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## Today's weather OUTLOOK

### • Mostly clear skies •

Tonight: Mostly clear, lows in the mid-60s, south winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, highs in the mid-90s, south to southwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

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

### • Extended forecast •

Friday through Sunday: Mostly clear, highs in the mid- to upper 90s, lows in the mid- to upper 60s.

### • Hereford weather •

Tuesday's high, 87; low, 64; no precipitation.



### • Hot, dry weather stays •

There's no immediate end in sight for Texas' hot, dry weather, with some coastal moisture the only exception, according to Associated Press reports.

Showers and thunderstorms that moved into Southeast Texas overnight have dissipated. Cloudy skies covered Houston and Beaumont, with some showers over the middle and upper Coastal Plains. Mid- and high clouds were the rule over the Piney Woods and south central parts of the state.

Early-morning temperatures Wednesday ranged from the 60s to 80s. It was 63 degrees at Marfa and 83 at Galveston.

It was also 81 degrees at Wichita Falls, Dallas Love Field, Rockport and at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. Other readings were 71 degrees at Conroe, 72 at Lufkin and Nacogdoches and 77 at Childress.

Surface winds varied from southeasterly to southwesterly at 5 to 15 mph, and easterly in far West Texas. Winds were northeasterly at 15 to 25 mph at Guadalupe Pass.

The string of 53 consecutive days without measurable rainfall at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport moves into fifth place in the record books.

If no rain falls through Sunday, the area will break a drought record set in 1934 and tied in 1950.

The National Weather Service said the current hot spell is eight consecutive days of triple-digit readings, with a total of 31 this summer.

Another slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms was forecast through Thursday in the north, with scattered showers in the south. Afternoon and evening storms were possible for the Big Bend and Guadalupe Mountains.

Daytime highs should once again range from the 90s to 103 in the Big Bend, with lows overnight in the 60s to 80s, with one 50s in the mountains.

## Juvenile center discussed

By Dianna F. Dandridge

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

Community leaders, an architect with the DLR Group and a public facilities investment representative discussed the proposed Deaf Smith County Juvenile Detention Center feasibility study with an outlook for meeting the county's juvenile needs.

Bob Jennings, senior vice president of Public Facilities Investment Corp., told the gathering Tuesday this was only the first step in developing the feasibility study and he primarily wanted to find out exactly what the community has in mind for the facility.

As brought up at several prior meetings, the cost of housing Deaf Smith County juveniles in out-of-county facilities has passed the \$400,000 mark and is expected to continue to rise in the future.

"Issues facing this community are, of course, the opst," county juvenile probation officer Lou Serrano said. "But we also want to consider the quality of care, the control factors, local tax dollars which are now being spent elsewhere, and the education of the kids in detention."

Other issues surfacing included the lack of female facilities in county, programs which would be offered at a new facility, services,



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counseling, and especially a drug abuse program.

Serrano, Hereford Police Chief David Wagner, Sheriff Joe Brown and District Attorney Roland Saul all agreed they want the

juvenile facility to prove to the incarcerated juveniles that detention is not a fun place to be, nor will it be an easy ride of watching movies and eating popcorn, as they said in the case in Randall County.

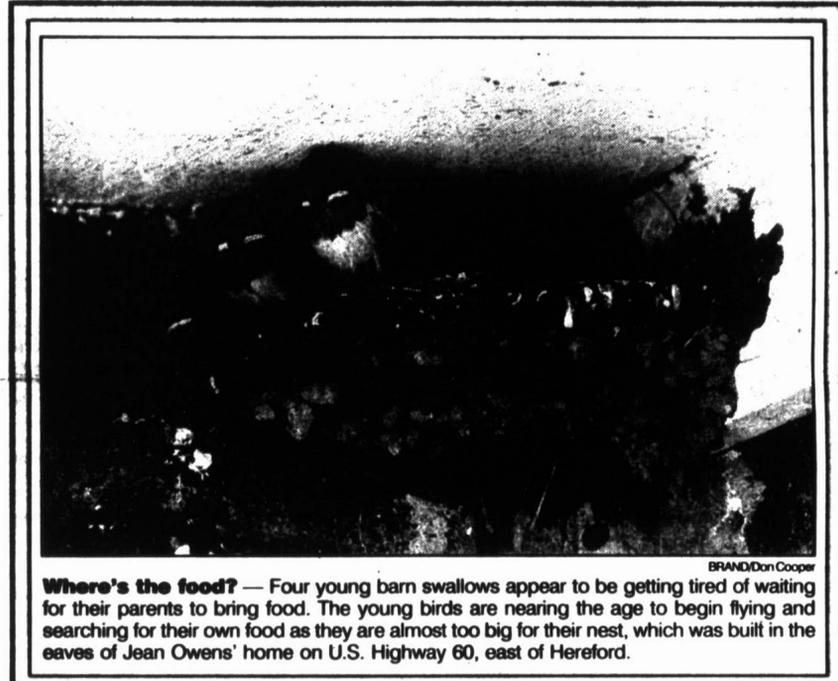
Don Cumpton, executive director of Hereford Economic Development Corp., and Sid Shaw, executive vice president of the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce, focused on the final cost of the facility and benefits to the community more than other aspects presented during the meeting.

"Our community will support the facility," Cumpton said. "But, the site and how it is going to be paid for will be the big problems."

"We want this facility to be an income-producer, not an income-user," Shaw said. "By looking at the amount we are all ready paying out, it would be foolish not to get it now."

Jennings and the DLR Group architect, Curtiss J. Pardee, acknowledged the cost is-

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Where's the food? — Four young barn swallows appear to be getting tired of waiting for their parents to bring food. The young birds are nearing the age to begin flying and searching for their own food as they are almost too big for their nest, which was built in the eaves of Jean Owens' home on U.S. Highway 60, east of Hereford.

## PRISON: YES OR NO?

### Hospital district board will consider resolution for trying to land a facility

By Donald Cooper

Hereford Brand Managing Editor

Deaf Smith County Hospital District directors will decide at their next meeting if they want to try to get the county's name in the pot for a new prison.

The board directed Hereford Regional Medical Center administrator James Taylor to draft a resolution in support of efforts to pursue a prison and put it on the agenda of the next meeting, which should be Sept. 19.

Taylor told the directors Tuesday night he attended a meeting last week with other community leaders — County Judge Tom Simons, Hereford Independent School District Superintendent Beth Abernethy, Hereford City Manager Chester Nolen and Hereford Economic Development Corp. Executive Director

Don Cumpton — to initiate preliminary discussions about pursuing a prison.

The Texas Board of Criminal Justice recently approved a recommendation for its Fiscal 2003 budget, requesting a bond program to build three maximum-security prisons for \$544 million. The board also wants an additional \$86 million to pay for improvements at existing facilities.

The officials estimate the state will need nearly 15,000 more prison beds. The three new units would provide 8,550 beds. Another 1,500 beds could be provided if lawmakers approve spending \$17.4 million for 1,000 new beds in other facilities, such as halfway houses and expands its electronic monitoring pro-

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## TAX HIKE

### HISD board approves 7-cent rate increase, but public offers no comment

By Dianna F. Dandridge

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

After swearing in its newest member, the Hereford Independent School District board adopted the tax rate for the next budget year.

HISD personnel have spent weeks detailing the Fiscal 2001 school budget and making adjustments to keep tax increases to a minimum, but in the end the board members, including new trustee Ben Urbanczyk, had to approve a tax rate of \$1.50 per \$100 assessed valuation — a seven-cent increase over the current year.

HISD business manager Randy McDowell said the lowest tax rate which would meet the needs of the budget would have been \$1.48. The two-cent difference between the lowest acceptable tax rate and the adopted rate of \$1.50 will add \$93,619 to the district's general fund revenue.

Superintendent Elizabeth Abernethy said the \$1.50 rate would allow for a better cushion in the event of a major financial setback. This rate will also provide the best state funding in the coming two years because the Legislature will base funding on the tax rate in effect when it convenes in January.

This increased tax rate is also expected to cover the \$350,000 employee salary step increase.

By comparison, McDowell said Amarillo ISD increased its rate by six cents, Canyon is proposing a 10-cent increase and Dimmitt and Friona districts are proposing six-cent increases.

"The budget this year is full of tough decisions," Abernethy said, adding the board probably will face further tough budget decisions for the next several years.

The only board member to oppose the tax rate increase was Raul Valdez. No one from the community attended the meeting, so there was no public comment on the tax rate increase.

Trustee Lloyd Ames said board members will have to answer to their constituents regarding the tax increase, but he also noted the public must have a considerable amount of trust in the board as no one had arrived to

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## Bush, Gore offer widely different tax cut plans

By Curt Anderson

AP Tax Writer

WASHINGTON — On tax cut plans, the differences between Democrat Al Gore and Republican George W. Bush go way beyond size: Gore's \$500 billion tax plan is aimed at the middle class but has many strings attached. Bush would cut \$1.3 trillion in taxes for everybody, from the very wealthiest on down.

In part, the differences reflect attempts by Democrats and Republicans to satisfy their base supporters while appealing to swing voter groups such as small-business owners and stressed suburbanites, said David Rohde, political science professor at Michigan State University.

"Upper middle-class and wealthy people are a much smaller part of the Democratic

coalition than they are of the Republican coalition," Rohde said. "Each program is shaped by the nature of the constituencies, both in terms of the activists and the voters."

The presidential campaign is also the latest installment in the 1990s debate about taxes and the size of government. President Clinton has vetoed several major GOP tax cuts while pushing smaller-bore breaks similar to those embraced by Gore.

In terms of raw cash, there is no doubt the wealthy would benefit mightily under the



On tax cut plans, the differences between Republican George W. Bush (left) and Democrat Al Gore go way beyond size.

Texas governor's plan: About 60 percent of the \$1.3 trillion would go to taxpayers earning \$92,500 or more, with only 12 percent going to those with incomes of \$39,300 or less.

The richest of all, those earning over \$319,000 a year, would get an average \$46,000 tax cut, according to Citizens for Tax Justice, a labor-funded research group that studies how taxes affect middle-class people.

To Gore, Bush's plan unnecessarily uses budget surpluses for rich people who don't need it, jeopardizing such priorities as education, the

national debt, Social Security and a Medicare prescription drug benefit.

"They would focus the benefits of a giant tax cut on the wealthy at the expense of everyone else," Gore said at a recent campaign stop.

Bush, however, contends the surplus is big enough to accommodate his tax cut and still take care of the other priorities. Because taxpayers earning over \$100,000 pay two-thirds of all income taxes, according to the nonpartisan Joint Committee on Taxation, Bush says they deserve a refund if government is collecting more revenue than is necessary.

Bush also argues that his plan would actually mean more to the middle class by

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Local roundup

•Pen and pencil drive•

The Hereford Rotary Club will be sponsoring a pen and pencil drive for a small school in Pakistan. Pencils can be dropped off at the First Bank Southwest through November 3. They will be delivered by Dr. Lamuel Salik.

•Mighty Maroon needs help•

The Mighty Maroon Band needs help from area residents. The band is seeking the donation of unused instruments to help provide horns for students who can not afford their own. The horns will be donated to the band and loaned to needy students.

Also marching season is coming up and band members need help hemming uniform pants.

Anyone with a usable horn to be donated or willing to hem pants should contact the High School 363-7620, and leave a message for the band director.

•High School schedule changes•

Beginning on Thursday, Aug. 24, Hereford High School classes will start at 8:10. School will be dismissed at 3:50. One minute has been added to each passing period to allow students to get from one class to the other on time. The distance from the main building to the new Career and Technology buildings requires that students cross Grand Street. In order to avoid students rushing across the street, the one additional minute has been added.

•MDA "Fill the Boot"•

The Hereford Volunteer Fire Department will host an "MDA Fill the Boot" drive, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Hereford Community Center. Festivities will include food, face painting, hair spray painting, water polo and the fire house.

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News digest

•Explosion victims remembered•

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — After days of trying to make sense of why a pipeline would explode in southeastern New Mexico, killing 11 members of her family and leaving one in critical condition, Martha Chapman has only one explanation — togetherness.

"This family has lived together, loved together, camped together, fought together, but never once been without love," Chapman said Tuesday as she and other relatives kept a vigil for sole survivor Amanda Smith, who remains in critical condition at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

The explosion caused a fireball to sweep through the family's campsite along the Pecos River early Saturday morning. The heat of the blast was so intense, it turned sand into glass and parts of a bridge the family had camped near into powder.

"That is why so many of us have left this earth together," Chapman said. "When we were placed on this earth, we were already genetically linked. Our lives were already intertwined by God."

And those who died are now back with one another after ending their lives doing what they loved best: camping, fishing and being with family, Smith's brother, Jerry Rackley said.

Amanda Smith lost her parents, Don and Glenda Sumler; her father-in-law, Bobby Smith; her husband, Terry Smith; her 5-year-old daughter, Kirsten; her 3-year-old son, Dustin; her brother- and sister-in-law, Royle and Amy Heady; and their three daughters to the blast.

The losses have been huge for everyone involved, but they will most likely be the hardest for Amanda Smith, her brother said. She still doesn't know what happened and Rackley says when the time comes months from now, he'll be the one to tell her.

•Blowout causes evacuation•

ANAHUAC, Texas (AP) — After being partially clogged by sand, a raging natural gas well has erupted again with full force, prompting dozens of additional evacuations and increasing the danger of a flash fire.

The re-eruption Tuesday, which spewed 14,000 cubic feet of gas and light oil per minute, prompted the Texas Department of Public Safety to expand the evacuation area to 2.5 miles, displacing 100 more families, most from the town of Double Bayou. The number of displaced families Tuesday reached 130.

A 1,000-foot column of white vapor, which occurs when the normally odorless and colorless natural gas hits humid air, continued to gush from the drill hole.

The 10,000-foot well, drilled by Aspect Resources LLC of Denver, blew out Sunday when drillers hit an unexpected gas pocket at about 9,500 feet, authorities said. The well is in a pasture owned by rice farmer Dalton Edmonds, off Farm-to-Market Road 562 about six miles southeast of Anahuac.

"Sometimes, gas has been bottled up so long underground that it's overpressurized and spews out like a seltzer bottle," Aspect Vice President Alex Campbell told the Houston Chronicle in Wednesday's editions.

The company expected to find natural gas at about 10,000 feet — but not under so much pressure that the blowout prevention equipment would fail, Campbell said.

Authorities remain concerned about a fire threat, which could be started by something as harmless as static electricity, although the gas had not ignited as of early Wednesday.

Blowout experts planned to use a bulldozer Wednesday to slide the oil rigging from the site, which was to be flooded with water to prevent friction from sparking a fire.

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Roadblock!



And they're off — The start of the new school year has posed some new problems for students at Hereford High School — the distance between classes in the new Career and Technology buildings and the main campus cause the students to need to hurry more than usual to get to class on time. To help alleviate this problem high school officials have added an extra minute to between class breaks which will mean classes will begin at 8:10 a.m. and dismiss at 3:50. The new schedule will begin Thursday morning.

Movement may strain relations

Mexico's new president may push his luck

WASHINGTON (AP) — To some, the political winds that swept underdog Vicente Fox into Mexico's presidency last month are a fresh breeze wafting across the Rio Grande,

carrying promises of better days for Mexico and its relationship with the United States.

But, analysts say, the good will could blow away just as suddenly if Fox, who takes office Dec. 1, insists on a freer flow of Mexican workers into the United States. Fox is expected to bring up the issue later this week in separate meetings with President Clinton and Vice President Al

Gore in Washington and with Gov. George W. Bush in Dallas.

Fox defeated the seemingly invincible PRI party — which ruled Mexico for more than 70 years — in elections on July 2. In his campaign he talked of Mexico and the United States becoming "partners," and he is an unabashed globalist. He vows to create conditions for a doubling of American investment in Mexico and to wage an all-out war on corruption in his country.

He also pledges to allow the extradition of Mexican drug traffickers to the United States, something Mexico traditionally has been reluctant to do. All of this delights American officials, who say they expect the gains in cross-border ties of recent years to continue under Fox.

But there are some U.S. reservations about Fox, especially his fierce opposition to the U.S. policy of spending billions of dollars each year to keep undocumented Mexicans off U.S. soil.

Fox wants eventually to do away with border controls. He envisions the transformation of the three countries of North America into a kind of European Union, where the citizens of one can work in any other member nation.

He points out that open borders among EU countries have brought Portugal and Greece much closer to economy parity with other EU members.

But critics argue the two situations are not comparable, noting that Portugal and Greece have populations much smaller than Mexico and that their migrant workers were dispersed throughout EU countries.

In contrast, the number of poor Mexicans is large, an estimated 40 million, and the great majority who are inclined to migrate look to the United States — and no other country — for their economic salvation.

Fox is not looking to the United States to solve Mexico's population surplus. Rather, he

would offer incentives for Mexicans to stay at home, including an economic program that would create jobs on a scale far greater than what is being done today.

He is adamant about doing away with the status quo.

"By building up walls, by putting up armies, by dedicating billions of dollars like every border state is doing to avoid migration, is not the way to go," Fox says.

Many Americans obviously disagree and believe existing barriers are inadequate. Six weeks before Fox's election, the House approved a bill sponsored by Rep. James Traficant, D-Ohio, to allow deployment of U.S. troops along the border to protect a variety of U.S. interests, including the curbing of drug trafficking and of weapons smuggling. The vote was 243-183. The sentiment reflected in the vote was diametrically opposed to Fox's vision.

A similar bill has been approved by the House on two previous occasions but died in negotiations with the Senate both times.

David Smith, director of public policy for the AFL-CIO, says open borders are impractical with two countries at such different stages of development.

A guest worker program favored by Fox would pit arriving Mexican workers against American workers, resulting in a "race to the bottom" between the two groups.

George Garrison, a Mexico expert at the College of William and Mary, agrees. "The chances of an American floor sweeper in a Houston high-rise to get a raise are greatly diminished when there is a squadron of immigrant job seekers waiting outside," he says.

Willard Workman, a vice president at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, says he believes the issue is worthy of official discussions but in the meantime, "We're going to keep the border policed."

"Just as we don't want goods dumped, we don't want labor dumped," he says.

HEREFORD BRAND

Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Aug. 21-22, 2000, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrests

— A 21-year-old man was arrested on South Highway 385 and charged with driving while intoxicated.

— A 44-year-old man was arrested in the 500 block of West First and charged with various Department of Public Safety warrants.

— A 20-year-old man was arrested in the 300 block of North 25 Mile Avenue and charged with various county warrants.

— A 19-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of Avenue H and charged with attempted suicide.

— A 25-year-old woman was arrested in the 200 block of East Third and charged with city traffic warrants.

— A 20-year-old man was arrested in the 100 block of Avenue K and charged with theft. Two 1-year-old men were arrested at the same location and charged with violation of probation.

Incidents

— A property disagreement was reported in the 600 block of Irving.

— An 18-speed Roadmaster bicycle was found in the 800 block of South Texas.

— A wallet and vehicle keys were reported stolen from the 100 block of Avenue H.

— A forgery was reported in the 300 block of North Schley.

— A runaway was reported in the 400 block of Long.

— Minor accidents were reported in the 600 block of Knight; 1300 block of East First; Sixth and Park Avenue; and

Grand and Avenue I.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Arrests

— A 25-year-old woman was arrested for city traffic warrants and outstanding warrants from Randall and Taylor counties.

— A 40-year-old man was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

— 1:15 a.m. Firefighters responded to a smoke scare at Allsups at 15<sup>th</sup> and Avenue H.

ANIMAL CONTROL

REPORT

Hereford animal control office has the following animals available for adoption:

— a brown and white adult female Basset Hound mix;

— a brown and white adult female pit bull mix;

— a small brown adult male terrier mix;

— an adult female German shepherd;

— six mixed-breed puppies, about six to eight weeks old.

Information on these animals may be obtained from the Hereford Animal Control office, by calling 363-7120.

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Texas lottery

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**Circle of Friends donation** - Cindy Veigel and Dr. Gerry Payne of Covenant Family Healthcare made a donation to the Hereford Circle of Friends, a non-profit volunteer organization founded to support the philosophy and goals of The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center. The organization is holding its annual membership party at 7 p.m. Saturday at Hereford Country Club. Everyone is invited to attend the party and payment of membership dues of \$15 single and \$25 couple covers admission to the party. Highlight of the evening will be a drawing for a \$1,000 Duncan and Boyd gift certificate. For more information, call Melissa at 364-1929 or make a donation at the door.

## Girl Scouts to begin registration drive

The Hereford Girl Scout organization is beginning the registration drive for the 2000-2001 membership year. The kick-off event will be an all-day registration from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday in Dameron Park. Membership is open to all girls ages 5-17 and the registration fee is \$7 per girl or adult.

Financial aid is available. In Girl Scouts, girls discover the fun, friendship and power of girls together. The first level of Girl Scouts is called Daisies, and it is for girls who are 5 years old. Brownies is the second level and includes first, second and third grade girls. The next level is for girls in

fourth-sixth grades and is called Juniors. The Cadette level includes girls in seventh-ninth grades and the Senior level is

for girls in 10th-12th grades. For further information about the Girl Scout program, call 364-5787.

## FUMC music director sets ministry concert

Alice Langehennig, music director at First United Methodist Church, will give a music ministry piano concert at 6 p.m. Sunday in the sanctuary of First United Methodist Church.

Langehennig's program is titled "Jubilant Praise" and features many favorite hymns including "Just a Closer Walker with Thee," "The Old Rugged Cross," "Blessed Assurance," "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" and others.

The program is open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

There will be a reception following.



Alice Langehennig

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## Ann Landers



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I read that letter from "Out 8 Grand and Four Years," who described herself as an authority on friendship with prison

inmates. She had been sending money to an inmate, only to discover that the man was writing to several female pen pals, and apparently, living very well off the money they were sending him.

Not only did her letter disturb me, but your response was appalling. You stated, "Lonely women are extremely vulnerable. Your dream man will not be found behind bars." You went on to say, "Personal ads are always a risk. Take a second or third look if that person wants to borrow money. It's a bad beginning."

Who are you to be casting stones? I am a 35-year-old incarcerated woman, and have already been judged, tried and convicted. I agree lonely women are vulnerable, but try being a lonely woman in prison. I've had several pen pals for the sole purpose of friendship. I have NEVER asked anyone for money.

Please don't discourage your readers from corresponding with prison inmates. You cannot imagine how wonderful it is to hear your name called at mail time. A letter from a family member or friend can keep me going for days. Emotional support is much more important than money. I work 30 hours a week for 23 cents an hour. I also go to school and am in a rehab program. I live on \$24 a month, which I earn from inmate pay. That is a far cry from "living very well."

Granted, we are incarcerated for criminal behavior, but we are paying for our mistakes, and we deserve a second chance. Please say so. — Inmate at Virginia Correctional Center for Women

Dear Inmate: I am definitely in favor of second chances, and applaud your efforts to better yourself. Let

us, however, back up for a moment.

The woman who wrote said she was lonely and began corresponding with an inmate who had placed a personal ad. He borrowed \$8,000 from her, and she never heard from him again. She asked that I print her letter as a warning to others.

There are many lonely people in this world, but I cannot, in good conscience, suggest that they seek companionship from someone who is behind bars. I have no way of knowing if an inmate is honest or deceitful, but I have a responsibility to my readers to take no chances.

Dear Ann Landers: My question is of such a personal nature that I am writing in longhand rather than risk leaving a computer trail on my word-processing program. I hope my longtime use of high-tech communication devices has not ruined my handwriting and made it illegible. Please bear with me.

Here's my question. In your opinion (and that of the gynecological and psychological experts at your disposal), is a woman ever too old for her first sexual encounter? Or to put it another way, if "the piano" is over 50, in good condition, but has never been played, is it wiser to leave it be, even in the unlikely event that someone might wish to play it after so many years? I await your counsel. — Unused Steinway in a City Not to be Identified

Dear Unused: There is no reason that a Steinway, which is in good condition and has never been played, should just sit there while a prospective musician is in the vicinity. I do suggest, however, that the musician be carefully screened.

Meanwhile, be advised that age is not a factor if the instrument has been well-cared for. And since we are in the music store, be aware that the older the violin, the sweeter the music.

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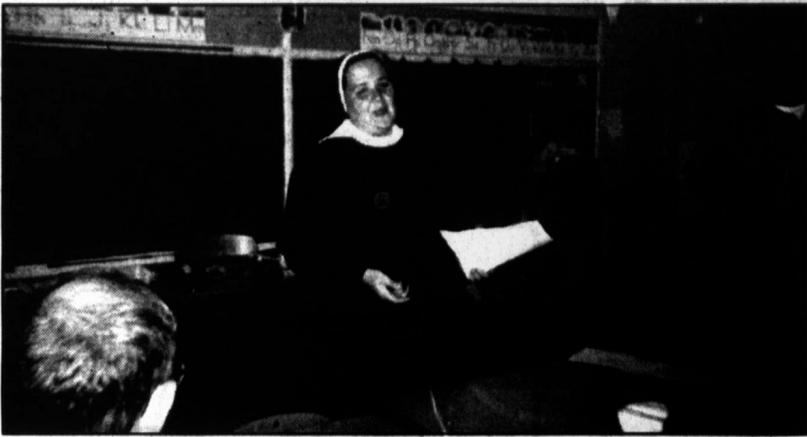
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## BACK TO SCHOOL



Back to school night was held Monday at St. Anthony's School to give parents the opportunity to meet with teachers and discuss the new school year. In the photo above, Sister Valentine talks with parents about the goals and rules for her first grade class while Ann Lueb (photo at right) shows parents a book for her third grade class.



### AT THE CENTER

## Senior Citizens

#### MENUS

**THURSDAY**-Smothered steak with mushroom gravy, seasoned noodles, Harvard beets, tossed green salad, tapioca pudding; or chicken breast, D'zerta pudding.

**FRIDAY**-Fried scribbles with lemon wedge, cheese grits, buttered mixed greens, coleslaw, bread pudding with lemon sauce; or cook's choice, D'zerta pudding.

**MONDAY**-Italian spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian green beans, tossed green salad, ice cream with fruit topping; or chicken and noodles, sherbet.

**TUESDAY**-Chicken fillet with gravy, mashed potatoes, Normandy vegetables, pears with cottage cheese, pound cake with strawberry topping; or beef fingers.

**WEDNESDAY**-Polish sausage, hashed brown potatoes, pinto beans, coleslaw, onion and pickle slices, mixed fruit cobbler; or ranch chicken, stewed tomatoes, mixed fruit.

#### ACTIVITIES

**THURSDAY**-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., exercise

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**WEDNESDAY**-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., ceramics noon-4 p.m.

## Hereford native will speak at Nazarene

Hereford native, Rev. Cody Whitfill, will speak at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday at Hereford Church of the Nazarene.

Whitfill is a graduate of Hardin Simmons University with a major in sociology. He is a graduate student at Southwestern Baptist Theology Seminary in Fort Worth.

He is a part of the Boyce Evans/Cody Whitfill Evangelistic Association and is currently serving as youth minister at Cleburne First Baptist Church.

He just recently returned from attending "Amsterdam 2000" with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association where evangelists had gathered from 208 countries.

Whitfill is a 1992 graduate of Hereford High School. He and



**Cody Whitfill**

the former Melinda Collins were married in May of 1998. He is the son of Gary and Melinda Whitfill.

## New Arrival

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## Win one, lose one

■ Hereford High wins big over Odessa Permian, but falls in three sets to Amarillo High School

By Jeff Blackmon  
Hereford Brand Sports Editor

After taking an easy two set victory over Odessa Permian, the Lady Whitefaces stumbled in a three set loss to Amarillo High Tuesday night at the junior high gym.

The Lady Herd (7-2) defeated the Lady Panthers handily 15-5 and 15-4 but lost to the Lady Sandies 15-10, 9-15 and 16-14.

Head volleyball coach Brenda Kitten said she thinks one reason her team lost Tuesday night and once to Dumas on Saturday is a lack of aggressiveness.

"At times I think there are kids who want out when they are in a pressure situation," Kitten said.

The coach also emphasized that she thinks the players know what to do in tough games but are scared to mess up.

"I see kids who know what the answer on the court is to a problem or a situation but are simply afraid to take the risk," Kitten said. "If we are going to mature as a team we are going to have to jump in the water all the way and not just stick our toe in."

Regardless of how they play, Kitten said she does not want her team to be considered 'nice' during games.

"I want our kids to be nice and sportsmanlike, but I want them mean, ugly and fiery during the match," Kitten said. "They need their game faces on and aggressive."

In the first game against AHS, the Lady Whitefaces jumped out to a big lead early 12-4 only to watch their opponents surge back to score

five unanswered points to narrow the margin to 12-9.

The Lady Herd stopped the late rally on junior Michelle Bernhardt's kill to get the ball back in Hereford High's hands.

After an ace by sophomore middle blocker Sarah Griffin and a block by senior Ashley Bridge, the team went up 14-9 allowing only one more Sandie point to win 15-10.

The Lady Whitefaces and Amarillo High fought hard for the second set matching each other point for point until the game reached 9-9. After that AHS rattled off four consecutive points to go up 9-13. HHS went on to lose the second game 9-15 to force a third and final set.

The Lady Herd showed their tenacity in the final set falling behind 2-11 and stampeding back to get the score to 7-11 and later tying the score 13-13. The team was able to even the score behind the strong serve of Bernhardt and a key block by junior middle blocker Kali Hall. After fighting off one match point, the Lady Whitefaces could not hold off Amarillo High losing the last set 14-16.

Coach Kitten said she was disappointed in the result, because she feels her team still is finding out what their responsibilities on the court are. Kitten said she also needs some of her players to step up and lead the team.

"I see our kids floundering around a little bit as far as leadership goes," Kitten said. "It's going to take one or two to jump in that water all the way, and I think the others will follow."

"We're just not sure yet

how to fulfill our rolls," Kitten said.

Kitten said some nights those who are having a good game should try to lift up the team and score some points.

"A kid who is having a great match one night is going to have to step forward and pull everyone else with her," Kitten said.

Kitten said she understands some of the issues facing her team because every member has a bigger role than they did last year. She said it may take a while for her team to be comfortable with the changes.

"Each one of these kids, whether they were here last year or not, have a different role and all of them have more responsibility," Kitten said. "We are a new team in that sense."

Even with a new group with different roll players, Kitten said she wants her team to find its stride before too long.

"We are to a point where we only have five practices left until we start district," Kitten said. "We are going to have to spend our next 10 hours we have playing against each other and becoming aggressive and taking risks."

"They know what they have to do in practice," Kitten said.

In their first game, the Lady Whitefaces easily took care of business against Odessa Permian winning the first set 15-5 behind the strong serving Bernhardt. Bernhardt began her serve with the score at 5-4 and stopped after hitting seven good serves leading to six points to take the lead

*"We are going to have to jump in the water all the way, and not just stick our toe in..."*

—Head volleyball coach Brenda Kitten

## Texas gets even, win 5-4

■ Palmeiro's homer beats Neagle in New York

NEW YORK (AP) — The Texas Rangers know they won't be making another postseason trip to Yankee Stadium, so they played this game with October intensity.

Rafael Palmeiro hit a tiebreaking homer in the eighth inning after Tim Lincecum got out of a bases-loaded jam to give the Texas Rangers a rare win at New York, 5-4 over the Yankees on Tuesday night.

"That was pretty much our playoffs there," Crabtree said. "In that situation, with the game on the line and the crowd really excited, it really had a playoff atmosphere."

The Rangers, who had been

swept out of the first round the past two seasons by the Yankees, are in last place in the AL West and will likely be sitting at home when the playoffs start.

Injuries, poor pitching and an offense that hasn't been as explosive as in recent years have given Texas as many losses this year as they had in all of 1999.

"A lot of things have gone wrong this year," Crabtree said. "This was a reflection of what went right last year. Rick (Helling) pitched strong, the bullpen shut them down and Raffy got the big hit."

The Rangers wasted a 4-0

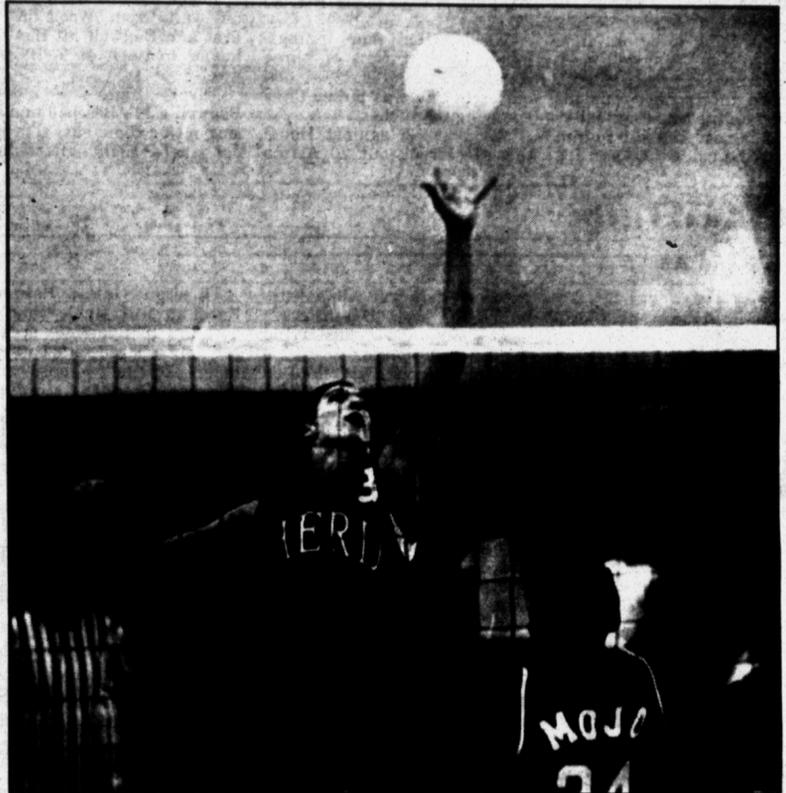
lead and appeared to be on the way to their 32nd loss in 40 games at Yankee Stadium when New York loaded the bases with two outs in the seventh.

Crabtree (2-6) relieved Helling and fell behind Derek Jeter 3-1 before striking him out on a high fastball. Crabtree pumped his fist as he left the mound, having retired Jeter for only the fourth time in 12 career at-bats.

"That wasn't really the matchup I wanted," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "Jeter has had some success against

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## Spike!!



Hitting it hard—The Lady Whitefaces volleyball team defeated Odessa Permian Tuesday evening 15-5 and 15-4 but lost to Amarillo High 15-10, 9-15 and 14-16. Sophomore middle blocker Sarah Griffin goes in for the kill during the Lady Herd's match against the Mojos.

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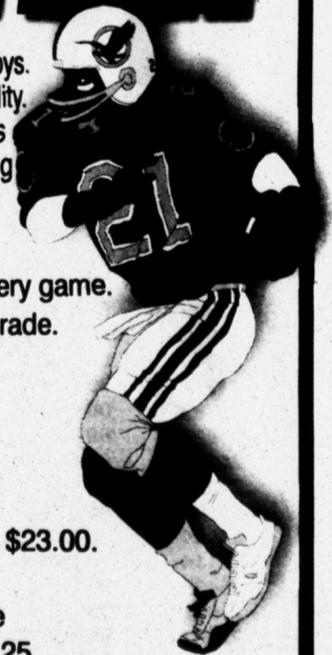
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# Houston hands Cubs seventh straight loss, 10-7

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros still didn't beat Kerry Wood. At least this time, he didn't beat them, either.

Jeff Bagwell homered and doubled twice as the Astros spoiled Wood's return from the disabled list by sending the Chicago Cubs to their seventh straight loss, 10-7 Tuesday night.

"Moises (Alou) and I talked about the fact he's beaten us up pretty bad and hopefully this was going to be our time to get to him," Bagwell said. "He still had a great fastball. What he didn't have was his location on his breaking ball."

"That's been the key to him dominating us in the past. It's

still not that easy to hit a guy throwing 96."

Rondell White homered twice and drove in four runs for the Cubs. He went 4-for-5.

Alou hit a three-run homer in the seventh inning off Kyle Farnsworth (1-7) that rallied the Astros from a 7-6 deficit. He also had an RBI double in the third off Wood, sidelined since July 30 because of a strained muscle in his left rib cage.

Wood lasted four innings, giving up four runs on three hits and four walks. He struck out eight and was pulled after throwing 95 pitches.

Wood is 2-0 against Houston. He struck out 20 Astros

in beating them with a one-hitter in his fifth major league start May 6, 1998.

"He has a lot of good stuff," Alou said. "He had his nasty stuff even though he's just coming off the DL. I was kind of upset. He was missing with his breaking pitch to the other guys and then he threw me one right in there. That wasn't fair."

Roger Cedeno drew a lead-off walk from Wood in the first and Bagwell hit his 39th homer to tie it at 2. Bagwell went 3-for-3.

"Every night's a battle," Bagwell said. "Baseball and hitting never come easy. I'm just out there night after night

trying to help us win."

To protect his left side, Wood batted left-handed for the first time in his major league career. He flied out in his only at-bat.

"He was right at 100 pitches," Cubs manager Don Baylor said. "The first batter of the game sealed his fate, he threw 12 pitches to him, he never really found his groove. It's about what I expected. He's been off for a while."

Houston trailed by a run in the seventh when Julio Lugo walked and Bagwell doubled off Kyle Farnsworth (1-7). After Richard Hidalgo struck out, Alou hit his 24th home run.

Tim Bogar hit a solo home run in the Houston eighth.

Marc Valdes (4-4) pitched the seventh inning for the victory. Jose Cabrera worked 1 1/3 innings for his first major league save.

White hit his first homer since being traded from Montreal to the Cubs on July 31, connecting for a two-run shot in the first off Brian Powell.

White had a solo homer in the third and an RBI single in the fifth. It was the seventh two-homer game of his career and first since he did it June 16 against the Cubs.

"I came in and hit early

today," White said. "I'm trying to get as much work as I can and it helped me tonight. I'm still working hard to get my timing back."

"It's fun to hit here. You can see the ball good and it carries good. This is a good place to hit. I was staying back and seeing the ball and they hung a couple of breaking balls to me."

Hidalgo's triple and a single by Mitch Meluskey lifted Houston into a 6-all tie in the fifth. An RBI grounder by Gary Matthews Jr. in the sixth put the Cubs ahead 7-6.

Ricky Gutierrez also homered for the Cubs.

## Texas

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Crabtree."

Palmeiro, who went 3-for-4 with two RBIs, then put them back ahead leading off the eighth.

On a 2-0 pitch from Denny Neagle (3-4), Palmeiro hit a high fly to right field that drifted about three rows into the stands. It was Palmeiro's 32nd homer of the season and 393rd of his career.

"I got behind and I just threw the ball over the plate," Neagle said.

Helling took advantage early of a Yankees' lineup missing Bernie Williams and David Justice, out with minor injuries. The right-hander retired 17 straight batters after Luis Polonia led off the first with a double.

With two outs in the sixth, Polonia homered to right field, his first since joining the Yankees on Aug. 3, to make it 4-1. After Jeter walked, O'Neill lined his 15th homer into the right-field seats to cut Texas' lead to one.

"I pitched as well as I have all season for 5 2-3 innings," said Helling, who gave up four runs and five hits in 6 2-3 innings. "Then I made a couple of mistakes."

Tino Martinez doubled and scored on Luis Sojo's double in the seventh to tie the game. But Crabtree kept it that way.

"The pitch was up a little bit," Jeter said. "He throws a hard sinker and I was trying to protect the plate."

Mike Venafro pitched a scoreless eighth and John Wetteland went the ninth for his 27th save in 35 chances as Texas won for just the 13th time in 53 games against the Yankees.

Neagle, who hadn't allowed a first-inning run since June 21 when he was still with Cincinnati, was touched for four in the first against Texas. Luis Alicea led off with a double and went to third on Rusty Greer's single to left.

One out later, Palmeiro lined an RBI single that got by Clay Bellinger — making his fourth career start in center — for a two-base error allowing Greer to score and Palmeiro to reach third.

Gabe Kapler added an RBI double, and former Yankee Ricky Ledee had an RBI single to make it 4-0.

Neagle settled down after that, allowing only two hits

until Palmeiro's homer in the eighth. Neagle, who has lost four of five starts, allowed five runs and eight hits in seven-plus innings.

"From the second through seventh inning that was me," Neagle said. "I had a good rhythm going and threw strikes. Then I made one bad pitch to Palmeiro and that was it."

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7	13.3	17.9	34.6%
8	9.8	13.1	33.7%
9	14.3	18.4	28.7%
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**8-23 CRYPTOQUOTE**

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**Taxes**

From **Page A1** sharply reducing the relatively smaller taxes they pay and removing 6 million people from tax rolls altogether. For example, Bush says a family of four earning \$50,000 a year would see their income taxes cut in half, to about \$2,000 — money that could be used for school clothes, a vacation, or to pay off credit cards.

Bush acknowledged Tuesday he's had trouble getting this argument across to voters in the face of Gore's criticism, but added: "I am not changing my opinion. I think it is the absolute right thing to do for America."

Gore, on the other hand, is pushing a lengthy list of specific tax credits and deductions aimed at the roughly 80 percent of taxpayers earning below \$75,000 a year. There are breaks for long-term health care, higher education, small-business health insurance, after-school expenses, and tax-free retirement savings accounts, among others. They phase out above certain levels of income.

In essence, this approach substitutes tax benefits for a government program. Instead of simply receiving a government check — not as popular in this anti-big government era — individuals who qualify can get the money by filling out an IRS form.

"It addresses what are perceived as social problems and sending some money that way," said Bob McIntyre of Citizens for Tax Justice. "They are specific constituencies and it's done in fairly small bites."

For example, Gore says a married couple with two children — one in college — earning \$60,000 a year could save \$3,025 in taxes if they take advantage of his proposed retirement savings accounts, increased standard deduction for married couples and credit for

**TAX CUT PROPOSALS AT A GLANCE**

Highlights of tax cut proposals of Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore. Revenue cost would come out of the projected budget surplus.

**BUSH**

**Total cost: \$1.3 trillion over 10 years**

- Gradually reduce all income tax rates by 2006. Income is now taxed at five levels: 15 percent, 28 percent, 31 percent, 36 percent and 39.6 percent. Bush would simplify and reduce these to 10 percent, 15 percent, 25 percent and 33 percent.
- Double the \$500 per-child tax credit and raise the income cap from \$110,000 for a married couple filing jointly to \$200,000.
- Reduce the marriage penalty paid by many two-income couples by allowing a deduction of 10 percent of the lower-earning spouse's salary, up to \$30,000.
- Gradually repeal the estate tax over eight years.
- Make permanent the research and development tax credit that Congress just extended for five years.
- Raise from \$500 to \$5,000 the amount that can be deposited in a tax-free education savings account and expand the accounts to include kindergarten through 12th grade.

**GORE**

**Total cost: \$500 billion over 10 years**

- Raise standard deduction for married couples to ease the marriage penalty for those who do not itemize deductions.
- Provide a \$3,000 tax credit to help with the costs of long-term health care for a disabled or elderly relative.
- Create new tax-free retirement savings accounts that would be matched by the government.
- Allow a tax deduction or a 28 percent tax credit on up to \$10,000 in tuition for college or other postsecondary education.
- Permit a 25 percent per-employee tax credit for small businesses that join purchasing pools to provide health insurance.
- Create a tax credit for up to 50 percent of after-school program expenses for children age 16 and under.
- Allow other tax breaks for school construction, worker training, low-income housing, land conservation, energy efficiency and stay-at-home parents.

college tuition. This is a bigger tax cut than under Bush's plan in these circumstances, the Gore campaign says.

Gore, like Clinton before him, says his plan is intended to use a smaller amount of the budget surplus and still help taxpayers of modest means during times they most need help. To detractors, it's an attempt to pit average people against the

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**Public Hearing**

To be held jointly between the Hereford Independent School District, Deaf Smith County Hospital District, City of Hereford and Deaf Smith County, August 28, 2000 at 5:00 P.M., County Courtroom, Deaf Smith County Courthouse, Hereford, Texas to discuss application for tax abatement from Hereford Economy Lodging, Inc.

**HRMC**

From **Page A1** gram.

"It's usual that people have very strong opinions on either side of the issue," Taylor said. "Obviously, a prison would have an infirmary and the hospital would be a participant in providing service to it."

"Generally, a prison infirmary is equipped to handle most problems, but inpatient care is needed and certain diagnostic procedures would be handled outside the prison," Taylor said. "The hospital would pick up some of the diagnostic treatments."

Director Bobby Owen expressed support for an effort to bring a prison to the county, saying it is a positive thing. "It would bring jobs," he said.

HRMC coordinator Donna Kemp told the board the Joint Commission for Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations granted accreditation to the hospital following its Aug. 4 survey. The hospital, which has had JCAHO accreditation since 1957, will be certified until 2002, Kemp said.

"The entire staff is to be commended for its hard work," Taylor said. "It is a grueling process."

Taylor also noted the organization is reviewing its accreditation procedure with the intention to ease the burden and costs for the hospitals.

Owen and Director Jesse Rincones reported on their trip to Austin earlier this month to participate in the Texas Hospital Association's orientation for board members.

Rincones said one of the main things he learned is that the problems facing HRMC are not unique to this hospital, all rural and community hospitals across the state are in the same financial situation.

Owen said he came away from the orientation convinced the board spends too much time reviewing monthly financial reports and not enough time in developing long-range strategy.

Ray Holt, director of the hospital's respiratory therapy department, reported on his department's activities.

In his review of departmental activities, Holt noted that respiratory therapy has increased, noting a high incidence of "feedlot pollution gives the department a lot of business."

"You're making money for the hospital, Bobby," board president Ernest Flood told Owen, who is owner of Owl Feedyards.

In other business, the board:

- Reviewed the monthly financial report, which showed the hospital had a \$7,329 net loss for July, while the Hereford Health Clinic had a net loss of \$36,188;
- Reviewed the committee membership, which saw Flood appoint Owen to the Long Range Planning panel; and
- Received a report on the Hereford Area Tax Abatement Board's decision to recommend a five-year, 50 percent tax abatement for Hereford Economy Lodging Inc., which is proposing to build a Super 8 Motel on North 25 Mile Avenue. Owen, who is the hospital district's representative on the board, said the board should approve the abatement request because "in the long run, it'll pay off for us to do it."

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**GRAIN FUTURES**

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Settle
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Sep	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.15
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Under the new rules, which were distributed to the fast-food restaurant chain's 27 suppliers Tuesday, caged hens must have 72 square inches of space, compared to about 50 square inches now. With the larger space, all the hens should be able to lie down at once.

The standards were recommended to the company by a panel of scientific advisers that McDonald's formed to address concerns about the way food animals are being treated, said Robert Langert, senior director of public and community affairs for McDonald's.

"This is our pathway to be a leader on this issue," Langert said.

The European Union already bans the practice of "forced molting," which involves removing food and water from hens for 5 days to two weeks. It's been linked to an increased incidence of harmful salmonella bacteria in eggs.

McDonald's also wants to phase out the practice of trimming the beaks of hens, which is done to prevent them from injuring each other.

A spokesman for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, Bruce Friedrich, praised the new egg rules.

"It's the bare minimum of bare minimums that you refuse to starve and dehydrate animals to death," he said.

### Analysts: Tightening days done

WASHINGTON (AP) — For the second straight meeting, the Federal Reserve elected not to raise interest rates, a move that led some economists to predict the Fed's 14-month string of interest rate boosts to ward off inflation is nearing an end.

Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan and his colleagues opted to leave short-term interest rates unchanged Tuesday, citing a moderating economy and strong productivity growth, a key to helping keep inflation in check.

In explaining their decision, Fed policy-makers used what many economists described as more upbeat language.

That prompted the most optimistic economists to declare that — barring surges in inflation or economic growth — the central bank is done with its latest cycle of raising interest rates, which started in June 1999.

"We believe that the Fed is finished tightening," said Merrill Lynch's chief economist Bruce Steinberg.

Others expressed a more cautious outlook.

"For now, it sounds as if the Fed is uncertain that it will have to tighten again, in contrast to the certainty it felt in the second half of 1999 and early 2000," said David Orr, First Union's chief economist. "Bottom line: less likelihood of further rate hikes this year."

Other analysts said they still expected at least one more rate hike, probably at the Nov. 15 or Dec. 19 meetings.

No economists predicted a rate boost at the next meeting on Oct. 3, citing the Fed's long-standing preference to remain on the sidelines if possible in the closing weeks of a presidential campaign.



**JANET RENO**  
Attorney decides not to appoint special counsel to probe fund raising by vice president in 1996.

## Reno rules out special counsel

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno has decided not to appoint a special counsel to investigate fund raising by Vice President Al Gore during the 1996 campaign.

Reno's decision was not a surprise and was expected to be announced at her weekly news conference later in the day.

The decision is good news

for Gore's campaign. It comes less than a week after it was disclosed, on the day of Gore's acceptance speech to the Democratic National Convention, that Independent Counsel Robert Ray has impaneled a new grand jury to decide whether President Clinton should be indicted after he leaves for office in connection with his relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

The attorney general's decision, first reported in today's editions of *The New York Times*, also was likely to renew criticism of her by Republicans in Congress. They bitterly criticized Reno's decisions not to seek an outside investigator to look into fund-raising telephone calls that Gore made from his office and into whether he lied when he said he thought the money

he raised was to be used for general party-building rather than for the re-election effort.

This time, Robert J. Conrad Jr., head of Reno's campaign task force, urged her, after he interviewed Gore in April, to name an outside counsel to determine whether Gore lied about whether he knew that a campaign event at a Buddhist temple in California was a fund-raiser.

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