

Texas up 210,200 jobs at year end

Special to the Herald

AUSTIN — Texas has added an estimated 210,200 seasonally adjusted jobs since December 2015 with the addition of 800 nonfarm jobs this December, the Texas Workforce Commission announced.

The state has added jobs in 20 of the past 21 months. Tex-

as' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate maintained a 4.6 percent rate in December.

"Texas employers continue to boost the diverse Texas economy by adding jobs, including 210,200 over the year," said TWC Chairman Andres Alcantar. "Thanks to the innovation and efforts

of employers in a range of month with 7,300 jobs added. industries, Texas workers continue to have more opportunities to demonstrate their world-class work ethic and skills."

The Education and Health Services industry recorded the largest private-industry employment gain over the

Leisure and Hospitality employment grew by 3,900 jobs in December, and Manufacturing employment expanded by 1.400 jobs.

"Private-sector employment has been strong over the year with overall job growth of 172,600 jobs added," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ruth R. Hughs.

"These numbers are a testament to the perseverance and resilience of our Texas employers and the diversity of our Texas economy."

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HERALD photo/Roger Cline

John Moseley, long-time managing editor, dies

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

John Moseley, a long-time reporter and editor for the Big Spring Herald, died Sunday. He was 63 years old.

Moseley, who spent 18 years working at the Herald, was declared dead at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Emergency Room Sunday evening.

He joined the Herald newsroom staff in January 1993 and served for many years as managing editor until failing health forced his retirement in January 2011.

"We are shocked and saddened to hear about John's passing," Herald Publisher Rick Nunez. He was an integral part of the Herald family for many years. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family." "Mose," as he was known to friends, was a man with big personality. Those who knew him can attest to an almost endless supply of Aggie jokes and a fierce devotion to his friends, journalism — and the University of Texas. He began his newspaper career as a reporter and later sports editor at the Paris Times. He then was editor of the Clarksville Times and managing editor of the Mt. Pleasant Daily Tribune before joining the Herald staff. He is survived by a daughter, Jennifer; mother, Jean; and brothers, Mark and Keith. No funeral services are planned. A memorial service will be held in Paris, Texas at a date and time to be announced. Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 432-263-7331, ext. 235.

Work was done to revamp the Red Mesa Grill sign Monday

Red Mesa sign gets facelift

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

A giant, neon-lit saguaro cactus has been a Gregg Street landmark for many years, and it got a facelift Monday.

The cactus is the sign of Red Mesa Grill, 2401 S. Gregg St.

"They're going to redo our sign. It hasn't been redone in about 20 years, they say," said Red Mesa cook Jason Ortega. "They're going to refurbish it, redo the neon,

stabilize it, repaint it, and make it look brand-new again."

Ortega said the sign will keep it's familiar cactus shape.

"I do believe so, but a little brighter. Make it pop out a little more," he said.

The work is being done by South Midland Neon Signs, and is scheduled to light up Big Spring's main drag in the next week or so. Red Mesa serves West Texas comfort food, said Ortega.

"It's kind of like Tex-Mex,

but we have a little bit of everything here," he said. "We've got anything from enchiladas to hamburgers. Y'all need to come on in and have a good lunch. We have daily specials every day, and we're open Monday through Saturday, from 11 until 8:30 Monday through Thursday, and then 11 to 9 Fridays and Saturdays."

For more information, visit Red Mesa's website at www.myredmesa.com.



Boy Scout food drive a success

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Isaiah 58, a local food distribution charitable organization, as well as the West Texas Food Bank, got an influx of food this weekend from some local youngsters.

"We're out here today in front of of H-E-B raising food for the West Texas Food Bank and Isaiah 58," said Zackary Mullins, district executive of the Lone Star District of the Buffalo Trail Council for the Boy Scouts. "Our goal this year is to raise 15,000 pounds of food, and we are well on our way to doing that across the council. We have locations in Big Spring, Odessa,

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HERALD photo/ **Roger Cline** Kayla and Hayden McComb pose at H-E-B Saturday with carts full of food raised by local Scouts for Isaiah 58 in Big Spring. Hayden is a member of Cub Scout Pack 29 in Forsan.





LOCAL

Obituaries

Addie Beatrice Perkins Peterson



Addie Beatrice Perkins Peterson, 102, of Big Spring died Thursday, January 26, 2017, at her residence. Funeral services will be at 11:00 AM Wednesday at First Baptist Church with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Addie was born September 13, 1914, in Caldwell, Texas to William D. and Hattie Byrd. She came to Big Spring, Texas in 1929 from

Colorado City, Texas. She then met a handsome young man on his way to California from Belton, Texas named Burel Perkins. He had only stopped here briefly and they started dating and were married December 19, 1934. In 1945, Elder Burel and Addie added to their union the love of their life Milton Perkins.

They purchased land and built homes to rent.

She and her husband pastored three churches in Colorado City, Midland, and Big Spring. She was later appointed District Supervisor of the Church of God in Christ. She later volunteered keeping children two hours a week at the Kentwood Methodist Church during Bible Study.

She was very active in the Ever Ready Civic Club President, PTA, and serving food at Lakeview Head Start.

She leaves to cherish her memory: beloved son Milton Perkins; 2 nephews Charles Byrd, Curtis Byrd; one niece Bobbie Dade; and a number of great nephews. Her very special friends Eddie Faye Lane, Elder and Mrs. Richard Waters, Mrs. Pauline Davis, Mrs. Odessa Paynes, Mrs. Dorthy Johnson, Mother Victorine Macky, Mrs. Joyce Brooks, Mrs. Willie Cavil, Supt. W. C. Kenan, Mrs. Jo Ramsey, Mrs. Joyce Crooker and Marie Hall, and so many more friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother Mrs. Hattie Weaver; one sister Virdell Smith; three brothers Earnest Byrd, William D. Byrd, Jr., and Rheuben Byrd.

Pallbearers will be Samuel Johnson, Vicky Woodruff, Buster Green, Wayne Johnson, Harry Crosby, and Curtis Flewellen.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

Paid obituary

Hollis Kennemer

Hollis Kennemer, 85, of Luther, passed away Saturday, January 28, 2017 at his residence. The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 2, 2017 at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial with Military Honors will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Hollis was born December 16, 1931 to Stella Mc-Carty Kennemer and Elmer Kennemer in Brookshire, Runnels County. He has been a resident of Howard County for over 55 years. He married June Boatler in October 1955 and she preceded him in death on February 20, 2006. He was a veteran of the United States Army serving in Korea. He was discharged in 1954. He was a Fina Distributor from 1962 until 1976. He also farmed at Ackerly until 2006.

Hollis is survived by two sons: Edward Kennemer of Luther and Mark Kennemer and wife Patricia of Ackerly; four grandchildren; three brothers: Truman Kennemer and wife Linda, Clyde Kennemer and wife Betty and Aubrey Kennemer and wife Paula, all of San Angelo; four great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, Hollis was preceded in death by one brother: David Kennemer.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects at www.myersandsmith. com.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **ROD LEE PUGA**, 54, of 1409 Settles was arrested on a charge of driving with invalid/suspended license.

• BRANDON ALLEN TEM-PLEMAN, 29, of 5600 S Service Road was arrested on warrants for operating an unregistered motor vehicle, defective tail lamp(s), and two counts of failure to appear.

• LISA JOY ZAP, 51, of 403 Washington Boulevard was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

• CHERYL PATTIN CLAY-TON, 47, of 1002 N Main Street was arrested on a warrant for driving with invalid/suspended license.

• CASEY WAYNE REID, 34, of 1 Avalon Court was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• DRAKUS DE'MON ARM-STEAD, 29, of 2204 Placid Drive (Carrollton, TX) was arrested on a charge for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

• KENNETH WAYNE PHIL-

LIPS, JR, 24, of 906 Runnels was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 3900 block of Hamilton.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2800 block of S Anderson.

• HARASSMENT was reported in the 3600 block of W Hwy 80.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 800 block of S Lancaster.

Jose M. Castillo

Jose M. Castillo, 85, of Midland, died Monday, January 30, 2017 in a local nursing home. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory in Big Spring.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 210 block of Cecilia.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of Rickabaugh. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported at mile marker 165 off of 1-20. Two people were transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Wright. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of E. 16th. One person was transported to SMMC.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of S. Gregg. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1100 block of Blackmon. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of E. 16th. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to SMMC.

• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1400 block of E. 6th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.

Support Groups

TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will start Tuesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Spring Creek Fellowship located in the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

lake Note

• Howard College and the 1953 Hyperion Club will host a presentation on Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, presented by personnel representative Caylar Widick at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1. The event will be held in the Hall Center for the Arts on the HC campus, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to 267-5745.

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

The next sacking session will be at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 6 and 7 at the old Lakeview High School gym located at 1107 N.W. Seventh St. To get there, take Gregg Street north and turn left on Delaney, which is the block just past the Salvation Army retail store. Delaney turns into Seventh Street, you will go over the railroad tracks and the school is on the left.

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• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost is \$8 per person.

Meetings

•TheBigSpringArtAssociation meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

The Christensen-Tuck-Post-2013 er Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of for-

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eign wars are invited to come.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Contact Jimmy Ruth at 271-2176.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 $\frac{1}{2}$ Main St. All Masons are welcome.





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LOCAL/WORLD

Mosque shooting suspect in Canada known for far-right, nationalist views

By TRACEY LINDEMAN and ROB GILLIES

Associated Press

QUEBEC CITY (AP) — The French Canadian university student charged with killing six Muslim men during evening prayers at a mosque was known for far-right, nationalist views and his support of the French rightist party led by Marine Le Pen.

Alexandre Bissonnette was charged Monday with six counts of first-degree murder and five counts of attempted murder over the shooting rampage at a Quebec City mosque that Canada's prime minister called an act of terrorism against Muslims.

Bissonnette made a brief court appearance and did not enter a plea in the attack staged during evening prayers Sunday. Wearing a white prisoner jump suit, his hands and feet shackled, he stared down at the floor and fidgeted, but did not speak.

The 27-year-old suspect, who has espoused support for Le Pen and U.S. President Donald Trump on his Facebook page, was known to those who monitor extremist groups in Quebec, said François Deschamps, an official with a refugee advocacy group.

"It's with pain and anger that we learn the identity of terrorist Alexandre Bissonnette, unfortunately known to many activists in Quebec for taking nationalist, pro-Le Pen and anti-feminist positions at Laval University and on social media," Deschamps wrote on the Facebook page of the group, Bienvenues aux Refugiés, or Welcome to Refugees.

An anthropology and political science major at Laval University in Quebec City, Bissonnette had also expressed support on his Facebook profile for "Génération Nationale," a group whose manifesto includes the rejection of "multiculturalism."

Authorities said Bissonnette was unknown to police.

The grandson of a decorated World War II veteran, Bissonnette appears in a Facebook photo as a boy dressed as an army cadet, a military leadership program for Canadian youths. But cadets are not members of the Canadian Armed Forces and do not receive military training.

For Le Pen and her supporters, "massive migration," notably from Muslim North Africa, is supplanting French civilization and is at the root of many France's modern woes. "On est chez nous" ("We're in our land") is a mantra at the rallies of her party, the National Front. Her views have won the endorsement from white supremacists.

More than 50 people were at the Quebec Islamic Cultural Centre when the shooting began, and witnesses described a scene of chaos as worshippers scrambled to find friends and loved ones. In addition to the six dead, 19 people were wounded — all men. Of the five victims who remained hospitalized, two were in critical condition, authorities said. The dead ranged in age from 39 to 60.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Quebec Premier Philippe Couillard both characterized the attack as a terrorist act, which came amid strong



Midland, Andrews, Alpine... all across our council here in West a final tally councilwide until the food bank weighs it in. Last year we did 12,500, the year before we did 10.000. This year we're hoping to break 15,000." The council-wide effort, which included packs and troops from all across West Texas, involved all of Howard County's Scouting organizations. "Here locally in Howard County, we've had Pack 29, Pack 501, Pack 305, Troop 1, Troop 5, Troop 27...I think we've had all of our units out here at one point or another helping out and getting this done," Mullins said. "Every year

Jacques Boissinot/The Canadian Press via AP

Alexandre Bissonnette is escorted to a van after appearing in court for Sunday's deadly shooting at a mosque, Monday, Jan. 30, 2017, in Quebec City. The French Canadian suspect known for his far-right, nationalist views was charged Monday with six counts of first-degree murder and five counts of attempted murder in the shooting rampage at the Quebec City mosque that Canada's prime minister called an act of terrorism again Muslims.

criticism around the world over Trump's temporary travel ban for people from seven Muslim countries.

Canada is generally welcoming toward immigrants and all religions, but the French-speaking province of Quebec has had a long-simmering debate about race and religious accommodation. The previous separatist government of the province called for a ban on ostentatious religious symbols, such as the hijab, in public institutions.

Trudeau said in Parliament that the victims were targeted simply because of their religion. Speaking directly to the more than 1 million Muslims who live in Canada, he said, "We are with you."

"Thirty-six million hearts are breaking with yours," Trudeau said.

The prime minister later attended a vigil along with thousands of people bundled in winter clothes in front of Notre-Dame-de-Foy Church, just around the corner from the mosque that was attacked. It was one of many vigils in Canada, and the Eiffel Tower in Paris was darkened in respect to the victims as was the CN Tower in Toronto.

The suspect was arrested in his car on a bridge near d'Orleans, after he called 911 to say he wanted to cooperate with police. Authorities, who initially named two suspects, said the other man taken into custody was a witness to the attack and was

now for the last three years, we've had three opportunities for people to come out and help. They can bring groceries from home, they can make a cash donation, or they can take one of these orange shopping bags and go fill it up with whatever they're comfortable filling it with, whether it's one can or a full bag, and drop it off at the door." Big Spring's United Way, a financial backer of Isaiah 58, also lent a hand to the effort, Mullins said. "Today we're also happy to have United Way come out here. Meghan Bias (excutive director)

was here and she was helping out," he said. "The food that's donated here at the H-E-B in Big Spring today will be given to Isaiah 58, so all of the food and money that's raised will stay here locally. We're very excited." released. Officials said they did not believe there were others involved but were investigating. Police did not give a motive for the attack. Trump called Trudeau to express condolences to the Canadian people and to offer any assistance that might be needed. The White House pointed to the attack as an example of why Trump's policies are needed. "We condemn this attack in the strongest possible terms. It's a terrible reminder of why we must remain vigilant and why the president is taking steps to be pro-active, rather than reactive when it comes to our nation's safety and security," White House spokesman Sean Spicer said.

The victims were businessmen, a university professor and others who had gathered for evening prayers, said Mohamed Labidi, vice president of the mosque.

"'It's a very, very big tragedy for us," Labidi said tearfully. "We have a sadness we cannot express."

He said the victims were shot in the back.

JOBS

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The Amarillo, Austin-Round Rock and Lubbock Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) recorded the month's lowest unemployment rate among Texas MSAs with a non-seasonally adjusted rate MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL 24th & Johnson 267-8288

Addie Peterson, 102, died Thursday. Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at First Baptist Church. Interment will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Texas, and we are doing a fantastic job."

Mullins said the Big Spring location brought in more than 1,500 pounds of food alone, as well as about \$340 in cash donations. The drive ran from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday.

"Right now, we're working on cart number seven or eight here in Big Spring," said Mullins with about half an hour left to go in the drive. "We won't have For more information about local scouting programs, visit www. buffalotrailbsa.org. For more information about Isaiah 58, call 263-4758 or visit the organization's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ isiaiah58bigspring/. For more information about United Way, call 267-5201. of 3.2 percent, followed by the College Station-Bryan MSA with a rate of 3.4 for December.

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\$870K raised to rebuild South Texas mosque destroyed in fire

VICTORIA, Texas (AP) — An online fund established to raise money to rebuild a South Texas mosque destroyed by fire over the weekend has far exceeded its \$850,000 goal.

A GoFundMe page set up on behalf of the Islamic Center of Victoria indicated Monday that about \$870,000 has been raised in just two days. The page shows more than 18,500 people have contributed.

Fire officials say it's too early to determine the cause of the blaze early Saturday morning.

The mosque was broken into about a week ago and the target of a hate message in 2013, but Muslim leaders and others are cautioning against a rush to judgment.

The Victoria Advocate reports that police estimate about 400 people attended a prayer rally Sunday outside the remains of the mosque.

Veteran CPS workers complain of exclusion from pay raises

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - Hundreds of veteran workers with state Child Protective Services who play important roles in protecting children from abuse are complaining they were excluded from the \$12,000 emergency pay raises recently granted to caseworkers.

The Dallas Morning News reports that many of the seasoned workers spent a decade or more in the field but now are in support roles that include monitoring new caseworkers for any missed threats to a child.

Lawmakers last month approved the pay raises that went to about 7,200 CPS employees, but agency leaders restricted eligibility in such a way that omitted about 320 of the specialized workers.

Henry "Hank" Whitman, the head of family protective services in Texas, is expected to ask lawmakers for an additional \$1.2 million a year to pay the additional workers.

Suspect in fatal shooting leaps to death from I-10 bridge

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Authorities in San Antonio say a gunman fatally shot a man and wounded a woman before jumping to his death hours later from an Interstate 10 bridge.

The Bexar (bayr) County sheriff's office said in a statement Sunday that deputies responded Saturday evening to a shooting at the gated entrance to a housing development.

A man found on the ground beside a vehicle was pronounced dead and a woman inside had been shot and was taken to a hospital with what authorities describe as nonlife-threatening injuries.

Authorities say the suspect was found early Sunday on Interstate 10. They say hours of negotiations with the man ensued but he ultimately jumped from the bridge just northwest of downtown.

The identities of the three people have not been released.

Texas man fatally shoots wife, teenager before killing self

McALLEN, Texas (AP) — A South Texas man has shot and killed his wife and stepdaughter as they spoke with police and then wounded another step-

What to Watch: Border wall windfall? Abbott, 'Muslim Day'



AP photo

In this Friday, July 8, 2016, file photo, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, right, responds to questions during a news conference at City Hall in Dallas. Gov. Abbott's second State of the State address is Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2017, when he will tell lawmakers what he'd like their top priorities to be this session. Abbott largely avoided hot-button social issues like abortion, guns and gay rights with his 2015 speech, instead highlighting nuts-and-bolts priorities like increased highway funding and expanding pre-kindergarten programs.

By WILL WEISSERT

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) – Donald Trump has formally ordered up his border wall built and it could cost the federal government as much as \$30 billion.

Top Republicans in the Texas Legislature have for months speculated that walling off the U.S.-Mexico border could save the state money on having to use its own law enforcement personnel to help secure the area. Every penny counts this session, with Texas facing up to a \$6 billion budget hole simply to maintain basic public services funded at current levels.

Now that there's a Trump executive order, might there really be a Texas border wall windfall? Maybe, but probably not a transformative one. State law enforce-

ment officials had requested more than \$1

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billion for border security. Both chambers' draft 2018-2019 budgets don't offer that much, but still foresee spending at least \$650 million. The final amount may fall as lawmakers hammer out a finished budget in coming months. If not, though, it won't be the kind of savings needed to reshape a state budget.

Any future fiscal haggling over this issue, meanwhile, doesn't consider the larger logistical questions of whether Trump's wall will ever actually become a reality — something that likely won't be clear until long after lawmakers finish their session May 29. While awaiting border wall budget clarity, here are other issues expected to make news this week:

ALL EYES ON ABBOTT Gov. Greg Abbott's second See TEXAS, Page 5

State of the State address is Tuesday, when he will tell lawmakers what he'd like their top priorities to be this session.

Abbott largely avoided hot-button social issues like abortion, guns and gay rights with his 2015 speech, instead highlighting nuts-and-bolts priorities like increased highway funding and expanding pre-kindergarten programs.

But the governor has been more outspoken on headlinegrabbing topics lately, applauding Trump's border wall executive order, attending a rally supporting school vouchers which give parents public money to send their children to private schools — and threatening to remove from office Texas elected officials, including

daughter before killing himself.

McAllen police said in a statement Saturday that 30-year-old Cruz Orlando Pinon was found dead inside a home after firing on his family as well as officers late Friday evening.

Investigators say officers responded following a confrontation between Pinon and a 14-year-old girl in the home. The girl while speaking with officers accused Pinon of an unrelated crime and Pinon then began firing on them.

Authorities say 42-year-old Santos Berenice Garcia was killed along with her 16-year-old daughter.

Pinon retreated into the home where he shot and wounded his 13-year-old stepdaughter before shooting himself. Police say the 13-year-old was hospitalized in stable condition.

No officers were injured.







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George HW **Bush has been** released from **Houston hospital**

By MICHAEL GRACZYK

Associated Press

HOUSTON(AP) – Former President George H.W. Bush was released Monday from Houston Methodist Hospital where he received treatment for pneumonia for more than two weeks.

Bush, 92, was experiencing breathing difficulties when he was admitted Jan. 14. During his treatment, which included a stay in intensive care, doctors inserted a breathing tube and connected him to a ventilator.

"He is thankful for the many prayers and kind messages he received during his stay, as well as the world-class care that both his doctors and nurses provided," Bush spokesman Jim McGrath said Monday.

The nation's 41st president was joined at the hospital by his 91-year-old wife, Barbara, who spent five days there for treatment of bronchitis until her release a week ago.

The couple's 72-year marriage is the longest of any presidential couple in U.S. history and the former first lady was with her husband during much of his stay, including when she was hospitalized for her own treatment. They were "essentially therapy for each other," Dr. Clint Doerr, one of the physicians treating Bush, said last week.

Bush, who served as president from 1989 to 1993, has a form of Parkinson's disease and uses a motorized scooter or a wheelchair for mobility.

He was hospitalized in 2015 in Maine after falling at his summer home and breaking a bone in his neck. He was also hospitalized in Houston the previous December for about a week for shortness of breath. He spent Christmas 2012 in intensive care for a bronchitis-related cough and other issues.

Despite his loss of mobility, Bush celebrated his 90th birthday by making a tandem parachute jump in Kennebunkport, Maine. Last summer, Bush led a group of 40 wounded warriors on a fishing trip at the helm of his speedboat, three days after his 92nd birthday celebration.

George Herbert Walker Bush, born June 12, 1924, in Milton, Massachusetts, also served as a congressman, CIA director and Ronald Reagan's vice president.

Federal court allows appeal for killer of TCU professor

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal appeals court is allowing attorneys for a 44-year-old convicted killer to move forward with an appeal that questions whether he's eligible for the death penalty for the 2004 suffocation of retired college professor abducted in Fort Worth.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled Edward Lee Busby may pursue arguments that he's mentally impaired, making him ineligible for execution, and that he's had deficient legal help at his trial and in earlier stages of his appeals. Busby was convicted of the slaving of 77-year-old retired Texas Christian University professor Laura Lee Crane, who was abducted from a Fort Worth grocery store parking lot. He was arrested in Oklahoma City driving Crane's car and led authorities to her body in Oklahoma just north of the Texas border.

Delta operations recovering; Trump blames airline for delays



AP photo

Delta passengers wait in line at Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport after Delta Air Lines grounded all domestic flights due to automation issues, Sunday, Jan. 29, 2017, in Atlanta.

By DAVID KOENIG and JOSH BOAK

Associated Press

DALLAS (AP) — Delta Air Lines, recovering from a weekend technology outage, canceled more flights Monday but said that the issue has been resolved.

The airline said Monday that 110 flights had been canceled and more could be scrubbed. That followed the cancellation of about 170 flights Sunday night.

President Donald Trump blamed Delta for weekend problems at many airports, where large protests were held to oppose his executive order that temporarily banned travel to the U.S. by refugees and citizens of seven majority-Muslim countries. Federal judges blocked part of the order.

Trump tweeted early Monday morning that only 109 people were detained for questioning under the order, out of 325,000 coming to the U.S.

"Big problems at airports were caused by Delta computer outage," he tweeted.

ment on the president's tweet.

Just two weeks ago, Delta CEO Ed Bastian was praising Trump, saying that he was "very excited" about the possibility that the new administration might invest in upgrading airport facilities, reduce taxes and cut regulations.

Bastian also expressed hope that Trump might give a new airing to complaints by Delta, American Airlines and United Airlines that Middle Eastern competitors receive unfair government subsidies.

On Sunday, Delta asked the Federal Aviation Administration to hold up its departures at six major airports including Atlanta, Kennedy and LaGuardia in New York, and Los Angeles International, for several hours.

Bastian apologized on the company's website to customers affected by the "frustrating situation." Delta apologized on Twitter that some delays and cancellations were not showing up on its own systems including

Delta officials declined to com- its website and mobile app.

Delta offered to let passengers booked on flights Monday to delay travel plans for a few days without incurring the usual fee \$200 for domestic flights — for changing a ticket.

In August, Delta suffered a computer breakdown after a power outage in its operations center. The airline canceled more than 2,000 flights over three days and said the outage cost it \$100 million.

Shares of Delta Air Lines Inc. were down \$2, or 4 percent, to \$47.70, in afternoon trading, as most U.S. airline stocks fell more sharply than the broader market. None of the major U.S. airlines fly to the countries covered by Trump's order, but they have foreign partners who do.

Jim Corridore, an analyst for CFRA Research, said the travel ban wasn't likely to have much effect on demand because of the light amount of traffic between the U.S. and those countries — Iraq, Iran, Syria, Libya, Sudan, Somalia and Yemen.

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Austin's sheriff, if they refuse to enforce federal immigration law.

Abbott so far has refrained from a fullthroated endorsement of what could prove the most contentious proposal this session, a bill prohibiting transgender Texans from using the public bathroom of their choice. But if the governor opts to keep firing up his conservative base, he could use the State of the State to make it clear he'd like the "bathroom bill" to become Texas law.

vitriolic hecklers, one of whom even grabbed the rally microphone and proclaimed: "Islam will never dominate the **United States!**"

Republican Rep. Molly White Hung also made national news by hanging an Israeli flag in her Capitol office and instructing her staff to ask visiting Muslims to "publicly announce allegiance to America and our laws." White later lost her re-election bid, but Islamic groups are bracing for more pushback this year.

as mosques asking them to renounce Sharia Law. Biedermann sent the survey in preparation for a forum on radical Islam this past week - and White attended and was captured on video cursing out a rethey've failed to become Texas law — though supporters are hoping that Trump and his tough immigration policies could change that

Abbott's vow to use immigration policy enforcement to boot elected officials from office already has set the tone. Democrats call sanctuary city bills government overreach, but likely don't have the votes to stop the policy. Thursday's hearing begins what should be a long, bitter policy battle — but the fact that a powerful committee is working on the issue so early in the session could bode well for its chances of passage.

Houston mayor says protests won't hurt Super Bowl activities

HOUSTON (AP) - Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner says demonstrations during Super Bowl week won't prevent fans from having a good time.

Turner said Monday that demonstrations like the one Sunday outside Super Bowl headquarters with protesters opposing President Trump's travel restrictions from some Muslim countries are "about people exercising their constitutional right to voice their opinion.'

Calling Houston "the most diverse city in the country," Turner noted "we can do that and have good football at the same time."

Turner stressed that security would not be an issue and that the city has worked for four years preparing to host the game for the first time since 2004.

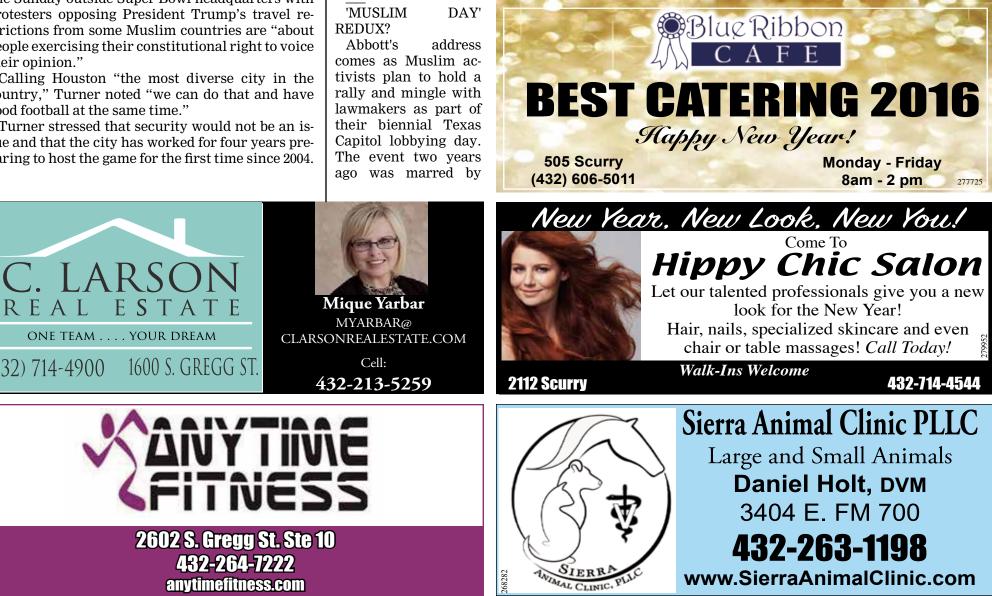
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Already, Republican Rep. Kyle Biedermann drew sharp rebukes from civil groups by sending a survey to Texporter who asked about radical Christianity and Judaism.

SANCTUARY CITIES The Senate State Affairs Committee is holding its first hearing on a hotly debated proposal seeking to compel local police to enforce federal immigration laws.

Top Republicans have backed crackdowns on so-called "sanctuary cities" for years but



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NATION

Trump wants to enlist local police in immigration crackdown

By JACQUES BILLEAUD and AMY TAXIN

Associated Press

PHOENIX (AP) — To build his highly touted deportation force, President Donald Trump is reviving a longstanding program that deputizes local officers to enforce federal immigration law.

The program received scant attention during a week in which Trump announced plans to build a border wall, hire thousands more federal agents and impose restrictions on refugees from Middle Eastern countries.

But the program could end up having a significant impact on immigration enforcement around the country, despite falling out of favor in recent years amid complaints that it promotes racial profiling.

More than 60 police and sheriff's agencies had the special authority as of 2009, applying for it as the nation's immigration debate was heating up. Since then, the number has been halved and the effort scaled back as federal agents ramped up other enforcement programs and amid complaints officers weren't focusing on the goal of catching violent offenders and instead arrested immigrants for minor violations, like driving with broken tail lights.

Sheriff Joe Arpaio used the program most aggressively in metro Phoenix, and he became arguably the nation's best-known immigration enforcer at the local level in large part because of the special authority. In a strange twist, he was thrown out of office in the same election that vaulted Trump to the presidency, mostly because of mounting frustration over legal issues and costs stemming from the patrols.

In his executive order this week, Trump said he wants to empower local law enforcement to act as immigration officers and help with the "investigation, apprehension, or detention" of immigrants in the country illegally.

The move comes at a time when the country is sharply divided over the treatment of immigrants. Cities such as Chicago and San Francisco have opposed police involvement in immigration while some counties in Massachusetts and Texas are now seeking to jump in.

Proponents say police departments can help bolster immigration enforcement and prevent criminals from being released back into their neighborhoods, while critics argue

that deputizing local officers will lead to racial profiling and erode community trust in police.

Cecillia Wang, an American Civil Liberties Union attorney, said police bosses who want to get into immigration enforcement should consider what happened when 100 of deputies Arpaio's were given the federal arrest power.

The longtime sheriff used the authority to carry out traffic patrols that targeted immigrants. The patrols were later discredited in a lawsuit in which a federal payers \$50 million.

"There are people

like Joe Arpaio who have a certain political agenda who want to jump on the Trump bandwagon," Wang said, adding later that the Arizona sheriff was "most vocal and shameless offender" in the program.

When asked to comment on Trump's effort to revitalize the program, a Department of Homeland Security spokeswoman said the executive orders would speak for themselves.

Traditionally, police stayed out of immigration enforcement and left those duties to federal authorities. But a 1996 federal law opened up the possibility for local agencies to participate in immigration enforcement on the streets and do citizenship checks of people in local jails.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement trained and certified roughly 1,600 officers to carry out these checks from 2006 to 2015.

The Obama administration phased out all the arrest power agreements in 2013, but still let agencies check whether people jailed in their jurisdiction were citizens. If they find that an inmate is in the country illegally, they typically notify federal authorities or hand them over to immigration officers. Today, more than 30 local agencies participate in the jail program.

Alonzo Pena, a retired deputy director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement who once oversaw such agreements with police agencies, said some officers were using the authority in ways that didn't match the agency's enforcement priorities.

He said federal officials need to closely monitor participants to ensure their actions don't veer away from the goal of catching violent offenders and confronting national security threats. "It's hard to regulate to make sure it's followed," Pena said.

In California, three counties nixed the program after state legislation and a federal court ruling in nearby Oregon limited police collaboration with immigration enforcement. Orange County still makes the immigration checks inside its jail and flags inmates for deportation officers, but won't hold anyone on behalf of federal authorities out of legal concerns.

"The window has narrowed to a large extent," said Orange County sheriff's Lt. Mike McHenry.

With Trump in office, the program has new life.

Even before the change in administration, two Republican county sheriffs in Massachusetts said they were starting programs. In Texas, Jackson County sheriff A. J. "Andy" Louderback said two officers will get trained

to run immigration jail checks this spring and nearby counties want to follow suit.

Louderback said teaming up with federal agents will cost his agency roughly \$3,000 — a small price to pay to cover for officers while they're on a four-week training course, especially in an area struggling with human smuggling. Once the program is underway, he said immigration agents will send a daily van to pick up anyone flagged for deportation from jail.

"It just seems like good law enforcement to partner with federal law enforcement in this area," he said. "It takes all of us to do this job."

Experts said Trump's outreach to local law enforcement will create an even bigger split between sanctuary cities that keep police out of immigration enforcement and those eager to help the new president bolster deportations.

"There is no question that in order to do the type of mass deportation that he promised, it will require him conscripting local law enforcement agencies," said Chris Newman, legal director of the National Day Laborer Organizing Network. "It is going to balkanize things ... and we're going to see more of the extremes."



judge concluded Ar- In this July 29, 2010, file photo, Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio speaks at paio's officers had a news conference in Phoenix. President Donald Trump plans to revitalize a racially profiled La- long-standing program to deputize local police officers to enforce federal immitinos. The lawsuit so gration law. The program was used in the past by Arpaio, then sheriff of metro far cost county tax- Phoenix, to conduct immigration patrols that were later discredited in court.

Confederate emblem has staying power on Mississippi flag

By EMILY WAGSTER PETTUS

Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — The Confederate battle emblem still waves on the Mississippi flag and appears in little danger of being erased anytime soon.

Legislators have filed bills that propose to either change the flag that has been used since 1894 or punish schools, universities, local governments or state agencies that refuse to fly it.

Leaders say there's little chance any bill will survive because there's no consensus on the issue that generates strong emotions.

Mississippi is the last state with a flag that still includes the battle emblem — a red field topped by a blue tilted cross dotted with 13 white stars.

Critics say the flag symbolizes slavery and segregation and tarnishes a state with a 38 percent black population.

"It's time for Mississippi to move in a new direction," said Democratic Rep. John Hines of Greenville, a member of the Legislative Black Caucus. "The state that I believe Mississippi can be — that flag is not a representative symbol of it."

Supporters say the flag represents history and heritage — and many say they're tired of attempts to downplay references to the Confederacy.

Republican Rep. Dan Eubanks of Walls, who is white, said that when he went door-to-door campaigning in 2015 in northern Mississippi:

"People didn't care about anything except, Where do you stand on the flag?' Only one person said, 'Change it.'"

The day after President Donald Trump was in-

augurated, several people stood on an Interstate 55 bridge in Mississippi holding Trump banners, Mississippi flags and American flags, according to photos on the Facebook page of Delta Flaggers, a group that supports the state banner.

The public display of Confederate symbols has come under widespread debate since the June 2015 slaying of nine black worshippers in a church in a Charleston, South Carolina, by an avowed white supremacist who had posed for photos with the Confederate battle flag.

Soon after the massacre, South Carolina lawmakers removed a Confederate battle flag from the Statehouse grounds. Several Mississippi political leaders said this state needs to change its flag.

All eight of Mississippi's public universities, several schools and city and county governments have stopped flying the banner because of the Confederate emblem, and the Mississippi flag has also been removed from other places, including a display of state flags outside the Oregon Capitol.

Mississippi is marking 200 years of statehood, and the state Chamber of Commerce has distributed hundreds of bicentennial banners that some businesses are flying instead of the state flag. The banner has no Confederate images.

Tuesday is the deadline for Mississippi legisla-

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tive committees to pass or kill flag bills. House Rules Chairman Jason White, R-West, said without broad agreeflag proposal, "I'm not willing to spend political capital on that."

The Mississippi Supreme Court ruled in 2000 that the flag had not been officially recognized by state law since code books were updated in 1906.

In the fall of 2000, a flag commission held several contentious hearings. Legislators put the matter to a statewide vote in April 2001.

By a nearly 2-to-1 margin, voters chose the old flag over an alternative that would have displayed circles of stars representing Mississippi as the 20th state.

Longtime state Sen. Terry Burton, R-Newton, served on the flag commission in 2000.

"I got death threats and everything else," Burton said last week.

He now chairs the Senate Rules Committee and, like White, said he is not willing to ask lawmakers to vote on any sort of flag bill this year.

Republican Gov. Phil Bryant has said that if the flag design is to be reconsidered, it should be done by another statewide

referendum.







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Patriots, Falcons arrive in Houston for Super Bowl

HOUSTON (AP) - A man traipsing around Monday's Super Bowl opening night in a fulllength gown declaring himself "The Empress of Austria, Elizabeth I" was the most outrageous guest at what was a rather tame media night compared to the circus this event has been in the past.

The Empress, otherwise known as Julian Kurzwernhart, who said he'd been covering the Super Bowl for a television station in Austria for the past six years, spent more time being interviewed in his crazy getup than actually conducting interviews with the players from the Atlanta Falcons and New England Patriots.

"Why outfits? Oh yeah, that's funny questions because we want to spread some Austrian flavor every year here and spread some Austrian charm and you guys have something to love," he said. "It's a crazy event and you have to dress up."

The event, which is the first availability with the teams during Super Bowl week, was held at Minute Maid Park, where the Houston Astros play.

While media mingled with players on the field, 10,204 fans filled the stands to get a glimpse of their favorite players.

There were a handful of other strange getups, such as a man from a television station who wore a long blonde wig and a jersey which was half that of Atlanta quarterback Matt Ryan and half New England tight end Rob Gronkowski.

A reporter from a local television station sported an oversized red foam cowboy hat and See **SUPER**, Page 13



asked everyone who spoke to him if they'd like to try on the matching blue one he held.

He handed the hat to Atlanta receiver Julio Jones who thanked him and placed it beside him on the podium next to his seat.

When the reporter informed him that he wanted him to try it on and not keep it and then tried to ask another question Jones jokingly snapped at him.

"Next question, I ain't messing with you," he said before cracking up.

Jones embraced the silliness of the night and said he couldn't think of a question he wouldn't answer.

"We have a lot of fans from everywhere, Australia, Mexico ... and everyone wants answers and I'm going to answer them to the best of my ability," he said. "It hasn't been too crazy for me."

Guillermo Rodriguez, a talk show personality on ABC's "Jimmy Kimmel Live", asked the players sign what he called a football, which was actually a soccer ball.

He asked questions like: "Do

Hawks lose in 2 OT



Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com Howard College's Dante Scott (11) scores during the Hawks' 71-69 double overtime loss to New Mexico Junior College Monday night in Hobbs, N.M. Howard also dropped the women's game, losing 72-56 to NMJC.

Rookie helps last-place Mavs topple Cavs, 104-97

DALLAS (AP) — Yogi Ferrell was hours away from playing in an NBA League Development game when he got a call that Dallas wanted to sign him.

Three days, two games and about 1,500 miles later, Cleveland stars LeBron James and Kyrie Irving, along with the defending champion Cavaliers, know a little more about the rookie guard from Mavericks owner Mark Cuban's alma mater.

Ferrell scored a ca-19 points reer-high while helping cool off Ir-

ving, and the last-place Mavericks knocked off a title contender for the second straight night in a 104-97 win Monday over the Cavaliers, who were missing Kevin Love because of recurring back spasms.

Ferrell, the former Indiana player with the given first name of Kevin, outscored Irving in the second game of a 10-day contract, a night after hitting clinching free throws in the final seconds of a win at San Antonio.

"Was it in Erie or Buffalo?" Mavericks coach

RICK Carlisle asked while trying to remember where the Long Island Ducks were playing when Ferrell got the call because of Dallas' injury issues at point guard. "I don't know. Nobody knows. Nobody knows where he came from."

It was Erie, and Ferrell helped limit Irving to 7-of-21 shooting to end a six-game streak of at least 20 points during which the Cavs All-Star averaged 30 points.

"I am living the dream right now," said the 23-year-old Ferrell, who spent four seasons with the Hoosiers, went undrafted and played 10 games for the Brooklyn Nets before getting waived in December.

James led the Cavaliers with 23 points, but combined with Irving for just one point in the fourth quarter, 2-of-14 shooting from 3-point range and 11 of their team's 17 turnovers. Dallas had just nine turnovers.

Cleveland was showing signs of settling down, winning two straight after a tumultuous eight-game stretch that included six losses and James questioning whether the front office was satisfied with one title.

But the Cavaliers finished 7-8 in January by falling behind for good early in the second quarter against a team that was 0-9 on the second night of back-tobacks and lost by 38 in Cleveland in November.

That was the largest winning margin of the season for the Cavaliers and the most lopsided loss for Dallas.

Harrison Barnes led Dallas with 24 points

and a season-high 11 rebounds for his second double-double of the season.

Ferrell hit a 3-pointer and a driving layup to give the Mavericks their biggest lead at 102-85 with 3:52 remaining. At the next timeout, with the Cavaliers down by 15, coach Tyronn Lue pulled James and Irving after they had each missed their only two shots of the fourth quarter.

"For me, it's one of those games where they were faster than us," Lue said.



AP photo **Coach Mark Few and the Gonzaga Bulldogs** are ranked No. 1 in the Associated Press College Basketball Poll for the second time in program history.

Gonzaga tops AP basketball poll

The Associated Press

Being the top-ranked team in the country was new to Gonzaga in 2013. The Zags were considered one of the best teams in the West and had a long string of NCAA Tournament appearances, but going to No. 1 carried with it a new level of expectations.

They know what's coming this time.

The lone remaining unbeaten team in Division I, Gonzaga moved to No. 1 in The Associated Press college basketball poll for the second time in school history.

"It definitely grows when you have that No. 1 by your name," Gonzaga point guard Nigel Williams-Goss said of being a target for opposing teams. "You see that throughout the country where other teams have been No. 1 and people really try to come out and give them a run for their money. We just have to stay focused and

if we come to play like we have been, I feel like we'll be all right."

The Zags (22-0) jumped up from third when Villanova and Kansas both were beaten in a week when seven of the top 10 lost. Gonzaga won both of its games last week, blowing out Portland and Pepperdine.

Gonzaga received 46 first-place votes from the 65-member national media panel Monday. The Zags were No. 1 for the last three weeks of the 2012-13 season.

Gonzaga is the fifth team to reach No. 1 this season, joining Duke, Kentucky, Villanova and Baylor.

"It's great for the program, it's great for the school, even the community," Gonzaga coach Mark Few said. "I told the guys today, hey, we live in a big country. If you're No. 1 at anything it's pretty cool. But they understand. These polls are tracking who's winning and who's losing, and the only one that matters is the one at the end of the year. But we're playing games and they're keeping score, so if they want to rank us No. 1, fine by us."

Baylor (20-1), one of the three top 10 teams to not lose, jumped from fifth to second. The Bears had six first-place votes and were one point ahead of Kansas (19-2), which dropped one place after losing at West Virginia before winning at Kentucky. The Jayhawks had nine first-place votes.

Villanova, which had been No. 1 for the last two weeks and six overall, dropped to fourth after losing at Marquette. The Wildcats (20-2), who also had a lastsecond win over Virginia, were No. 1 on four ballots.

Northwestern (18-4) is the week's lone newcomer. The Wildcats were last ranked for one week in 2009-10.

Arizona, the other top 10 team to get through the week without

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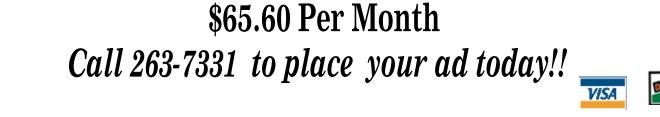
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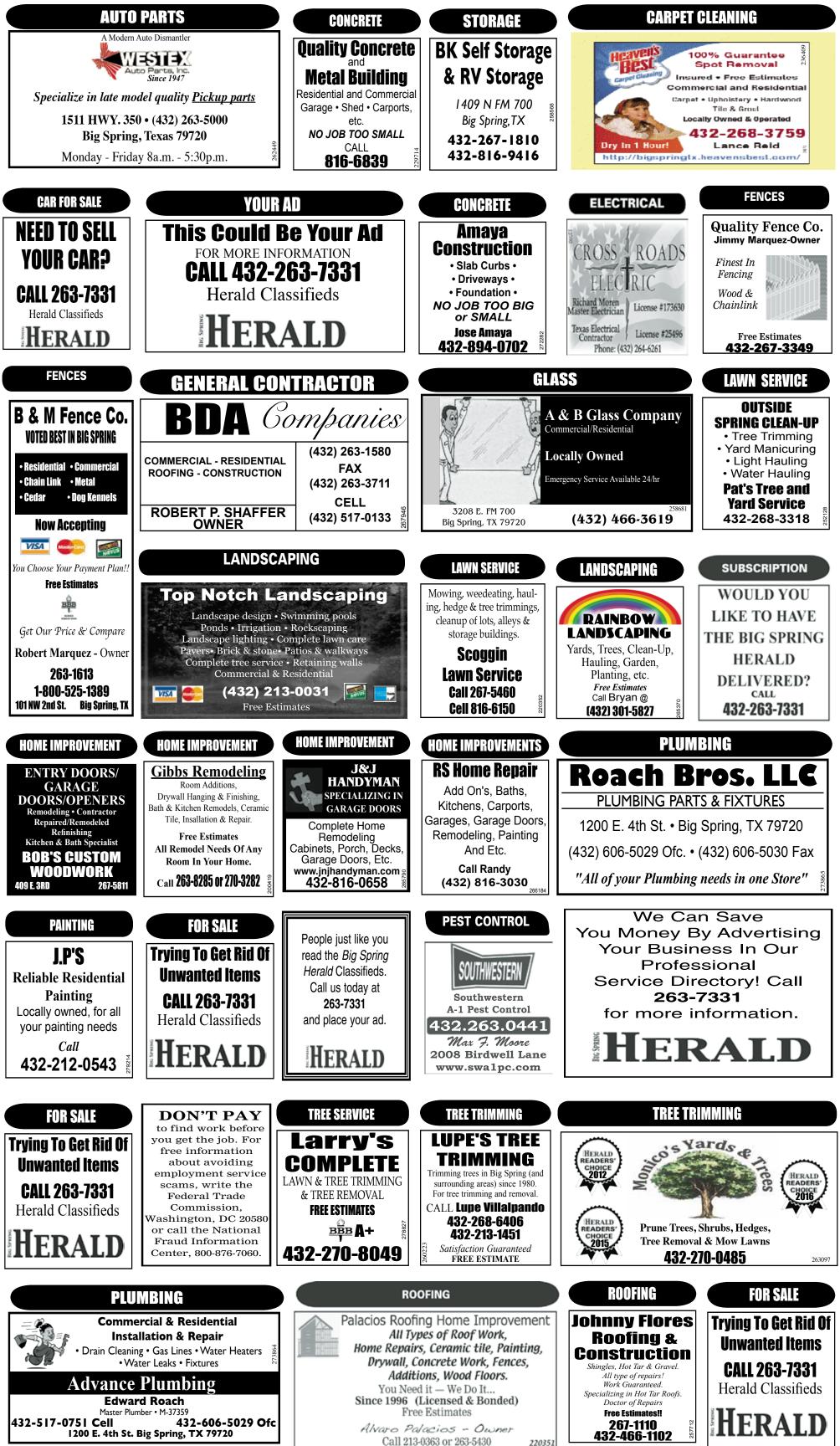
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HOLIDAY MATHIS

Mercury, Uranus and **Diminishing Returns**

There's a point at which doing more will not produce more results. If you value yourself based on how hard you work, and only feel worthy if you're making big efforts, you'll miss the signs that you've gone past that point. Mercury and Uranus work at cross purposes today to make that point of diminishing returns a little more obvious.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). History is more art than science. Like magnetic audiotape, memories get a little more corrupted every time they are recalled. As for today's story, expect that its emotional truth might be different from its factual truth.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The

gurus suggest that the path to enlightenment involves the elimination of opinion. That would be taking it to extremes today, though you might temper your opinions with a fair dose of open-mindedness.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're a hard worker, and you'll play even harder if you can find the time to do it. If you can't, then make the time. Because it's what you do during off hours that will have the most impact.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll dig in your heels today. You set your own groove and you'll move when you're ready. Even when you feel the hand of fate at your back, you won't budge. No one, not even destiny, can rush you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). People who are never wrong are universally suspected, and no one likes a know-it-all. It's why you go the route of curiosity and experimentation and possess a cavalier attitude about correctness in general today. It's simply more fun that way. VIRGO (Aug.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

23-Sept. 22). Like an actor who is cast in an unlikely role, you have some stretching to do. Is this an honor, a challenge or a pain? Likely all three will fit in someway before the show is over.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Go on and argue for your side. You'll be respected for having an opinion -- and a spine. Keep it good-natured and light and no one will be offended, even if they disagree.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). "Fake it till you make it" is one approach. Then there's the one where you're at peace with being out of your element. A little lost, you're confident you'll work it out and the others will want to help you do that.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You don't need to get more things done. You need to get (SET ITAL) important (END ITAL) things done. What's going to feed the bottom line? What's going to matter most at the end of the day? What's going to make you smile?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Like the goat that is your symbol, you're willing to climb over the obstacles in your path. If you have to do that every time you pass, though, you'll waste a lot of energy. Remove the obstacles instead. Clear the road.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The competition for your attention today is rather fierce. So many offers will be made to you -mostly trivial and best passed up. But one offer will be interesting, possibly even vital. Your instincts will help you discern.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Don't do it because it's a "good opportunity." You could fritter away your energy trying to take advantage of all the "good opportunities." Unless this one deeply inspires you, it's not good enough.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (Jan. 31). Your communication skills and style evolve to a new high this year, and this touches all you do in a favorable way. Clear and patient relating will pull people close to you. You'll stash extra money in March until a worthy investment comes along that will allow

you to double it. June expands your family. Leo and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 30, 5, 28 and 44.

ASTROLOGICAL **QUESTIONS:** "Given the stereotypical traits of these two signs, can a Sagittarius man and a Cancer woman ever have a committed long-term relationship?"

It's a hopeful pairing. That said, astrology helps us understand one another, and with understanding, many stereotypically incompatible sun sign combinations thrive. Sagittarius is a restless fire sign and Cancer is a water sign, ruled by the inconstant ocean. Both have an inherent searching and mystical quality, which is the source of their attraction. Their mutual love for ruminating over meaningful questions makes them fast friends and philosophers. While Cancer's natural soulfulness encourages Sagittarius' contemplative streak, his enthusiasms change as quickly as her moods. Both are intuitive, though in different ways: Cancer has psychic feelers,

while Sagittarius has flashes of insight. Romance is magical; they sense they're on a mysterious journey together. They are. For a successful long-term relationship Sagittarius must be sensitive toward Cancer's delicate needs challenging for the fire sign. And Sagittarius requires encouragement from his copilot, regardless of the mood she happens to be reveling in.

CELEBRITY **PROFILES:** Whether he's topping the pop charts, rocking the stadium or baking goodies and posting photos of his family on Instagram, fans flock to Justin Timberlake. The Aquarius superstar was born when Mars was also in this social ly conscious sign and expressive Mercury was in Pisces, a highly artistic and intuitive placement. Venus in Capricorn suggests that Timberlake is also a financial wizard.

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Family Member Won't Pay for Damage

Dear Annie: | am finding myself in a predicament. Currently, my sisterin-law baby-sits my 3- and 5-year-old children two days a week while I am at work. Last week, when I went to pick them up, I parked behind her fiance's truck. Her fiance, "Brad," was getting ready to leave at the same time I was.

Contract

Instead of waiting for me to move from behind his vehicle, he squeezed around my car between other vehicles in the driveway. When I got home, I noticed that his tire had rubbed against my car and put several scratches be in the middle of him my number.

Several days went by, and I didn't hear from Brad. In the meantime, I got an estimate for repairs. I talked to my sisterin-law again, and she said she would have Brad call me. Well, he finally did that evening, and he gave me about a dozen different scenarios of how he thinks the situation might have happened, but he said that there is no way he did it and that he isn't paying for it. I am sure he hit my car, and I told him that. He told me he had gone to my workplace to look at my vehicle and gone to the body shop and asked to see pictures of the damage. I

thought that was disturbing. The conversation ended with him swearing at me and hanging up. The next day, Brad called my husband to also tell him he isn't paying and offered no apologies for his behavior toward me.

The problem I now

have is how to han-

dle the baby-sitting

situation. Brad lives

at my sister-in-law's

home, and I really

don't want to have

any more confron-

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got a different sitter.

But I really don't think

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with Brad around.

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sister-in-law loves my

and further divide my family's relationship? Or should I try to get past the vehicle damage? I am also worried about how any possible repercussions against me by Brad would affect my children. How do you think I should

Dear Annie: | know that people often write to you about how hurt they are when they don't receive a thank-you note. On the next gift-giving occasion, I know what I'll be giving those who don't understand the importance of acknowledging gifts and showing appreciation: a very nice set of thank-you notes and a book of "forever" stamps. Anyone who doesn't write me a note after that will be off my gift list! -- C.J. Dear C.J.: Now there's a creative solution for a tired old problem. I give you my stamp of approval.

Annie's Mailbox 🛽

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in the paint.

sister-in-law, as I don't know Brad very well, and explained to her what had happened. I said I think Brad needs to pay for damages. She said she doesn't want to

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By Steve Becker The magic of good technique

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often necessary to give in order to receive. Later on one learns that the same principle applies in bridge.

Consider this deal where declarer won the opening heart lead with the king and, with eight sure tricks in plain sight, naturally viewed dummy's clubs as the most likely source of a ninth. So at trick two he played a club to the king and returned a club to his queen.

But when East failed to follow to the second club, South had to look elsewhere for the extra trick he needed. So he led a club to dummy's ace, returned a spade and finessed the jack. When West turned up with the queen. South was unable to score more than the eight tricks he had started with, and he finished down

While it is true that South ran into bad luck in both black suits, the fact remains that he should have made the contract

Rather than cash the K-Q of clubs, he should have cashed the queen of clubs at trick two, then led a low club and played low from dummy. This would have guaranteed the contract beyond the shadow of a doubt, since it would have assured South of four club tricks.

The recommended line of play is certain to succeed unless the clubs are divided 5-0 - only a 4 percent chance — and even in that event, declarer still has the spade finesse to fall back on. Note also that declarer's willingness to concede a club to the opponents at trick three - perhaps unnecessarily - is proof-positive that at times it is indeed necessary to give in order to receive.

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proceed from here? -- Scuffed

Dear Scuffed: The answer to the question "Should I follow my gut?" is always yes. And if you're a mom, the answer is yes with three exclamation points. A mother's intuition is a tool more reliable and precious than any piece of technology. So if you feel uncomfortable leaving your children around this man, then don't. Invite your sister-in-law over for coffee so she can still visit with the kids. Given Brad's lousy attitude, I have a feeling she'll be looking for excuses to get out of the house as often as possible anyway.

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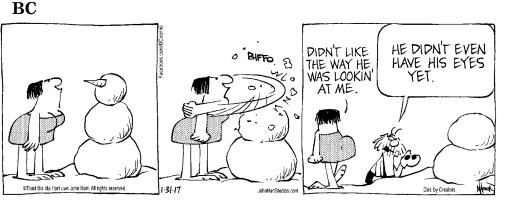
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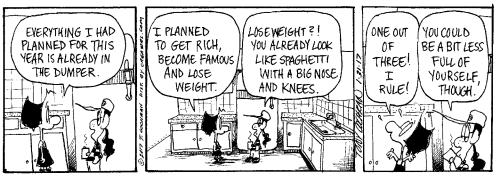
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"You turn by pullin' one of its ears."

This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 31, the 31st day of 2017. There are 334 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 31, 1917, during World War I, Germany served notice that it was beginning a policy of unrestricted submarine warfare.

On this date:

BLONDIE

BUMSTEAD, I APPRECIATE YOU WORKING THROUGH THE WEEKEND TO GET

In 1606, Guy Fawkes, convicted of treason for his part in the "Gunpowder Plot" against the English Parliament and King James I, was executed.

In 1797, composer Franz Schubert was born in Vienna.

In 1865, the U.S. House of Representatives joined the Senate in passing the 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution abolishing slavery, sending it to states for ratification. (The amendment was adopted in Dec. 1865.) Gen. Robert E. Lee was named general-in-chief of the Confederate States Army by President

Jefferson Davis. In 1929 revolutionary

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IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO

In 1961, NASA launched Ham the Chimp aboard a Mercury-Redstone rocket from Cape Canaveral; Ham was recovered safely from the Atlantic Ocean following his 16 1/2-minute suborbital flight.

In 1971, astronauts Alan Shepard, Edgar Mitchell and Stuart Roosa blasted off aboard Apollo 14 on a mission to the moon.

In 1980, Queen Juliana of the Netherlands announced she would abdicate on her birthday the following April, to be succeeded by her daughter, Princess Beatrix (BAY'-uhtriks).

In 1990, McDonald's Corp. opened its first fast-food restaurant in Moscow.

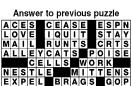
In 2000, an Alaska Airlines MD-83 jet crashed into the Pacific Ocean off Port Hueneme (wy-NEE'-mee), California, killing all 88 people aboard.

Ten years ago: President

Biden formally launched his second bid for the Democratic presidential nomination. Some three dozen blinking electronic devices planted around Boston threw a scare into the city in what turned out to be a marketing campaign for the Cartoon Network TV show "Aqua Teen Hunger Force." Best-selling author and columnist Molly Ivins died in Austin, Texas, at age 62.

Five years ago: Republican Mitt Romney routed Newt Gingrich in the Florida primary, rebounding from an earlier defeat. The breast-cancer charity Susan G. Komen for the Cure set off a furor by deciding to halt its partnerships with Planned Parenthood affiliates (Komen reversed itself three days later).

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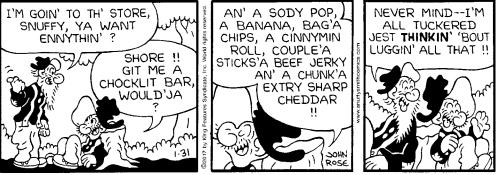
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Trotsky and his family were expelled from the Soviet Union.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Gold Reserve Act.

In 1945, Pvt. Eddie Slovik, 24, became the first U.S. soldier

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George W. Bush, visiting Wall Street, delivered his "State of the Economy" speech in which he took aim at lavish salaries and bonuses for corporate executives, saying their pay should be tied to how much they

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you think Nick will find love on 'The Bachelor'?," to Atlanta coach Dan Quinn and "What do you like pizza or pineapple?," to Falcons running back Devonta Freeman.

His fun didn't stop with the Falcons and he was even able to get a smile out of notoriously gruff New England coach Bill Belichick.

Rodriguez pronounced the coach's name "belly check" and told him: "You know you are much prettier when you smile."

He wasn't able to get an autograph from the coach though.

"No," Belichick told him. "Because it's not a football."

He eased up a second later telling him he might sign it later.

Rodriguez also had an extended exchange with Patriots quarterback Tom Brady where he told him his teammates said he smelled like flowers and asked him if his wife, supermodel Gisele Bundchen had a sister he could date.

"No," Brady said simply.

Rodriguez followed up with: "I thought she had a twin."

Brady then explained: "She does but she's married," which drew boos from Rodriguez. "I know. Too bad." Working alongside the tradition-

al media on Monday night were a handful of people who are normally the ones fielding questions from reporters.

Gymnast Simone Biles, who won four gold medals at the Rio Olympics, worked as a correspondent for "Inside Edition", Houston Rockets power forward Kyle Wiltjer, reported as what he called an unpaid intern for NFL Network. And Houston Astros pitcher Lance McCullers asked questions recorded by the team's social media department.

Biles said she would not be asking any difficult questions about politics or new President Donald Trump.

"I'm all about the fun questions," she said.

She said she might consider a career in media after she's done competing.

"We'll see," she said. "It's definitely different for me to be behind the camera on the other side."

Wiltjer, who is a huge NFL fan, had a little fun with some of his questions. He opened with a serious query to Quinn about the importance of special teams before hitting him with a more entertaining one.

"I'm 6-foot-10 with a 7-1 wingspan, you think I can I block some kicks for you?," Wiltjer said raising one of his long arms skyward.

That drew a big smile from the coach.

"There's no question you could," he said. "So let's talk afterward."

Actor Kel Mitchell entertained the players dressed as his character Ed from the 1997 movie "Good Burger."

He did an extended interview with Patriots tight end Martellus Bennett about why the black unicorn is his spirit animal.

"Shout out to the black unicorn," Mitchell bellowed.

Bennett replied by leaning into his microphone and neighing like a horse, which drew a huge laugh from Mitchell, who first gained fame from the Nickelodeon show "Kenan & Kel."

But the loquacious Bennett, who grew up in Houston, was far from done having fun in the return to his hometown.

He did interview after interview, took pictures with anyone who asked and by the time he was finally coaxed off the field he was the only player remaining, with his teammates long gone from the event. POLL

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a loss, moved from seventh to fifth and was followed by Louisville, West Virginia, Kentucky, Virginia and Wisconsin.

UCLA was 11th and was followed by North Carolina, Oregon, Cincinnati, Florida State, Butler, Maryland, Saint Mary's, South Carolina and Notre Dame.

The last five ranked teams were Duke, Creighton, Purdue, Florida and Northwestern.

Xavier (15-6), which has lost four of six with all the losses to ranked teams, dropped out from 24th.

The Musketeers, who had been ranked for the last 29 polls, were seventh in the preseason voting.

West Virginia, which beat Kansas and Texas A&M, had the week's biggest jump from 18th to No. 7. Louisville, which beat Pittsburgh and North Carolina State by an average of 40 points, moved from 13th to No. 6.

Florida State's fall from sixth to No. 15 followed the Seminoles' losses to Georgia Tech and Syracuse. Kentucky also lost twice last week — to Tennessee and Kansas — and the Wildcats dropped from fourth to eighth.

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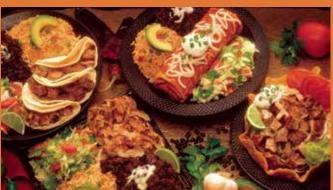
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