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Election school planned Tuesday

An election school will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the county courtroom for all election judges, precinct judges, alternates and clerks. For more information, call Margaret Ray, county clerk, at 264-2213.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY
□ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third, Call Janis Dean, 267-3068.

TUESDAY
□ Beginning line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628.
□ Quarterback Club, 7:30 p.m. All football parents and fans welcome.

WEDNESDAY
□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park. Call 398-5522 or 267-1628.
□ Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room

□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Terry Hansen, 264-5175.
□ Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 E. Third.

THURSDAY
□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Billy Smith, 267-6479.
□ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and over.

□ Evening line dancing class, 6:30 p.m., Spring City Senior Center. Enter north gate (Simler drive), cross first intersection, building on left, park in east parking lot and enter by east door. For more information call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522 or e-mail at drkbigspring@xroadstx.com
□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, Hermans, 7 a.m.

FRIDAY
□ Spring City senior citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., music provided by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

SATURDAY
□ Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Everyone welcome.

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Big Spring ISD says 'no' to funding for Permian Building teardown

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

Howard County Commissioners and Big Spring Independent School District Superintendent Bill McQueary have announced that they will not provide funding support for the demolition of the downtown



MCQUEARY

Permian Building.

In a letter to Big Spring City Manager Gary Fuqua, McQueary stated it is the opinion of the school district that the building is not their responsibility.

"The Big Spring Independent School District, after a careful and thorough review of all options in regard to the derelict structure located within the corporate limits of the city of Big Spring has determined: that the absence of statutory or legal opinion binding the BSISD to financial responsibility, gives

no precedent for BSISD involvement in this project," said McQueary.

"Taking the property from the prior owner, knowing in advance that it will result in a net loss to the district places BSISD in violation of the Texas Constitution articles 51, 52, and 55."

McQueary went on to say that because of the lack of a clear opinion on the legality of the matter, the school district should not be held responsible.

"There is no clear opinion that holds an independent school

district liable for charges when it holds title to said property as a result of insufficient bids at a tax foreclosure sale," said McQueary. "BSISD funds are best spent on the children of our district."

"After looking at everything, the county commissioners have decided to back off until we can get a good legal opinion on this," said County Commissioner Sonny Choate. "It looks like this is coming from the city building code, and that is not what the county does."

"The issue was brought up at

the last meeting as to whether or not there was a cheaper way to do this," said Fuqua. "If we have a contractor come in and tear down the building, we are looking at around \$250,000 in expenses. Mr. Choate has made the suggestion to provide the majority of the labor and equipment ourselves."

"Without the overall cost of hauling the remnants away, we are still looking at an estimated \$150,000 to remove the building. That doesn't include the necessary liability insurances to do such a job."



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Shann Thomas, coordinator for Victim Services; Gail Earls, Rape Crisis/Victim Services Center director; and Ruthie Gilbreath, volunteer; left to right, provide support for those in crisis.

Center's volunteers receive training in all types of responses and services

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the sixth in an 11-part series on member agencies of the United Way. NEXT WEEK: Boy Scouts.

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Rape Crisis/Victim Services volunteers wear many different hats in the course of a single day on the job.

"Volunteers do many different forms of crisis intervention. We're the first contact with the victim (of rape) and we stay through the rape kit, which can take up to two hours," said Ruth Gilbreath, volunteer coordinator for Rape Crisis/Victim Services.

"Then we go with the victim to the police department or sheriff's department, and we stay with them at the station. We're here for the victim's family, as well."

"We go to court with the victim, for moral support," Gilbreath said.



Volunteers with Rape Crisis/Victim Services are required to attend 40 hours of training before they are allowed to be pager-carrying volunteers.

Then, each year a volunteer must undergo an additional 20 hours of training, so the first year of volunteering requires 60 hours of training, Gilbreath said.

In 1997, Big Spring reported 22 cases of sexual assault. Odessa had 27 reports, while Midland reported 25 cases of sexual assault, said Gail Earls, director of the center.

Those figures show that Big Spring, with much less population than the larger two cities, is reporting the occurrences of sexual assault more than in the past, she said.

"People get confused, because they think that rapes are up. But all that's up is that more people are reporting it. National figures show that for every one rape reported, 10 go unreported," Earls said.

"We hope to get that average down. Rape is not a sexual crime, it is a crime of violence," she said.

The service in Big Spring was founded in 1984 by Earls and

Mary Kenny. Earls said she feels she has come full circle with the organization, from a founding board member, to director of the program.

"We really have two programs. Rape Crisis is one, and Victim Services another," she said.

Shann Thomas is the coordinator for Victim Services. That program provides support for individuals involved in any type of crime, such as robbery, burglary, arson, and domestic violence. Also, the service prepares papers for protective orders, Gilbreath said.

Child abuse victims are also clients of the center. The CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocacy) volunteers have an office at the center as well, Earls said.

Through June 1998, the center had served 408 people, compared to 551 for the entire year of 1997, Thomas said.

"For us, that's good, because it means more people are reporting crimes," Earls said.

Domestic violence is the most common case the center serves. And more women are choosing to prosecute their batterers,

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Vote

Howard County residents share why they think it is crucial to cast a ballot

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

As early voting continues in Howard County, many of the residents who have come out to cast their ballots feel that voter apathy in the area is a serious problem, and should be better addressed by the government on all levels.

"The election process is the only thing that separates us from the rest of the world as Americans," said Russell McKiski after casting his ballot at the Howard County Courthouse Thursday afternoon.

"If you don't make a choice in these matters, then you don't have any right to complain when something happens that you don't like. It basically becomes a mute point."

"I've been a resident of Howard County since October, 1962, and I have voted in every election that I possibly could. It's so important to be part of the process, and to have a hand in choosing who will represent you in the government."

Big Spring resident Doris Huijbregtse cast her ballot Thursday afternoon as well.

"I have lived in Big Spring for 37 years, and I have voted in every election I possibly could," said Huijbregtse. "I believe it is very important for everyone to have a voice in what happens in this country, whether it be local, state, or federal government."

"A lot of people say they are too busy to vote, or don't think their ballot will make a difference, but is so important to participate. If you don't vote, then you don't have any say in how the government is run."

"There is a lot of apathy and depression out there among the voters," said McKiski. "Maybe it's just poor character. Either way, they are just too caught up



HERALD photo/T.E. Jenkins

Russell McKiski takes time to vote at the county clerk's office.

in their own personal worlds that they are too busy to exercise their responsibility to vote.

"A good way to avoid those pitfalls at election time, it's a good idea to make arrangements with other people to go vote together. A lot of times you can maintain your momentum on actions like these if you are part of a group that offers support to one another."

"Whether you go out to vote because you like a certain candidate," said Huijbregtse, "or you go out because you don't like some other candidate, you should definitely vote. It is the only way you can be a part of the decisions that are made in this country."

Early vote count still shy of 2,000

Early voting in the Nov. 3 general election reached 1,958 ballots after 66 persons voted as of 11 this morning.

By comparison, a total of 1,782 persons had voted during the 1996 general election, which was also a presidential election year.

As of this morning, 1,757 persons have cast their ballot in person while another 201 have been received by mail. A total of 304 ballots have been mailed out.

Early voting continues through 5 p.m. Friday.

Full agenda up for city

T.E. Jenkins
Staff Reporter

Big Spring City Council will meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday to consider a number of items, including a resolution authorizing the city manager to enter into an agreement with the West Texas Water Ski Club.

The council will also consider first reading of an amendment which would change the ordinance regulating boat speed limits.

Speed limits of another kind are on the agenda as well. Council members will consider an ordinance to extend the Anderson Kindergarten school zone. In more safety issues, council members will consider recommendations from the traffic commission to place stop signs at North Main Street yielding to North 7th, and

another on Settles Street, yielding to 19th Street.

Annual board appointments are on the agenda, and council members will also discuss and consider the city holiday schedule.

Giving the major the go-ahead to execute an agreement for Parkhill, Smith & Cooper to provide architectural and engineering services in regards to chlorine facility renovation at the water treatment plant is on the agenda.

Final reading is due on various ordinances, including ones pertaining to a grant for the West Texas Narcotics Task Force and junked vehicles. In conjunction with grant requirements, the council will also consider on final reading a resolution establishing rules and regulations for use of force during demonstrations.



U.S. Senator Phil Gramm (R-Texas) was in town this morning at Howard County Republican headquarters to endorse the candidacies of Scott McLaughlin (left) and Rudy Izzard (right). McLaughlin is seeking the 70th District seat in the Texas House of Representatives while Izzard is running for the 17th District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

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OBITUARIES

Viloiso Y. Garcia
Viloiso Y. Garcia Sr., 61, of Big Spring, died on Friday, October 23, 1998, in a local hospital.

Graveside services were at 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Rev. Cornelius Scanlan, pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, officiating.

He was born on Aug. 19, 1937, in Big Spring, Texas and married Anna Peuckert on Feb. 9, 1980, in Big Spring, Texas.

Mr. Garcia was a lifelong resident of Big Spring. He had worked for the Texas Department of Transportation for 15 years, retiring in 1997. He was involved with Little League and served as a coach and umpire for many years.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Garcia of Amarillo; two sons, Vilo A. Garcia Jr. of Arlington and Viloiso J. Garcia III of Amarillo; three daughters, Rosemary Moreno of Dallas, Rebecca Porter of Aurora, Co., and Patricia Rubio of Abilene; one step son, Herman Orosco of Big Spring; one step daughter, Cheryl Alcantar of Big Spring; seven brothers, Victor D. Garcia Jr. of Arlington, Vidal Garcia and Vincent Garcia, both of Odessa, Vaudelio Y. Garcia, Benjamin C. Garcia and Rolando Garcia, all of Big Spring and Velen Garcia of El Paso; one sister, Belinda Garcia of Big Spring, and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1998, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Claude Craven, a retired

arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Mary Virginia Rosser

Mary Virginia Rosser, 82, Big Spring, died on Sunday, Oct. 24, 1998, at her residence. Service will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1998, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Claude Craven, a retired

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home

Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St.
(915) 267-6331

Mary Virginia Rosser, 82, died Saturday. Services will be 10:00 AM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Roy D. Anderson, 95, died Sunday. Services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288
Emil J. Orsak, Sr., 75, died Saturday. Services were 2:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Jose N. (Joe) Garfias, Sr., 83, died Friday. Rosary will be 7:00 PM, Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Services will be 2:00 PM, Tuesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

G. Franklin Dillon M.D., 88, died Saturday. Mrs. Dillon will receive friends at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 7:00 to 8:00 PM, Tuesday. Private Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Setzu Saito Edwards, 70, died Sunday. Services are pending.

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Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born on June 11, 1916, in Denton County, and married Louis Edward Rosser on Feb. 24, 1950, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on Jan. 4, 1984.

Mrs. Rosser had been a resident of Howard County since 1932, moving from Denton County. She and Louis farmed and ranched in the Elbow community until retiring in 1972, when they moved to Big Spring. She had worked at Cunningham and Phillips Drug Store, at Mrs. Baird's Bakery, and she also enjoyed practical nursing.

She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church. Mrs. Rosser was also a member of the Rebekah Lodge and had been a member of the Elbow Home Demonstration Club.

Survivors include: three daughters and sons-in-law, Claudette and J.F. Poynor of Grandbury, Mary Ann and Donnie Rowland of Midland, and Patsy and Floyd Woods of Odessa; 11 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, H.W. and Athur Lillian Mitchell, three brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1998, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Anderson died Sunday, Oct. 25, in a local nursing home.

He was born on July 1, 1903, in Ellis County, and married Iva Oakley on July 21, 1923, in Moran. She preceded him in death on Oct. 21, 1994. He came to Howard County in 1929 and farmed in the Vealmoor community for many years, moving to Big Spring in 1991. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include: one sister, Margrette Sherrin of Lubbock; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

G. Franklin Dillon, M.D.

G. Franklin Dillon, M.D., longtime urologist, died Oct. 24, 1998, in a local hospital following a brief illness. Dr. Dillon was born Dec. 14, 1909, in McLouth, Kan., to G.F. Dillon, Sr., and Emma Jones Dillon. On July 7, 1933, he and Billie Hoffman eloped to Perry, Okla., where they were married.

After his graduation from Friends University in Wichita, Kan., Dr. Dillon attended Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kan., where he earned a Masters degree in entomology. He graduated from the University of Tennessee at Memphis in 1942, with a Doctor of Medicine degree. Dr. Dillon served his internship in

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Tacoma, Wash., and went on to complete his residency in urology at Newark City Hospital and New York Memorial Hospital. His residency in oncology was completed at Sloan-Kettering. Dr. Dillon returned to Tacoma to practice but because of the wet climate, he decided to relocate. He drew a circle on a United States map, surrounding the part of the country to which he wanted to move. Big Spring needed a urologist in Malone-Hogan Clinic, and in 1947, the Dillons came to Big Spring, where Dr. Dillon practiced urological surgery for 30 years. He was certified by the American Board of Urology in 1960.

After retiring from Malone-Hogan Clinic, Dr. Dillon held the position of Director of the Western Region of Long Term Care for the State of Texas 10 years. He retired from medical practice in 1988.

Dr. Dillon was a Mason, a Shriner and a member of the Royal Order of Jesters. He was very active in the Rotary Club and the Boy Scouts of America. Two of Dr. Dillon's ancestors came to the United States aboard the Mayflower, and he was proud to be a Quaker by birthright. The Dillons were members of the University of Friends Church in Wichita, Kan.

Dr. Dillon is survived by: his beloved wife of 65 years, Billie, of the home; a brother, Carl Dillon of Seattle, Wash.; a nephew, Perry Lee Walters, D.D.S. of Lawrence, Kan.; and a host of loving friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Asa Arthur Dillon, and a sister, Maybeth Walters. He was a loving husband, a generous and devoted friend and a gentleman in every sense of the word. He loved Big Spring and its people and his countless acts of kindness and generosity will not be forgotten.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to the donor's favorite charity. Billie Dillon will receive friends between 7 and 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1998, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Private memorials services will be held at a later date.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Jose N. "Joe" Garfias, Sr.

Rosary for Jose N. (Joe) Garfias, Sr., 83, Ackerly, will be 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, 1998, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral

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service will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Memorial Park. Mr. Garfias died Friday, Oct. 23, at St. John's Hospital in San Angelo.

He was born on Aug. 14, 1915, in Michoacan, Mexico. He married Esperanza Trevino on June 21, 1947, in Galveston. He had farmed in the Brown community and in the Knott area until 1975. He then worked in the oil field until 1985.

He is survived by: his wife, Esperanza of Ackerly; four sons, Maurillo Garfias of Mexico, Joe Garfias, Jr. of Big Spring, Luis Garfias of Florence, Ariz., and Frank Garfias of San Angelo; one daughter, Santos Garfias of Mexico; one sister, Abigail Garfias of Mexico; 24 grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Setzu Saito Edwards

Service for Setzu Saito Edwards, 70, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He died Sunday, Oct. 25, 1998, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a long illness.

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and choosing to leave an abusive relations than in the past, she said.

"More women are going to court, and now they are being allowed to tell the (accused) what he did to them and how they feel," Earls said.

The women are able to work through some of their anger by confronting their attacker in the courtroom, she said.

Earls said volunteers help the women express their feelings in a polite, respectful manner.

"We tell them this is like a church, and they need to respect the judge and the courtroom," she said.

A new project the center is currently seeking to implement is the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner, or SANE program.

A nurse will perform the rape kit examination at the emergency room, and Earls said she

hopes this will encourage more women to report sexual assault. "I believe women will be more comfortable knowing they will be examined by another women," Earls said.

Also, a clothes closet with a change of clothes for a sexual assault victim is another program Earls and her staff are hoping to provide, she said.

"The victim's clothes become evidence, and sometimes they have to go home from the emergency room in a hospital gown and a blanket," she said.

A United Way agency, Rape Crisis/Victim Services receives most of its funding from federal grant monies. The center also operates through the financial assistance of the city and county, as well as private donations, Earls said.

"People don't realize this happens, until it happens in their family. God forbid that it happens in their family, before people will open their eyes," Earls said.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Sunday and 8 a.m. Monday:

• DANIEL COSBY, 29, was arrested for no liability insurance and violation of drivers license restriction.

• MARIA RAMOS, was arrested for thwarting the compulsory school attendance law.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Sunday and 8 a.m. Monday:

• MICHAEL MARTINEZ, 21, was arrested for making alcoholic beverages available to a minor.

In the Sunday, October 25 issue of The Big Spring Herald, the General Election Notice contained an incorrect date. It should have read:
Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on **October 27, 1998.**
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Senate to examine Central Intelligence Agency's new Mideast role

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee plans hearings on the CIA's role in the new Middle East accord to determine the cost of monitoring Palestinian anti-terrorist action and whether it endangers U.S. agents.

Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., said Sunday he is troubled by an agreement to have the CIA track new Palestinian security efforts. Such activities, he said, differ from the agency's tradi-

tional work "because it's a visible role."

"What is the role of the CIA? Is it to enforce a policy? Is it to be an arbitrator? Is it to be bodyguards? I think not," Shelby said on "Fox News Sunday." "I think we have to look at this."

But Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said the agency is no stranger to providing on-the-ground intelligence support to diplomacy.

"The CIA has played roles

previously in terms of monitoring and verifying other agreements previously in the region," Albright said on CBS's "Face the Nation," adding that the CIA has been fighting terrorism there since the 1996 anti-terrorism conference in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, also a member of the Intelligence Committee, said on CNN's "Late Edition" that the CIA can play "a constructive role in making sure that these two

sides get along and live up to these agreements."

Under the U.S.-brokered agreement concluded Friday between Israel and the Palestinians, the CIA would keep track of Palestinian efforts to arrest and punish terrorists as a way of assuaging Israeli security concerns. The deal would create a three-party mediation system in which Palestinian and Israeli security officials could present disputes to a CIA arbiter.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on CNN that the CIA would be there to ensure "that the things are done... that terrorists do not come in and go into... Palestinian jails and then leave by the proverbial revolving door."

Albright said the agency would work in a "role which assists, to try to deal with these issues without being personally involved. ... We're there, as we are in the peace talks, always as

the honest broker as assisting in this."

CIA Director George Tenet will explain to Congress "his comfort level with" the operation, Albright said.

Shelby's committee does not have power to directly change the Israeli-Palestinian agreement, although it has authority over U.S. intelligence spending.

Shelby said, "We want to know how (the Mideast mission) is going to work... how long the CIA will be involved."

New documents show Jones lawyers sought to obtain information from the Secret Service

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Paula Jones' lawyers accused the Secret Service of stonewalling when it objected to turning over evidence that might be helpful to her sexual harassment lawsuit, documents unsealed today show.

Those documents showed that the Secret Service objected in early January to four subpoenas from Mrs. Jones lawyers, made before the Monica Lewinsky case erupted, by using the same arguments the agency would rely on unsuccessfully later with Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr.

The Secret Service urged U.S. District Judge Susan Webber Wright to create a new "protective privilege function" that would shield agents and officers from having to testify or provide documents in the harassment case.

Answering the subpoenas "would impair the ability of the Secret Service to perform its critical function of protecting the President's physical safety or the security of any other Secret Service protectees," the government contended in early January.

The Secret Service, just weeks later, would make a similar argument before a federal judge in Washington, D.C., in its efforts to fight subpoenas from Starr seeking to compel agents and uniformed officers to testify before a grand jury investigating the Lewinsky matter. The agency lost that court battle, and its agents and officers, including chief presidential bodyguard Larry Cockell, were forced to testify.

In a court document filed just days after the Lewinsky case became public in late-January,

Mrs. Jones' lawyers alleged that the Secret Service had "stonewalled" in responding to subpoenas that demanded any information about possible presidential affairs.

Subpoenaing the Secret Service is "simple and entirely legitimate: to obtain evidence of illicit sexual relations between Defendant Clinton and women to who federal jobs were offered," they argued.

Mrs. Jones' lawyers asked Judge Wright to order the Secret Service to provide lists of its agents who protect the president and any documents "referring to or discussing a sexual relationship between Defendant Clinton and a woman other than his wife."

The judge ruled against Mrs. Jones lawyers on Jan. 30, telling the Secret Service it could ignore the subpoenas.

Seven dead, gas well still out of control in Louisiana

BRYCELAND, La. (AP) — A coroner will use dental records to identify the charred remains of six men killed Saturday when a natural gas well where they were working exploded.

The well was expected to burn for several more days, Trooper Chris Johnson said Sunday night.

Authorities retrieved five of the men Sunday. Workers used two water cannons to spray

water onto hot twisted metal wreckage at the remote site in north Louisiana, Johnson said.

After cooling the metal debris, experts in fire-resistant suits pulled the remains from the burning well Sunday afternoon.

The body of a sixth worker was brought out hours after the accident, but the fire's heat prevented rescue workers from getting close to the other victims.

Johnson identified the vic-

tims as Robert Palmer, 42, of Frankston, Texas; Brady Brownlow, 24, of Longview, Texas; Dean McClinton, 29, of Longview, Texas; Cody Vaught, 21, of Elk City, Okla.; Donald Pete Hedrick, 41, of Keithville, La.; and Craig Creel, 31, of Longview, Texas.

A seventh victim, 32-year-old Danny Smith of Harlton, Texas, died in the hospital about 2 a.m. Sunday.

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OUR VIEWS

Friends of Settles needs your help on Haunted House

There are just a couple of days left before the Friends of the Settles' Haunted House and Fall Festival in downtown Big Spring — which means you have a couple of days to volunteer to help out on this fundraising project.

The event will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Morehead Transfer & Storage, 100 Johnson St. in downtown Big Spring.

In addition to the haunted house, there will be a fall festival featuring a variety of activities and foods. In other words, there will be something for just about everyone.

This project is to raise funds for the Friends of the Settles to continue their work on the city-owned former Settles Hotel.

And in case you haven't noticed, just about all of the glass has been replaced in the old hotel tower, leaving just the penthouse and ground floor to be done.

More than \$50,000 ago, there were those who said the window replacement project would never happen.

With that money raised, the Friends group moved on to try and raise money to clean the ground floor, patch plaster, paint walls and get rid of the graffiti visible from the street so that when the ground floor glass is replaced, there won't be any serious eyesores.

There have been a few bumps in the road, including one that caused the group to consider not holding the haunted house at all. But that was before Charlie Morehead, a downtown business owner, came to the rescue by making her moving and storage warehouse available to the group for free.

Now, it's time to put the haunted house together and volunteers are once again needed.

Today, Tuesday and Wednesday, work will be going on on the haunted house project. Bring your hammers and saws and gloves and protective eyewear to help construct the framework.

But if your forte is not construction, but rather in production, you can also show up to help out in the planning and execution of the project.

The secret to the success of this project is community support — just as it was with the windows. Volunteers are needed to help build and man the haunted house, because, after all, there's only so much the eight members of the Friends of the Settles can do.

Won't you join in and help them out one more time?

OTHER VIEWS

After 35 years of doing something that hasn't worked, maybe it's time to rethink our sanctions on Cuba. ... The United Nations General Assembly this past week voted 157-2 to urge the United States to drop its embargo.

Only loyal Israel voted with us. Last year and in 1996 we could muster three votes. ... Instead of re-examining a failed policy then, we instead ratcheted up the sanctions with the 1996 Helms-Burton Act. That law was so intrusive in what other nations deemed their own business that even our closest neighbors, Canada and Mexico, feel free to ignore our sanctions.

The sanctions remain in place only because of domestic political considerations and rigid, reflexive anti-communism, like that of the act's two sponsors. ...

The sanctions were politically easy: While they hurt the Cubans a lot, they hurt us not at all. ...

If deposing Fidel Castro was (and still is) the goal, old age probably will get him faster than our sanctions. Maybe the rest of the world is wrong and we're right. Still, after 35 years and no more international support, maybe it's time to try some other way to spread the spirit of free-market freedom to Cuba.

How about trade and

tourism?

The recent report on the incidence of AIDS in the United States makes two significant points:

Deaths are falling at an amazing rate. The number in the United States fell 29 percent in 1996 and 47 percent last year, the largest decline for any major disease in one year.

On the down side, the rate of infections is holding steady at about 40,000 a year. An irony is that those who get the disease now are healthier and more active, and thus spreading it more than if they were seriously ill.

The steady number of new cases indicates the education campaign is not nearly as effective as it needs to be.

Those who argue against comprehensive education about AIDS should be aware they might be signing a death warrant for a young person who need to know that this is not solely a disease transmitted by gay people.

Promiscuity is foolish and dangerous, and that message cannot be repeated too often.

The medical campaign cannot be relaxed until drugs are developed that will stop this scourge in its tracks.

THE COLUMBUS (OHIO) DISPATCH

THE STUART (FLA.) NEWS

Congress could have final say on census

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the long stalemate over the right way to conduct the 2000 Census, the next chapter will be written by the Supreme Court — but with no guarantee it will be the last one. There's still the matter of money.

Republicans are counting on the court to rule that the census must be a head count, without the sampling system, akin to scientific polling, that the administration wants used to reach otherwise uncountable Americans.

But even should the court approve sampling as constitutional, a leading GOP opponent of the system said it wouldn't automatically happen.

The catchall appropriations law passed Wednesday includes \$1 billion for the census, but only until June 15, 1999. So the census will be up again next spring.

On Nov. 30, the Supreme Court will hear the case for sampling from the administration and against it from the Republican House and opponents in six states. Both sides say a decision by March is essential to get on with the census on April 1, 2000.

The census determines apportionment of House seats among the states, the shape of congressional and other political districts within them and the allocation of about \$180 billion a year distributed under federal programs.

Two federal courts have ruled that sampling cannot be used in 2000, but the decisions dealt with federal law, not the constitutionality of doing it with sampling as well as counting.

The Constitution requires an "actual enumeration" every 10 years, and Republicans say that means counting every American, not a 90 percent count, 10 percent sampling system.

Behind the legal and statistical arguments, there is a political one. The 1990 census missed an estimated 4 million people, an undercount concentrated among blacks and other minorities in largely poor neighborhoods.

Sampling would add them, and that would alter the shape of political districts, presumably to Democratic advantage.

This didn't begin as a Democratic idea. With the census under challenge — it was six years before the Supreme Court upheld it — President George Bush and the then-

Democratic Congress agreed to have the National Academy of Sciences study the census system and recommend steps to make the next one better. That led to the plan for statistical sampling to cover the otherwise uncounted.

And it set off the argument that hasn't been settled yet. The Republican Congress tried to bar the use of sampling by law, but President Clinton blocked that by veto in 1997. But the Republicans still had the leverage of census appropriations, so the administration agreed to a compromise of an expedited court review of sampling, with the Census Bureau preparing for the 2000 count on two tracks, with and without sampling.

The House voted again this year to forbid use of sampling and drew another veto threat. Then it approved only half the money for the census and made the balance subject to another vote after March 15. The final measure provides the funding but only until June 15.

That put the dispute on hold. The Senate finally confirmed the new Census Bureau director, Kenneth Prewitt, head of New York's Social Science Research Council, who said that unless sampling is part of the process, the census will be

significantly more expensive than the current \$4 billion budget and will take more than the now-estimated 350,000 census takers to conduct it.

The Census Bureau has projected added costs of \$675 million to \$800 million, and the administration argues that it will be less accurate than with the sampling system.

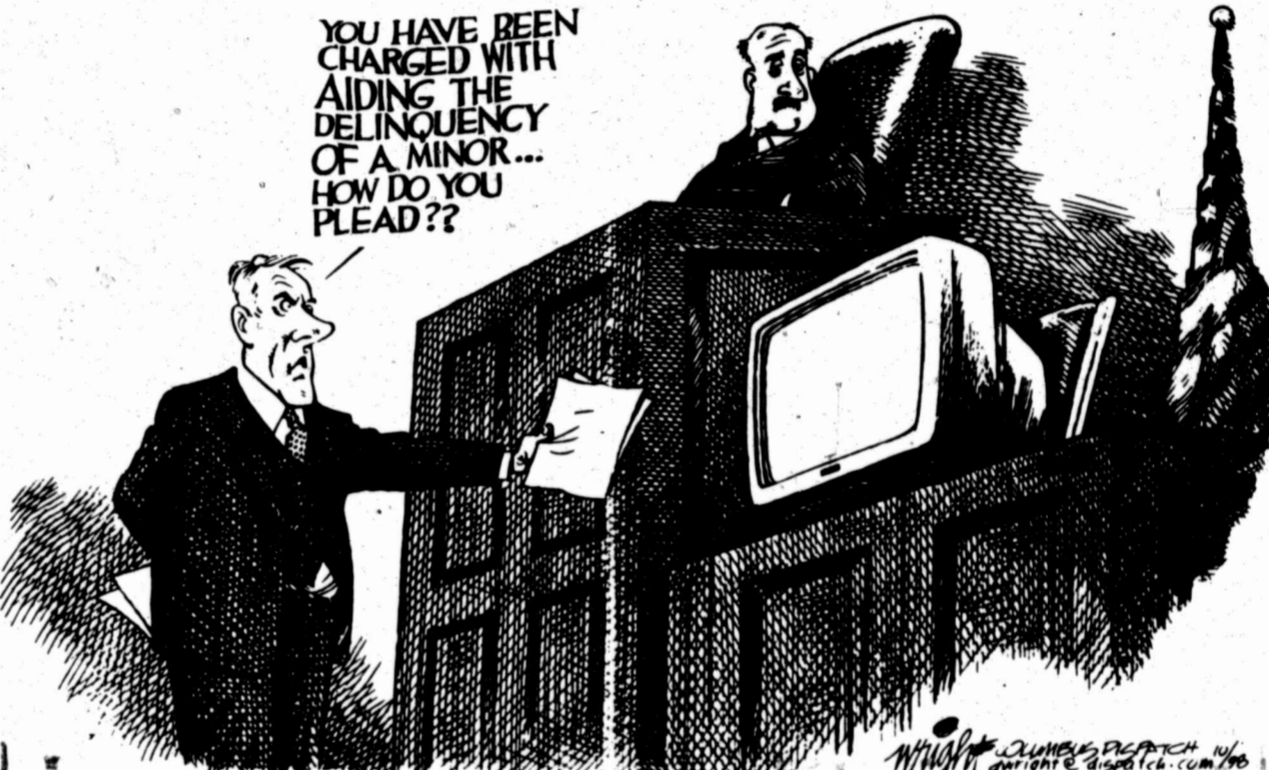
Republican leaders contend sampling would be subject to gerrymandering, the Constitution requires a person-by-person count — something never actually accomplished — and they will provide the money to do it.

Even with the case in court, Republicans have the insurance of the last word, or vote, in case they don't get the sampling ban they forecast.

"If the Supreme Court might rule that sampling is legal, it does not automatically mean there will be sampling in the 2000 Census," said Rep. Dan Miller of Florida, chairman of a House panel on the census and a leading opponent of the sampling plan.

"The Supreme Court is going to rule on whether or not sampling is legal or constitutional, not if the Clinton sampling plan will work," he told the House on Oct. 14.

"That issue is very much debatable."



Confronting 105th's leftovers

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — From impeachment to taxes and health care, the unfinished business of the departed 105th Congress is certain to dominate the early agenda of the lawmakers who take office in January.

The voter verdict on Nov. 3 will determine how that agenda plays out.

Republicans are telling voters they will make large tax cuts a priority.

Democrats are campaigning as saviors of Social Security and advocates of strengthening people's options in dealing with managed care.

The impeachment inquiry, of course, will not wait. After the elections, the House Judiciary Committee will move ahead into the public hearing phase of its investigation into whether allegations against President Clinton merit his impeachment and trial.

Should the committee approve articles of impeachment, the House would return to the Capitol this year to decide whether the president should stand trial in the Senate and, if convicted, be removed from office.

No Senate trial would take place until next year, after the 106th Congress has convened.

A strong Republican showing in House and Senate races would give new impetus to advocates of pushing ahead to impeach Clinton.

Republican election gains could counter opinion polls taken over the last couple of

months that find more than six out of 10 Americans saying they oppose impeachment.

More than half, 52 percent, in a poll released last week by the Pew Research Center, said they believe Republicans are pushing too hard for impeachment, while one-third say they agree with the GOP's handling of the matter.

Candidates in next week's elections are talking far more about taxes and Social Security than about a White House sex scandal.

Managed care, teen-age smoking, abortion and campaign finance overhaul are all campaign issues and likely agenda items for the next Congress.

Will the emphasis be on tax cuts or what the Democrats call a patient's bill of rights? Watch the election results.

Will it be on banning a late-term abortion procedure or on legislation penalizing tobacco companies? Watch the election results.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and other GOP leaders have sought to make the projected \$1.6 trillion, 10-year budget surplus a national campaign issue by promising repeatedly to push for a huge tax cut if voters add to the Republican House and Senate majorities.

House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, who yearns to run for president in 2000, says he will seek a 10 percent cut in income tax rates, costing \$715 billion over 10 years, when lawmakers return in January.

Democrats counter that the priority should be to "safe-

guard Social Security" with projected budget surpluses rather than use them for tax cuts.

One key to what happens in the next Congress is the magic number 60. The Republicans have a 55-45 majority in the Senate. If they pick up five more seats they will have the votes to break Democratic filibusters. A gain of that size also would likely provide the votes needed to override a Clinton veto of legislation banning the late-term abortion procedure.

The override effort fell three votes short earlier this year.

But on campaign finance, the filibuster was by Republican opponents.

Should Republicans realize their fondest election hopes, they would add about 40 seats to the 228 that give them a majority in the 435-seat House, in addition to five or more in the Senate.

For the Democrats, a wildly successful election result would give them the 11 additional House seats they need for a majority.

That result would counter the historic trend under which the party in control of the White House has lost an average of 37 seats in the midterm election of a president's sixth year in office.

Given that history, the Democrats would claim victory if they hold the Republicans to modest gains next week.

But one result of a big Democratic upset would be the end of the impeachment inquiry and a Congress with a markedly different agenda than its predecessor.

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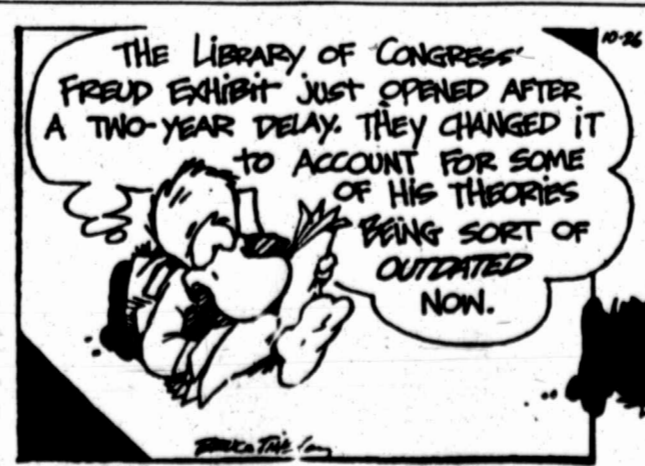
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IN BRIEF

Coahoma Band Boosters schedule tailgate party

The Coahoma High School Band Boosters Club will sponsor a tailgate party Friday prior to the Bulldogs' game with Tahoka at Bulldog Stadium.

Tickets will be \$5 per person for the meal. Door prizes will be given away.

For more information, call Virginia Belew at 263-7531.

Coahoma boosters s'ate meeting for Tuesday

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria.

A business meeting will precede taped highlights from Friday night's game and commentary from Bulldogs coaches.

Basketball officials set meeting for Wednesday

Big Spring basketball officials will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Steer Gym on the Big Spring High School campus.

Anyone interested in basketball officiating can contact Jody Carper at 267-2010 or Dusty Shelhamer at 263-4888.

Huston's comeback year includes win at Disney

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — John Huston certainly knows how to rise to the occasion.

Coming off his worst year on the PGA Tour, Huston decided to use his one-time exemption for being in the top 50 on the career money list early in the year. He won that outing in Hawaii, the fourth full-field tournament of the year, and went on to earn more than \$1 million in a season for the first time in his career.

Sunday, he pulled off yet another comeback.

Huston rallied from four strokes back at Disney's National Car Rental Classic, closing with a 6-under-par 66 for a one-shot victory over Davis Love III.

He finished at 16-under 272. Love closed with a 71, while Brent Geiberger had the best round of another breezy day, a 65, to finish alone in third. Tiger Woods shot a 70 and tied for seventh at 277, his seventh straight top-10 finish on tour.

Agassi continues to win, taking Czech Indoor title

OSTRAVA, Czech Republic (AP) — Continuing his remarkable resurgence, Andre Agassi clinched a spot in the year-ending ATP Tour World Championship and kept alive his bid to finish the year ranked No. 1 in the world.

"This has been such a great week for me," Agassi said after defeating Slovakia's Jan Krosnak 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 Sunday to capture the Czech Indoor and pocket \$137,000.

It was Agassi's fifth title in eight final appearances this year and his first in three finals in October.

Inkster takes Samsung, outdueling Sorenstam

THE VILLAGES, Fla. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam may be the best player in the world this year. Juli Inkster was happy to be the best for just one weekend.

Inkster outdueling the LPGA's leading money winner Sunday, shooting a 6-under-par 66 for a three-stroke victory over Sorenstam in the Samsung World Championship of Women's Golf.

Inkster defended her title in the tournament with a 13-under 275 total. It was her first victory on tour this year.

ON THE AIR

TODAY: FOOTBALL

7 p.m. — Pittsburgh Steelers at Kansas City Chiefs, ABC, Ch. 2.

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

8 p.m. — Oklahoma at Nebraska, FXS, Ch. 29.

BSHS swimmers struggle in strong Abilene Invitational field

HERALD Staff Report

ABILENE — In their first major meet of what is expected to be somewhat of a rebuilding year, Big Spring's Steers and Lady Steers found themselves in the middle and back of the pack at the Abilene ISD Swimming and Diving Invitational.

The Steers, headed by Brent Sisson, Slate Broyles and Billy Beckworth, finished eighth in a field of 19 in the boys' division of the meet, while the Lady Steers finished 16th in a 19-team field, their best showing coming from Melissa Sheedy's 11th in the 200 individual medley.

"It's kind of difficult to have a meet like we did this weekend," Big Spring coach Harlan Smith said following Saturday's final race. "After having a team a like we had last year and a cou-

ple of years ago ... one where both the boys and girls walk into with people knowing you're going to be a force to contend with ... it's kind of humbling to be in a rebuilding mode."

But Smith noted that he was pleased with the way his swimmers performed during the meet.

"We didn't have a lot of great finishes and times," he admitted, "but as far as swimming with good mechanics and taking times off what we've done in the past, our kids did a great job."

That improvement will be important as both teams will play the role of host Friday and Saturday when the Big Spring High School Invitational will be staged in the YMCA pool.

The Steers' best finish in Abilene came during Friday's one-meter springboard diving competition, where Sisson took second place.

On Saturday, Broyles added a fourth in the 100 backstroke and Beckworth came through with a fifth in the 100 breaststroke and was 10th in the 100 freestyle.

Sisson, Beckworth and Broyles teamed with Doug Willberg to finish seventh in the 200 freestyle relay and were eighth in the 400 freestyle relay.

Willberg added a 14th in the 200 freestyle and "was 15th in the 500 freestyle."

Freshman Cody Clark narrowly missed adding points to the Steers' total by finishing 18th in the 100 butterfly and was 54th in the 50 freestyle. Classmate Juan Vazquez finished 58th in the massive field of 50 freestyle competitors.

In addition to her 11th-place finish in the 200 individual medley, Sheedy was 15th in the 100 butterfly and teamed with Michelle Stokes, Renee Flores and Tz Marsch to finish 15th in both the 400

freestyle relay and the 200 freestyle relay.

Marsch was also 16th in the 200 individual medley and was 21st in the 100 backstroke. Flores finished 18th in the 100 backstroke and was 25th in the 100 butterfly field.

Amanda Morris, while not figuring in the points, performed well as she finished 23rd in the 500 freestyle and was 26th in the 200 freestyle. She teamed with Martina Delos Santos, Nadia Torres and Vanessa Yanez in finishing 24th in the 200 medley relay and 35th in the 200 freestyle relay.

Yanez was 28th in the 500 freestyle and 36th in the 200 freestyle, while Torres was 29th in the 500 free and 30th in the 100 breaststroke. Delos Santos was 40th in the 100 breaststroke field, and Stokes finished 29th in the 100 freestyle and was 35th in the 50 freestyle.



San Francisco's Jerry Rice, shown here at left with 49ers quarterback Steve Young as they celebrate a touchdown during Super XXIX, was among the record setters during Sunday's NFL action. Rice set a record by catching a pass in 184 straight games in a 28-10 win over the St. Louis Rams.

Denver's Elam ties NFL mark by kicking 63-yard field goal

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

On a day when two NFL games featured nothing but field goals, kicker Jason Elam stole the spotlight in a game that produced six touchdowns.

Elam booted a 63-yard field goal Sunday, tying Tom Dempsey's 28-year-old league record, to help Denver beat Jacksonville 37-24.

"It's an old record and I'm proud to have a piece of it," Elam said. "I swung about as hard as I can swing at it. I hit it really clean."

Elam's field goal on the last play of the first half at Mile High Stadium matched the mark set by Dempsey for New Orleans against Detroit on Nov. 8, 1970. Dempsey watched Elam's kick on television and said he cheered when the ball went through the goal posts.

"It was a great kick, a great effort. You have to admire it," Dempsey said. "As good as people are getting now, I knew it was just a matter of time. People are kicking them longer and longer."

Kickers were the stars in three other NFL games Sunday.

Miami's Olindo Mare booted four field goals, including a 43-yarder in overtime that gave the Dolphins a 12-9 win over New England; Chicago's Jeff Jaeger kicked three field goals that lifted the Bears over Tennessee 23-20; and New Orleans' Doug Brien kicked three field goals to help the Saints beat Tampa Bay 9-3.

In other games, it was New York Jets 28, Atlanta 3; Green Bay 28, Baltimore 10; Minnesota 34, Detroit 13; San Francisco 28, St. Louis 10; Oakland 27, Cincinnati 10; Seattle 27, San Diego 20; and Buffalo 30, Carolina 14.

Dolphins 12, Patriots 9

Dan Marino moved the Dolphins 52 yards in the final two minutes of regulation to set up Mare's game-tying 25-yard field goal in the battle between AFC East co-leaders.

In overtime, a pass interference penalty on Ty Law on third-and-10 allowed Miami (5-2) to keep possession deep in its own territory, and

Marino's completions of 25 and 10 yards set up Mare's game-winner.

Jets 28, Falcons 3

Curtis Martin gained over 100 yards for the fourth straight game, Vinny Testaverde threw for two TDs and Anthony Pleasant led a stingy New York defense.

Jerome Henderson went 53 yards with a fumble return and Keith Byars had a 22-yard TD reception for the Jets (4-3)

Packers 28, Ravens 10

Brett Favre broke out of his three-week funk by throwing for two touchdowns and running for one.

Roell Preston got his third TD return of the season and LeRoy Butler was turned loose on the blitz as the Packers (5-2) snapped a two-game losing streak. The Ravens (2-5) lost their third straight and have now gone 13 quarters without an offensive touchdown.

Vikings 34, Lions 13

Randall Cunningham threw two TD passes, and Minnesota scored 17 consecutive points in the third quarter to remain undefeated.

Robert Smith rushed for 134 yards, including a 57-yard touchdown, as the Vikings (7-0) beat Detroit (2-5) for the second time this season.

49ers 28, Rams 10

Steve Young threw three TD passes and Jerry Rice set an NFL record by catching a pass in 184 consecutive games as San Francisco (6-1) beat the Rams (2-5) for the 16th straight time.

Darnell Walker had two first-half interceptions that led to scores, Terrell Owens scored twice and the 49ers sacked Tony Banks eight times. Rice, who had four receptions for 64 yards, broke Art Monk's mark set from 1980-95.

Saints 9, Buccaneers 3

The Saints snapped their three-game losing streak in a battle of inept offenses.

Tampa Bay (3-4) got only 11 first downs, one fewer than New Orleans (4-3).

Close games made for a very exciting weekend in Big 12

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's becoming unwise to leave Big 12 games in the fourth quarter. You're likely to miss something good.

Take Saturday. All of this happened in the final period on a day of dramatic finishes:

—No. 7 Nebraska had to hold off No. 18 Missouri for the second straight year to win 20-13.

—Texas' Ricky Williams scored two touchdowns in the final 2:03 to rally the Longhorns past Baylor 30-20.

—Kansas had big touchdown plays to put away No. 24 Colorado 33-17.

—No. 8 Texas A&M had to hold off Texas Tech in the final minutes for a 17-10 victory.

"I'll take that sucker (victory)," a relieved Aggies coach R.C. Slocum said after the Aggies' Wrecking Crew defense stopped Texas Tech for the last time with 1:40 left in the game.

The only blowouts came as little surprise. No. 4 Kansas State beat Iowa State 52-7 and Oklahoma State rallied in the third quarter to beat flagging Oklahoma 41-26.

Kansas, with a two-point overtime victory and losses by three and six points this season, led Colorado 20-14 entering the fourth quarter but pulled away with touchdowns on a 48-yard fumble recovery by Tim Bowers and a 65-yard run by David Winbush, his third score for the day.

Kansas backup quarterback Jay Alexander was 11-of-18 for 115 yards in relief of starter Zac Wegner. Adam Bledsoe, who relieved injured Buffaloes starter Mike Moschetti in the third quarter, was 3-of-9 for 21 yards.

Nebraska survived its second straight escape against Missouri. The Tigers lost to the Cornhuskers in overtime last year after Nebraska tied it on a freak play. Missouri almost tied it in the closing seconds Saturday but their failure allowed Nebraska to extend its home winning streak to 47.

"At the very end there, I thought it would be ironic if we would have scored on the play and took it to overtime," said Missouri coach Larry Smith, whose Tigers actually moved up one spot in the poll.

It was a sigh of relief for the Cornhuskers.

"The whole time I've been here, it's been a big thing with every senior class not wanting to be the class that lost a game at home," defensive lineman Chad Kelsay said. "When you come in at half and you are losing, it's not the end of the

DIVISION RACES

A look at the Big 12 division races:

NORTH

No. 4 Kansas State (7-0, 4-0), No. 7 Nebraska (7-1, 3-1) and No. 18 Missouri (5-2, 3-1) are the front-runners but have plenty of big games prior to the Big 12 championship game.

Kansas State's final two are against Nebraska and Missouri. Missouri also must play South leader No. 8 Texas A&M.

Missouri will try to rebound from its first Big 12 loss at Texas Tech, which has lost two in a row. Kansas State is at Kansas (3-5, 1-5), Iowa State (2-5, 0-4) is at Oklahoma and Texas is at Nebraska.

SOUTH

Texas A&M (7-1, 4-0) has taken a strong hold on the South, aiming for its second straight spot in the Big 12 championship game. They are one game up on Texas (5-2, 3-1), and two games ahead of Texas Tech (6-2, 3-2).

A&M hasn't lost since the season opener against No. 5 Florida State. The Aggies are at Oklahoma State (3-4, 2-3) and Baylor (2-5, 1-4) visits No. 16 Notre Dame.

world, but we're not used to that."

Baylor was on its way to a big upset of Texas until Williams' touchdown runs of 14 and seven yards, the last one with 1:02 to play in a record-setting performance. Williams has scored an NCAA record 428 points, passing University of Houston kicker Roman Anderson, who had the record of 423 career points.

Kansas State quarterback Michael Bishop threw three touchdown passes before leaving the game in the third quarter. Eric Hickson scored a school record 24th touchdown and, with 117 rushing yards, set the school career rushing mark of 2,268 yards.

"It's special for me because I've had a long career here at Kansas State and I went through a lot of trials and tribulations, but somehow I seem to overcome them," Hickson said.

Kansas State took a 45-0 fourth quarter lead before Iowa State broke through.

Tony Lindsay led Oklahoma State on six scoring drives in the Cowboys' first seven second half possessions to wash away Oklahoma's 13-7 halftime lead.

"The kid's a good quarterback," Oklahoma defensive coordinator Rex Ryan said. "I don't think he's a superstar by any stretch, but he's a good quarterback."

The Sooners got some offense going with 220 yards rushing by De'mond Parker.

Big Four rules AP poll; Raiders fall out after loss to Aggies

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

For the third week in a row, the Big Four still rule The Associated Press' Top 25.

Top-ranked Ohio State led the pack for the ninth straight college football poll on Sunday, followed by No. 2 UCLA, No. 3 Tennessee and No. 4 Kansas State.

A slight change took place at No. 5 as Florida State slipped ahead of idle Florida, which dropped to No. 6.

Ohio State, 7-0 after a 36-10 win over Northwestern, received 64 of 70 first-

place votes and 1,744 points from the sportswriters and broadcasters on the AP panel.

UCLA (6-0), a 28-16 winner over California, had one first-place vote and 1,641 points, while Tennessee had three first-place votes and 1,617 points. Kansas State was next with two first-place votes and 1,565 points. The Volunteers (6-0) beat Alabama 35-18 and the Wildcats (6-0) routed Iowa State 52-7.

The Seminoles (7-1) beat Georgia Tech 34-7 Saturday to move ahead of the Gators (6-1) by one point — 1,438-1,437. Nebraska, which held off Missouri 20-

13, remained at No. 7, followed by Texas A&M, Wisconsin and Penn State.

Missouri (5-2), which entered its game against the Huskers at No. 19, moved up a notch after the close call at Lincoln, Neb. Last year, when Nebraska beat Missouri in overtime, the Tigers moved into the Top 25 the next day for the first time in the '97 season.

Georgia, a 28-26 winner over Kentucky, was No. 11, followed by Oregon, Arizona, Arkansas, Virginia, Notre Dame, Syracuse, Missouri, Tulane and Virginia Tech. West Virginia, beaten by Miami 34-31,

fell eight places to No. 21 and was followed by Michigan, Georgia Tech, Colorado and Miami.

In the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, the top five were Ohio State, UCLA, Kansas State, Tennessee and Florida.

Michigan and Miami are the new entries in this week's Top 25. Michigan (5-2) is back after a three-week absence, while the Hurricanes are back for the first time since early last season.

Mississippi State and Texas Tech fell out of the rankings. LSU beat the Bulldogs 41-6 and Texas A&M defeated the Red Raiders 17-10.

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Outstanding but malodorous employee stands all alone

DEAR ABBY: We desperately need your advice. A female coworker (I'll call her Ethel) has poor hygiene. This is particularly difficult in a bank such as ours, where professional working relationships sometimes involve working in close proximity.

The human resources director has discussed the problem with Ethel. Also, during the annual personnel evaluations, the boss made brief, but firm, comments that she must practice better hygiene. However, her efforts were short-term.

Abby, we cannot fire Ethel. She's a longtime employee with tremendous amounts of knowledge and experience, but it has reached the point that some of our younger staff have threatened to quit if Ethel doesn't clean up to "normal" standards.

DEAR DOWNWIND: Regardless of her tremendous knowledge and experience, it's unfair that the rest of the employees must tolerate this. If it's difficult for them to be close to her, it must be equally so for your customers.

Ethel must be told that many complaints have been registered, and the bank is in danger of losing other personnel because she hasn't resolved her problems. She should also be

advised that, as valuable as she is, if she doesn't resolve her poor hygiene problem, she will be terminated. Harsh perhaps, but necessary in the best interests of the bank and its staff.

DEAR ABBY: My mother expects us to supply her with school pictures of our children. That is a problem because she insists on getting the large pictures that fit the frames she bought years ago. She actually demands the large pictures.

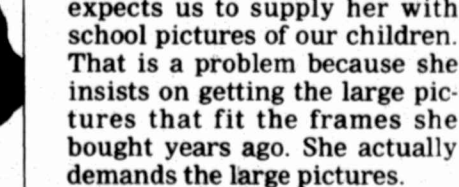
Abby, the large pictures are not in our budget, and she hasn't offered to help pay for them. The other set of grandparents are delighted with whatever pictures they receive, but not my mother. Can you offer advice on how to handle the unrealistic demands and help us avoid the agony of a confrontation again this year?

DEAR PICTURE-PRESERVED: Tell your mother that providing the size pictures she requests would create a financial hardship. Be firm in letting her know that if she wants large photographs, she must pay for them. Then let the chips fall where they may.

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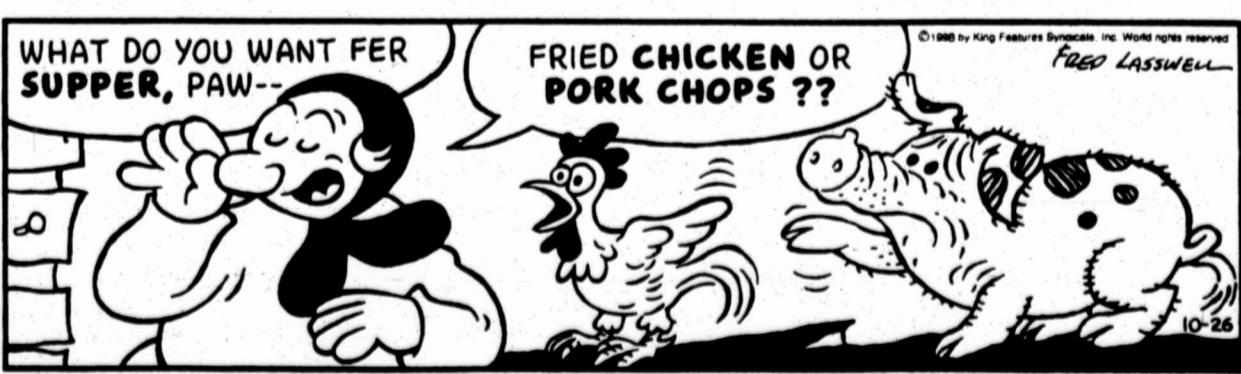
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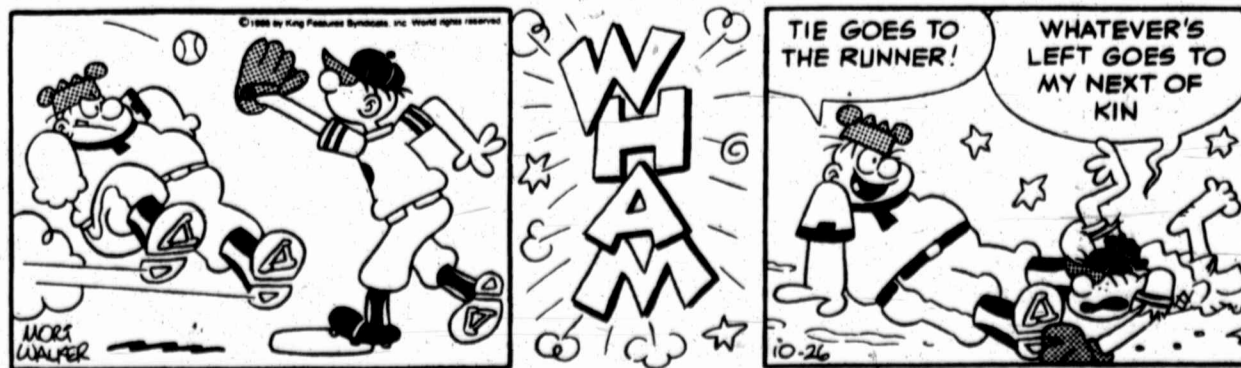
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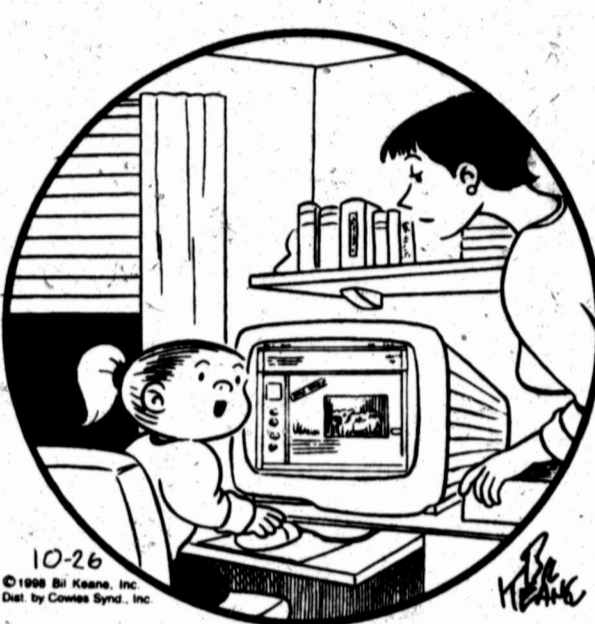
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, Oct. 26, the 299th day of 1998. There are 66

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 26, 1881, the Gunfight at the OK Corral took place in Tombstone, Ariz., as Wyatt Earp, his two brothers and "Doc" Holliday confronted Ike Clanton's gang. Three members

of Clanton's gang were killed; Earp's brothers were wounded. On this date:

In 1774, the First Continental Congress adjourned in Philadelphia.

In 1825, the Erie Canal opened in upstate New York, connecting Lake Erie and the Hudson River.

In 1942, the U.S. ship Hornet was sunk in the Battle of Santa Cruz Islands during World War II.

In 1958, Pan American Airways flew its first Boeing 707 jetliner from New York to Paris in eight hours and 41 minutes.

In 1972, national security adviser Henry Kissinger declared "peace is at hand" in Vietnam.

In 1975, Anwar Sadat became the first Egyptian president to pay an official visit to the United States.

In 1977, the experimental space shuttle Enterprise glided to a bumpy but successful landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

In 1994, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel and Prime Minister Abdel Salam Majali of Jordan signed a peace treaty during a ceremony attended by President Clinton.

Ten years ago: A French pharmaceutical company, Roussel Uclaf, announced it would halt worldwide distribution of RU-486, a pill to induce abortions, because of "an outcry of opinion at home and abroad." The French government ordered the company to reverse itself two days later.

Five years ago: Deborah Gore Dean, a central figure in the Reagan-era HUD scandal, was convicted of 12 felony counts of defrauding the government, taking a payoff and lying to Congress. Dean was later sentenced to three concurrent 21-month prison sentences; however, five of her convictions were later overturned, and Dean has requested a new trial.

One year ago: The Florida Marlins became the youngest franchise to win the World Series with a 3-2 victory in the eleventh inning over the Cleveland Indians in the seventh and final game. Chinese leader Jiang Zemin arrived in Honolulu en route to a White House summit with President Clinton.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Neal Matthews (The Jordanaires) is 69. Actor Bob Hoskins is 56. TV host Pat Sajak is 52. First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton is 51. Actress Jaclyn Smith is 51. Singer Maggie Roche (The Roches) is 47. Musician Bootsy Collins is 47. Rock musician Keith Strickland (The B-52's) is 45.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Saturday's Puzzle Solved section with a grid and a list of words.

Big Spring Herald advertisement with contact information and office hours.

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