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**Tonight:** 

"Reflecting a proud community"

### Vandals strike at the Vietnam Memorial

#### By MARSHA STURDIVANT Staff Writer

destruction.

-Vandals caused at least \$4,250 in

damages at the Vietnam Memorial by

defacing the area with spray paint,

and committee and community mem-

bers are fighting mad about the

"First the park and the lights, then

the Kids' Zone, and now the

Memorial. I challenge these guys to

wear their colors and show them-

selves, because what's bad is when we

find you and you get caught," said

Charlie Lewis, president of the



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### **HELPING OTHERS...**

Each day through the holiday season, the Herald will publish locations where you might help others less fortunate, including Salvation Army Angel Trees, Salvation Army kettles.

If your organization has an established program to help others, and you would like to be included in this list, call Marsha Sturdivant at 263-7331, ext. 234.



**Angel Tree locations:** 

- Big Spring Herald (seniors)
- Big Spring Mall Al's and Son B-B-Q
- Wal-Mart
- Cosden Credit Union
- Mel's Fried Fish
- Scenic Mountain Medical Center

 In addition, Bealls Department Store will give a 10 percent discount to all purchases of Angel Tree gifts.

Vietnam Memorial committee.

Lewis said the committee and Big Spring have been charged with stewardship of United States government property on display at the Memorial, and that stewardship can be terminated.

"We are subject to inspection by the Department of Defense, and not only can we lose it all, we would have to pay to have them come get this. We don't know when the inspection might be, but if they saw this graffiti, we could lose it all," Lewis said.

This is the third act of vandalism by unknowns in the past week. The Festival of Lights at Comanche Trail

Park was demolished last weekend. Kids' Zone, another community project that required great expense and is worth more than \$100,000 in materials and labor, was also vandalized, and playground equipment was destroyed.

Now, the Vietnam Memorial has received the brunt of vandals' attention, and dark spray paint has been found on the M60-A1 tank, the tank's concrete platform, the sidewalk leading up to the tank, and a concrete bench

Capt. Pam, Jordan with the Big

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50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 SUNDAY

HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant Endgate Adkins uses a sprayer to clean up paint sprayed at the Vietnam Memorial by vandals.

Some 2.000 people took part in Saturday's Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade, including cheerleaders from Coahoma, above, and members of the Big Spring Rod & Custom Club. It was estimated that as many as 15,000 spectators lined **Gregg Street for the annual** event. Plans will get under way soon for the 1999

parade, scheduled for Dec. 4

**HERALD** photos/Linda Choate



Former Branch Davidian leader, thought missing, found dead at hospital

**Roden dead** 

#### **By MARSHA STURDIVANT** Staff Writer

Branch Davidian George B. Roden was found dead on the grounds of the Big Spring State Hospital, following a two-day when search

RODEN

Roden failed to report at 9 p.m. curfew Saturday. "A bag of personal belongings and his were found at the

fence makes a corner west. This is investias an unattended death and an autopsy has been ordered,"

the Peace China Long, who was called to the scene about 7:30 this morning.

Roden, 60, had been a patient with the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation since 1989, when he was accused of killing his roommate in Odessa, and was found not guilty by reason of insanity.

In 1987, Roden was the leader of the Branch Davidians, but he lost that position in a gun battle with rival David Koresh. Roden moved to Odessa at that time.

"He was not dangerous. He had delusional beliefs. He was a fine gentlemen, a man of his word, but he had theological delusions," said Roden's primary physician, Dr. Gabriel Durand-Hollis.

Durand-Hollis said Roden's health conditions required daily medication for diabetes and hypertension.

"He had a history of heart attack. He took oral hyp glycemics, not insulin," Durand-Hollis said. Moughon said his medical his

**Salvation Army Kettles:** 

#### Big Spring Post Office

- Wal-Mart
- Big Spring Mall

#### **Other efforts:**

 H-E-B Food Stores Ring In A Miracle to benefit the Salvation Army. Tell your cashier what you want to give and either \$1 and \$2 added to your grocery total.

· Canned food drives at all Howard County schools through Dec. 11.

 TCA Cable of Big Spring will waive the cost installation for new customers who donate 10 cans of food for its food drive. 30.

 Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009 Hearn, is collecting coats for state hospital patients for Christmas. Also, a food drive is under way.

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BSSH superintendent MOUGHON Ed Moughon. No foul<sup>o</sup> play

is suspected in the unattended death, according to Justice of

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# Forum held to outline funding needs in mental health field

By MARSHA STURDIVANT Staff Writer

A revolution is taking place in the treatment of mental illness, thanks to new anti-psychotic drugs that are replacing the old style medications.

"This new medication is totally revolutionizing care. But now that science has given us this breakthrough, we are woefully inadequate funding-wise," said Lisa Brooks, community relations director for West Texas Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Brooks, along with about 15 mental health professionals,



VAUGHAN BROOKS

met with Rep. David Counts and Frances Wheat from Sen. Robert Duncan's office at an educational forum and luncheon Friday.

The purpose of the forum was to outline the funding needs of the mental health and mental retardation programs in Texas before the legislative session begins in January

Brooks said the older medications used to treat schizophrenia, such as Haldol, Mellaril and Thorazine, have side effects that create permanent disfigurement and muscular anomalies. These drugs have been the

standard prescribed choice of treatment for decades. However, the side effects are so severe, patients cease taking their medication, which has created a revolving door of hospitalization, medication stabilization and release, she said.

The new medications are

making great strides in treating the illness, without the undesirable side effects. However, the costs of these newly created and patented medications prohibit their use, she said.

"Right now Texas has 11,700 people covered for the costs. But we have identified another 30,000 who could benefit,' Brooks said.

Jack Vaughan, a representative from Johnson & Johnson, said the cost of the medications will be offset by stopping the repeated hospitalizations.

"Right now, it cost about \$75,000 per patient per year in the hospital. We could see a \$40,000 savings per patient with the new atypical anti-psychotics," Vaughan said.

Vaughan said the current amount funded for medication falls far short of providing what is needed for patients in Texas.

And he said the Texas prisons systems have inmates also in need of the new medications. "There are more psychiatrists

in TDCJ (Texas Department of Criminal Justice) than in TDMHMR," Vaughan said.

Patents on the new medications control the cost of the products, and the costs will remain high until the patents expire, he said.

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# Freeze warning issued for tonight

By BILL McCLELLAN **News Editor** 

Howard County residents who have adjusted to the unseasonably warm fall will have to readjust - and quickly.

Α freeze warning has been issued for this evening, with temperatures expected to drop in the mid 20s. Forecasters said it will not be a hard freeze,

but KIGHT homeowners

are advised to protect tender vegetation and producers are warned about prussic acid poisoning.

"Homeowners, if have any plants they want to protect from the freeze, should move them into some type of sheltered area, whether it be the house or garage, something like that," said David Kight, county extension agent.

"Ranchers or people who have

beef cattle, sheep or horses need to be cognizant of the fact that with the first freeze we have the potential for prussic acid poisoning," he said.

Sorghum-hybrid type plants, Johnson grass, millet, grain sorghum and various varieties of hay grazer can produce prussic acid after the first freeze, Kight said.

"You don't want to have livestock grazing on that for about a 10-day period. After that, the acid will be broken down by sunlight and time."

Kight said residents who dread the cold can find some comfort in the fact that it is beneficial.

"Most insects have to have below 20 degrees temperature for a period of at least three days before it starts to affect their mortality. So it's important that we have some really cold temperatures for a significant length of time," he said.

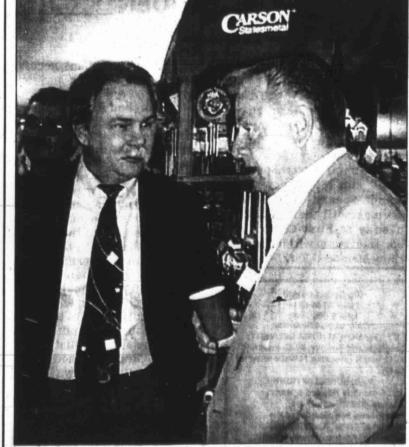
The average freeze date for the Howard County area is Nov. 10. The warm weather has had its positives and negatives, the extension agent said.

"It's been a plus for the rancher and beef cattle owner, sheep and goat owner. They've had some green material, due to recent rain, for animals to graze. The forage quality has been better.

"It's been negative for the cotton producer because most of the cotton has sat there and been open for a month and a half and they could not harvest it. Most were waiting on a freeze because they did not want to (chemically) kill it. Their cost is already been so high this year. The cotton declined in quality sitting there for a month and a half, and some was lost to wind and weather of that nature," Kight said. The late freeze also allowed more boll weevils to go into hibernation, which could mean a boll weevil problem next growing season.

Tonight's freeze warning covers most of North Texas. There was a possibility of snow today in the Panhandle.

Mostly sunny skies are forecast for Tuesday, which should have a high between 45 and 55.



**HERALD** photo/Linda Choate Baxter Moore, left, and Bob Hecker share some thoughts at the most recent Business After Hours event at Harris Lumber and Hardware.

### **O**BITUARIES

### **Hunter Bryce** Spears

Service for Hunter Bryce Spears, infant son of Terry and Amanda Spears, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, 1998, at the First Church of God with Rev. Darrell Hendrickson, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow at **Trinity Memorial Park.** 

He died Friday, Dec. 4, in an Odessa hospital.

He was born Dec. 4, in Odessa.

Survivors include: his parents; one brother, Zackery Spears; his paternal grandmother, Effie Spears; his maternal grandmother, Karen Arroyo; his maternal grandfather, Glenn Hyden; his maternal great-grandfather, James Edwards, all of Big Spring; his maternal great-grandparents, C.H. and Annie Mae Hyden of Ackerly; and a maternal greatgreat-grandmother, Egelee Patterson of Big Spring.

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

### Vivian S. Moore

Graveside service for Vivian S. Moore, 86 Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, l Dec. 8, 1998, at Dalhart Memorial Park, Dalhart, with Rev. Rusty Hancock, pastor of Lincoln Street Baptist Church in Dalhart, officiating.

Mrs. Moore died Saturday, Dec. 5, in a local nursing center.

She was born on Aug. 30, 1912, in Ragtown, Okla. She married J.I. Moore on May 11, 1929, in Roby. He preceded her in death on June 17, 1976. She lived in Post for a number of years and had lived in Dalhart from 1954 to 1976. She came to Big Spring in 1978. She had been a member of Lincoln Street Baptist Church in Dalhart and was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church in Big Spring.

Survivors include: two daughters, Dean Baker and Flute Lloyd, both of Big Spring; two sons, James Moore of Stanton, and Freddie Moore of repaint the tank," he said. Big Spring; two sisters, Oleta Drafton and Aline Manker both of Petaluma, Calif.; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews. The family suggests memorials to: Family Hospice of Big Spring; 3210 E. 11th Place; Big Spring. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Call 267-4124 to donate. Sacred Heart Catholic Church collects baby gifts to be given to Birthright. Bring your new or hand

made gift to the church, 508 N. Aylesford. Norwest Bank has a Christmas

tree decorated with ornaments that represent 26 Howard County children who are currently clients of the Children's Protective Services. Visit the bank to adopt one of these children.

 St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting donated cans of food to be distributed to the area needy. Bring two or more cans to any local movie theater and you will receive a free tub of popcorn. Donating the cans also qualifies you for a chance to win a prize.

### MHMR

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The cost of the older medications have decreased, because the patents have expired and generic equivalents are available. Patents last 17 years, with several of those spent before the products are available to consumers, he said.

"We've got about 10 years left for ours," Vaughan said.

### VANDALS

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Spring Police Department, said the vandalism occurred between 9 p.m. Wednesday and 4 p.m. Thursday.

"There were all kinds of symbols, but there is no way of knowing if the three incidents are connected. I can say we are definitely seeing an increase in this," Jordan said.

Thus far, the police have no leads in locating those responsible, and the incidents are under investigation.

"Anyone with any information is urged to call the police or to call Crimestoppers," Jordan said.

Lewis said several different solutions of paint remover and mild acid will, be used to remove the graffiti. Well probably have

By defacing the Memorial, Lewis said the vandals have

absence and death, according to officials. This was his third unauthorized departure from state facilities.

LOCAL

In 1993, Roden escaped from the BSSH from Sept. 27 until Oct. 1, when he was located and returned.

Then again in 1995, after he was transferred from the Vernon State Hospital, the forensic state facility.

He escaped from Sept. 17 until Nov. 17, 1995, when he was found in New York attempting to travel to Israel.

"Mr. Roden was a Branch Davidian, and had strong religious beliefs. He had an interest in returning to Israel for what he called the high Jewish holidays," Moughon said.

Upon Roden's return from Vernon State Hospital in March of 1995, he was placed on oneon-one observation on a level five acuity scale, said Leslie Yarbrough, BSSH director of nursing.

"The last two years he had compliance, meaning he took his medication, participated in his treatment and had a level of responsibility. He had progressed to a level 2," Yarbrough said.

The Big Spring State Hospital is a minimum security facility. and has four security guards who observe the grounds and the buildings daily, Moughon said.

"Our gates are always open," he said.

Each day, the hospital might have an average of 15 to 20 patients who are determined to be a danger to themselves or others and are placed on one-onone observation.

The lack of security on staff is due to the nature of the hospital, which is minimum security, Moughon said.

"It means we have to manage it," he said.

Funeral services, as well as the identity and location of Roden's family are being withheld at their request. their

"They asked for anonymity," Moughon said.

### SUPPORT GROUPS MONDAY

•Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settl Club (Take off pound

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(bly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., Birdwell Lane Church of Christ

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

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the Mentally Ill meets the fourth Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at 409 Runnels (formerly the TU building) For further information call Sondra at 267-7220.

 Greater West Texas Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will meet Dec. 7, at 7 p.m. at 1700 Lancaster. The topice will be on "Surviving the Holidays." •New Voice Club, a support

group for laryngectomees and their families, will meet Monday Dec. 14, at 6:30 p.m. at 2410 Wasson Drive, the house behind the 7-11 store but with the driveway on Randolph. For directions, call 267-2800.

TUESDAY •Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

 Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

 Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room

BRIEFS

to help pay funeral expenses. for the family of Kenny Loy Court, who died Dec. 2.

Texas to donate to the fund, account number 084-556-6.

**BIRTHRIGHT IS NEEDING DONATIONS** of layette items for newborns: sleepers, booties, disposable diapers, baby toiletries, large gift bags, flannel fabric. Items may be delivered to Simpler Pleasures, 1305 Gregg, of Family Life Center (northeast door) of First

Baptist Church, 8-12 a.m., 5-8

dish, a propane regulator and stainless steel lug nuts, valued at \$1,510, were reported stolen.

 DRIVING WHILE INTOXI-**CATED** was reported at the intersection of FM 700 and S87, and at 400 E. Fourth.

**BIG SPRING HERALD** 

Monday, December 7, 1998

 THEFT was reported in the 1600 block of Cardinal. **Christmas lawn decorations** valued at \$55 were reported stolen.

• THEFT was reported in the 1600 block of East Marcy. A gold and diamond ring, valued at \$150, was reported stolen.

• THEFT was reported in the 1500 block of East Cherokee. **Christmas lawn decorations** valued at \$250 were reported stolen

 CLASS C ASSAULT was reported in the 1000 block of North Main.

 ASSAULT was reported in the 600 block of East 13th.

### FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Spring Big Fire **Department/EMS reports:** FRIDAY

1:18 a.m. - 500 block Birdwell, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

7:20 a.m. - 600 Tulsa, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:37 a.m. - 1900 Simler, medical call, service refused. 7:54 a.m. - 1200 block

Settles, medical call, patient transported to SMMC. 10:28 p.m. - 700 Creighton,

trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

11:20 p.m. - 1300 W. Fourth, trauma call, service refused. 11:01 a.m. - 900 Scurry, residence fire, smoke scare.

SATURDAY 1:08 a.m. - 1600 Lancaster. medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

4:05 a.m. - 400 W Hwy 80, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

5:48 a.m. - 1200 W. Robinson, medical call, service refused. 1:05 p.m. - 2000 block Runnels, trauma call, service

refused. 4:25 p.m. - 700 block NW

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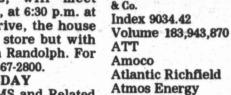
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 Cancer support group, first 213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077.

### **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Ellie Pearce, 86, died Friday. Graveside services are 11:30 AM today at Burkett Cemetery, Coleman County, Texas.

Kenneth O. Lacy, 67, died today. Services are pending.

### NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home**

**Trinity Memorial Park** and Crematory 906 Gregg St.

(915) 267-6331 Vivian Moore 86, died Saturday. Graveside services will be 10:00 AM Tuesday at Dalhart Memorial Park, Dalhart, Texas.

Hunter Bryce Spears, infant son of Terry and Amanda Spears, died Friday. Services will be 2:00 PM **Tuesday at First Church of** God. Interment will follow at **Trinity Memorial Park.** 

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POSTMASTER: Send ch address to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. 1431, Big Spring, Texas. 79720. desecrated a symbolic grave site. He said he will see justice done, either through the court system or by requiring parents to accept financial responsibili-

"This has dishonored families, and dishonored everyone killed over there (in Vietnam). We're not going to put up with this. These (vandals) think they are so tough, but they're not tough," Lewis said.

"What's tough is a single parent out working. What's tough are parents who work 12 hours a day to send their kids to college. What's tough are law enforcement officers who risk their life and limb every day," he said.

Community response has varied from shock and disbelief to anger, such as Lewis expressed.

"They may think their gang is big, but I have a gang of 23,000 people, my gang is bigger and we're going to wipe you out. If you're so bad, let me see your colors. I dare you to wear your colors," Lewis challenged.

### RODEN

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tory of heart problems necessitated Roden limiting physical activity.

Moughon had stated at a press conference that it was possible that Roden was attempting to reenter the hospital.

"At 8:45 p.m. Saturday, he did not check in for monitoring, and our staff began an immediate campus-wide search. Mr. Roden wasn't to be found, and at 9:45 p.m. we called the Howard County Sheriff's office, the Ector County Sheriff's Office and the McLennan County Sheriff's Office," Moughon said., The search continued through Sunday, until Roden's body was found about 7:30 a.m. today. Moughon said a security guard located Roden's body and reported the discovery.

Roden was not considered dangerous at the time of his

DUNIAPS Shop Locally! We've Got Your Perfect **Christmas Gift** 111 E. Marcy 267-8283 Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

 Encouragers Support Group (formerly Widow/Widower support group) first and third Mondays each month. First Monday meetings are at a local restaurant at 6 p.m. Third Monday meetings are at 6 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church Seventh and Runnels (enter through north door). We have various activities, such as guest speakers, play games, have covered dish supper, visit or go out to eat. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369. The Dec. 7 meeting will be at the Spanish Inn for dinner, and the Dec. 21 meeting will be a Christmas dinner. Bring a covered dish of salad, vegetables, desserts, etc. Also bring a gift not exceeding \$10 for a fun gift exchange.

 Alzheimer's support group, 7 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 N. Lancaster, first Mondays of each month. Call Galynn Gamble at 263-1271. The topic for Nov. 2 will be on "Validation therapy, connecting with your loved one."

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)

·Alzheimer's support group, 6:30 p.m., Marcy House, 2301 Wasson. Call 268-9041.

 Association of Retarded **Citizens of Howard County** meet 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month at 806 E. Third Street, the HARC bingo building. Call 264-0674 for more information.

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard **County Mental Health Center,** meets the last Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at 409 Runnels, **Clyde Alsup Building. TXAMI** meeting to follow. For more information call 263-0027 or 267-7220.

•The Big Spring Alliance for



p.m., Mondays, Tuesday and Thursdays.

THE TEXAS DEPART-MENT OF Health will be giving flu shots starting Wednesday, Oct. 14. These will be given every Wednesday throughout the winter (October-February) to those 18 years or older. The cost is \$5 for those not on Medicaid. The hours will be from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Call 263-9775 for more information.

SPRING THE BIG **EVENING** Lions Club has free eyeglasses for all adults the second Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third.

All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome.

For more information call Janis Dean at 267-3068.

THE MOBILE MEALS **PROGRAM**, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

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Saturday and 8 a.m. today:

The Big Spring Police

Department reported the fol-

lowing incidents between noon

· JEREMY ACUFF, 22, was

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 HILARIA RAMOS, 58, was arrested for driving while

intoxicated. • DAVID O'BRIEN, 19, was arrested for local warrants.

 DAVID MIRAMONTES, 43, was arrested for public intoxication.

• JOE JUAREZ, 25, was arrested for a Howard County Sheriff's office warrant.

• RODNEY CARR, 45, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

 CHRISTOPHER MAR-TINEZ, 18, was arrested for class C assault/family violence. UNAUTHORIZED USED **OF A VEHICLE** was reported at 400 E. Fourth.

• THEFT was reported in the 600 block of North Lamesa. Windows, a TU Electric meter and a Southwestern Bell Telephone box were damaged for an estimated value of \$400.

 THEFT was reported in the 500 block of Edwards. Outside steel Christmas decorations and lights were reported stolen, valued at \$150.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 600 block of North Lamesa and 1600 block of East Third.

• THEFT was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg, 300 block of Gregg and 1200 block of West Marcy.

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6:44 p.m. - 1300 Stadium, medical call, patient transported to

SMMC. 9:55 p.m. - 1200 E. 16th, structure fire, extinguished.

10:27 p.m. - 1200 Main, traffic accident, service refused.

11:17 p.m. - 700 Douglas, medical call, no patient found. SUNDAY

4:10 p.m. - 1900 Johnson, medical call, service refused. 11:28 p.m. - 600 E. 13th, trau-

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### GENERAL NEWS

# Federal changes in welfare force Texas to play catch-up

DALLAS (AP) -Legislature convenes in January, it will face the task of updating state welfare laws to conform with recent federal reforms, according to some lawmakers

The federal welfare overhaul in 1996 created tougher work requirements and stronger penalties for recipients who break the law or refuse to cooperate with welfare officials.

Most lawmakers believe they must conform with the federal law, state Rep. Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, chairman of the House Human Services Committee, told The Dallas Morning News. The lawmakers' decirecipients and cost the state millions of dollars, experts said.

"You just can't talk your way out of the fact that it's going to be harder on some of these families," Patrick Bresette, associate director of the Austin-based Center for Public Policy Priorities, told the newspaper. "The provisions to increase penalties and what not, some of them without a doubt could be tougher on clients."

Texas was once in the vanguard of welfare reform, now the state is playing catch-up.

The Legislature enacted time limits and work requirements for welfare

When the sions could affect thousands of welfare recipients in 1995. The next year, **President Clinton and Congress passed** a federal law that included the Texas reforms and went beyond them in some provisions.

> The state is exempt from meeting federal welfare rules, but that exemption is due to expire in 2002.

> One change that lawmakers might make would send more Texas welfare recipients with young children into the job market, triggering the need for more state money for child care, officials said.

Texas exempts from work requirements anyone with children under age four, about half the families on welfare

only those with children under age one

Switching the standard would affect 27,100 families, according to state officials. Lawmakers are studying the possibility of gradually lowering the age to ease the impact.

Other prospective changes would impose harsher penalties for welfare recipients who refuse to work or are convicted of drug offenses. Under Texas law, such recipients lose a portion of their welfare benefit - under federal law, they must forfeit the whole check.

Republican Gov. George W. Bush

in the state. But federal law exempts touted some of the proposed changes during his recent re-election campaign as a means of reducing dependency on government assistance.

> There are some who are on welfare. who refuse to take advantage of the help that is available," Bush said. "The federal law is eventually going to boot them off welfare. And what we are trying to say in the state of Texas is that it is a more compassionate approach to insist that you prepare to help yourself today before it is too late.'

> Legislators might also consider increasing penalties for welfare recipients who don't help the state find parents owing child support.

### **Clinton proposes crackdown on Medicare abuses**

WASHINGTON (AP) President Clinton's first budget proposal for fiscal 2000 is a crackdown on Medicare fraud and abuse that could save the government \$2 billion in health payments.

The president was unveiling a package of legislative initiatives today that would help the Care Financing Health Administration combat wasteful or abusive practices in the Medicare system, such as padding drug prices or billing for services that were delivered barely or not at all.

A White House official who discussed the proposals Sunday drugs that must be adminissaid Clinton was taking this tered by a doctor or in a hospi-

action to "ensure that not one tal, such as those used for dialdime of the program's trust fund is wastefully spent," especially as the Medicare Commission works to extend the life of the program beyond 2010.

Altogether, the package is expected to save Medicare at least \$2.1 billion, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The plan includes eliminating markups in the prices Medicare is charged for drugs, so Medicare would pay only what a drug costs the provider. Medicare covers only certain

ysis or organ transplants. An inspector general's report by the Department of Health and Human Services found that

markups for 22 drugs cost Medicare hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Medicare paid more than twice the average wholesale price for certain drugs - and in one instance paid roughly 10 times the wholesale price, the investigators found.

Clinton's proposal, if accepted by Congress, also would:

- Reduce Medicare reimbursements for Epogen to reflect market prices. The HHS inspector general found that the

current reimbursement rate for Epogen, a drug used to treat anemia due to chronic renal failure, is 10 percent higher than the cost of the drug. Prevent care providers

from billing Medicare for services that either were not given or were provided only to a few patients.

That would close the door on one of the most abused benefits, group therapy.

Require private health insurers to report which Medicare beneficiaries they insure, to prevent providers from billing Medicare for claims owed by private insur-

### Minorities are divided on privatizing Social Security WASHINGTON (AP) - With a greater reliance on government

retirement benefits, America's 75 million minorities have a special stake in the debate over the future of Social Security.

As the White House prepares for its two-day conference on the future of America's retirement system Tuesday and Wednesday, advocates for minorities are pressing to make their voices heard. They are paying particular attention to proposals that would shift some Social Security taxes now deducted from paychecks into personal accounts to be invested in the stock market.

"Privatization is pro-market but it is anti-security, anti-worker and anti-family," says the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

Leaders of the large, traditional progressive civil rights groups like the NAACP, National Urban League, Jackson's Rainbow/Push Coalition and the National Council of La Raza are among those opposing private accounts.

But smaller, more conservative minority advocacy groups such as the Hispanic Business Roundtable and the Center for New Black Leadership support allowing workers to invest some Social Security contributions in the stock market.

Both agree, however, the Social Security debate could have a disproportionate impact on minorities.

With fewer dollars to invest, minorities generally have been more dependent on Social Security income at the time of retirement or disability, experts say.

Supporters of the private accounts say minorities receive less in benefits than they pay into the system, due in part to shorter life expectancies compared to whites.

"I am totally baffled why the Jesse Jacksons and the Kweisi Mfumes of the world are fighting against black people getting a greater return on their so-called investment in Social Security," said Phyllis Berry Myers, a board member of the Center for New Black Leadership, a conservative think tank.

### Two space station parts joined; spacewalk is next

SPACE CENTER, Houston future crews. (AP) — The first two building blocks of the international space station were firmly hooked together and soaring high above the Earth today, awaiting a visit from two spacewalking astronauts to attach electrical connectors and cables between the parts.

During the 6-hour spacewalk. scheduled to begin this evening, astronauts Jerry Ross and James Newman will hook up 40 connectors to supply power to the fledgling outpost. Newman likened the job to construction work.

"Essentially we're putting an office building together, he explained.

Two other spacewalks are planned during the 12-day Endeavour's thrusters, raising mance - lining up the parts so

The first two space station

parts — the Russian-built Zarva control module and Americanmade Unity chamber - were connected on Sunday, creating a seven-story tower out of the cargo bay of the shuttle Endeavour. The joined modules will be released from the shuttle once all of the spacewalks are completed.

The components were linked as Endeavour soared 240 miles over the South Pacific.

Astronaut Nancy Currie used the shuttle's robot arm to grab hold of Zarya (Russian for Sunrise) and position it several omches directly above Unity. Then' 'shuttles treommander Robert Cabana fired assembly mission, to install it enough for the docking mech-

ponents to snap together. "We have capture of Zarya,"

Cabana announced the moment the pieces came together. "Congratulations to the crew

of the good ship Endeavour,' replied Mission Control. "That's terrific.'

The task took several hours because the two parts needed to be perfectly aligned before they were joined, and the pieces are so big - 77-feet long with a combined mass of 70,000 pounds that the astronauts had to rely on a computerized vision system and camera views, rather than direct line of sight.

This was the first time such a "blind" docking had ever been attempted, and Currie was oredited with a flawless perforthey were only half a degree handrails and other tools for anisms on the two station com- and less than an inch off-center

A problem was detected with two antennas on the Zarya module that failed to deploy. The antennas must be unfurled in order for Zarya's backup docking system to work. That system won't be needed before next summer, but NASA is consider-

ing having Ross and Newman unroll them during a spacewalk.



### You deserve a factual look at...

### **Much Pressure on Israel** Will Netanyahu be able to preserve his country's security?

Unrelenting pressure is being applied on Prime Minister Netanyahu to make ever-more-dangerous concessions to the Palestinians. The recent Wye Plantation Conference was only a foretaste of what is going to be demanded from Israel in the socalled "final status negotiations." What follows are some areas in which demands will be made and pressure will be applied.

### What are the facts?

Land for Peace. The whole concept is absurd. Never in the history of the world has any nation returned lands to those who have attacked it. Even so, in line with the Camp David accord, Israel has yielded the vast Sinai to Egypt. It has yielded Gaza and about 40% of the "West Bank" to the Palestinians. Over 90% of the Arab population of the territories is under the control of the Palestinian Authority. What else is expected of a country that occupies only a fraction of 1% of the lands

occupied by the Arabs? And shouldn't land for peace work both ways? Shouldn't the Arabs give up some land to get peace? Or why not just simply "peace for peace"? A Palestinian State.

"By not yielding to pressure and by not allowing Israel to be strategically weakened, Mr. Netanyahu will bring peace with security, shalom batuach, to Israel and to the entire Middle East."

Israel could not survive if Judea/Samaria (the "West" Bank") were in unfriendly hands. And, especially in light of the experience since the "handshake," during which time more Israelis were killed by Palestinian terrorists than in any comparable previous period, there can be little question of the enduring hostility of the Arabs. The "West Bank" mountain ridges dominate the narrow waist of Israel, in which over 70% of the Jewish population. 80% of its industrial base, and the most important military installations are located. The Palestinians would not need an army to make life in Israel impossible. Moveable Katyusha rockets would dominate the area. Israel needs to keep strategic control of the "West Bank," without which it would not be defensible. Return of the "Refugees". Population transfers have occurred throughout history. In 1923, Greece and Turkey agreed to a resettlement of 2 million Greeks and 800,000 Turks; in 1945, the resettlement of 3 million Germans from Poland and Czechoslovakia

Bank") is impossible. Neither Israel nor any Palestinian entity could absorb them. There is not enough land and not enough water. It would be as unthinkable as for those 3 million Germans to return to Poland and the Czech republic or, for that matter, for the 800,000 Jews who fled or were expelled from the Arab countries to return to their original homes. Jerusalem. Before the end of the 1967 Six-Day War, no claims to Jerusalem being a Moslem holy city or the capital of any Arab country were asserted. But for over two thousand years, Jews have been living in Jerusalem and they have been the majority population since the 19th century. Why should they give up their capital, their holy city as far back as memory goes-or even any part of it? The Moslems have their holy cities, Mecca and Medina, and they have 22 Arab capitals. There are important Arab cities in the "West Bank", under full control of the Palestinian Authority. But Jerusalem is the eternal and indivisible capital of the Jewish State.

was arranged. Following the collapse of its North

African empire, France accepted close to 1.5 million

people. More than 12 million(!) Muslims and Hindus

were exchanged between India and Pakistan. Israel has

recognized this historical necessity. But the "Arab

Nation", with its enormous wealth and vast under-pop-

ulated lands, has stubbornly refused to face facts.

Instead of allowing the Palestinians who left Israel in

1948 (and their descendants) to be integrated into

their societies, they have, for the past fifty years,

kept them in miserable

"refugee camps" and have

encouraged them to plot

vengeance and terrorism.

Return of these people to

Israel, including Judea/ Samaria (the "West

These are the most important issues that Netanyahu and his government will have to confront in the final status talks. As to Jewish "settlements" in the "West Bank": Netanyahu has made clear that Jews have the right to live in any part of the land of Israel, all of the land west of the Jordan River. And why not? How is it possible that 160,000 Jews living among 1 million Arabs in the "West Bank" should be an obstacle to peace if over 1 million Arabs live within the "green line" of Israel? They don't have to fear for their lives and nobody considers them an obstacle to peace. By standing firm on his campaign promises, not yielding to pressure from any source, and by not allowing Israel to be strategically weakened, Mr. Netanyahu will be true to his campaign promise and will bring peace with security, shalom batuach, to Israel and to the entire Middle East.



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### **OUR VIEWS**

# Share what you can with those less fortunate

t seems that most of us are brought up being reminded that it is always better to give than receive. In fact, it was almost a constant at this time of year.

Unfortunately, many times as we get older, we seem to say it more than we live it.

How else can one explain that with just this week remaining — the trees are scheduled to come down Friday – less than one-fourth of the more than 700 names placed on Salvation Army Angel Trees located throughout the community have been adopted.

Without a somewhat drastic change of holiday heart throughout the Big Spring area, needy children and senior citizens will have a bleak Christmas.

It seems so unnecessary that anyone should go without during the holidays in a nation that clearly enjoys the most of everything, but they will unless those of us who've been more fortunate share that good fortune.

There are so many opportunities to give in this community, the Angel Trees are just one, it is impossible not to know that many need our help.

All those of us with the ability to give need do is pick the manner in which we wish to be unselfish.

 Angel Trees are located at the Big Spring Herald, Big Spring Mall, Al's and Son Barbecue, Wal-Mart, Cosden Credit Union, Mel's Fried Catfish and Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• Big Spring's H-E-B Food Store is participating in that chain's Ring In a Miracle to benefit the Salvation Army, allowing customers to have their cashier add \$1 or \$2 to their grocery bill.

# Surprise! Democrats becoming Newt-boosters

#### By WALTER R. MEARS Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - On the twisting track of impeachment proceedings against President Clinton, lame-duck **House Speaker Newt Gingrich** is starting to look good to top Democrats.

The Democratic leader who once told Gingrich to get out of the case now says the Georgian should come back and manage it out of chaos. Or at least that Speaker-to-be Bob Livingston should take charge.

Livingston said he won't do anything until the House Judiciary Committee acts on impeachment. He said he hopes to see it settled this year, before he takes over for the resigned Gingrich on Jan. 6. He said the Democrats had been "condemning Speaker Gingrich for getting too involved, and now they seem to be mad at me for not getting involved enough.

He said it was too soon to consider censure or reprimand as alternatives to impeach-

ment. After a week of unlikely turns in the impeachment proceedings - "theater of the absurd," Democratic Rep. Robert Wexler of Florida called it - the committee is expected to start dealing with articles of impeachment Thursday. Given the hard party lineup, the like-

lihood is that Republicans will approve at least one, alleging perjury. That would put the question to the House

There are no guarantees on the timetable. Chairman Henry Hyde told the committee only that the week ahead will be a big one for them all.

But he did say he knows of no surprise witnesses up the Republicans' sleeve. "If there is a mystery witness, it's a mystery to me," he told a Democrat who raised the question because of the late Republican move to broaden the impeachment proceedings to include Clinton's 1996 campaign fundraising conduct.

On a party-line vote, like all the rest the committee has taken, the Republicans got subpoenas issued for Justice Department memos on that investigation. They got access, but under court restrictions that made it unlikely they could do much with whatever they found.

A Republican and a Democratic committee lawyer read the documents on Wednesday, but could report only from memory - no notes, no copies - and only to the chairman and the committee's senior Democrat.

Chairman Hyde told committee Republicans on Thursday the fund-raising inquiry produced no impeachment evidence and would not be part of

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the final case against Clinton. "We trust that this closes a

short and unproductive chapter of this very strange proceeding," said Rep. John Conyers, the ranking Democrat.

That puts the case back where it-was, on the Monica Lewinsky sex scandal, and Clinton's alleged lies in sworn testimony about it.

He has admitted misleading answers but not perjury. That was his legalistic way out in fend-off answers to 81 questions Hyde put to him in writing.

The campaign fund-raising foray led Rep. Richard A. Gephardt, the House minority leader, to write Gingrich saying he or Livingston should take charge. They're leaving that role to Hyde until the committee acts.

Gephardt said the case is in chaos for lack of direction. "I believe that it is incumbent on you to provide the leadership necessary to move the process forward," he said.

A sharp turn from the letter he wrote Gingrich seven months ago, saying the speaker had dropped any pretense of fairness, demeaned his office and should recuse himself from any Clinton impeachment proceedings

Clinton's spokesman, Joe Lockhart, said it is odd that neither Gingrich nor Livingston is acting "to get

this thing resolved expeditious

Odd, too; that the White **House wants Gingrich** involved. He's the Republican who once said he would never make a speech without denouncing Clinton's wrongs and who cleared late campaign TV ads raising the scandal as a Republican issue. The **Democrats gained five House** seats, and three days later, Gingrich said he was resigning as speaker and from Congress.

Then, too, there were GOP oddities.

The Hyde committee called two Republican figures from the Watergate era to talk about impeachment, and got advice the GOP didn't expect. Elliott Richardson, who quit as attorney general rather than fire the Watergate prosecutor as President Nixon ordered, said he doesn't think Clinton's wrongs warrant impeachment.

"His crimes or misdemeanors should, in order to justify his removal, have to be higher than those at issue here,' Richardson said.

So did Charles Wiggins, a Nixon defender in 1974 proceedings until he saw proof of the Watergate cover-up. Wiggins, later a federal appeals judge, said he thinks Clinton lied and could be impeached but shouldn't be. "I would urge that you not vote to impeach the president," he said.

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· Canned food drives are under way at all Howard County schools through Friday.

 TCA Cable of Big Spring is also involved in a food drive, waiving installation fees for new customers who donate 10 cans of food.

• The Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church is collecting coats for patients at the Big Spring State Hospital and also has a food drive under way.

• The Sacred Heart Catholic Church is collecting baby gifts to be given to Birthright.

 Norwest Bank has a Christmas tree decorated with ornaments representing 26 youngsters currently clients of Children's Protective.Services in need of adoption for the holidays.

 The St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting donated canned goods to be distributed to the needy in this area.

In addition, it should be noted that Bealls Department Store is offering a 10 percent discount on all Angel Tree gift purchases.

Even if all one can afford is the loose change in his or her pocket, the opportunity is there to toss it in a Salvation Army kettle. Those are located at the Big Spring Post Office, Wal-Mart and the Big Spring Mall.

The bottom line is to give ... not until it hurts, just to your ability.

It almost certainly will make you feel more in the spirit of the holiday and without question will make someone else's Christmas just a little better.

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# No secret, just build more prisons

journalist recently wrote that the crime rate was going down despite the fact that prisons were full.

Gadzooks. Gee whiz. Duh. Hello.

The crime rate has gone down because the prisons are full. People inside prisons can't commit crimes outside of prisons. Get it?

Let's try a lit-REESE tle basic criminology

A small percentage of the population commits crimes. A small percentage of the criminal population commits a majority of crimes.

So, you see, all along the solution to the crime problem was really simple. Catch the people doing the most crimes. Put them in prison. Don't let them out. Ergo, the crime rate falls.

Crime for 1997 (statistical studies necessarily run at least a year behind since there is no way to measure what has not yet happened) is 3.2 percent lower than 1996, 10 percent lower 1993 and 13 percent lower than 1988. The '97 homicide rate is down 8.1 percent from '96.

There are several factors in this. One, while the gun control nuts were trying to disarm potential victims, the National

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**Rifle Association and other** rational people were lobbying hard for tougher and longer

sentences for violent criminals. Second, many states followed Florida's lead and now allow honest citizens to get permits to carry guns. Armed citizens deter crimes, and nothing is a more certain cure for recidivism than a bullet in a bad guy's head or heart. For those of you for whom nothing exists unless "a study shows" that it does, read "More Guns, Less Crime" by John R. Lott Jr., John M. Olin Visiting Law and Economics Fellow at the University of Chicago. The University of Chicago Press is the publisher

It's a sound piece of research. It has stood up under the barrage of lies and howling by the ideological.gun control crowd. The research is based on 54,000 observations across 3,000 counties over 18 years. The conclusion? Allowing law-abiding citizens to carry concealed handguns saves lives.

So if you kill more criminals and put more criminals in prison for very long times you get less crime. That's so simple, so obvious, so logical only a liberal would argue otherwise

Of course, the federally funded criminal hand-holding industry and its bureaucrats are not interested in facts or logic, nor, for that matter, public safety.

They are interested in their appropriations. They want your tax dollars, and to get

them, they have to claim they perform some useful function. In fact, the crime rate went

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up in the first place because the social-study approach to criminal justice ruined what was once a perfectly good system of criminal justice -- tough cops, tough judges, tough prisons. They hollered long and loud: Building prisons won't solve the crime problem. They were dead, flat wrong.

But in the 1960s and '70s. those liberals who were not engaged in wrecking other aspects of American society decided to take a"therapeutic" approach to crime. Criminals were not responsible. Crime was a social illness to be cured by this elaborate network of public-private social agencies.

It was balderdash, plain and simple, and self-serving balderdash at that. It caused a blood bath on American streets. Crime is a moral decision to do bad things -- to steal, to harm, to kill.

Such people deserve punishment, not rehabilitation, which doesn't work anyway.

If we make it exceedingly dangerous to commit a crime, exceedingly likely a criminal will be killed or caught, and exceedingly likely that once caught he will go to prison for an exceedingly long, unpleasant length of time, then the crime rate will continue to go down.

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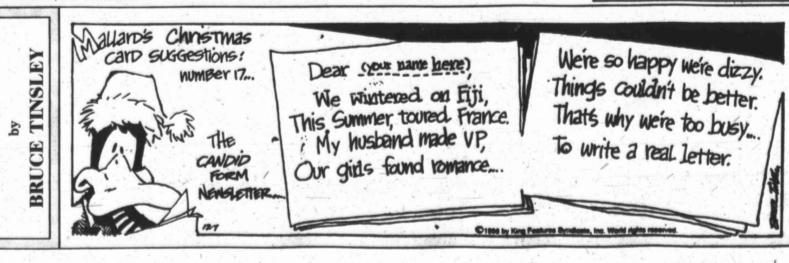
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# IN BRIEF

### **BSHS** football banquet scheduled for tonight

The Big Spring Quarterback Club's 1998 Football Banquet has been scheduled for 7 tonight in the Big Spring High School cafeteria.

SPORTS

Jerry Larned from the Texas High School Coaches Hall of Fame will be guest speaker for the event.

Tickets for the banquet, priced at \$10 each, are available from members of the booster club.

### **Steer Baseball Boosters** schedule first meeting

The 1999 Big Spring Baseball Boosters Club will hold an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Complex.

Anyone interested in supporting Big Spring High School baseball teams is encouraged to attend.

### Local youngster fourth at motorcross event

Duane Fulgham of Big Spring finished fourth in the 125 cc division Sunday at the Fall Motorcross Texas Championships in Lubbock. Fulgham, 15, is a student at **Runnels Junior High School.** 

### Lady Steers freshmen drop consolation final

**Big Spring's Lady Steers** freshmen suffered a 41-22 loss to Abilene Wylie's young Lady Bulldogs Saturday in the consolation finals of the Sweetwater tournament.

After dropping a 36-22 loss to Merkel in the first round of the tournament, Big Spring knocked off Snyder 34-25 behind Tejal Patel's nine points, while Dena Cook added eight.

Paige King and Jessica Woodward added seven bach in the win over Snyder. The Lady Steers frosh will

travel to Snyder today for a 6

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# Cowboys smothered by Saints defense in 22-3 defeat

BIG HERALD

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - For the New Orleans Saints, it was like old times. The defense was dominating, the offense was adequate, and the result was a big-time victory.

The Saints, after losing seven of the last nine games, stayed alive in the NFC playoff race by whipping the Dallas Cowboys 22-3 on Sunday. They did it with smothering defense that left the Cowboys without a touchdown, Troy Aikman with only 16 completions and Emmitt Smith with just 6 yards rushing. "We wanted to get back to the Saints defense that we have known and loved in the past," defensive lineman La'Roi Glover said. "We did that and it did what it always does, it won the game for us.

With two touchdown passes from quar-

terback Kerry Collins, a pair of 53-yard field goals and a safety when Aikman couldn't escape the New Orleans defense, the Saints (6-7) took control from the first minute of the game to the last

The Cowboys (8-5) could have clinched the 25th playoff berth in their 39-year history with a victory.

Dallas was averaging over 366 yards a game, including 137 on the ground, and 27 points a game going into Sunday's match. The Saints held them to 182 total vards, just 8 yards rushing, led by Smith's 6 yards on 15 carries.

"We expected a close game, but this was so one-sided it was almost like one team didn't show up," Smith said. "This is absolutely the worst."

It was the first time Dallas failed to for a 3-2 lead at the end of the first quarscore a touchdown since Oct. 26, 1997. against Philadelphia.

The Saints, who have not allowed a touchdown in the Superdome since Game 5 against San Francisco, brought heat from the opening play, when Smith was hit for a 4-yard loss.

On the second play, Glover grabbed Aikman in the end zone, and he drew an intentional grounding call for a safety when he tried to get rid of the ball before he went down.

Cowboys cornerback Kenny Mathis, starting for the injured Deion Sanders, intercepted a pass from Collins on the New Orleans 16. But after three straight incompletions, Dallas settled for a 33yard field goal by Richie Cunningham

ter.

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In the second quarter, Collins, scrambling on third-and-goal from the 4, passed to Aaron Craver in the end zone, putting the Saints up 9-3.

With 1:49 left in the half, Collins hit Andre Hastings with an 89-yard touchdown pass - the second-longest scoring pass ever against the Cowboys. Doug Brien added a 53-yard field goal with no time left on the clock for a 19-3 halftime lead

Brien added a second 53-yarder for the only score of the second half to make it 22-3.

"The defensive line stayed in Aikman's face and the offensive line gave Kerry time," said Hastings said.

# Steers swimmers fourth at Odessa Invitational

Lady Steers finish 12th in big field of 18 girls teams **HERALD Staff Report** 

ODESSA - After having winning both ends of a double dual meet with Odessa Permian and Andrews earlier in the week, Big Spring's Steers and Lady Steers had a tougher time in the same pool Saturday at the Odessa Invitational Swim Meet.

The Steers, as has seemed to be the case most of the season, finished fourth in the boy's field of 15 teams, while the Lady Steers were 12th in a field of 18 girls' teams.

San Angelo Central's Bobcats and Lady Bobcats swept the meet's championships, the boys running away with their title, piling up 354 points to far outstrip Pecos' summer up Eagles, who finished a finished and Carlsbad (NMA) High School's boys finished third with 176 points, while the steers finished with 117 Just three points more than Andrews' Mustangs. Central's girls led a District 4-5A sweep of the meet's top three team finishes, as Midland High's Lady Bulldogs were second and Abilene's Lady Eagles were third. Monahans' Lady Loboes were fourth. Once again, senior Slate Broyles paced the Steers' showing with a pair of first-place wins, taking the 200 individual medley with a 2:12.02 clocking and the 100 backstroke with a time of 57.96 seconds. Broyles teamed with Marcus Fernandez, Billy Beckworth and Justin Williams for a third-place finish in the 200 medley relay and joined Doug Willberg, Beckworth and Williams in taking a fifth in the 200 freestyle relay. The Steers' other relay team of Willberg, Fernandez, J.P. Vazquez and Cody Clark finished 12th in the 400 freestyle



# **Tennessee No. 1** by real landslide in final AP poll

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tennessee's No. 1, and there's no doubt about it.

The Volunteers, the only unbeaten team to survive a wild weekend of upsets, were the unanimous choice as the top team in The Associated Press' Top 25 final regular-season college football poll.

And now it's on to the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 4 for a matchup with No. 2 Florida State with the national championship on the line.

Tennessee (12-0) capped off a perfect season Saturday night with a 24-14 victory over Mississippi State in the Southeastern Conference title game. The Vols received all 70 first-place votes and 1,750 points from the sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. It was the first time this sea-

son that one team collected every first-place vote. Florida State (11-1) was the biggest winner after losses by

AP TOP 25

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press final regular-season college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Dec. 5: Record 1. Tennessee (70) 12-0 2. Florida St. 11-1 3. Ohio St. 10-1 4. Kansas St. 11-1 5. Arizona 11-1 10-1 6. UCLA 7. Florida 9-2 8. Texas A&M 11-2 9. Wisconsin 10-1 10. Tulane 11-0 11. Arkansas 9-2 12. Georgia Tech 9-2 9-2 13. Virginia 14. Nebraska 9-3 15. Michigan 9-3 16. Air Force 11-1 17. Notre Dame 9-2 18. Syracuse 8-3 19. Georgia 8-3

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### Softball umpires needed for high school schedule

Fastpitch umpires are currently needed to work softball games throughout West Texas, according to officials with the Permian Basin chapter of the Southwest Softball **Umpires Association**.

Umpires will be calling high school softball games in Alpine, Andrews, Big Spring, Brady, Coahoma, Colorado City, Eldorado, Fort Stockton, Greenwood, Hermleigh, Kermit, Lamesa, Midland, Monahans, Odessa, Pecos, San Angelo, Snyder, Sonora and Wall.

For more information, call Mack Gipson at 520-5961.

**PLAYOFFS** 

### FRIDAY:

7:30 p.m. Stanton (13-1) vs. Celina (14-0), in Stephenville.

#### SATURDAY

3 p.m. · Borden County (13-1) vs. Trinidad (14-0), in Brownwood.



TODAY: FOOTBALL

7 p.m. - Green Bay Packers at Tampa Bay Buccaneers, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8.

**HERALD** photo/Linda Choate

Big Spring's Slate Broyles, pictured here swimming the 200 individual medley in a meet earlier this season, won that event as well as the 100 backstroke Saturday at the Odessa Invitational Swim Meet.

event.

The Steers also got thirdplace finishes from Beckworth in both the 100 butterfly and 100 breaststroke. the Fernandez added ninth-place points in the 100 breaststroke. Williams garnered eighthplace points for his finish in the 100 freestyle and was ninth

in the 200 freestyle events. Willberg rounded out the Steers' scoring with an 11thplace finish in the 500 freestyle. The Lady Steers got most of their scoring from junior Melissa Sheedy who finished fourth in the 200 individual

100 butterfly. Teammate Renee Flores added a 12th-place point in the 100 butterfly. Tz Marsch added 10th-place points with her finish in the

medley and was seventh in the

200 freestyle. The remainder of the Lady Steers' points came in two

relay races. Sheedy and Flores teamed with Michelle Stokes and Heidi Robinson to finish ninth in the

200 freestyle relay. And in the final event of the meet - the 400 freestyle relay - Sheedy, Stokes, Marsch and Robinson finished eighth.

### Lumberjacks edge Red Raiders, 75-74

LUBBOCK (AP) - Patrick Gusters had 32 points to lead Stephen F. Austin over Texas Tech 75-74 Saturday.

Gusters finished off his scoring spree with a pair of free throws with 0:21 left in the game to give the Lumberjacks (2-4) a 75-71 lead.

Stephen F. Austin led by as many as nine points in the sec-" they could win and they fought ond half before the Raiders (4-2) a lot harder," said Stephen F. trimmed the lead to three on a three-pointer by Rayford Young with 3:53 left. Young also hit a three-point shot with one second remaining in the game to draw Texas Tech within one.

"(Our players) believed that Austin coach Derek Allister. "This was a big upset for us." Jermaine Lyons and Kevin

Daniels had 11 and 10 points the respectively for Lumberjacks.

Kansas State and UCLA, ranked 2-3 last week, even though the Seminoles didn't play. Florida State moved up two spots and finished the regular season where they were ranked in the preseason – at No. 2.

Ohio State (10-1) didn't play, either, but moved up to No. 3, while Kansas State (11-1) fell to No. 4, Arizona (11-1) moved up to No. 5 and UCLA (10-1)

dropped to No. 6. In the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, Tennessee moved up to No. 1, followed by Florida State, Ohio State, Kansas State and Arizona.

Kansas State was beaten 36-33 in double overtime by Texas A&M in the Big 12 Conference title game and UCLA was stunned by Miami 49-45 at the Orange Bowl.

Since 1965, when the AP began a poll after the bowl games, every No. 1 team winning a postseason game has won the national title.

Top-ranked teams are 15-15 in bowl games since '65. In 1974, Oklahoma did not play in a bowl game, and in 1966 and '67, the AP did not have a poll after the bowls.

Florida (9-2) remained No. 7, followed by No. 8 Texas A&M (11-2), No. 9 Wisconsin (10-1) and No. 10 Tulane, at 11-0 the only other major college unbeaten team.

Arkansas (9-2) was No. 11, followed by No. 12 Georgia Tech

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22. Penn St.		8-3
23. Missouri		7-4
24. Miami		8-3
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Others receiving votes: Virginia Tech 106, Southern Cal 50, West Virginia 38, Purdue 21, Marshall 15, Miami, Ohio 4, Kentucky 3, Brigham Young 1. ...

The AP poll and coverage of college football can be found at http://www.aptop25.com

(9-2), No. 13 Virginia (9--2), No. 14 Nebraska (9-3), No. 15 Michigan (9-3), No. 16 Air Force (11-1), No. 17 Notre Dame (9-2), No. 18 Syracuse (8-3), No. 19 Georgia (8-3) and No. 20 Texas (8-3).

Air Force beat Brigham Young 20-13 on Saturday in the Western Athletic Conference title game.

Oregon (8-3) was No. 21, followed by No. 22 Penn State (8-3), No. 23 Missouri (7-4), No. 24 Miami (8-3) and No. 25 Mississippi State (8-4).

Tennessee, ranked 10th in the preseason poll, took over the No. 1 spot from Ohio State on Nov. 8, a day after the Buckeyes lost to Michigan State 28-24.

The AP will announce its national champion on Tuesday, Jan. 5, the day after the Fiesta Bowl. The Fiesta Bowl winner automatically becomes No. 1 in the coaches' poll.

### Broncos stay unbeaten; Jets in another officiating controversy

### The ASSOCIATED PRESS

On just another routine Sunday in the NFL, the Denver Broncos won and there was another officiating controversy.

Well, it wasn't that routine for the Broncos.

The Broncos joined the 1934 Bears and the 1972 Dolphins as the only 13-0 teams in NFL history by rallying from 10 points down in the final minutes to beat Kansas City 35-31. John Elway demonstrated he still has last-quarter magic in the rare moments the Broncos need it.

"To be able to come through when we needed the passing game, it's nice to make the plays when you have to make them," said Elway, who threw for 400 yards, including a 24-yard TD pass to Sterling Sharpe for the game winner with 3:34 left.

"It's been so long since we've been in a game like this. This was fun."

But New Jersey wasn't fun for the Seattle Seahawks, who lost 32-31 to the New York Jets on Vinny Testaverde's 5yard run. Replays showed Testaverde only went 4 yards on the fourth-down play - landing in front of the end zone.

"There was a lot of luck on our side," conceded coach Bill Parcells, whose team is now 9-4 and tied for Miami in the AFC East, a game ahead of New England and Buffalo.

Minnesota, meanwhile, ran its record to 12-1 and clinched its first NFC Central title since 1994 with a 48-22 win over Chicago on Sunday night.

In other games, it was Buffalo 33, Cincinnati 20; New Orleans 22, Dallas 3: Jacksonville 37. Detroit 22; Atlanta 28, Indianapolis 21; New England 23, Pittsburgh 9: Washington 24, San Diego 20; San Francisco 31, Carolina 28, in overtime; the New York Giants 23, Arizona 19; Miami 27, Oakland 17; and

Tennessee 16, Baltimore 14. Philadelphia beat St. Louis 17-14 last Thursday. Green Bay is at Tampa Bay

tonight. For Denver, this was by far the biggest scare of the season against a team the Broncos beat 30-7 three weeks ago in Kansas City. They had to overcome deficits of 14-0, 21-7 and 31-21 to clinch a first-round bye and home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

The Broncos had trailed in only three games this season and never by more than six points. Not only did Elway throw an interception on the goal line late in the first half, but Terrell Davis, who hadn't fumbled in 836 touches, fumbled on the Kansas City 1 in the third quarter.

#### Jets 32, Seahawks 31

The Jets (9-4) trailed 28-13 and 31-19 in the third quarter before rallying behind

Testaverde, who passed for 418 yards and two TDs and ran for the winning score on the disputed fourth-down play. Testaverde passed a career-high 63

times and completed 42. The AFC's toprated passer found Keyshawn Johnson nine times for 114 yards and the touchdown that closed the Jets to 31-26. The loss all but eliminated Seattle (6-7) from playoff contention.

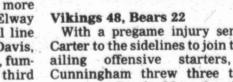
Dennis Erickson said of the final play.

With a pregame injury sending Cris. Carter to the sidelines to join three other ailing offensive starters, Randall Cunningham threw three touchdown passes to Randy Moss for the second straight game as Minnesota clinched its first NFC Central title since 1994.

The Vikings (12-1) outgained the Bears 341-14 on the way to a 27-0 halftime lead.

"It makes you sick," Seattle coach

### Vikings 48, Bears 22



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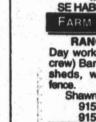
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LOANS HOLIDAY SLOANNSSLOANNSS Call us teday??? \$100.00 TO \$446.00 CALL OR COME BY Security Finance 204 S. Goliad 267-4591 Phone applications welcome SE HABLA ESPANOL	M/S Wilderness A/T Firestone \$350. new. Call 270-1100 or 264-9534. PORTABLE BUILDINGS FACTORY DIRECT - Heavy Duty Steel Carports as low as \$39.00 a month. Various heights, lengths, and widths. Delivery and Installation available. 563-3108.	OWNER FINANCE. \$15,000/\$1,500 down. Call 915-695-6100. OWNER FINANCE: 625 State, Big Spring. 1311 Lincoln, Big Spring. Flexible terms. (806) 791-0367. Very Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath Brick. Double garage, fireplace & sprinkler system. 2610 Central. Call 267-8861	CREDIT PRE APPROVAL Get your credit pre-approved quickly & with no hassle. Simply call our friendly Oakwood Staff. * Used homes starting at \$1495.00 Homes of America, 4750 Andrews Hwy. Odessa, Tx. 3 6 3 - 0 8 8 1 or 1-800-725-0881. Se habla espanol.	2 bedroom, 1 bath Duplex. 1501 Lincoln-B. Call 267-3841 or 556-4022. 3 bdr., 1 1/2 bath, 2 living areas, garage, fenced yard, 263-6136. 3 bdr. 11/2 bath fenced yard, C/H/A, stove furnished, newly decorated. Move in by Christmas. Call 267-5855 3/bedroom. Very Clean!	Small 3bd. Mobile Home. C/H/A, w/d, stove & refr. \$350./mo., \$150/dep. HUD Midway area. Call 393-5585 anytime or after 2pm 267-3114. Spacious 1 bdr. duplex. Close to schools, w/carport. \$190/mo. + dep. Call 267-4071 or 1-800-245-8837. Two bedroom, senarate dining	enthusiasm make you a win- ner. If you are single, you are unusually attractive, drawing others with ease. 1999 produces a romance that could become a major relationship. If attached, the two of you get involved in an important project together. You become even more commit- ted to each other. VIRGO can be tough on you.	SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Beam in what you want. Though you could be overly sensitive, you can still read a loved one cold. Follow through on a hunch with a boss. Discuss a difficult work-related situation; the time is right, especially if it involves money. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.****
FARM BUILDINGS RANCH WORK Day work, (One to a full crew) Barns, corrals, hay sheds, wind breaks or fence. Shawn Justiss 24/7 915-573-4879 915-338-4881 GRAIN, HAY OR FEED	MUST SELL THIS WEEKI 12'x20' Red Bam. Slightly damaged. Delivery and Financing Available. Heavy duty floor. 563-3108. SIERRA MERCANTILE For all your building needs. Portable On sight - Carports I-20 East • 263-1460	For Sale By Owner 125 Jonesboro: 2 br. 2 bth 1/2 acres with 2 water wells, vinyl siding, carport, Pecan trees. \$32,500: Owner will finance with \$9,500/down by appointment only. 1-800-543-2141 or 915-362-8942. MOBILE HOMES \$1400 Rebate on 1999	I'm TIRED of TEXASI Take over my payments. Call Ron at (915) 672-3152 SINGLE PARENTSI We can help. 2,3, & 4 br. Low down/low monthly/ E Z Credit. Call (800) 529-3195.	1409 Mt. Vernon. \$350./mo, \$175./mo. Call 263-5818. Carpeted 2 bedroom, 1 bath Cottage. Fenced yard, ceiling fans, \$225. Optional covered parking. References. No Pets, please! McDonald Realty, 611 Runnels. 263-7616. Clean 2 bdr. 1bath, Ig. fenced yard, carport, #350/mn. \$150/dep. 1607	neig RENTEP.350. mon 267-5646. For rent: Nice location: 807 W. 18th. 2 1/2 bedr. 1 bth. \$475/mn. \$200/dep. Call 264-9334 or 263-5875. 2 bedroom, 1 bath Mobile Home. Fridge & stove, new carpet, fenced yard, water paid. No pets!	The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4- Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1- Difficult. ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your even, steady attitude makes others comfortable. Taking action has a positive response. Impulsiveness works in an unique way right now. Travel and someone who is at a	SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Distant elements draw your attention. You might have a hard time staying in the here and now. Make calls and con- tact people whom you are thinking about. Don't hold back on your feelings because of what you perceive someone's reaction to be. Tonight: Find
Coastal Round Bales For Sale 20 bale minimum. Call 254-445-3039. HAY Alfalfa & Grass Hay. All bale sizes. Semi-loads only. We deliver. (417)753-2164 or (417)639-8527. HORSES	SPAS SPECIAL PURCHASE - '99 Model Spas/Hot Tubs. 5-6 person. Delivery and Financing Available. Starting © \$54.00 a month. 563-3108. SPECIAL REDUCTION - Two '98 Model Spa/Hot Tub s. Seats 5-6, floor models. Must sell this week. 563-3108.	16x80 3 bed. 2 bath home. Use it any way you want. Only at A-1 Homes Midland West Hwy 80. 1-800-755-9133 or 915-563-9000. \$1800.00 Rebate. Just in time for Christmas on 1999 multi-section 3 bed 2 bath w/study. Only at A-1 Homes Midland West Hwy 80. 1-800-755-9133 or 915-563-9000.	Lake Colo. City: 50 acres subdivided, city utilities, lake access. \$75,000 Owner finance @ 7%, 20% down. 915-942-0172 if no answer leave message & will return call. FURNISHED APTS. 1 bedroom apt, for rent.	Sycamore. Call 267-1543 Clean 2 Long Tenning ap RENTED mation call Corrections & BSSH employees - very convenient small 2 bdr. house \$295/mn. no bills pd. No Pets. 263-8513.	\$275./mo + dep. 268-9547 or 267-2147. 3- 2 bedroom houses for rent. Stove & refrigerator furnished. Call 263-4410. 3 bd., 2 bath, 2 living areas. C/H/A, fridge/stove. \$500./mo. + dep. Call 263-0436.	distance occupy your thoughts. Don't hold yourself back. Tonight: Be spontaneous.***** TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Emphasize family together- ness. A partner pitches in and makes an enticing offer. Intuition might be off because you are insecure. Share some of your thoughts, and get past	the music.***** CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) One-to-one relating opens doors. Think more about a domestic issue. Discussions with a roommate or partner prove enlightening. Know that answers exist, but you need to reveal your true feelings.
HORSESHOEING 25 Yrs. Exper. Satisfaction Guaranteed Ricky Brown 268-1469 or 270-7862 ANTIQUES Sale - Sale - Sale Antique Mali 102-110 Main : 10-20-50% OFF. Antiques, collectibles, furniture, kitchen items, much more.	TRADE-IN SPA. Must see to appreciate. Price greatly reduced. Delivery and financing available. 563-3108. WANT TO BUY Want to buy silver Bach Strativarious trumpet Call 263-4645. HOUSES FOR SALE \$ "0.00" Down Payment,	\$233.61 a month on 1999 16x80 fleetwood 3x2 10% dn. pmt 9.75% apr. fixed 360 mos. W.A.C. Only at A-1 Homes Midland West Hwy 80. 1-800-755-9133 or 915-563-9000. 4 Bedroom, 2 bath Luxury Doublewide. As low as \$271.00 per month*. Glamour bath, country kitchen. WOW!!! USA Homes Midland	\$200/mo. \$100/dep. Call 263-3855 or 263-7648 between 8-6 pm. Apartments, houses, mobile home. References required. 263-6944, 263-2341. FURNISHED HOUSES Extra Clean 1 bedroom furnished house. 204 E. 22nd. \$265./mo., \$150./dep. Sorry, No pets! 263-4922.	HOLIDAY AND PERMANENT OPENING\$ Processing mail. Full/Part Time. At home. \$2.00 per envelope. SASE: NWC, 4323 N. Wyandotte St.; Dept. 104, Kansas City, MO 64116.	EARN \$20,000 PER MONTH AND BEYOND!! Showing people how to earn a Gateway 2000 Computer with Guaranteed Financing. Guaranteed draws of \$1,500-\$2,000 per week. (800) 570-3231 x9090.	immediate restrictions. Someone cares and demon- strates it. Tonight: Put your feet up.**** GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You are expressive, directed and vibrant. A long-toiled pro- ject finally nears completion. Don't let a friend discourage you. You know what you can do. Popularity allows you more options they you have hed in	Someone is there for you. Don't worry as much. Tonight: Dinner for two.***** AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Allow others to see what you really are about. You can help a friend ease past a problem. One talk could be stilted and uncomfortable. Be sensitive to someone's offer. Others prove helpful and are willing to pitch
DOGS, PETS, ETC. AKC male Boxer \$150. Call 263-8209 leave message. EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS GIFT!! Pure Bred 4 mo. old Male Black Poodle puppy. No papers. 1st. shots, very adorable. \$100. Call 267-6112. Free puppies: (possibly Heelar mixed) mixed	100% Financing, Buyer's Total Move-In cost \$1,000.00!!! On Purchase of 3213 Fenn, in Big Spring, or any comparable new home to be built by Key Homes, Incorporated, in which buyer will sign a contract and get mortgage approval by Dec. 31, 1998. Certain income and credit restrictions apply. Offer limited to those who gualify for Rural	4608 W. Wall. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177. *1-12 mos., 6.75%, \$307/mo.; 13-24 mos., 8%, \$344. per mo.; 25-360 mos., 9.25%. 10% dn With Approved Credit \$500.00 down on a new 3 bedroom \$193.00 month 240 month 10. apr. w.a.c. Call Calvin 915-563-9000 - 800-755-9133 A-1 Homes.	Furnished Extra Clean 1 bedroom house. 1216 Mesquite. \$225./mo, \$150./dep. Sorry, No pets! 263-4922. UNFURNISHED APTS. 1 bdr.apt. stove & ref./fur., cable, all bills pd. NO pets. \$350/mn. \$150/dep. Call 263-5409. or 264-7727.	SIX FIGURE PROFIT POTENTIAL from your phone, fax. Lower overhead than most businesses. Portable, no employees, P/T, F/T. FREE information 1-800-432-0018, ext. 2776. FRITO LAY / PEPSI / COKE Vending route. Prime local sites. \$\$\$ All cash business \$\$\$. Small	EXCELLENT INCOME PROCESSING OUR MAIL!! PAY WEEKLY! FREE SUPPLIES! Helping Homeworkers since 1992! Start Immediately! Send S.A.S.E. : American Publications 9648 Olive-DD Olivette, MO 63132.	options than you have had in awhile. Tonight: Get started on holiday errands.***** CANCER (June 21-July 22) Finances dictate many of your choices. Don't kid your- self. Listen to someone's feed- back. You don't have to agree with a co-worker, though he has a valid point. Consider the hectic pace challenging, not overwhelming. A boss is out of	in. Projects are easily complet- ed. Tonight: The party hap- pens.**** PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) A compliment is important because of its source. Accept an offer that advances your career or improves your image. Others are responsive to your overtures. Do not overspend, even if it feels like a good idea.
breed cowdogs, will be small to rheditem size, short hair very attractive dogs. 263-8231. GROOMING ALL DOGS! Boarding All Animals! Livestock Facilities!	Development Financing or a VA' Ioan. New Home prices start in the \$60K's. Call Now!! 915-520-9848. 1984 Westchester Mobile Home. 14x52, furnished. \$6000.00. Located in Colo. City, needs to be moved.	* Credit approval hot line: Call the mobile home loan specialist at Homes of America, Odessa, Texas. 3 6 3 - 0 8 8 1 or 1-800-725-0881. Se habla espanol. DIVORCED, Must Sell!!	2/1 Apartments. Move in Specials. From \$275- \$400 plus electric. Furnished or unfurnished. 263-7621 \$99 MOVE IN plus	WE-R-4-REAL! Legitimate Company needs honest homeworkers to process	Have You Been "SCAMMED" Through False Loans In (Canada/US) Lotteries, Credit Cards, EtcFunds Frozen. \$\$\$ Available For Refund. Call 1-800-233-4935.	sorts! Tonight: Run errands on the way home.*** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You could easily play it low- key and choose to avoid taking a risk. You might not be able to	Count change. A mistake is likely. Tonight: Off for a work- out.*** BORN TODAY Actress Kim Basinger (1953), actress Teri Hatcher (1964), singer Sinead O'Connor (1966)



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