

Gunman kills 26 at South Texas church

By JIM VERTUNO

Associated Press

SUTHERLAND SPRINGS, Texas (AP) — A gunman dressed in black tactical-style gear and armed with an assault rifle opened fire inside a small South Texas church, killing 26 people in an attack that claimed tight-knit neighbors and multiple family members ranging in age from 5 to 72 years old.

Once the shooting started Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, there was likely "no way" for congregants to

escape, said Wilson County Sheriff Joe D. Tackitt Jr. Officials said about 20 others were wounded.

"He just walked down the center aisle, turned around and my understanding was shooting on his way back out," said Tackitt, who said the gunman also carried a handgun but that he didn't know if it was fired. Tackitt described the scene as "terrible."

"It's unbelievable to see children, men and women, laying there. Defenseless people," he said.

Tackitt told CNN on Mon-

day morning that the gun- lived in a San Antonio subman's former in-laws attended services at the church "from time to time" but weren't in attendance Sundav.

Authorities didn't identify the attacker during a news conference Sunday night. But two other officials — one a U.S. official and one in law enforcement — identified him as Devin Kellev. They spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss the investigation.

The U.S. official said Kellev

urb and didn't appear to be linked to organized terrorist groups. Investigators were looking at social media posts Kellev made in the days before the attack, including one that appeared to show an AR-15 semiautomatic weapon.

Kelley received a bad conduct discharge from the Air Force for assaulting his spouse and child, and was sentenced to 12 months' confinement after a 2012 courtmartial. Kelley served in Logistics Readiness at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico from 2010 until his

2014 discharge, Air Force spokeswoman Ann Stefanek said.

At the news conference, the attacker was described only as a white man in his 20s who was wearing black tactical gear and a ballistic vest when he pulled into a gas station across from the church, about 30 miles (48.28 kilometers) southeast of San Antonio, around 11:20 a.m.

The gunman crossed the street and started firing the rifle at the church, said Freeman Martin, a regional

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SMMC to host session on ACA and open enrollment

Special to the Herald

Scenic Mountain Medical Center will again help area residents learn about and enroll in health insurance options on the Health Insurance Marketplace.

SMMC will be ofering an informational ses-



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sion on the Affordable Healthcare Act Marketplace Tuesday, Nov. 14 at noon at the Northside Community Center in addition to answering questions on a day-to-day basis.

Courtesy photo

Members of the Howard College Hawks men's basketball team recently returned to Coahoma Elementary School, this time to help their biggest fans carve pumpkins. For many of the students in Shayla Seymore's Pre-K class, this was their first time to carve a pumpkin. The same was true for some of the Hawks. After the pumpkin seeds were scooped out and eyes and mouths were carved, the children turned their decorations into a pumpkin volcano with a little help from some baking soda and vinegar.

Area hospitals to hold Veteran's Day observances

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Where many of their comrades paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country, America's veterans risked the same sacrifice, but returned home with the memories of war always fresh in their minds.

Local hospitals are planning events to



veterans.

The West Texas VA Health Care System will hold its annual Veterans Day Ceremony this Saturday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

"The West Texas VA Health Care System and Howard College would like to invite all the community to our An-

> nual Veterans Day Program at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in Big Spring, Texas," said VA Public Affairs Officer Sheila

show their support of Marie Austin in a press release issued Monday. A light lunch will follow the program.

For more information, contact the VA Medical Center at 263-7361.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center will honor veterans this Friday, Nov. 10, with a free meal in the hospital's Yellow Rose Cafe.

Veterans can enjoy a free breakfast, served from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.; or a free lunch, served from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

According to a press

release from Scenic Mountain, veterans should "Just mention that you are a veteran and your meal is on us.'

For more information, contact Scenic Mountain Medical Center at 263-1211.

In addition to the local hospitals, the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veteran's Home will hold a reception honoring veterans at 10 a.m. Saturday morning. For more information about the event, contact the home at 268-8387.

As part of the Affordable Care Act, most U.S. citizens were required to have health insurance beginning in 2014. According to the U.S Department of Health and Human Services,

since the passage of the ACA, about 16.4 million uninsured people have gained health coverage as of May 2015. Yet, approximately 30 million Americans remain uninsured.

"As a primary health provider in Howard County, our goal is to help educate residents in an easy-to-understand way, as well as assist those who haven't yet signed up for health insurance or Medicaid, if qualified," said Emma Krabill, CEO of SMMC. "During the next few months, we'll be out in the community and meeting one-on-one to help these individuals find affordable coverage."

The Health Insurance Marketplace provides U.S. citizens access to affordable health insurance coverage. Depending on household income some individuals may qualify for government financial assistance- or subsidies - towards the cost of the premium and other financial obligations like co-pays or deductibles.

All health plans on the Marketplace must offer a comprehensive set of benefits, and coverage can not be denied for individuals with a pre-existing health condition. Some of the health benefits include free preventive care and wellness services. doctor visits, prescription drugs, hospital and emergency department care, lab services, pediatric services - and more.

Open enrollment for health coverage: Nov. 1, 2017 to Dec. 15, 2017

To make an appointment for enrollment or re-enrollment for the Health Insurance Marketplace or Medicaid, call 432-268-4855. To RSVP for the ACA informational session on Nov. 14, call Amanda Duforat at 432-268-4699.





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Obituaries

Kirk Allen



Kirk Allen, 53, of Big Spring died Thursday, Nov. 2, 2017, at his home after a valiant battle with cancer. Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 6, 2017, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dwain Fox officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family received friends from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral Home.

Kirk was born Oct. 15, 1964, in Big Spring and married Darlynn Winfield May 31, 2004.

He was a loving son, husband, brother, grandfather, and friend, and will be missed very much. He was a lover of all things Dallas Stars, and will continue watching his games from heaven. After graduating from Forsan High School in 1984, Kirk went to work at Industrial Electric, Electronics IE&E, Ceram-Kote and finally Western Container-Coca Cola.

Kirk is survived by his wife, Darlynn, of Big Spring; three children, Kyler Allen and Marissa of Big Spring, and Justin Moss and Jessica Moss of

Fort Worth; his father, Rocky Allen of Big Spring; one brother, Kerry Allen and wife Karen of Big Spring; nephews, David Allen and wife Nicole of Colorado City, Brian Allen and wife Mary Jane of Levelland, Andy Allen and wife Stacey of San Angelo, Shane Allen of Big Spring, Caleb Allen and wife Ana of Lubbock, and Will Allen of Lubbock; and many great-nephews and -nieces. He is also survived by a brother-in-law and two sistersin-law, Erin Carroll and Little John Winfield of Big Spring, and Katherine Woodward of Newport News, Va.; and nephews, Aaron and Brian Carroll of Big Spring.

Kirk was preceded in death by his grandparents, Leonard and Lona Allen; mother, Gina Allen; his brother Kris Allen; uncles, Thurman and Truman Shurtleff; and aunt, Thelma Howell. He was also proceeded in death by his father-in-law and mother-in-law, John and Florence Winfield; and brother-in-law, William Winfield.

The family suggests memorials to Pancreatic Cancer Research at www.pancan.org/donate-now .

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.

Paid obituary

Police blotter

com.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **MIGUEL ANGEL VARELA**, 19, of 3841 Stag Lane, was arrested on the charge of public intoxication.

• ABEL JAVIER PADILLA, 52, of 2402 South Main Street, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **RAY CARL MCGEE JR.**, 41, of 1411 Bluebird Street, was arrested on a warrant of criminal trespass.

• ADRIAN JAVIER HER-

NANDEZ, 31, of 508 Father Delaney Street, was arrested on warrants of burglary of habitation, assault family household, and a charge of resist arrest search or transport.

• **PATRICIA DOLORES RICE**, of 902 EastSouth 11 lot five, was arrested on a charge of left less than \$100.

• ALEJANDRA ALICE LO-PEZ, 50, of 604 South Lancaster, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• KIMBERLY JOR KEN-

NEMUR, 44,of 3805 Hamilton Street was arrested on warrant on two counts theft of property in between \$100 to \$750, and bail jumping and failure to appear.

• **THEFT**, was reported on 1st and Courtney Place, the 1100 N Lamesa Highway, the 200 block West FM 700,

• ACCIDENT MINOR, was reported on the 1700 block of East 3rd.

• ACCIDENT MAJOR, was reported on 6th and Gregg, Interstate 20 173 Eastbound.

Take Note

• The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the promore information, call, 432-935-3998.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

• Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

• 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. 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign 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. For more information, contact 432-271-2138. State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, fund-raisers various and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, Big Spring State Hospital **Director of Community** Relations, (432) 268-7535 or danielle.lindsey@ dshs.state.tx.us

Barbara Girvin

Colorado City resident Barbara Girvin, 96, passed away Nov. 1, 2017, at her home on the Ranch in South Mitchell County. Services are pending with Girdner Funeral home, Abilene Texas.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 60 inmates at the time of this report.

• **ZACHARY DONNELL ALEXANDER**, 23, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

• **ANDREW WAYNE ARMSTRONG,** 45, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of possession of controlled substance less than one gram.

• **ANNA MARIE CUELLAR,** 48, was arrested by the BSPD on a warrant of theft of property in between \$100 to \$750.

• MARIBEL DIAZ, 23, was arrested by the BSPD on warrant of speeding and violate promise to appear.

• **DALTON CASEY DOSS**, 23, was arrested by the DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **OPALUENCE MARIE FOSTER**, 32, was arrested by the DPS on charges of possession of controlled substance less than or equal too 400 grams, driving with license invalid with previous convictions.

• **ISABEL GARCIA GLORIA**, 51, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous conviction.

• MATTHEW ANTHONY GORDON, 29, was arrested by the HCSO on a warrant of driving while intoxicated.

• JEREMY HEITH GRAHAM, 27, was arrested by the BSPD on charges of abandon endanger child criminal negligent, possession of controlled substance less than one gram, possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

• LONNIE RAY GRAY III, 19, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of possession of marijuana.

• ADRIAN JAVIER HERNANDEZ, 31, was arrested by the BSPD on warrants of burglary of habitation, assault family household, and a charge of resist arrest search or transport.

• **KIMBERLY JO KENNEUMUR**, 44, was arrested by the HCSO on warrant on two counts theft of property in between \$100 to \$750, and bail jumping and failure to appear.

• JACKIE JOE-KYLE KIRKHAM, 24, was arrested by the BSPD on a warrant of violate promise to appear speeding in a school zone.

• ALEJANDRA ALICE LOPEZ, 50, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• LUIS ADRAIN LOPEZ, 38, was arrested by the DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• AMBER RAY MCCALISTER, 38, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of failure to identify.

• **RAY CARL MCGEE JR.**, 41, was arrested by the BSPD on a warrant of criminal trespass.

• JOSEPH RICARDO MORTON JR., 44, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of assault family violence.

• **ABEL JAVIER PADILLA,** 52, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

PATRICIA DOLORES RICE, 56, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of left less than \$100.
JUAN LIONEL SAMANIEGO, 35, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of criminal mischief less than or equal too \$100-\$750.

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gram, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

• Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716 or Lions member David Stives at 432 - 270 - 2251.

• 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 Cost has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

• Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

• Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club meets twice a month at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. They meet on the first Tuesday of the month at noon and the 3td Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

•The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 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 • 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.

• Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary Group is looking to expand. Positions are available for the Auxiliary group and the Teen Volunteer program. Must be 15 years of age to take part in the teen volunteer program. If you would like to volunteer please contact Heath White at 268-4850.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring • Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to visit patients. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you would like to donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Maria at 816-6474.

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

 Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

• **MIGUEL ANGEL WINTERS,** 19, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication by minor.

• **BRANDY ANN WINTERS,** 26, was arrested by the BSPD on charges of abandon endanger child criminal, possession of controlled substance less than one gram, possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

• **PETE MANUEL YANEZ**, 32, was arrested by the BSPD on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous conviction.

Support Groups

MONDAY

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faithbased addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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SHOOTING

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director of the Texas Department of Safety, then continued firing after entering the white wood-frame building, where an 11 a.m. service was scheduled.

As he left, the shooter was confronted by an armed resident who "grabbed his rifle and engaged that suspect," Martin said. A short time later, the suspect was found dead in his vehicle at the county line.

Federal agents, including ATF investigators and the FBI's evidence collection team, swarmed the small rural community of just hundreds of residents.

Several weapons were found inside the vehicle and Martin said it was unclear if the attacker died of a self-inflicted wound or if he was shot by the resident who confronted him. He said investigators weren't ready to discuss a possible motive.

Martin said 23 of the dead were found in the church, two were found outside and one died after being taken to a hospital.

The man who confronted Kelley

had help from another local resident, Johnnie Langendorff, who told KSAT TV that he was driving past the church as the shooting happened. He didn't identify the armed resident but said the man exchanged gunfire with the gunman, then asked to get in Langendorff's truck and the pair followed as the gunman drove away.

Langendorff said the gunman eventually lost control of his vehicle and crashed. He said the other man walked up to the vehicle with his gun drawn and the suspect did not move. He stayed there for at least five minutes, until police arrived.

"I was strictly just acting on what's the right thing to do," Langendorff said.

Among those killed was the church pastor's 14-year-old daughter, Annabelle Pomeroy. Pastor Frank Pomeroy and his wife, Sherri, were both out of town when the attack occurred, Sherri Pomeroy wrote in a text message.

"We lost our 14-year-old daughter today and many friends," she wrote. "Neither of us has made it back into town yet to personally see the devastation. I am at the charlotte airport trying to get home as soon as i can."

Church member Nick Uhlig, 34, who wasn't at Sunday's service, told the AP that his cousin, who was 8 months pregnant, and her in-laws were among those killed. He later told the Houston Chronicle that three of his cousin's children also were slain.

President Donald Trump, who was in Japan, called the shooting an "act of evil," later calling the gunman "a very deranged individual."

Sunday evening, two sheriff's vans were parked outside the gate of a cattle fence surrounding the address listed for Kelley on the rural, western outskirts of New Braunfels, north of San Antonio.

Ryan Albers, 16, who lives across the road, said he heard intensifying gunfire coming from that direction in recent days.

"It was definitely not just a shotgun or someone hunting," Albers said. "It was someone using automatic weapon fire."

The church has posted videos of its Sunday services on a YouTube channel, raising the possibility that the shooting was captured on video.

In a video of its Oct. 8 service, a congregant who spoke and read Scripture pointed to the Oct. 1 Las Vegas shooting a week earlier as evidence of the "wicked nature" of man. That shooting left 58 dead and more than 500 injured.

Gov. Greg Abbott called Sunday's attack the worst mass shooting in Texas history. It came on the eighth anniversary of a shooting at the Texas' Fort Hood, where 13 people were killed and 31 others wounded by a former U.S. Army major.

The previous deadliest mass shooting in Texas had been a 1991 attack in Killeen, when a mentally disturbed man crashed his pickup truck through a restaurant window at lunchtime and started shooting people, killing 23 and injuring more than 20 others.

The University of Texas was the site of one of the most infamous mass shootings in modern American history, when U.S. Marine sniper Charles Whitman climbed the Austin campus' clock tower in 1966 and began firing on stunned people below, killing 13 and wounding nearly three dozen others. He had killed his wife and mother before heading to the tower, one victim died a week later and medical examiners eventually attributed a 17th death to Whitman in 2001.

Trump says US will arm Japan *| Trunk-or-treat* to knock down Korea missiles



AP photo President Donald Trump, left, shakes hands with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe during a joint news conference at the Akasaka Palace, Monday, Nov. 6, 2017, in Tokyo. Trump is on a five country trip through Asia traveling to Japan, South Korea, China, Vietnam and the Philippines.

Bv JONATHAN LEMIRE and JILL the United States," Trump said of Abe. "He will easily shoo out of the sky."

rhetoric is very strong but look what has happened with very weak rhetoric in the last 25 years," said Trump with Abe at the news conference.

Abe, who has taken a more hawkish view on North Korea than some his predecessors, agreed with Trump's assessment that "all options are on the table" when dealing with Kim Jong Un and announced new sanctions against several dozen North Korea individuals.

Japan is already seeking money to purchase upgraded SM3 interceptors with greater accuracy and range, as well as other advanced missile defense systems such as land-based Aegis Ashore interceptors or the Terminal POW families, the gov-High-Altitude Defense, or THAAD, a U.S. mobile anti-missystem installed sile in South Korea. An installment of THAAD in Japan would further escalate reaction from Beijing, which has already balked at the installment of THAAD in South Korea, saying its advanced radar system can monitor deep into China. Trump and Abe have struck a strong friendship, forged in meetings, phone calls and on the golf course а friendship that was on display at a Monday evening banquet that was the final event of Trump's visit. Abe called Trump his "dear friend" and hailed the benefits of what he called "golf diplomacy." The two men on Monday also put a face on the threat posed by the North, earlier standing with anguished families of Japanese citizens snatched by Pyong-

yang's agents.

Trump and first lady Melania Trump stood with nearly two dozen relatives, some of whom held photos of the missing. Seeking to increase pressure on North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, Trump pledged to work to return the missing to their families, saying "it's a very, very sad number of stories that we've heard."

North Korea has acknowledged apprehending 13 Japanese in the 1970s and 1980s. but claims they all died or have been released. But in Japan, where grieving relatives of the abducted have become a symbol of heartbreak on the scale of American Area ernment insists many more were taken and that some may still be alive.

SUCCESS



Courtesy photo

A big thank you to Jeanie Knocke of Wells Fargo for planning a fantastic Halloween. Knocke asked the city to close part of Scurry Street to make trunk-or-treating safe for local children. According to her Wells Fargo co-workers, Knocke is an awesome woman who loves helping her community in whatever way she can. This years trunk-or-treat was a great success.

COLVIN

Associated Press TOKYO (AP) — Presi-

dent Donald Trump on Monday refused to rule out eventual military action against North Korea and declared that the United States "will not stand" for Pyongyang menacing America or its allies.

In his first stop of an extended trip in Asia, Trump stood with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe at a news conference and suggested the United States will arm Japan, much as the United States has done with allies in the Middle East like Saudi Arabia. He did not deny reports that he has expressed frustration that Japan did not shoot down a ballistic missile North Korea recently fired over its territory.

"He will shoot 'em out of the sky when he completes the purchase of lots of additional military equipment from

Japan, under its war-Constiturenouncing tion, can shoot down a missile only when it is aimed at the country or in case debris are falling on to its territory.

Some hawkish members of Abe's Liberal Democratic Party say that it may be possible to shoot down a missile headed toward Guam in case it causes existential threat to the U.S. as Japan's ally, but experts say that is questionable.

Trump's trip abroad comes amid dismal ratings among voters for the first-time president and questions about whether he can handle the nuclear standoff with North Korea.

Standing in an Asia capital in range of North Korea's missiles, Trump defended his fiery language, declaring Pyongyang "a threat to the civilized world." "Some people say my

Though Trump and Abe repeatedly touted their friendship, looming disagreements on trade could strain the friendship.

complained Trump Monday that Japan had been "winning" for decades and rebuked the current relationship. saying the trade deals were "not fair and not open."

He told a group of American and Japanese business leaders: the United States was open for business, but he wanted to reshape the nations' trade relationship, though he did not say how he would cut the trade deficit with Japan, which totaled nearly \$70 billion last vear.

He also downplayed the potentially contentious nature of the negotiations, though the Japanese government

has not shown much appetite for striking a new bilateral trade agreement. Tokyo had pushed to preserve the Trans- Pacific Partnership, which Trump has abandoned.

"We will have more than anybody trade thought under ever That I can tell TPP. you," Trump said. He said the multinational agreement was not the right deal for the United

States and that while "probably some of you in this room disagree ... ultimately I'll be proven to be right."

Abe, for his part, publicly deflected questions about trade.

Japan orchestrated a lavish formal welcome for the Trumps, complete with military honor guard and an audience with Japan's Emperor Akihito and his wife, Empress Michiko, at the Imperial Palace.

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STATE

Church gunman was court-matialed, discharged from Air Force

By NOMAAN MERCHANT and PAUL J. WEBER Associated Press

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas (AP) — The man officials have identified to The Associated Press as the gunman in a mass shooting at a Texas church was discharged from the Air Force for allegedly assaulting his spouse and child, according to an Air Force spokeswoman.

The spokeswoman, Ann Stefanek, said Sunday that Devin Kelley served 12 months' confinement after a 2012 court-martial. He ultimately received a bad conduct discharge and reduction in rank.

She said Kelley served in Logistics Readiness at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico from 2010 until his discharge in 2014. His job was responsible for moving passengers, cargo and personal property in military transportation.

Authorities did not announce his name at a news conference on the shooting, saying only that the suspect was a white male in his 20s.

But a U.S. official and a law enforcement official identified Kelley as the person who opened fire Sunday at the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, Texas, killing 26 people and wounding about 20 others.

The UC official told

having auto insurance give a birthdate that would make him 26 years old.

At the address listed for Kelley in New Braunfels on Sunday, two sheriff's vans were parked outside and police officers stood at the gate of a cattle fence surrounding the property. Law enforcement officials gathered at the property declined to comment on why they were there. Several messages left for his relatives went unreturned.

Neighbors said that they heard intense gunfire coming from the direction of the address listed for Kelley in recent days.

"It's really loud. At first I thought someone was blasting," said Ryan Albers, 16, who lives across the road. "It had to be coming from somewhere pretty close. It was definitely not just a shotgun or someone hunting. It was someone using automatic weapon fire."

A person matching Kelley's name and date of birth also registered in 2014 to vote in Colorado, with an address listed in Colorado Springs, home of the U.S. Air Force Academy. The Colorado Secretary of State's office lists his registration now as inactive.

According to Texas Department of Public Safety regional director Freeman Martin, the gunman arrived at a Valero gas station near the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs at around 11:20 a.m. Sunday. He was dressed in black, wearing tactical gear and a ballistic vest. He crossed the street to the church, left his vehicle and started firing a Ruger AR assaulttype rifle at the church. Then he entered the church and fired. As he left the church. the shooter met an unidentified area resident with his own rifle who pursued him. The suspect was found dead in his vehicle near the border between Wilson and Guadalupe counties. Martin said it's unclear if he died of a selfinflected wound or was shot by the resident.

Relative: Pregnant woman, 3 children, in-laws slain in Texas



AP photo

Mourners participate in a candlelight vigil held for the victims of a fatal shooting at the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017, in Sutherland Springs, Texas.

By JIM VERTUNO and FRANK BAJAK

Associated Press

S U T H E R L A N D SPRINGS, Texas (AP) — A mother's pride had lit up Crystal Holcombe's Facebook page. Daughters Emily and Megan had finished third and first in their respective categories in a 4-H bakeoff and displayed their handiwork in posted photos.

But on Sunday afternoon, the page went grim.

"Keep the Hol-

The father-in-law, Bryan Holcombe, had done prison ministry, Uhlig said. "He would go up to the prison with a ukulele to sing."

The massacred churchgoers ranged in age from 5 to 72, state police said. About 20 others were wounded.

One local man, 68-year-old Earl Good, told the San Antonio Express-News that a good friend had lost eight relatives in the shooting.

It's not clear whether the Holcombes were that family. air and took their first breath of heavenly air with new bodies with no pain and suffering."

Another of those killed was the 13-yearold goddaughter of Amanda Mosel, she told the Express-News.

Hank Summers, a local who had moved to San Antonio, told the AP via text message that his uncle, David Colbath, survived five gunshots that required extensive surgery and skin grafts to save an arm. Sutherland Springs is a tiny town where everyone knows each other, said L.G. Moore, who runs the Holiday RV Park, which is $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from the church.

Everyone in town was apt to know someone who was killed, he ventured.

"They say the population is 400 and that's if you count every dog, cat and armadillo. It's more like 200 people," the 75-year-old Moore said by phone.

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The U.S. official told the AP that Kelley lived in a San Antonio suburb and that he doesn't appear to be linked to organized terrorist groups. The official said investigators are looking at social media posts Kelley may have made in the davs before Sunday's attack, including one that appeared to show an AR-15 style semi-automatic weapon. The official requested anonymity because the person did not have authorization to speak publicly.

An address listed in online records as belonging to Kelley is located in New Braunfels, Texas, just outside San Antonio and about 35 miles (56 kilometers) from Sutherland Springs.

Local records of an August traffic ticket issued in New Braunfels, Texas, for an expired registration and not combe family in your prayers," a friend post-ed.

Crystal Holcombe, who was eight months pregnant, was among the 26 people killed by a lone gunman wielding an assault rifle, most inside the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, Texas, said her cousin, Nick Uhlig. Uhlig told The Associated Press that Holcombe's in-laws were killed, and he told the Houston Chronicle that three of Holcombe's children also died.

"She doesn't even drink, smoke or nothing," he told the newspaper. "She just takes care of kids; she raises goats and makes homemade cheese. That kind of thing, you know? They don't go out dancing or anything like that. They're real old-fashioned, down-to-earth." Another victim was 14-year-old Annabelle Pomeroy, daughter of the church's pastor, Frank Pomeroy. Both he and his wife were out of town, in different states, on Sunday.

"Heaven truly gained a real beautiful angel this morning along with many more," the girl's uncle, Scott Pomeroy, lamented on his Facebook page, posting a picture of the smiling girl poolside in a bathing suit. All those robbed of life in bloodbath, Sunday's he wrote, "have taken their last breath of dirty



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By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Pro Football Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) - Ezekiel Elliott said he didn't even know if he was playing for the Dallas Cowboys against Kansas City after a late legal reprieve stopped the star running back's six-game suspension for the third time.

Now it's time for another week of legal limbo after Elliott rushed for 93 yards and the go-ahead touchdown in a 28-17 victory against the Chiefs on Sunday.

Elliott said he threw on a sweatshirt and headed for the team's practice facility Friday morning when he got the word that a New York appeals court had issued an emergency stay of the NFL's suspension over domestic violence allegations.

Last year's NFL rushing leader as a rookie didn't have a run longer than 11 yards. But he outgained the Chiefs' Kareem Hunt, this year's dynamic rookie and the league rushing leader going into the game.

"There was a little rust, I'm not going to lie," said Elliott, who was suspended for the first two practice days last week. "So I came in Friday, practiced and studied all day Friday, watched a lot of film. On Saturday, just tried to catch up on this team and catch up for what I lost."

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals could hold a hearing this week on a longer-lasting injunction that could keep the suspension on hold while

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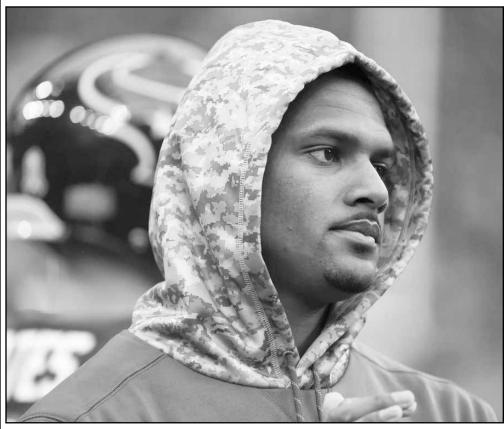
Dallas Cowboys' Ezekiel Elliott (21) looks for running room as Kansas City Chiefs' Steven Nelson (20) gives chase in the first half of an NFL football game, Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017, in Arlington, Texas.

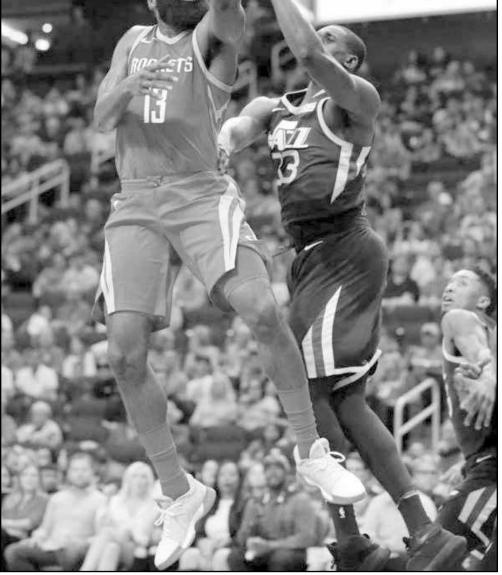
Harden's career-high 56 lead Rockets past Jazz, 137-110



Without Watson, Texans sputter in 20-14 loss to Colts

AP photo





AP photo

Houston Rockets guard James Harden (13) lays up a shot past Utah Jazz center Ekpe Udoh (33) in the first half of an NBA basketball game Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017, in Houston.

HOUSTON (AP) -James Harden had just scored a career-high 56 points when he was asked if he knew he had fallen one point shy of the Houston Rockets' record.

Harden shrugged and replied, "We won, right?" And they did it with Harden only playing 35 minutes in a 137-110

victory over the Utah Jazz on Sunday night that ran their Western Conference-best record to 8-3.

Harden fell just shy of Calvin Murphy's 57 points against New Jersey in 1978, but he joined Wilt Chamberlain as the only players in NBA history to have 10 assists and shoot better than 75

percent from the field in a 50-point performance.

Harden had 13 assists and shot a sizzling 76 percent from the floor, hitting 19 of 25 shots after missing his last three attempts. The MVP runner-up was a perfect 7 for 7 from beyond the arc

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AP photo

Injured Houston Texans quarterback Deshaun Watson stands on the sideline during an NFL football game against the Indianapolis Colts, Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017, in Houston.

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Deshaun Watson was on the bench in a hoodie, a knee injury having relegated the quarterback to cheering and coaching as the magic the Houston Texans offense had discovered with him in control disappeared.

The incomplete passes from his replacement Tom Savage came early and often as the boos from the home crowd grew increasingly louder with every bad play in a 20-14 loss to the Indianapolis Colts on Sunday.

Watson's stellar rookie season ended on Thursday when the rookie tore the anterior cruciate ligament in one of his knees in practice. Savage, who was benched in the opener for Watson, couldn't move the offense for most of the game, but threw a touchdown pass in the fourth quarter to get Houston within 20-14.

The Texans had a chance to win it late, but Savage was sacked by Jabaal Sheard and fumbled as time ran out to secure the victory.

"It's probably the most frustrating game of my life," Savage said. "It's one of those deals where you just weren't making the throws. Guys were open and I'm not going to give you the politically correct answer and say blah, blah, blah and we can do better. I've got to make the throws."

The Texans had a first down at the 7-yard line on that last drive and failed to pick up a single yard in four plays as Savage threw three incomplete passes before the fumble.

Coach Bill O'Brien went on a rant about clock management when asked if Savage could have played with more urgency at the end of the game.

"I really don't want to hear any (stuff) about clock management," he said. "I really don't want to hear it this week. He tried to do the best he could. We got lined up as fast as we could. We've practiced two minute every week and we just didn't get it done."

With Watson running the offense, the Texans (3-5) had set a franchise record by scoring 30 or more points in five straight games. His development had given the team hope that it could finish strong and contend for a third straight postseason berth despite losing J.J. Watt to a season-ending injury for a second straight year.

The offense looked totaly different without the dynamic playmaker on

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Dear Annie: |

have witnessed a change in a local American Legion post over the past several years. I support and commend anyone who has served our country. Originally, these posts were established by veterans and run by elected veteran

officers and veteran executive board members. These posts were founded with bylaws and rules supporting the motto, "For God and Country."

At my local post, the commander would make a better follower than he does a leader. He backstabs his officers to try to make himself look good. Officers are drunk at some meetings, which is very inappropriate,

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yet this is allowed by the commander, who should be observing and enforcing a code of conduct for the meetings. Minutes that prove that items were voted on are suddenly lost or misplaced. Married officers are having sexual affairs with the hired staff. There is stealing of items that belong to the post. Bartenders drink while on bar duty. Pay increases to certain staff members are given without the board's approval. Nonmembers come in and do what they want.

When one member makes comments to re-establish what the post stands for and who should be making decisions on everything that is going on, he is critiqued for it and often chastised, told that it's none of his business, even though he's an elected member. Is this what "For God and Country" stands for? -- Concerned Legionnaire's Wife **Dear Concerned** Legionnaire's Wife: Certainly not. But even the most virtuous motto falls flat without good men and women standing behind it. It's time for your husband and any other upstanding members to take action. He can contact the American Legion's internal affairs department at 317-630-1330 for guidance.

Dear Annie: I have been a special education teacher for over 20 years. The students in my class have intensive needs, and therefore we have a high staff-to-student ratio. I have an exceptional assistant, and we have dedicated aides.

The reason I am writing is I believe that parents have difficulty with giving gifts at the holidays and the end of the year. Certainly, any gift is very much appreciated, but in the special education world, parents can be overwhelmed by the number of people involved in educating their children and often feel as though they need to send in something for everyone. Though that is a very nice thought, I also know that raising a child who has special needs is expensive, and I see parents spend so much more than necessary. I just wanted to offer a few suggestions to your readers who may find themselves in this position.

Gift cards for coffee, a basket of snacks to be used on a staff development day (or just a tough day!), a jar of miniature chocolates. homemade sweets that can be shared among a group of people -- any of these would do. You could also contact a couple of other parents and purchase a gift card together to buy lunch.

I always enjoy homemade ornaments or magnets. Even a card with a note to say how much someone's hard work has meant to your child's development is a treasure. There is no need to break the bank to make someone feel special. -- Anonymous

Dear Anonymous: Your dedication and thoughtfulness are inspiring. I'm printing your letter now, in advance of the holidays. Thank you for the perspective.

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This deal, played in an intercity tournament staged in Tokyo in 1983, occurred during a 16-board match between London and Montreal. At both tables, the final contract was three notrump and the opening lead was a low club.

The British declarer at the first table won East's ten of clubs with the queen and led a low diamond toward dummy hoping to either win the trick or, if the king lost to the ace, that the clubs were divided 4-4. But East took

the king with the ace and returned a club, and the contract quickly went down one.

At the second table, the Canadian South, Sami Kehela, won the club lead and immediately cashed five spade tricks, preserving the chance that the clubs were evenly divided, but at the same time compelling the opponents to make what might prove to be embarrassing discards.

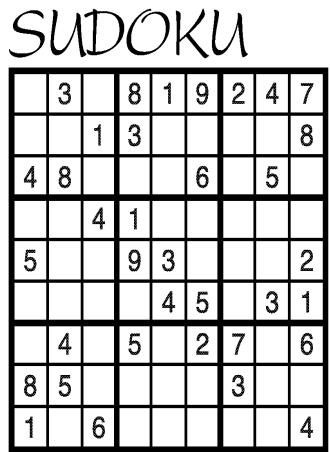
Kehela discarded a heart and two diamonds on dummy's spades, while West was forced to discard all three of his diamonds in order to retain all his clubs and hearts.

Reading the situation perfectly, Kehela next cashed the ace of hearts and then exited from dummy with the eight of clubs, completely ignoring the K-J of diamonds.

West took his four club tricks, on which dummy discarded the K-J of diamonds and declarer the Q-9-7, but then had to lead from the Q-8 of hearts. Dummy's last two cards were the K-2 of hearts, while declarer was down to the J-6 of hearts. East still had the ace of diamonds, but it had at this point lost all its value.

It did not matter whether West elected to return the eight or the queen of hearts because, either way, Kehela would score the last two tricks to make the contract.

Tomorrow: Sylvia. ©2017 King Features Syndicate Inc.



Commerce will be going strong this

Gemini moon with Mercury's recent move to the realm of expansion. Monev is not the root of (SET ITAL) all (END ITAL) evil, just a lot of it. Mistrust anyone who claims not to care about money, as this is either sadly naive or a ridiculous lie. Do business with people who have a healthy respect for money, not an obsession with it.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). With so much competing for your interest, it will be rather easy to pass up the thing that obviously requires it. An interruption will be significant. Someone really does need your attention.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). This will be a day of unexpected obstacles. Your success strategy will include exclusive focus on that which you can control. There's something lucky between you and a Sagittarius.

GEMINI (May 21-



Tomorrow's Horoscope

By Holiday Mathis

what steps will take you there.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your cosmic boon of the day is one that doesn't come around very often: a very generous ratio of effort to results. Minimal work will accomplish a maximum result. Enjoy!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). One way to avoid the very common tendency to eat and/or drink away difficult feelings this time of year is to agree to go ahead and feel them. They may be unpleasant, but only briefly. Before you know it, they're processed and gone. CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Each job comes with

VENUS NEWS:

Venus has been traveling the sign of partnership since mid-October, and now we've come to her last day in Libra for this cycle. It's the perfect time to take stock of where you are in your relationships.

Unfortunately, this is a time on the planet when it's become very easy to meet new people

and also easy to forget them. Practices such as "ghosting," "icing" and "simmering" are used with alarming regularity, especially in regard to internet dating. It's easy not to answer a text and disappear from another person's world entirely. It's even easier to send endless texts back and forth with no real intention of getting together or forwarding a relationship past the stage of the momentary thrills of flirting strangers.

With tomorrow's Venus transit into Scorpio, these types of shallow behaviors won't go over well, nor will they satisfy or sustain relationships of any kind. Scorpio energy is willing to go deep, to look for substance and to tally up what happens on a soul level. Have you ghosted when you could have been more direct? Are there people you owe a check-in with a phone call instead of a text? Have you been flaky or socially less responsible than is your ideal standard? If so, this is the time to shore up the discrepancy and make it right, or at least make a vow to do better in the future. CELEBRITY **PROFILES:** Scorpio Emma Stone could get accolades for her role as Billie Jean King, the former top-ranked professional tennis player, in "Battle of the Sexes." Stone was born when the sun, Mercury and Pluto were all in Scorpio, lending magnetism and mystique that fascinate on the big screen. Her moon and Venus are in Libra, showing a collaborative spirit and romantic heart.

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June 21). Everyone wants to feel better, including you. Because you're already feeling strong, you're willing to do the hard work to feel better instead of going for a quick fix.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You've a special charisma, so don't be surprised if people stop and observe you to try to figure out that indescribable something that makes you so compelling.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your luck will come in the form of another person -someone who is willing to listen to you, try your ideas, be available to your intelligence and be open to your whims.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You have heard enough complaining and don't wish to do any, nor do you care to leave a bad review. If you like something well enough, you'll say it's good. If you don't, you'll say it's interesting or call it a learning experience.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Advertisements, wall art, media, friends -- you're getting tired of people telling you what to do. Anyway, you already have a clear vision of where you're going next and unique pressures. It would be naive to think that any role is superior to another. Anyway, the only position you can effectively work to your advantage is the one you're in.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your mind is sharp, and your body is strong. Furthermore, there's a wise teacher in your head leading your energies in the most effective and efficient ways.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Ask for help, whether or not you think you need it. People will like helping you today, and they'll like you even more than they already do because helping will build a bond between you.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (Nov. 6). Rather than pine for a different reality as you once did, you'll embrace the current circumstances and work them to your best advantage. Your evolved stance will net you brilliant results in the next five weeks. You'll be able to assist your family as a result. There's a windfall in February, and you'll travel in April. Cancer and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 25, 41, 20 and 17.

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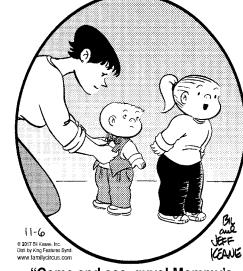
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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Nov. 6, the 310th day of 2017. There are 55 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 6, 1977, 39 people were killed when the Kelly Barnes Dam in Georgia burst, sending a wall of water through Toccoa Falls College.

On this date:

1860, former In Illinois congressman Abraham Lincoln of the Republican Party was elected President

of the United States as defeated John he Breckinridge, John and Stephen Bell Douglas.

In 1861, Confederate President Jefferson Davis was elected to a six-year term of office.

In 1906, Republican Charles Evans Hughes was elected governor of New York, defeating newspaper publisher **R**andolph William Hearst.

In 1928, in a first, the results of Republican Herbert Hoover's presidential election victory over Democrat Alfred E. Smith were flashed onto an electric wraparound sign on the New York Times building.

In 1934, Nebraska voters approved dissolving their two-chamber legislature in favor of a nonpartisan, single (or "unicameral") legislative body, which was implemented in 1937.

In 1947, "Meet the Press" made its debut on NBC; the first guest was James A. Farley, former postmaster general and former Democratic National Committee Chair; the host was the show's cocreator, Martha Rountree.

In 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower won re-election, defeating Democrat Adlai E. Stevenson.

In 1962, Democrat

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Edward M. Kennedy was elected Senator from Massachusetts.

In 1976, Benjamin L. Hooks was chosen to be the new executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, suc-

ceeding Roy Wilkins. In 1984, President Ronald Reagan won re-

election by a landslide over former Vice President Walter Mondale, the Democratic challenger.

In 1986, former Navy radioman John A. Walker Jr., the admitted head of a family spy ring, was sentenced in Baltimore to life imprisonment. (Walker died in prison in 2014 at age 77.)

In 1990, about onefifth of the Universal Studios backlot in southern California was destroyed in an arson fire.

at the State Department. Eritrea's Ghirmay Ghebreslassie (ghirgeb-rah-SLAH'-MY' say) and Kenya's Mary Keitany (kuh-TAHN'ee) won the New York City Marathon.

Today's Birthdays: Actress June Squibb is 88. Country singer Stonewall Jackson is 85. Singer Eugene Pitt (The Jive Five) is 80. Singer P.J. Proby is 79. Actress Sally Field is 71. Singer Rory Block is 68. Jazz musician Arturo Sandoval is 68. TV host Catherine Ten years ago: Six Crier is 63. News corre-lawmakers were killed spondent and former Sundays) is 54. Former Chef/TV judge Marcus ago: Samuelsson is 47. Thandie vanquishing actress Rebecca Romijn Mitt (roh-MAYN') is 45. Taryn Manning is 39. player Actress Patina Miller is 33. Actress Katie Leclere (LEH'-klehr) is 31. Singer-songwriter Ben Rector is 31. Singersongwriter Robert Ellis is 29. Actress Emma Stone is 29. Actress Mercedes Kastner is 28.

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One year ago: FBI Director James Comey abruptly announced that Democrat Hillary Clinton should not face criminal charges related to newly discovered emails from her tenure

> Answer to previous puzzle ODESSA 11/6/17

Thought for Today:

"People change and forget to tell each other." Lillian Hellman American playwright (1905-1984)

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attorneys once again argue the case. If Elliott loses, his legal options could be near an end.

Elliott's legal team believes he was treated unfairly by the NFL, while league attorneys say a labor deal backed by federal law was followed when Commissioner Roger Goodell suspended Elliott after a yearlong investigation.

A New York federal judge ruled for the NFL early last week before the appeals court stepped in to allow time for more arguments. The NFL eventually won in the same jurisdiction when New England quarterback Tom Brady was suspended four games in the Deflategate case.

"Leaning on the people that care about me the most," said Elliott, who has 783 yards and seven touchdowns at the halfway point. "Trusting that they are going to do a good job and do everything they can to see me on the field. This team and ownership have supported me to the fullest."

Things to consider after the Cowboys (5-3) stopped a nine-game road winning streak by the Chiefs (6-3), tied for the longest in franchise history:

COMING AROUND: The Cowboys played perhaps their best defensive game of the season considering they were facing the NFL's third-ranked offense. They got over the shock of Tyreek Hill's 56-yard catch-and-run with the clock expired in the first half, shutting down Kansas City after giving up the Chiefs' other TD to start the second half.

Defending NFC champion Atlanta is next, with the Falcons trying to answer a 1-4 slide since a 3-0 start. "I think we're starting to get close to the type of defense we want to be," 2016 All-Pro linebacker Sean Lee said.

STALLED RUN GAME: With their upcoming bye, the Chiefs have the task of re-establishing Hunt. He had his fourth straight sub-100-yard game, and three of them have been under 50. Hunt doesn't have a touchdown since scoring six (four rushing, two receiving) in the first three games.

BRYANT'S ANKLE: Dallas receiver Dez Bryant sprained an ankle after getting a game-high 11 targets with six catches for 73 yards. If he's out, Terrance Williams will have to slide into the No. 1 slot, which has been a struggle for him when Bryant has been injured. At least Williams has some momentum with his first 100-yard game of the season against the Chiefs, finishing with a career-high nine catches for 141 yards.

HALI'S RETURN: Kansas City linebacker Tamba Hali played briefly after spending the entire season on the physically unable to perform list dealing with knee issues. "There's no other way at this time of year of getting good, accurate reps other than playing," coach Andy Reid said.

The Chiefs only sacked Prescott once, but will be hoping for more depth with their pass rush with Dee Ford having an extra week to recover from back issues. Ford missed his third game of the season. Kansas City visits the one-win New York Giants in two weeks.

Dr. Rudy Haddad

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ROCKETS

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until he missed a step-back 3-pointer midway through the fourth quarter as the shot clock was about to expire.

Even when the Jazz could deny Harden his shot, he dished it off for someone else to score. Eric Gordon scored 20 points, Trevor Ariza had 14 and Nene scored 13 off the bench.

"That was one of the best performances I've ever seen," Gordon said. "He was picking them apart and not just with scoring. What else can you do?"

Ariza had the answer to that: nothing.

"I don't think there's any defense for him, period," Ariza said. "When he's on, what can you do? Two people can't guard him when he's on like that."

Harden received a standing ovation from the Toyota Center crowd, which rained down "MVP! MVP!" chants at multiple points during the game. He had 22 points in both the first and third quarters, 30 at halftime and sat for the final 7:32 of the blowout.

Harden said he was unaware he was 8 for 8 in the first quarter and made his first 10 shots to start the game.

"I mean, I was just shooting, I don't really know," Harden said. "I don't pay too much attention to it."

Donovan Mitchell led Utah with 17 points in 25 minutes off the bench. Rudy Gobert had 13 points but was held to a season-low five rebounds in 25 minutes.

The Rockets have won three straight, while the Jazz have lost back-to-back games following a three-game winning streak.

Utah Jazz coach Quin Snyder called Harden one of the smartest players in the league.

"We're disappointed, obviously, in our group and our performance, particularly defensively," Snyder said. "There wasn't enough resilience, and there wasn't enough toughness. There wasn't a collective resolve that you need against a team that's that talented and against a player that's having the kind of night he was having."

Houston scored at least 119 points for a third straight game. Last season, the Rockets were 43-5 when scoring 110 points or more and 12-22 when failing to do so. Houston's 23 3-pointers fell two shy of Cleveland's NBA record, set last season.

"I'm just going to hazard a guess when we shoot 59 (percent) from 3s, we're probably not going to lose too many games," Rockets coach Mike D'Antoni said with a grin. "That's just a wild guess."

Jazz: Gobert received a technical foul late in the first half for shouting at an official following a dunk. ... The Jazz shot 43.7 percent from the field, including 38.2 percent from 3-point range.

Rockets: Clint Capela had eight points, eight rebounds and four blocks, including two on Gobert. ... Houston made 59.3 percent of its shots, including 59 percent from beyond the 3-point line on 23-of-39 shooting.

GREETING THE CHAMPS Between the first and second quarter, the Rockets recognized the Houston Astros for their World Series win over Los Angeles, the first in franchise history. At midcourt, manager A.J. Hinch, outfielder Jake Marisnick and pitchers Lance McCullers, Mike Fiers and Dallas Keuchel held the World Series trophy to a loud ovation. Earlier in the day, several Astros players brought the trophy to the Texans' game against the Colts.

BILES' MISS

As part of the Rockets' new First Shot promotion featuring a local celebrity shooting a free throw before tipoff for charity, Olympic gold medalist gymnast Simone Biles became the first participant to miss her attempt. A made shot secures a \$5,000 donation from the Rockets, while a miss equals \$1,000. The 4-foot-9 gymnast from nearby Spring, Texas clanked her shot off the backboard to the right of the rim.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Prior to the singing of the national anthem, the Rockets observed a moment of silence for the victims of Sunday morning's mass shooting at a church in Sutherland Springs, Texas, near San Antonio.

UP NEXT

Jazz: Host the 76ers on Tuesday night.

Rockets: Host the Cavaliers on Thursday night.

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the field on Sunday, and the loss left the Texans searching for answers in how to get back on track.

"I don't really know," O'Brien said. "It's just a combination of a lot of things. The ball's got to come out. We have to coach better. Everybody's got to do a better job."

Houston got a touchdown on a fumble return in the second quarter, but the offense didn't score until a 34yard reception by DeAndre Hopkins with about six minutes left in the fourth quarter that cut the lead to six.

It was the first touchdown pass for Savage, who made the fourth start of his career on Sunday. He finished 19 of 44 for 219 yards.

"(That) showed we can move the ball," Hopkins said. "We just have to do it more consistent, come out and start fresh and not wait until late to pick things up."

There were several plays on Sunday where Savage badly missed receivers, causing the ball to sail out of bounds. That, he said, was one of the most troubling things about his performance.

"It's not my game, never has been my game, of chucking the ball 5 yards out of bounds," he said. "That's where the frustration comes from because I know I'm better than that."

He'll have to be for the Texans to have a chance next week when they visit the Rams, a team that scored 51 points against the Giants on Sunday for their third straight win.

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Sports

BIG SPRING HERALD Monday, November 6, 2017

Dynamo beat Timbers 2-1 to advance in the MLS playoffs

B<u>y ANNE M.</u> PETERSON

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AP Sports Writer

PORTLAND, Ore. — After Houston's Dylan Remick scored he gestured to the Portland crowd with a "Who me?" shrug.

Remick had just learned earlier in the day that he was starting for the Dynamo for the second leg of the Western Conference semifinal against the top-seeded Timbers.

His first-half goal gave the Dynamo a crucial advantage and Houston went on to beat the Timbers 2-1 Sunday night to advance to the conference final. It was just the second goal of his career.

"I was pretty surprised myself," said Remick, who started in place of injured defender DaMarcus Beasley. "It took a while for it to settle in. It was a good team effort on the goal, and the game in general."

The teams played to a scoreless draw in the first leg in Houston on Monday. The goals gave the Dynamo a 2-1 advantage on aggregate, setting up the conference final against the Seattle Sounders.

Remick played for four seasons with the Sounders before coming to the Dynamo this season. He had appeared in 14 matches for Houston with 13 starts before Sunday night.

The Sounders, the defending MLS Cup champions, advanced 2-0 on aggregate against the Vancouver Whitecaps. The Eastern Conference finals will feature Toronto FC against the Columbus Crew, who each claimed their semifinals early Sunday.

"It's rewarding for the players, it's rewarding for the work that we've been doing," Dynamo coach Wilmer Cabrera said. "Now we continue dreaming and thinking about the possibilities that are in front of us. We're not on vacation yet." The Timbers were decimated by injuries going into the game and dealt a big blow on Saturday when defender Roy Miller ruptured an Achilles during training. Midfielder Diego Chara broke a bone in his foot during the first leg on the chewed-up field in Houston. Fellow midfielder Darlington Nagbe injured his calf and center back Larrys Mabiala hurt his hip. Portland was already without Fanendo Adi, who has been dealing with a lingering hamstring injury. Winger Sebastian Blanco didn't play in the first leg after burning himself with boiling water while cooking. Defensive midfielder David Guzman also sat out the first match with a sprained knee. Nagbe and Guzman started on Sunday, and Blanco came in early in the second half. But just about eight minutes into the game forward Darren Mattocks appeared to knock his head with a Houston player while going up for a ball. He was replaced by Jeremy Ebobisse.

"I can't fault my guys. I told them after the game, in the five years I've been here, this was one of my most enjoyable years. It wasn't just 15 wins and winning the West. Those were all real positives, which we'll realize when the sting wears off," Portland coach Caleb Porter said. "It was just being around this group of guys. This is a great group of guys and it's a shame that we're not able to move on, because I think we could have done something. Especially if we had 15 days or so to get some guys back and healthy and near full strength. We really thought we'd pull this off today."

Houston was dealing with its own issues: Goalkeeper Tyler Deric was arrested Tuesday morning in connection with an alleged domestic incident. He was charged with misdemeanor assault and suspended by the league. MLS is working closely with the Dynamo and the Houston police during the investigation.

Deric started 26 games for the Dynamo this season with six shutouts. Joe Willis, who started in eight previous games this season, played in his place.

Beasley strained his right quadriceps in practice on Saturday. The Dynamo also were without defender A.J. DeLaGarza, who had surgery this past week to repair a torn ACL in his left knee. DeLaGarza was hurt on Oct. 22 in the 13th minute of Houston's 3-0 victory over Chicago.

Willis made a tremendous diving save on Dairon Asprilla's header in the 24th minute. Asprilla broke through in the 39th minute, booting a cross from Vytas over Willis' outstretched arm, then celebrating with a backflip. Asprilla had two goals and four assists this season. Remick, who slipped on the Asprilla goal, scored in the 43rd minute, getting past Timbers' goalkeeper Jeff Antinella and silencing the sellout crowd at Providence Park. The away goal was crucial for the Dynamo, because if the game ended in a 1-1 draw Houston would advance. "Especially with the road-goal rule, we knew that if we kept a scoreless second half, then the game was ours," Remick said. The longer we kept it 1-1, the longer they would have to throw numbers forward, which was perfect for us because we're great on the counterattack. But Mauro Manotas made that moot with his goal from some 25 yards out in the 77th minute.



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Houston Dynamo players celebrate a goal during the second leg of their 2017 MLS Cup soccer playoffs matchup against the Portland Timbers in Portland, Ore. on Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017.



