readings ranging from 70 degrees at Conroe and the north side of Houston to 79 degrees at Del Rio, Rockport and Palacios.

But the National Weather Service said afternoon temperatures would range from along 90 degrees along the immediate Texas coast to around 100 degrees along the Rio Grande.

In West Texas, early morning temperatures ranged from 64 degrees at Marfa to 81 degrees at El Paso, but highs were expected to be mostly in the 90s, but as high as 105 in the Big Bend.

Only a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms were expected in South Texas, mostly along the Coastal Plains. Forecasters also expected afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms in the northwest part of the South Plains and the extreme western Panhandle.

A few high clouds drifted over North Texas during the early morning hours of Wednesday, and patchy fog developed in East Texas, but posed no problems.

Winds were 10 to 15 mph in North Texas and 5 to 10 mph across the remainder of the state.

Temperatures tonight are expected to drop into the 60s and 70s, except for the upper 50s over the Guadalupe Mountains of far West Texas.

Budgeteers to get figures

Appraisal district begins to figure effective tax rates for city, county and districts

By Donald M. Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Budget planners for county taxing entities will know where to start within a couple of weeks, according to the chief appraiser for Deaf Smith County.

Danny Jones said Monday the county's Appraisal Review Board has completed its hearing of property owners' challenges of their valuation and the Deaf Smith County Appraisal District has begun prepar-

ing the effective tax rate for the county, City of Hereford, Deaf Smith County Hospital District and Walcott School District.

Although the appraisal district conducts the appraisal of property within Hereford Independent School District, it will not have to provide the effective tax rate for HISD administrators.

The effective tax rate is the rate

TOP 10 PROPERTIES

1. Holly Sugar Corp., \$20,236,662
2. Burlington Northern Santa Fe, \$14,472,442
3. Hereford Bi-Products, \$13,375,986
4. Southwestern Public Service Co., \$10,643,360
5. Binbo Cereal Foods, \$9,621,770
6. Arrowhead Mills, \$9,224,588
7. Tri State Chemicals, \$8,502,625
8. Farmland Industries, \$7,133,410
9. Livestock Investments, \$7,115,840
10. Hereford Grain Corp., \$6,314,470

required to generate the same amount of revenue in the next budget year as it did in the current fiscal year.

The appraisal district presented its annual appraisals to the taxing entities in May; however, property owners who contested the tax value placed on their properties had an

opportunity June 27 to present their arguments to the review board.

The appraisal review board (ARB) is an independent panel of residents responsible for hearing and settling protests for property owners who disagree with some action by the appraisal district. The notice includes instructions on how and when to file a protest and a protest form.

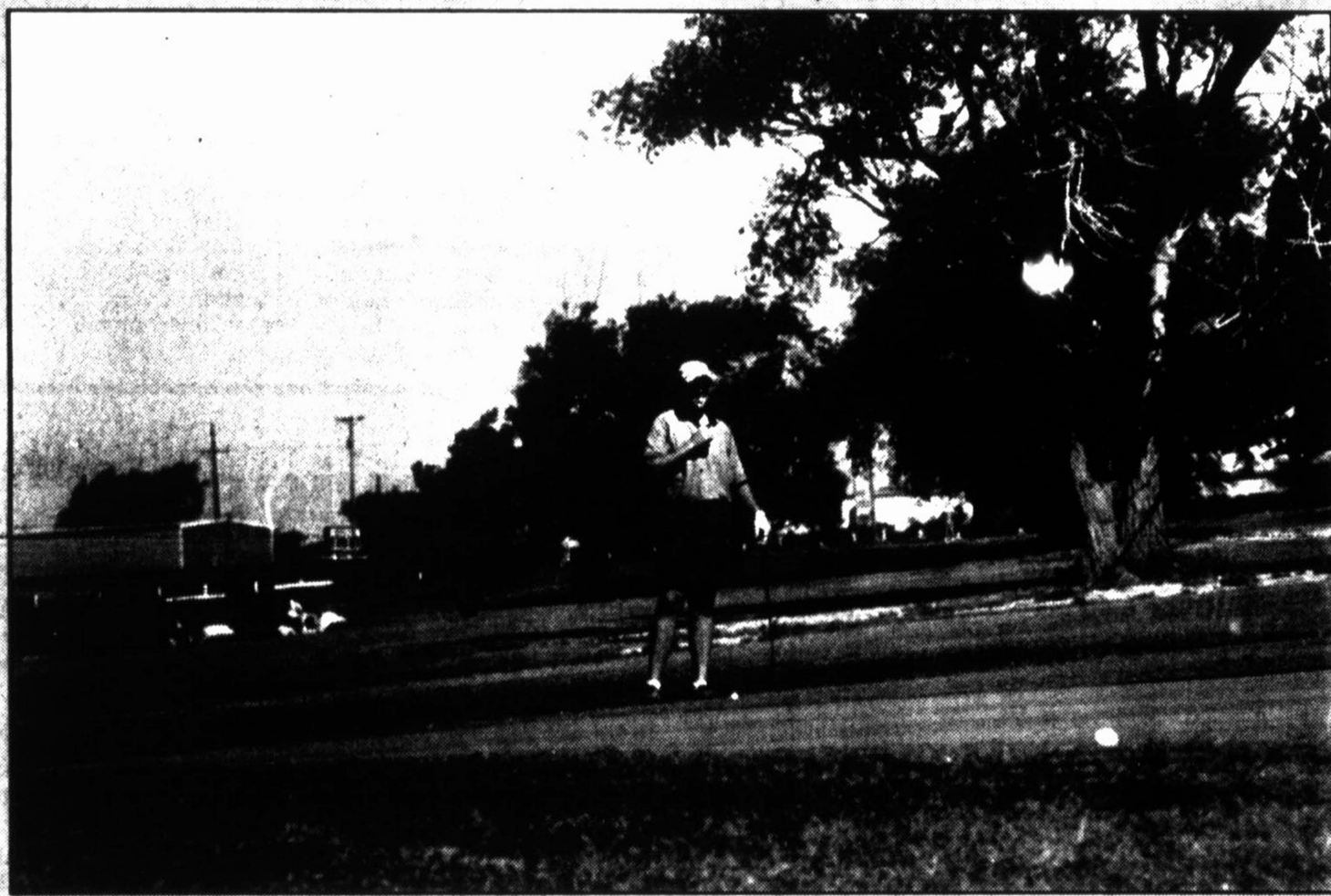
Jones said there were some changes in the tax values, but nothing was significant.

Two years of drought during the latter part of the 1990s had an adverse effect on the county tax base. In determining the value of agricultural land, the appraisal district includes a five-year average of crop value.

Crop yields (and value) were down in 1997 and 1998 because of drought,

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MAKING A WISH



Deciding how to putt — The annual Hereford Open took place last weekend and raised over \$3,000 for the local Make-A-Wish Foundation chapter. The tournament featured 96 participants and \$5,000 given out to tournament winners. D.J. Wagner tries to decide where to line up a putt during Saturday's action.

Leading indicator declines

NEW YORK (AP) — A key gauge of future economic activity fell in May, suggesting that the Federal Reserve's efforts to put the brakes on economic expansion are working.

The Index of Leading Economic Indicators declined by 0.1 percent, primarily because of a pullback in manufacturing and a decline in stock prices, the Conference Board said Wednesday. The index held steady in April, according to revised figures, after increasing by 0.1 percent in March.

The index compiled by the business-financed research group attempts to forecast economic trends for the next three to six months. It now stands at 106. It stood at 100 in 1996, its base year.

The stock market, which opened

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— DAVID ORR,
chief economist, First Union Corp.

lower Wednesday, remained down following the release of the report. In late morning trading, the Dow Jones industrial average was off 40.30 at 10,520.37 and the Nasdaq composite index was down 79.20 at 3,912.73.

The report, which was slightly above analysts' expectations, was the latest in a series of economic data to suggest that the economy, while still growing, is slowing down.

"Primarily, it's further confirmation that the economy is moderat-

ing," said David Orr, chief economist at First Union Corp. "The brakes are being tapped."

Concerns about too-rapid expansion and fears of inflation have prompted the Fed to raise interest rates six times in the past year. The central bank left rates unchanged at its most recent meeting last week, but left the door open to the possibility of another rate hike at its next meeting on Aug. 22.

According to Wednesday's report, there still is some strength left in the economy. The Coincident Indicators, which gauge current economic activity, rose 0.2 percent in May, boosted by strength in industrial production and personal income.

The index of lagging indicators also rose, climbing by 0.2 percent.

Data on medical errors disputed

CHICAGO (AP) — A 1999 report that said medical mistakes kill as many as 98,000 hospitalized Americans each year used flawed methodology and is greatly exaggerated, researchers reported Wednesday.

Scientists at the Indiana University School of Medicine said they suspect the death toll from errors is in fact very small and called the parts of the November report from the Institute of Medicine "hot and shrill."

The report, the researchers said, never established that medical errors caused the deaths and failed to eliminate other risks for sick patients before drawing conclusions.

"The available data do not support IOM's claim of large numbers of deaths caused by adverse events, (preventable or otherwise)," wrote Clement J. McDonald and two Indiana colleagues in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

In a rebuttal article, Dr. Lucian L. Leape, of the Harvard School of Public Health, argued that the IOM report is accurate. Leape co-authored the IOM report and conducted some of the research upon which it is based.

The groundbreaking report said medical errors kill anywhere from 44,000 to 98,000 hospitalized Americans each year and called for major

changes in the nation's health care system to protect patients.

The report said the problem isn't recklessness by doctors or nurses as much as it is the result of flaws in the way hospitals, clinics and pharmacies operate. After the report, President Clinton said hospitals should agree to routine reporting of serious and deadly mistakes.

In today's rebuttal, Leape said his report may have actually underestimated the extent of the problem because many errors are never recorded in the medical record. Also, the report did not examine injuries outside the hospital. More than half of surgical procedures take place

outside of a hospital setting.

Leape defended the report's research methodology, saying screening criteria eliminated patients who were extremely ill or had complicated conditions. He said the patients were not as ill as the Indiana researchers implied and likely would have lived if not for the mistakes.

"The IOM report has galvanized a national movement to improve patient safety," Leape writes.

Despite their differences, the Indiana researchers said they agreed with the report's call to understand the cause of medical errors and for the development of mechanisms to reduce error rates.

100 Brand enters its centennial year, debuted Feb. 23, 1901

100!
Although the Hereford Brand's official 100th birthday is not until next year, the paper officially entered its 100th year today when the volume number front page rolled over from No. 99 to No. 100.

Hereford was about 2½ years old and had a population of 700 when the *Brand's* predecessor, the *Hereford Reporter*, made its debut Feb. 23, 1901.

The *Reporter* was launched by Frank L. Vanderburgh, a native of New York, who moved to the Texas Panhandle for his health.

Without any announcement, Vanderburgh changed the name of the paper to the *Hereford Brand* on March 2, 1902, even registering the name as a livestock brand in the Deaf Smith County Clerk's Office.

The first home for the newspaper was on Dewey Avenue (now Main Street) and the first issue, a four-page tabloid, proclaimed "Hereford is the most prosperous town on the plains."

The newspaper survived a series of short-term owners for several years before Seth Holman purchased the weekly. Holman ran the paper successfully until 1929, when he sold it. Two publishing companies ran the *Brand* for the next two years, when Holman, despite poor health, repurchased the newspaper, operating it until July 30, 1933, when he died at 51.

His widow remained as owner of the *Brand*, which ran through three different editors until Feb. 11, 1937, when she hired Jimmy M. Gillentine of Wellington as managing editor. It was the start of an almost 35-year association with the *Brand* for Gillentine.

Two years later, Gillentine purchased half interest in the newspaper, and he became sole owner on March 1, 1949, when Mrs. Holman sold her remaining interest. She had served as president of the Panhandle Press Association 1940-41, the first woman to hold that position.

Gillentine was a strong industrial and agricultural booster of Hereford and his "Hereford Bull" column became a regular feature in the newspaper.

In the aftermath of World War II, Gillentine installed a new press and converted the newspaper into a semi-weekly on July 4, 1948, with the first issue of the *Sunday Brand*. At the time, it would be one of the few semi-weekly newspapers in the country to have a Sunday edition.

With Hereford and Deaf Smith County enjoying significant growth, Gillentine and other area publishers established a central printing plant, Southwest Offset Printing, in Hereford. In 1965, the company added a second plant in Amarillo, and another large plant in Dallas several years later.

With Gillentine devoting more of his time to the operations of Southwest Offset, he turned over much of

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HEREFORD BRAND

Local roundup

King's Manor barbecue to be Saturday

The annual barbecue, auction and quilt/stitchery show to benefit the benevolent fund at King's Manor Methodist Home will begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the Lamar Room of the Manor. Items for the auction or show must be in the Manor office before 5 p.m. Friday.

The barbecue dinner will include barbecue brisket, potato salad, coleslaw, beans, hot bread and tea.

The auction will begin at 7 p.m. with auctioneer Larry Noland.

Brisendine to be in Miss Texas Pageant

Wendy Brisendine, former Miss Hereford, will participate as Miss Texas Parhandle in the Miss Texas Pageant which will air 8-10 p.m. Saturday on KVII-TV, channel 7.

Farewell reception planned for Furr

A reception honoring Jan Furr, a long-time member of the Deaf Smith County Historical Society, a Master Gardener and member of the Hereford Beautification Alliance who has been instrumental in the development of many local beautification projects, will be held from 9-11 a.m. Friday at the gazebo and gardens of the E.B. Black House, 508 W. 3rd.

Furr and her husband, Dale, are moving to Amarillo. Area residents are welcome to come have refreshments, tour the gardens and wish Furr well as she prepares for the move.

Appraisal

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but when the appraisers begin work on the 2001 valuations, the 1999 crop year will be the base — and the yields were higher than in 1997 and 1998.

Tax abatements also cost the county and school district about \$8 million each.

Archie "Bumbo" Midland, built a grain-handling complex near the intersection of U.S. Highway 60 and County Road 1, and Bumbo Cattle Feeds Inc.'s masa mill near Dawn, received 50 percent, five-year tax abatements.

Because of the abatement, both companies will be taxed on half of the value of their properties. The taxable value of ADM is \$1,889,500. Bumbo's taxable value is \$4,301,960.

The total appraised values of property for 2000, following the ARB reviews, are:

- City of Hereford, \$284,167,037, up \$10.8 million from 1999;
 - Deaf Smith County, \$557,567,730, up \$23.7 million;
 - Deaf Smith County Hospital District, \$579,295,357, up \$21.5 million;
 - Hereford Independent School District, \$477,648,338, up \$21.5 million; and
 - Walnut School District, \$30,033,857, down \$757,080.
- The appraised values before the ARB reviews were:
- City of Hereford, \$284,850,696;
 - Deaf Smith County, \$584,592,775;
 - Deaf Smith County Hospital District, \$583,031,943;
 - Hereford Independent School District, \$480,828,944; and
 - Walnut School District, \$29,966,049.

Brand

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the newspaper's management to Melvin Young in 1962. Young would be the newspaper's general manager for the next nine years.

In November 1971 Gillentine sold the *Brand* and the Hereford printing plant to a corporation of several West Texas publishers, with O.G. "Speedy" Nieman moving to Hereford as publisher and president of the newspaper and printing plant, which would be renamed North Plains Printing.

Nieman and his wife, Lavon, operated the *Slatonite* for several years before selling their interest in that paper and making the move to Hereford. The couple quickly made a lasting and positive impact on the community.

When Nieman West Texas reporter and editor, Nieman served as president of three press associations, including the Texas Press, West Texas Press and North Plains Press associations.

The *Brand* was converted from a semi-weekly to a daily newspaper in 1976. The paper then began publishing editions five times a week, skipping Monday and Saturday.

In 1981 Nieman was also instrumental in moving the *Brand* and its printing plant to a new location, then named North Plains Printing, under a new name. Both companies were moved into a brand new L-shaped facility having separate business frontages on 313 N. Lee and 312 E. 1st Street. The new plant included the installation of a modern Harris offset press, the new printing plant, replacing an older Goss press which had been in service for many years at the printing plant's previous location on the 500 block of 1st Street.

Donald M. Cooper, a graduate of Hereford High School and Texas Tech University, had been serving as advertising director.

Cooper joined the newspaper in December 1979, serving as advertising director when he switched to the advertising department in 1981 and advertising director in July 1982.

Cooper, who is now retired, although he would continue to write a "Hereford Bull" column until shortly before his death in 1998, and Montgomery was named publisher of the newspaper and president of North Plains Publishing.

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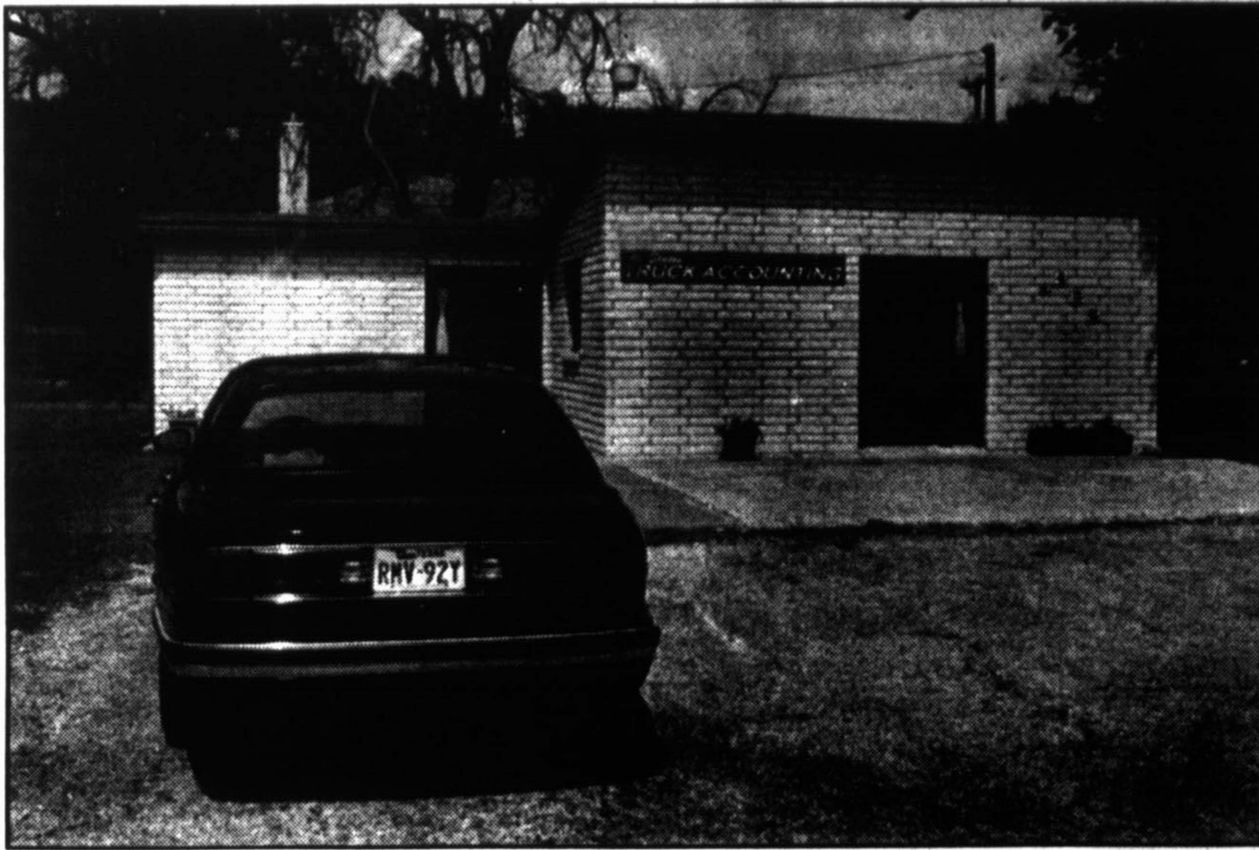
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The *Hereford Brand* was established as a weekly in February 1901, converted to a semi-weekly in 1948, and to five days weekly on July 4, 1976.

O.G. Nieman, Publisher (1972-98)
Mauri Montgomery, Publisher
Donald M. Cooper, Managing Editor
Jay Guerrero, Circulation Manager



Under new ownership — The Deaf Smith Chamber of Commerce Hustlers, Hereford's official goodwill ambassadors, last week welcomed Anna Solomon and Bill Johnson as new owners of All States Truck Accounting located at 436 N. Schley. The sister/brother partnership purchased the longtime Hereford business from Joyce Walker. Solomon and Johnson, and their employees, were welcomed Thursday to the Hereford business community with a ribbon-cutting ceremony sponsored by the chamber.

Crude oil prices plunge

The Associated Press

Crude oil prices plummeted 7 percent Wednesday after Saudi Arabia signaled it may soon begin producing an additional half-million barrels a day to cut short a relentless rise in oil prices that could threaten world economic growth.

The frenzied selloff on the New York Mercantile Exchange came on the first trading day after Monday's announcement by the world's leading oil-producing nation, which caught even fellow OPEC members by surprise. The exchange

was closed Tuesday for the Independence Day holiday.

Soon after the opening bell, the near-term contract — crude for August delivery — was down \$2.25 to \$30.25 a barrel.

In a development that bodes well for motorists complaining of soaring gasoline prices, other energy products also were knocked sharply lower by crude's fall.

Prices of gasoline contracts dropped 7 percent and heating oil and natural gas contracts each dipped 4 percent, although such changes generally take a few weeks to af-

fect the retail market.

The Saudis said in a statement Monday they will provide higher production within a few days if prices don't quickly head lower toward their preferred price of about \$25 a barrel.

Other top oil producers were caught off guard by the unilateral decision because it came less than two weeks after the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries agreed on an increase of 708,000 barrels a day to try to force down prices.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for June 30-July 4, 2000, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrests

— A 19-year-old male was arrested in the 800 block of Miles Avenue for driving while license suspended and other traffic charges.

— A 22-year-old male was arrested in the 800 block of S. Texas for disorderly conduct.

— A 25-year-old male was arrested on an outstanding Potter County warrant.

— A 43-year-old female was arrested on city traffic infractions.

— Three adult males were arrested in the 500 block of 13th St. for public intoxication.

— A 30-year-old female was arrested in the 300 block of Bradley St. for outstanding Department of Public Safety traffic warrants.

— A 20-year-old female was arrested in the 1300 block of E. Park Ave. for outstanding city warrants.

Incidents

— Phone harassment was reported in the 200 block of Hickory Street.

— A burglary was reported in the 900 block of 13th. A stereo was taken.

— Officers investigated a call of a deceased 83-year-old male in the 600 block of N. Avenue K. An inquest was performed and the death was deemed caused by natural causes.

— Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of Irving. Damage was estimated at \$200.

— A burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 400 block of Hickory. Unknown suspect(s) stole numerous CDs and a cell phone valued at approximately \$3,100.

— Phone harassment was reported in the 800 block of W. First St. The suspect called the victim repeatedly after she told him to stop.

— A report of a runaway was made in the 1000 block of 13th St. The juvenile was found and

returned home.

— A report of a domestic assault was made in the 200 block of Jowell Avenue.

— Driving while license suspended was reported in the 100 block of E. Park Ave.

— Criminal mischief was reported in the 100 block of Avenue E. The suspect got mad and threw rocks at the victim's vehicle, damaging the door.

— Disorderly conduct was reported in the 600 block of Irving St. No charges were filed and a suspect was not identified.

— A theft was reported in the 100 block of E. Sixth. The loss of household goods was estimated at \$1,200.

— A burglary of a habitation was reported in the 300 block of 16th St.

— A vehicle was detained for speeding in the 1600 block of E. First St. The vehicle was searched for illegal contraband. None was found and the vehicle and occupants were released.

— Deadly conduct was reported in the 600 block of Avenue J after several shots were fired at a residence. Several persons were in the residence at the time of the shooting, but no one was injured. This case is under investigation.

— An incident involving an argument between a husband and wife was reported in the 400 block of Paloma Lane.

— Criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of Avenue H. The damage was estimated at \$800.

— A report of a mailbox being hit by a vehicle in the 200 block of Whiteface.

— Criminal mischief was reported in the 200 block of N. Kingwood. The rear windshield of a car was broken out. Damages was estimated at \$500.

— A report of broken fluorescent lights in the 200 block of N. Sampson Ave.

— Theft of a purse was reported in the 400 block of N. Main St.

— An item with an estimated value of \$20 was reported lost or stolen in the 400 block of N. Main St.

Accidents

— A minor accident was re-

ported at 15th and Hwy. 385.

— A major accident was reported in the 100 block of E. Park Avenue. A vehicle pulled out in front of a motorcycle. The two occupants on the motorcycle were transported to the hospital.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Arrests

— A 46-year-old male was arrested and charged with public intoxication.

Incidents

— Domestic violence was reported.

— An assault and terrorist threat were reported.

— Public intoxication was reported.

— A dog bite was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

July 1

— 4:11 p.m. Firefighters responded to a wreck one mile south of FM2856 on Road I. One injury was reported.

July 2

— 10:11 p.m. Firefighters responded to a call at Hwy. 60 and 385, an electrical short at Kentucky Fried Chicken. There was no major damage.

July 4

— 12:06 a.m. Firefighters responded to a wreck in the 500 block of N. 25 Mile Ave. Two injuries were reported.

— 10:30 p.m. There was a false alarm.

CRIME STOPPERS

The Hereford Police are seeking information in regards to a burglary of a habitation. The crime took place on or about May 27 in the 500 block of Avenue H. A VCR and a compact disc player were among the items taken during the incident.

If you have information about this or any type of criminal activity, call the clue line at 344-CLUE (2583). Rewards of up to \$1,000 are paid for information which leads to an arrest for all crimes punishable by time in jail, a fine or both. All callers may remain anonymous.

All reward recipient criteria and reward amounts are voted on and assessed through the Deaf Smith County Crime Stoppers Inc. board of directors.

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Obituaries

BESSIE M. MATHEWS
July 1, 2000

Services for Bessie M. Mathews, 85, were Sunday in Rix Funeral Home Chapel.

Mrs. Mathews died Saturday, July 1, 2000.

She was born Nov. 21, 1914, in Sulphur Springs to James and Ida Cranford. She married Henry Mathews on Dec. 22, 1947, in Paducah. He preceded her in death on Oct. 12, 1998. She was also preceded in death by two daughters.

She was a retired postal employee. Mrs. Mathews was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Milton "Sonny" Lee Mathews of Hereford; two sisters, Erna Templeton of Comanche, Okla.; a sister-in-law, Francis Cranford of Owasso, Okla.; and several nieces and nephews.

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ROSCOE LEE PINNELL
June 17, 2000

Services for Roscoe Lee Pinnell, 84, of Amarillo were held June 21 in Amarillo with graveside services at Memorial Park Cemetery in Vega.

Mr. Pinnell died June 17, 2000. He was born in Canadian and came to northwest Deaf Smith County in 1929. He farmed north of Hereford for five years then moved to the Simms Community in 1944. He retired from active farming in 1979.

He married Ola Ruth Wells in 1937 in Miami. She died in 1974.

He married Alma Irene Zaring in 1977 in Adrian.

He was preceded in death by a grandson.

Mr. Pinnell was a member of San Jacinto United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Judy Chism of Adrian and Linda Pohlmeier of Amarillo; two sons, Edward Lee Pinnell of Wagon Mound, N.M., and Phil Pinnell of Plainview; two step-daughters, Myrna Jackson of Vega and Patty Bannister of Canada; a stepson, Jimmy Zaring of Borger; a sister, Opal Johnson Perry of Dumas; a sister-in-law, Doris Marie Pinnell of Clovis; 17 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

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KARA LYN PEARSON

June 28, 2000

CLOVIS, N.M.—Memorial services for Kara Lyn Pearson, 32, of Farmington, N.M., were Saturday in Steed-Todd Funeral Home Chapel. Cremation has taken place.

Miss Pearson died June 28, 2000.

Miss Pearson was born in El Paso. She graduated from Clovis High School in 1986. She attended New Mexico State University. She had worked as a paralegal at Crane and Tejada Law Firm in Durango, Colo.

Survivors include her parents, Bobbie and Swede Johnson of Clovis and Tony and Anna Pearson of Hobbs; a brother, Kevin Pearson of Albuquerque, N.M.; and grandparents, Sue Crow of Clovis, and Thama Pearson Combs and Mutt Wheeler, both of Hereford.

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Texas lottery

Cash Five

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

5-21-24-26-32

Pick 3

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

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CREATORS SYNDICATE

Ann Landers



Ann Landers set the record straight. I agree with the priest who said, "Weddings have become theatrical productions directed by the bride's mother." The reason for this is that most clergy are too gutless to stand up to people who only want to use the church as a social backdrop. Clergy are supposed to be spiritual leaders and defenders of the faith.

As a church organist for 40 years, I have witnessed the deterioration of worship of all kinds, including weddings and funerals. Secular music, pathetic excuses for sermons and people yakking and crawling over pews in an attempt to be friendly have all contributed to the downfall of the church. An Episcopal minister who wrote to you said, "Many Roman Catholics who are divorced and cannot get married in their own church come to me. The last three weddings I performed, the couples had been living together for several years. I felt like a hypocrite."

One minister who wrote to you complained "there should be a dress code for brides." Well, there is, but no one wants to enforce it. Clergy have "relaxed" so that they can be popular. Well, they may be popular, but do people respect them? They are contributing to the ruin of the insti-

tution they have sworn to serve.

With regard to the priest who was upset because he didn't get paid more for weddings because "that's his job," sorry, Buster, but it IS your job, and you are paid a salary to do it. As an organist, I expect to be paid for weddings because my salary is not full-time. If I had a clergy salary and benefits, I'd be happy to play for weddings without any additional fee.

I've signed my name because I'm not a coward hiding behind the anonymity of a collar to protect myself. — Bruce Cornely, Gainesville, Fla.

Dear Bruce Cornely: Thank you for an extraordinarily candid letter. I admire your courage, and appreciate your laying it on the line. I know I promised not to print any more letters on this subject, but yours was especially forthright. And now, I'm sure YOU will be getting some interesting mail. Here's one more letter on another wedding subject:

Dear Ann Landers: After reading the letters from members of the clergy who hate weddings, I had to write about my observations as a layperson.

Before my husband and I were married, we attended several weddings, either as guests or members of the bridal party. At some of the weddings, the bride and groom smashed cake in each other's faces, with the frosting flying everywhere. Other weddings included the "Money Dance," where guests paid to dance with the bride. One bride had dozens of \$5

bills pinned to her gown. In my opinion, guests are there to celebrate a marriage and should not be expected to pay for a dance. Besides, most guests bring a gift, and that should be a sufficient "thank you."

My husband and I decided not to follow those "traditions" when we married. During the cake-cutting, a group of guests started to yell, "Smash it! Smash it!" Can you imagine smashing cake in the face of anyone — much less the face of your beloved, at the wedding reception? Sign me — Disgusted in Fremont, Calif.

Dear Disgusted: That makes two of us. That cake-in-the-face routine, to my way of thinking, is the most vulgar, disgusting custom of all time. I don't know how a truly in-love couple could do such a thing. Any couple who participates in that no-brainer spectacle must have some deep-seated hostility buried somewhere.

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Change of command — New officers of the Hereford Rotary Club were installed during the meeting held Monday at noon in the Hereford Community Center. Officers serving the club in its 56th year pictured are, from left, Chris Bullard, treasurer and immediate past president; Pat Newton, president; Rebecca Walls, secretary; Suzanne Gibbs, vice president; and Joe Kerr sergeant at arms. Not pictured is John Baxter, president-elect.

Orators attend WTAMU camp

Nine members of the Hereford High School Orators Club recently attended a two-week long speech and theater camp at West Texas A&M University.

The students did research, prepared cases and performances, and participated in debates and competitions to develop and strengthen their

skills in preparation for their tournaments scheduled during the new school year.

The cross-examination advanced participants were Aaron Landers and Cassie Hulsey, and the cross-examination novice participant was Cassie Daniel.

In the Lincoln-Douglas debate class, the participants in-

cluded Wendy Briones, Abigail Caperton, Toby Meeks, and Jacob Spriggs.

The oral interpretation participants were Amy Bell and Amariah Rodriguez.

Lana Hall, the HHS Orators sponsor, was an instructor for the Lincoln-Douglas debate class during the camp.

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WEDNESDAY—Chicken strips with gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered black-eyed peas, onion and pickle slices, bread pudding with raisin sauce; or roast beef, D'zerta pudding.

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BEALLS



King's Manor annual auction will be held in conjunction with the annual barbecue at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the Lamar Room of King's Manor. Janet Coleman, Manor employee, is shown above with an Eldon Fortenberry framed print and lamp which will be among the items up for bids during the auction. All proceeds will benefit the benevolent fund for the care of King's Manor/Westgate residents. To donate items for the auction or for more information, call the King's Manor office (364-0661) or Nancy Denison (364-6839).

Alzheimer's support group to hold meeting at Fellowship of Believers Church in Hereford

In affiliation with the Alzheimer's Association, Panhandle Chapter, the Hereford support group for family caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 20 in Fellowship of Believers Church, 245 N. Kingwood, next door to Hereford Care Center.

Friends, relatives and neighbors of these brave caregivers are encouraged to offer to stay with the person with Alzheimer's to allow the caregiver a rest. Respite care is vital for these caregivers whose days are typically 36-hours long.

The "bible" for caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's is

entitled, **The 36-Hour Day: A Family Guide to Caring for Persons with Alzheimer's Disease, Related Dementing Illnesses, and Memory Loss in Later Life** by Mace and Rabins. Thanks to the generosity of Hereford's Pilot Club and the Fellowship of Believers Church, this excellent resource is available at no cost by calling 364-0359.

LOOKING BACK

Today in History

By The Associated Press
Today is Wednesday, July 5, the 187th day of 2000. There are 179 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 5, 1950, Private Kenneth Shadrick of Skin Fork, W.Va., became the first U.S. serviceman to die in the Korean War.

On this date:

In 1801, American naval hero David G. Farragut was born in Knoxville, Tenn.

In 1811, Venezuela became the first South American country to declare independence from Spain.

In 1830, the French occupied the North African city of Algiers.

In 1865, William Booth founded the Salvation Army in London.

In 1940, during World War II, Britain and the Vichy government in France broke diplomatic relations.

In 1946, the bikini made its debut during an outdoor fash-

ion show at the Molitor Pool in Paris.

In 1947, Larry Doby signed a contract with the Cleveland Indians, becoming the first black player in the American League.

In 1948, Britain's National Health Service Act went into effect, providing government-financed medical and dental care.

In 1975, Arthur Ashe defeated fellow American Jimmy Connors to become the first black man to win a Wimbledon singles title.

In 1975, the Cape Verde Islands officially became independent after 500 years of Portuguese rule.

Ten years ago: NATO leaders opened a two-day meeting in London to revise the alliance's strategy in light of easing East-West tensions in Europe and the unraveling of the Warsaw Pact.

Five years ago: More than 100 Grateful Dead fans were injured when a deck on

which they gathered collapsed at a campground near Wentzville, Mo.

One year ago: President Clinton began a four-day cross-country tour to promote a plan for drawing jobs and investment to areas that had not shared in the prosperity of the 1990s.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Katherine Helmond is 66. Actress Shirley Knight is 64. Singer-musician Robbie Robertson is 56. Julie Nixon Eisenhower is 52. Rock star Huey Lewis is 50. Baseball pitcher Rich "Goose" Gossage is 49. Country musician Charles Ventre (River Road) is 48. Singer-songwriter Marc Cohn is 41. R&B singer Joe is 27. Rock musician Bengt Lagerberg (The Cardigans) is 27. Actor Dale Godboldo ("Shasta McNasty") is 25.

Thought for Today: "The truly fashionable are beyond fashion." —Cecil Beaton, English fashion photographer and costume designer (1904-1980).

College Report

Wayland Baptist University in Plainview has recognized two students from Hereford who have achieved academic excellence while handling a class load of at least 12 semester hours.

Matthew Baird, son of Ernest and Mary Baird was named to the

President's List for maintaining a 4.0 grade point average.

Brenda Barrett, daughter of Kevin and Dareathia Barrett, was named to the Dean's List for maintaining a 3.5 or better grade point average for the spring term.

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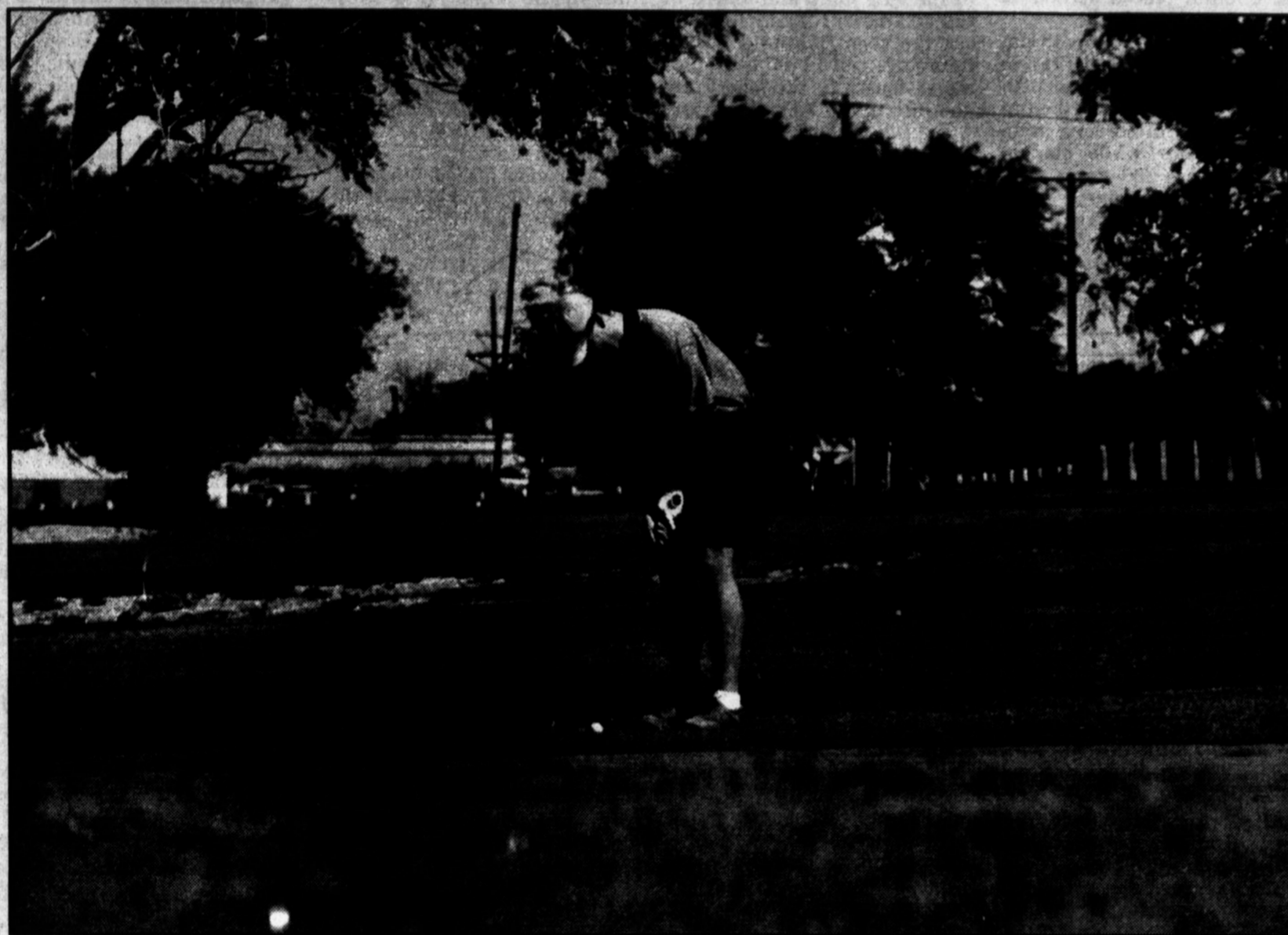
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GOLFING FOR KIDS



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Golfing for kids—The Hereford Open took place this past weekend at the John Pitman Municipal Golf Course. The tournament featured two days of play with various different tournament formats. Scrambles, low ball and modified Chapman were included in the weekend's play. Golfers also were able to compete for \$5,000 in prizes. The tournament's main goal was to raise money for the local Make-A-Wish chapter. The tournament was able to raise over \$3,000 for the local chapter. D.J. Wagner, top, chips a shot toward the ninth green on Saturday in an effort to get a good score. Another group of golfers, left, aims for the flag stick trying to get the ball close to the hole. After Saturday's events were over, the golfers participating in the tournament headed for Caison's Pancake House for a dinner and an auction to help the Make-A-Wish Foundation. More than 90 golfers from the Panhandle area participated in this weekend's tournament.

Hereford Open helps foundation

■ Kevin Kelso hits first career hole-in-one during Hereford Open competition

The Hereford Open took place this past weekend at the John Pitman Municipal Golf Course with over 90 participants to help raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

The tournament raised over \$3,000 for the local Make-A-Wish chapter. Also, tournament participants were able to compete for \$5,000 in prizes.

In the championship flight, the first place trophy went to Mike Yale and Wylie McIntyre from Amarillo with a two-day total of 194. Mike Self and Jeff Langen of Amarillo placed second with their total score of 199 just five shots behind the winners. Third place went to Cory Newton and Paul Hubbard who shot a 201.

For the first flight, Grant Lance and Richard McFarland of Amarillo placed first with a 212. In second place, Ed Burge and Trini Valdez of Amarillo finished one off the lead with a 213. In third place, Marin Rivas and Rosie Gonzales of Hereford finished at 214 for the weekend.

In the second flight, Bob Sims and Scott Keeling of Hereford placed first with their total of 220, and Wendell Burdine and John Robinson of Hereford placed second with a score of 222. Butch White and Dwayne Cassels of Hereford placed third firing a 225.

In the third flight, first place went to Larry Walterscheid and Doug Walterscheid of Hereford finished at 221. Steve Stevens and Ed Sanders of Hereford placed second finishing their weekend at 225, and N.D. Kelso and Kelly Kelso of Hereford placed third with a total score of 228.

In the fourth and final flight, first place went to Wes Wester and Ronnie Walker of

Amarillo with a score of 233. Kevin Brown and Robin Brown of Amarillo placed second finishing their weekend at 240. In third place, Dub George and David Shannon finished at 243.

During the tournament, Kevin Kelso scored a hole-in-one on the 118 yard third hole with a pitching wedge. It was Kelso's first ever hole-in-one and was witnessed by Keith Kelso, Grant Lantz and Richard McFarland.

Streetball 2000 set

For the ninth consecutive year, Amarillo's 3-on-3 basketball tournament returns to downtown Amarillo.

The 2000 Streetball Challenge is scheduled for Saturday, July 29, and Sunday, July 30. The Streetball Challenge is held on the third, fourth and fifth blocks of Polk and Tyler Streets.

The tournament is open to males and females ages eight and up. Teams are grouped in division with similar height, age and playing ability. Last year's event included 302 teams and 43 different divisions.

Entry fee for teams is \$80 with a deadline of Wednesday, July 26 at 5 p.m. Entry forms are to be turned in to Kids, Incorporated located at 27th and Osage. Each player will receive a t-shirt and a guarantee of three games.

For more information regarding the 2000 Streetball Challenge, or to request an entry form, contact Kids Incorporated at 376-5936.

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Hereford track club hosts meet

■ Shari High places first in five different events

On Thursday, June 29, the Hereford Track Club hosted a track meet at Whiteface Stadium in Hereford.

The Track Club was organized in June and lasts until late July.

In the Bantam division, Jessica Blakely, Jordan Foster, Kayla Leonard and Desta Franks placed second in the 400-meter relay. Foster, Leonard, Franks and Abby Metcalf also placed second in the 1600-meter relay.

In individual events, Blakely placed sixth in the 100-meter, 400-meter and 200-meter events. Blakely also placed fourth in the long jump.

Leonard placed third in the 100-meter, 200-meter and the long jump. Leonard also placed second in the triple jump while Foster placed second in the 200-meter run.

Franks placed first in the 100-meter, triple jump and long jump. Franks placed fourth in the 200-meter and fifth in the 400-meter.

Metcalf also competed individually and came in second in the long jump and 400-meter run. Metcalf also placed fifth in the 200-meter run.

In the boys Bantam division, Tanner Shelton, Mitchell McCulloch, Brant Bunch and Cason Cole came in first place in the 400-meter relay, and Justin Blakely, Cole, Bunch and Shelton placed second in the 1600-meter relay.

In individual competition, Ray Carrizales placed first in discus and shot putt and fifth in the 100-meter race. Shelton placed second in the long jump and 100-meter while placing third in the 200-meter and sixth in the 400-meter.

McCulloch placed first in the 100-meter run and the long jump. McCulloch also placed third in the 400-meter run. Bunch also competed individu-

ally and placed fifth in the long jump and the 100-meter run.

Cole placed second in the 200-meter run and the 100-meter run, and he placed third in the long jump and fourth in the 400-meter. Blakely finished out the boys Bantam division finishing third in the 100-meter, fourth in the long jump and fifth in the 200-meter race.

In the Midget and Youth division, Shayla Wilcox, Lucinda Carrizales, Amanda Moss and Justine Shermer came in second in the 400-meter relay, and Ashton Paetzold, Carrizales, Shermer and Wilcox placed first in the 1600-meter relay.

In individuals, Shelton placed fourth in the 100-meter, fifth in the 200-meter and third in the long jump. Paetzold placed second in the long jump, 200-meter and 100-meter and first in the triple jump. Moss came in third in the 200-meter, fourth in the 100-meter and fifth in the long jump while Shermer placed third in the triple jump and 200-meter run. Shermer also placed fourth in the long jump.

Carrizales placed fourth in the 200-meter and fifth in the long jump, and Wilcox placed second in the 100-meter run and fifth in the 200-meter run.

On the boys side, Gary Ammons came in second in

the 200-meter hurdles and 100-meter hurdles. He also placed third in the 100-meter run and third in the long jump. Blake Yosten came in first place in the 1600-meter run.

In the Intermediate division, Shari High continued her dominance sweeping first place in the 100-meter run, 200-meter run, long jump, 300-meter hurdles and the triple jump.

On the boys side, Jeremy Blakely placed first in the 800-meter run, and Luis Perez placed first in the 400-meter run, triple jump and long jump. Carlos Perez placed first in the 200-meter run.

SHOOTING SUCCESS

■ Hereford shooters score at Lubbock tournament

The Hereford shooting club traveled to Lubbock on Friday, June 30 and again received honors for their performance.

At the shoot in Lubbock, 141 participants competed in senior, junior and sub-junior categories.

In the senior division, Jerry Baird shot the second highest score hitting 96 out of 100 while Drew Denison placed fourth hitting 92 out of 100. Baird and Denison also combined for first place as a team. Steven Reinart hit 90 out of 100 targets for the day and teammate Mark Harrell hit 88 out of 100.

Tyler Martin nailed 78 targets Friday in the senior division, and Andrew Carnahan hit 80 out of a possible 100. Stephanie Reinart hit 71 targets for

the afternoon and partner Josh Stubbs hit 78 out of 100.

In the junior division, Brian Turpen hit 82 out of 75 which was good enough for fifth individual after a shootout. Michael San Miguel hit 47 out of 75 in the junior division.

In the sub-junior category, Aaron Franks hit 38 out of 50 placing him in a tie for fifth, but Franks lost the shootout dropping him to sixth for the day, and partner Johnathan Paschel hit 33 targets placing the team in third.

Hank Messer hit 37 out of 50 while partner Cody Matsler hit 40 targets placing the team second overall. Matsler also placed fourth in the individual standings after losing a shootout. Randall Berryman hit 36 targets in the sub-junior category, and Eric SanMiguel hit 30 targets for the day. Shane Wilcox hit 16 targets, Holly Edwards hit 18 targets and Blake Martin hit 25 to finish out the afternoon.

Orlando to ink Piston's star Hill

■ NBA All-Star ready to leave Detroit for Magic

DETROIT (AP) — Goodbye, Detroit. Hello, Orlando.

That's the word from All-Star forward Grant Hill, who acknowledged he's close to a deal with the Magic after six seasons with the Pistons.

After house-hunting in central Florida, Hill and his wife flew back to Michigan on Tuesday.

NBA rules prohibit free agents from signing contracts until Aug. 1.

"I'm leaning" toward signing with Orlando, Hill told Detroit News columnist Bob Wkijnowski on a flight from Orlando to Detroit on Tuesday. "Well, it's not 100 percent, but it's close."

"I know people will be upset, but I felt I did everything I could do here," Hill said. "I love Detroit. I enjoy the people. This is just a golden opportunity, for basketball reasons."

"I wish the Pistons well, I really do."

Joe Dumars, who became the Pistons' president for basketball operations last month, had re-signing Hill as his first and biggest job.

"I can't comment until I talk with Grant," Dumars told the Detroit Free Press.

The Orlando Sentinel on Tuesday quoted two NBA sources as saying Hill was preparing to sign with Orlando.

Magic general manager John Gabriel said he knew nothing of the decision.

Hill has spent his entire NBA career with Detroit, and the Pistons reached the play-

offs in four of his six seasons, but have never won a series. Last season, he averaged 25.8 points, third-best in the NBA.

The Magic are offering Hill and San Antonio free agent Tim Duncan six-year deals worth \$67.5 million, the most allowed under the collective bargaining agreement. They can get seven-year, \$86.5 million contracts if the Magic agree to sign-and-trade proposals with the Pistons and Duncan's team, the San Antonio Spurs.

"I have gotten conflicting reports while he was down there," Dumars told the News.

"First, I heard that Grant was committing and Tim was not. Then, the next day, I heard that Grant was not committing and Tim was. So I am not making any assumptions until we talk."

During the past year, the Magic cleared an estimated \$20 million of salary cap space, enabling them to offer the maximum first-year salary of \$9 million to two star players.

The Magic entertained both players throughout the weekend. Duncan left Monday without commenting to the media.

The Magic are hoping Hill can sway Duncan into signing with Orlando, which could radically alter the balance of power in the Eastern Conference.

"I think they both enjoyed themselves here," Gabriel said. "They are two individuals who will make their decision on their own. It's hard for us to speculate on what helps a per-

son make a decision."

Detroit first-round draft pick Mateen Cleaves said last week that he hoped to share the court with Hill.

"I've already had people out looking for Grant," he said. "I really want him to stay. It would be an honor to play with him, and he would be a great mentor to me. He could take me under his wing just like Joe took him."

Hill's departure would give Detroit \$8.27 million more next season under the NBA salary cap. But with or without Hill, the Pistons would be able to buy an elite player or two to keep them competitive.

Dumars has already spoken to Indiana's Jalen Rose, a product of Detroit Southwestern High School and the University of Michigan. Rose was impressed with Dumars' plan, but early reports indicate Rose is leaning toward re-signing with the Pacers.

Among other free agents Dumars hopes to bring in are Portland power forward Brian

Grant, Clippers power forward Maurice Taylor, Indiana power forward Austin Croshere, Houston guard Cuttino Mobley, Portland guard Greg Anthony and Utah guard Howard Easley.

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Matches will be the best two of three sets and a 12-point tie breaker is mandatory once a set reaches six all.


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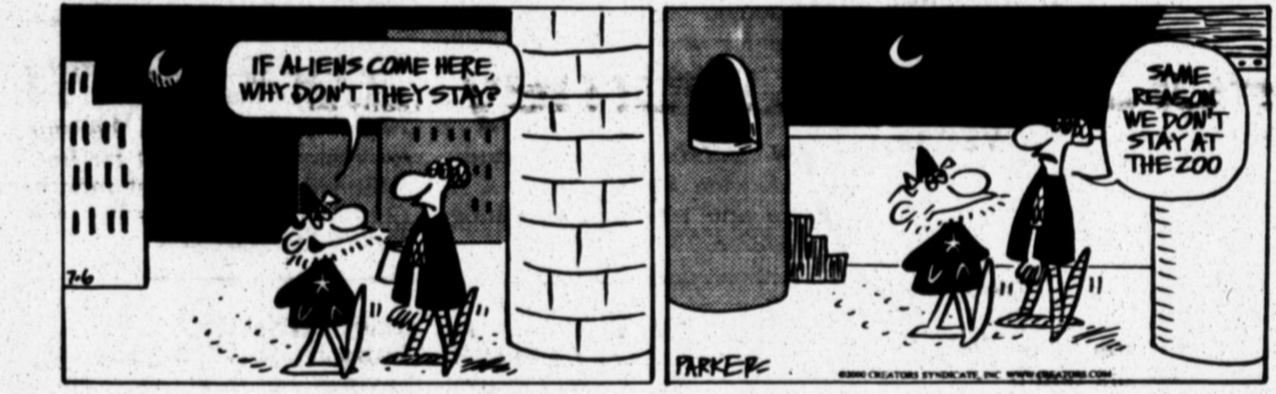
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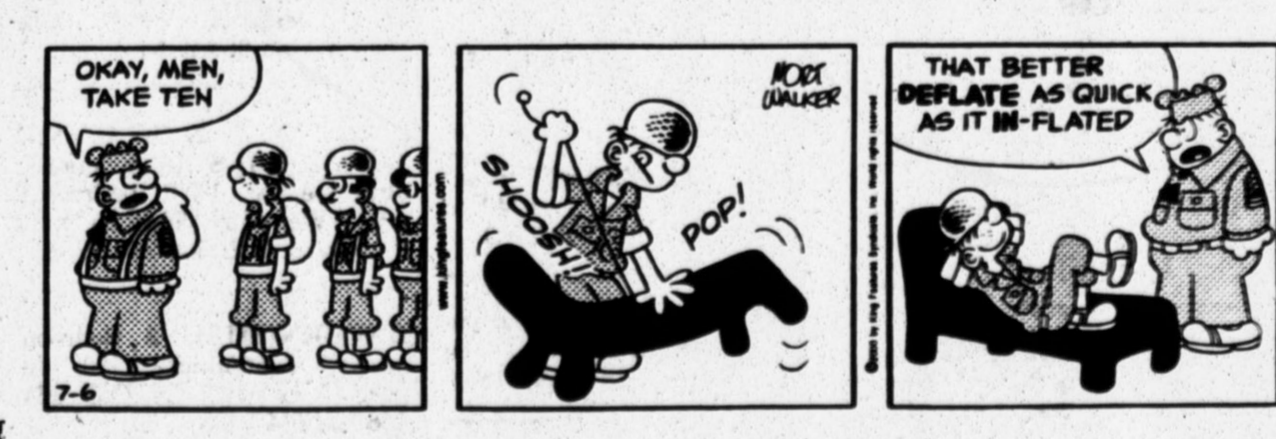
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Retirement party — Hereford State Bank directors, employees and customers extended their best wishes to Wanda Burdine (left), who retired last week after 23 years of service to the bank as an outside teller. Burdine was joined by her daughter, Janet Stone of Amarillo, and her husband, Wendell, at the retirement reception. Burdine has one other daughter, Brenda Cagle of Amarillo, and four grandchildren.

Proud Connery knighted

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) — The name is Sean. Sir Sean.

Decked out in full Scottish regalia, Sean Connery was formally knighted Wednesday by Queen Elizabeth II in a ceremony at the Palace of Holyroodhouse.

"It's one of the proudest days of my life," the star of seven James Bond films told reporters, accompanied by his wife, Micheline, and brother, Neil.

Connery, 69, knelt while

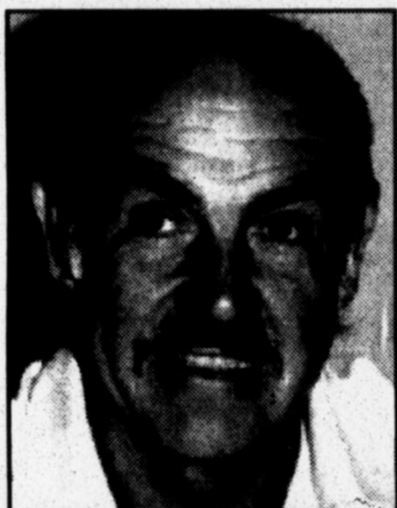
the queen touched his shoulders lightly with a sword and then rose and bowed as she placed a small red sash bearing his medal around his neck.

During the brief conversation that ensued, Connery said, "She just asked how often I come up here."

Though Connery is a native of Scotland and bears a tattoo proclaiming "Scotland Forever," he does not reside there.

"It's one of the proudest days of my life."

■ SEAN CONNERY



Sean Connery

'STAR WARS'

■ Most choices to be left up to next president

WASHINGTON (AP) — The closer President Clinton gets to deciding whether to start building a nationwide shield against missiles, the clearer it seems that the most important choices will be left to his successor.

For much of this year, the Pentagon has been gearing up for a missile intercept test that many believed would determine whether Clinton gave the green light to deploy an anti-missile system.

Now it seems that Clinton's choice is more modest: whether to authorize the Pentagon to take the first step toward constructing a new radar for missile tracking, not whether to irreversibly commit the nation to missile defense.

Even if Clinton gives the go-ahead to build the radar, the work will not begin until after he leaves office.

"Whatever Clinton does, it will not rule in or rule out a national missile defense system," said Joseph Cirincione, who is a leading critic of missile defense.

Clinton said last week he had not made a final decision but expected to reach a position in the next several weeks. He will take into account the nature of the missile threat, the feasibility of missile defense technology, its cost and the implications for relations with other countries.

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Audit cites Pentagon, VA rivalry

■ Auditors suggest merger of agencies' purchases of drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Placing rivalry ahead of savings, the departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs are costing taxpayers as much as \$300 million a year because they haven't merged their massive prescription drug purchasing programs, congressional auditors report.

The two agencies spent a combined \$2.4 billion in 1999 to fill 140 million prescriptions, figures that would give them enormous combined buying power to negotiate deep discounts with drug companies, the General Accounting Office found.

On the few occasions the agencies have combined their buying powers, savings were enormous, the auditors noted.

They were able to buy the blood pressure medicine Capoten at \$1.17 for 100 tablets, compared to the average wholesale price of \$90.84. And 500 tablets of the ulcer-fighting Ranitidine cost just \$13.57, compared to \$740 at wholesale.

The departments only bought 2 percent of their pharmaceuticals together. The audit concluded the agencies' "differing missions and cultures have created rivalries that make it difficult for them to act together."

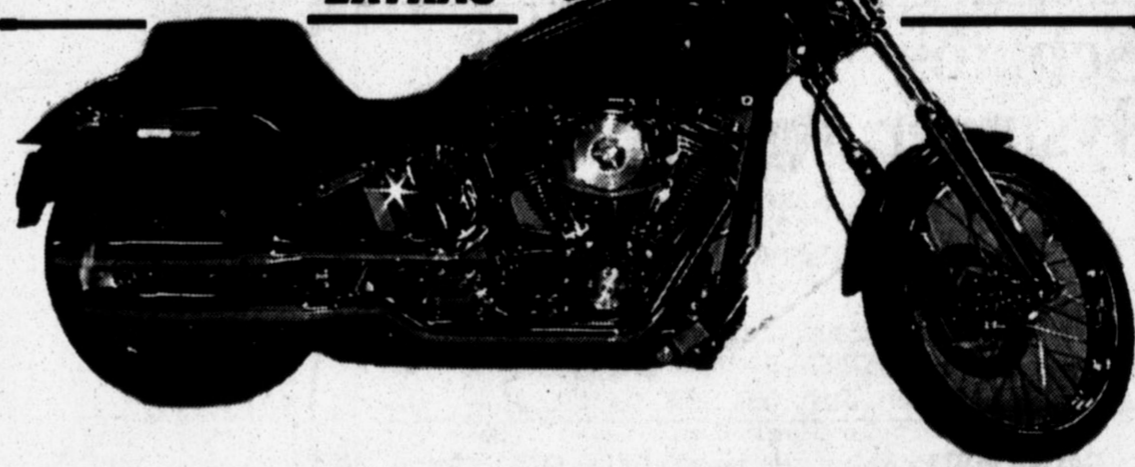
VA and Defense officials said the audit doesn't take into account some negative consequences, including the likelihood that a joint contract with a single drug maker might force many patients to change medications.

John Ogden, director of pharmacy services for the VA, said it would be "penny wise and pound foolish" to change patients' drugs "just because we wanted a joint contract."

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