MONDAY
December 7, 1998
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TUESDAY
$45^{\circ}-53^{\circ}$

Helping others.. Each day through the holiday season, the Herald will publish locations where you might help others less fort nate, 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 263-7331, ext 234


Angel Tree locations: Big Spring Herald (seniors) - Big Spring Mall - Al's and S - Cosden Credit Uni - Mel's Fried Fish - Scenic Mountain Medical Center In addition, Bealls - In addition, Bealis
Department Store will give a 10
percent discount to all purchaspercent discount to all
es of Angel Tree gifts.

Salvation Army Kettles: - Big Spring Post Office Big Spring Mall

## Other efforts:

 - H-E-B Food Stores Ring in AMiracle 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 throug Dec. 11. Cable of Big Spring will
- TCA waive the cost installation for cans of food for its food drive. 30. Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009
collecting coats for state collecting coats for state
hospital patients for Christm Also, a food drive is under way. See HELPING, Page 2

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Vandals strike at the Vietnam Memorial By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Kids' Zone dinshed last weekend. Kids' Zone, another community pro
ject that required great expense and ject that required great expense and
is worth more than $\$ 100,000$ in mate isials and labor, was also vandalized, and playground equipment was Now, the Vietnam Memorial has tion, and dark spray paint has been
found on the M60-A1 tank, the then found on the M60-A1 tank, the tank's
$\qquad$ Lewis said the committee and Big destroyed.
Now, the Vietnam Memorial ha ing up to the tank, and a concrete bench.
Capt. Pam, Jordan with See VANDALS, Page 2



## Roden dead

Former Branch Davidian leader, thought missing, found dead at hospital
By MARSHA STURDIVANT the Peace China Long, who was
called to the scene about $7: 30$ Roden, 60 had been a patient Roden, 60 , had been a patient
with the Texas Department of with the Texas Department of
Mental Health and Mental Metardation since 1989, when he was accused of killing his room-
mate in Odessa, and was found mate in Odessa, and was found
not guilty by reason of insanity 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 lost that position in a gun battle
with rival David Koresh. Roden moyed to Odessa at that time, 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 health conditions required daily
medication for diabetes and hypertension.
"He had a history of heart
hat attack. He took oral hypo-
glycemics. not insulin," Durand-
Hollis said. Hollis said.
Moughon said his medical his See RODEN, Page 2

Forum held to outline funding needs in mental health field

By MARSHA STURDIVANT A revolution is taking place in
the treatment of mental illness,
thanks to new anti-p sychotic
drugs that are replacing the old
style medications.
"This new medication is total-
ly revolutionizing care. But now
that science has given us this
breakthrough, we are woefully
inadequate funding-wise," said
Lisa Brooks, community rela-
tions director for West Texas
Centers for Mental Health and
Mental Retardation.
Brooks, along with about 15
mental health professionals,

## By BILL McCLELLAN


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

## Freeze warning issued for tonight

 met with Rep. David Counts and
Frances Wheat from Sen. Frances Wheat from Sen.
Robert Duncan's office at an Robert Duncan's office at an
educational forum and lun-
cheon Friday. The purpose of the forum was
to outline the funding needs of
the mental health and mental
retardation programs in Texas before the legisla
begins in January.
Brooks said the older medicania, such as Haldol, Mellaril
nial Thorazine have and Thorazine, have side effects
that create permanent disfigure that create permanent disfigure-
ment and muscular anomalies. These drugs have been the standard prescribed choice of streatment for decades. However,
the side effects are so severe the side effects are so severe,
patients cease taking their medpatients cease taking their med-
ication, which has created a revolving door of hospitaliza-
tion, medication stabilization tion, medication stabilization
and release, she said. and release, she said.
The new medications are beef cattle, sheep or horses need
to be cognizant of the fact that 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 sorghum and various varieties
of hay grazer can produce prussic acid after the first freeze,
Kight said. 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 dread the cold can find some
comfort in the fact that it is bencomfort
eficial.
"Most
"Most insects have to have below 20 degrees temperature
for a period of at least three 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 signifi-:
cant length of time, The average freeze date for the Howard County area is Nov. 10. The warm weather has had
its positives and negatives its positives and negatives, the
extension agent said.
"It's been a plus for the ranch-
er and beef cattle owner, sheep and goat owner. They've had
some some green material, due to recent rain, for animals to
graze. The forage quality has graze. The forage quality has
been better. "It's been $n$
ton producer because most of the cotton has sat there and
been apen 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 (chemiclly) want to (chemically) kill it. Their cost is already been so
high this year. The cotton 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 that nature," Kight
allowe freeze also allowed more boll weevils to go into hibernation, which could next growing season problem Tonight's freeeze warning cov-
ers most of North Texas. There ers most of North Texas. There in the Panhandle.
Mostly sunny skies are forecast for Tuesday, which should
have a high between 45 and 55 .
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 fort people covered for the costs. But
we have identified another we have identified another
30,000 who could benefit," Brooks said.
Jack Vaughan, a representa-
tive from Johnson \& Johnson
tive from Johnson \& Johnson,
said the cost of the medications 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 $\$ 75,000$ per patient per year in
the hospital. We could see a


HERALO photo/Unda Cnoate
Baxter Moore, left, and Bob Hecker share some thoughts at the most recen
Hardware.

## Obituaries

## Hunter Bryce

 SpearsSpears, infant son of Terry and Amanda Spears, Big Spring, 1998, at the First Church of Hendrickson, pastor, officia Trinity Memorial Park. He died Friday, Dec. 4, in a Odessa
He wa
Odesss.
Survivors include: his par ents; one brother, Zackery Spears; his paternal grand
nother, Effie Spears; his naternal grandmother, Karen Arroyo; his maternal grandfa-
her, Glenn Hyden; his mater al great-grandfather, James naternal great-grandparents, C.H. and Annie Mae Hyden of Ackerly; and a maternal greatPatterson of Big Spring. Arrangements under the
irection of Nalley-Pickle \& direction of Nalley

Vivian S. Moore

 treet Baptist Church in Dalhart, officlating. Mrs. Moore died Saturday,
Dec. 5 , in $\AA$ local nursing cen.
 narred in Roby, He re receded her her indin oby. He preceside her ilvea in Post for a a number or
years and had lived in Dailhart om 1954. 40 or 1975 . She came to
 tireet maptist Church In
Salhart and was a member of Hillerest Baptist Church in Bilg Sing.
 Too sons, James Moore of Big Spring: two sisters, olitata
Drafton and Aline Manker, oth of Petaluma, callf: seven hildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.
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direction of Nalley-Pickle \&
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| Texas. | tedaneel 0. Lacy, 67 , died

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NALLEY-PICKLE \& WELCH Funeral Home
 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. 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.

## Helping Others

 ontinued from Page 1Call 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
drensent 26 toward County chidren who are currently clients of Visit the bank to adopt one of Visit the children.
these
- St. Vincent - St. Vincent de Paul Society is
collecting doinated 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


## MHMR

The cost of the older medica the patents have expired and generic equivalents are avail
able. Patents last 17 years, with several of those spent before the
products are available to products are available to con
sumers, he said.

## Nous.

VANDALS

Spring Police Department, said
the
vandalism between $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Wednesday and bols, but there is no way of
knowing if the three incidents are connected. I can say we are definitely seeing an
Thus far, the police have no
lads in locating those responsible, and the incidents are under Anyone with any information call Crimestoppers,"' Jordan Lewis said several differen solutions of paint remover and
mild acid will. be used to amove the graffiti. probably have it Byant the tank," he said.
By defacing the Memorial Lewis said the vandals have site. He said he will see justice
done, either through the court system or by requiring parents "This has dishonored families over there (in Vietnam). We're
not going to put up with this. These (vandais) think they are
o tough, but they're not tough, so tough, bu
Lewis said.
"What's
ent out working. What's tough ent out working. What's tough
are parents who work 12 hours a day to send their kids to col-
lege. What's tough are law enforcement officers who risk he said.
Community response has var led from shock and disbelief to
anger, such as Lewis expressed. 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


## RODEN

## tory of heart problems necessi- tated Roden limiting physical

activity.
Moughon had stated at a press conference that it was possible reenter the hospital.
At 8:45 p.m. Saturday, he did not check in for monitoring, and our staff began an immedi-
ate campus-wide search. Mr Roden wasn't to be sound, and at 9:45 p.m. We called the Howard
County
Sheriffs office, the 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. found about 7:30 a.m. today.
Moughon said a security guard
located Roden's body and reported the discovery.
Roden was not considered

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absence and death, according to
officials. This was his third
unauthorized departure from In 1993, Roden escaped from
the BSSH from Sept. 27 until In 1993, Roden escaped from
the BSSH from Sept. 27. until
Oct. 1 , when he was located and returned.
Then aga Then again in 1995, after he
was transferred from the
Vernon State Hospital, the Vernon State Hospital, the
forensic state facility. He escaped from Sept. 17
ntil Nov. 17, 1995, when he wa until Nov. 17, 1995, when he was
found in New York attempting travel to Israel. "Mr. Roden was a Branch avious beliefs. He had an interes in returning to Irrael for what
he called the high Jewish holihe called the high Je
Upon Roden's return from
Vernon State Hospital in March
of 1959, he was placed on one-
on-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 compliance, meaning he took
his medication, participated in
his treatment and had a level of his treatment, and had a level of
responsibility. He had proresponsibility. He had pro
gressed to a level 2," Yarbrough
The Big Spring State Hospital
is a minimum security facility is a minimum security facility,
and has four security guards who observe the grounds and
the buildings daily, Moughon "Our gates are always open, he said.
Each day, the hospital might
have an average of 15 to 20
patients who are determined to have an average of 15 to 20
patients who are determined to
be a danger to themselves or others and are plac
The lack of security on staff is
due to the nature of the hospi tal, which is minimum security, Moughon said
Funeral services, as well as
ihe identity and location of the identity and location of
Roden's family are being with held at their request.
"They asked for

## Support Grours

 -Project Freedom, Christian
support group for survivors of physical/emotional/ sexual
and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263 and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263 -
5140 or $263-2241$ for dates/times of upcoming groups.
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
-Encouragers Support Group (formery Widow/Wiotower sup
port group) first and third port 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. Monday meetings are at 6 p.m.
at First Presbyterian Church
Seventh and Runnels (enter Seventh and Runnels (enter
through north door). We have 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 Spanish Inn for dinner, and
the Dec. 21 meeting will be a Christmas dinneer. Bring a cov-
ered dish of salad, vegetables ered 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
p.m., Canterbury each month. Call Galynn
Gamble at 263 -1271.The topic
for Nov. 2 will be on ing with your loved one." -. Narcotics Anonymous, 6
p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 G
4189 (pager no
Alzheimer's support group,
6:30 p.m., Marcy House, 2301 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 build ing. Call $264-0674$ for more
information.
-Family Family Education and
upport, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center month at 6 p.m. .at 409 Runnels
Clyde Alsup Building. TXAMI Clyde Alsup Bullding. TXAMI
meeting to follow. For more
information call $263-0027$ informa
$267-7220$.
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## Federal changes in welfare force Texas to play catch-up

Legislature convenes in January, it
will face the task of updating state wel-
fare laws to conform with recent feder-
al reforms, according to some lawmak-
ers.
The federal welfare overhaul in 1996
created tougher work requirements
and stronger penalities for recipients
who break the law or refuse to cooper-
ate 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' deci-
recipients and cost the state millions of dollars, experts said. 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 newspan."Th 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 playweifare reform The Legislat
recipients in 1995. The next year, President Clinton and Congress passed reforms and went beyond them in some provisions.
The state is eral welfare rules, fut that 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 cials said. Texas exempts from work require-
ments anyone with children under age
four, about half the families on welfare
in the state. But federal law exempts
only those with children under age
one. only those with children under age
one.
Switching the standard would affect Switching the standard would affect cials. Lawmakers are studying the possibility of gradually lowering the posease the impact.
Other prospect impose harsher penalties fos would recipients who refuse to work werfare convicted of drug offenses. Under Texas law, such recipients lose a por
tion of their welfare benefit - under federal law, they must forfeit the whole
check. check.
Republican
touted some of the proposed changes a means of reducing dependency on ernment assistance ho refuse to take ado are on welfare elp thase to take advantage of the federal law is eventually going to "The federal law is eventually going to boo
them off welfare. And what we are try ing to say in the state of Texas is that it is a more compassionate approach $t$ insist that you prepare to help yourself day before it is too late. increasing penalties for welfare recipi increasing penalties for welfare recipi
ents who don't help the state find par
ents ents owing child support.

Minorities are divided on privatising Social Security
WASHINGTON (AP) - With a greater reliance on government cial 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 Wednesdayं, 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-worke 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 as the Hispanic Business Roundtable and the Cacy groups such Black Leadership support allowing workers ${ }^{\dagger} \cap$ invest some Social Security contributions in the stock market.
Both agree, however the Social Security
disproportionate impact the Social Security debate could have a With fewer dollars to invest, minorities generally have been more dependent on Social Security income at the time of retire-
ment or disability, experts say ment or disability, experts say. in benefits than the private accounts say minorities receive less life expectancies compared to whites.
"I am totally baffled why the Jesse Jacksons and the Kweis Mfumes of the world are fighting against black people getting
greater return on their so-called investment in Social Security, gaid Phyllis Berry Myers, a board member of the Center for New
slack Black Leadership, a conservative think tank.

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urent reimbur Epogen, a drug used to treat
anemia due failure, is 10 percent higher than the cost of the drug.
$-\quad$ 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. insurers to report which Medicare beneficiaries they insure, to prevent providers
from billing Medicare for claims owed by private insur
antennas on the Zarya modantennas must be unfurled in order for Zarya's backup docking system to work. That syssummer, but NASA is consider ing having Ross and Newman wnroll them during a space. walk. hey walk.
"We havent to sethe (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 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 work. "Essentially we're putting an
Rffice.building together
explained. explained
Two ather planned during the 12 -day assembly mission, to install

## future crews. The first two space station parts - the Russian-built Zarya control

 control module and American-made Unity chamber - were made Unity chamber - were
connected on Sunday, creating a seven-story tower out of the
cay of the shuttle Endeavour. The joined modules
will be released from the shuttle will be released from the shuttle
once all of the spacewalks are
completed. completed
The com The components were linked
as Endeavour soared 240 miles over the South Pacific.
Astronaut Astronaut Nancy Currie used
the shuttle's robot arm to grab
hold of Zarya (Russian hold of Zarya (Russian for
Sunrise) and position it several Sunrise) and position it several
Tinthess directry above Unity.
Ther' 'shuttley trommander Robert Cabana fired
Endeavour's Endeavour's thrusters, raising
it enough for the docking mech-
anisms on the two station com-







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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 soPalestinians. The recent Wye Prantation Conference was only a foretaste of what is going to be demanded from Israel in the so-
called "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 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { in the history of the world has any nation returned } & \text { African empire, France arcepted close to } 1.5 \text { million } \\ \text { people. More than } 12 \text { million(!) Muslims and } \\ \text { land } \\ \text { lands to those who have attacked it. Even so, in line }\end{array}$ with the Camp David accord, Israel has yielded the vast
Sinai to Egyp. Dere exchanged between India and Pakistan. Israel has
recognized this historical necessity. But the "Arab Sinai to Egypt. It has yielded Gaza and about 40\% of the $\quad$ Nation", with its enormous wealth and vast under-pop-
"West Bank" to the ealestinians. Over $90 \%$ of the Arab
ulated lands, has stubbornly refused to face facts.


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## Our Views <br> Share what you can with those less fortunate

I$t$ 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.
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 names placed on community have been adopted.
throughout the comples
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 the most of everything, but they will unless those of
us who've been more fortunate share that good forus wh
tune.
There are so many opportunities to give in this community, the Angel Trees are just one,
not to know that many need our help.
not to know that many need our help.
All those of us with the ability to give
the manner in which we wish to be unselfish is pick - 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 that chain's Ring In a Miracle to benefit the Salvation Army, allowing customers
or $\$ 2$ to their grocery bill.
- Canned food drives are und
- 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
collectirtg coats for patients at the Big Spring State collectirtg coats for patients at the Big Spring State
Hospital and also has a food drive under way. baby gifts to be given to Birthright
baby gifts to be given to Birthright.
- Norwest Bank has a Christmas tre
ornaments representing 26 youngsters currently 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 donat-
ed 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 Department Store is offering
all Angel Tree gift purchases
all Angel Tree gift purchases. 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 oo 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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## Surprise! Democrats becoming Newt-boosters

## By WALTER R. MEA

WASHINGTON (AP) On the twisting track of impeac ment proceedings agains President Clinton, lame-duck House speaker is ingric Democrats.
The Democratic leader who
once told Gingrich to get once told Gingrich to get out of
the case now says the Georgian 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 should take charge.
Livingston said he w anything until the House Judiciary Committee acts on
impeachment. He said he hopes impeachment. He said he ho
to see it settled this year, to see it settled this year,
before he takes over for the
resigned Gingrich on Jan. 6 resigned Gingrich on Jan. 6 .
He said the Democrats had been "condemning Speak
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He said it was too soon to
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 ing," said Rep. John Conyers, the ranking Democrat. That puts the case back Lewinsky sex scandal, and Clinton's alleged lies in sworn testimony about $i$He has admitted misleading was his legalistic way out in
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The campaign fund-raising
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Gephardt, the House minority leader, to write Gingrich say take charge. They're leaving that role to Hyde until the com mittee acts.
Gephardt said the case is in chaos for lack of direction. " you to provide the leambent on you to provide the leadership
necessary to move the process necessary to move the proces A sharp turn from the lette 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
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No secret, just build more prisons



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 industry and its bureaucuratsare not interested in facts or are not interested in facts or
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But in the 1960s and But in the iscos and
those liberals who were no engaged in wrecking other aspects of American society
decided to ta. a"theraputic 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 balder dash at that. It caused a blood bath on American streets. Crime is a moral decísion to do
bad things - - to steal, to harm, to kill.
Such people deserve punish-
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crime rate will continue to down. Defund the social workers,
and build more prisons. That's
the happy trail to a safe society.
ly." Odd, too; that the White involved. He's the Republican
who once said he would never
make a speech without make a speech without
denouncing Clinton's wr and who cleared late campaign and who cleared late campaign Republican issue. The Democrats, and three days later, Gingrich said he was resigning as speaker and from Congress. oddities.
The Hyde committee called two Republican figures from the Watergate era to talk about impeachment, and got advice Richardson, who quit as attor ney general rather than fire the Watergate prosecutor as
President Nixon ordered, said he doesn't think Clinton's wrongs warrant impeachment. should, in order to justify his 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 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


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Wére so happy wére dizzy. Things couldn't be better. Thatts why we're to busy.. To write a real letter.

## In Brief

BSHS football banquet scheduled for tonight The Big Spring Quarterback has been scheduled for tonight in the Big Jerry Larned from the Texas
High School Coaches Hall of High School Coaches Hall of
Fame will be guest speaker for Fame will
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priced at $\$ 10$ each, are availTickets for the banquet,
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## Steer Baseball Boosters

 schedule first meeting The 1999 Big Spring BasebalBoosters Club will hold an
organizational meeting at organizational meeting at ${ }^{7}$
p.m. Tuesday in the Big
Spring Training Complex. Anyone interested in sup-
porting Big Spring High School baseball teams
encouraged to attend.

## Local youngster fourth

 at motorcross event Duane Fulgham of BigSpring finished fourth in the
125 cc division Sunday at the Texas Fain in Motorcros
Championships in Lubbock.
Fulgham, 15, is a student a

Lady Steers freshmen drop consolation final Big Spring's Lady Steers
freshmen suffered a 41-22 loss freshmen Sure's young Lady
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Buldogs. Saturday in the con Bulldogs Saturday in the
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Sweetwater tournament After dropping a a 36-22 loss to
Merkel in the first round the tournament, Big Spring
knocked off Snyder $34-25$
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added eight. Paige. King and Jessiee
Weodward addedviser in the win over Snyder.
The Lady Steers frosh travel to Snyder today for a

Youth basketball league beginning registration The Big
Basketball Association has hath Bcseduled registrration begin
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ning Saturday at the Big ning Saturd
Spring Mall.
Registration at the mall will
be from 1 p.m. to 5 p. Saturday and from 6 p.m. to 8
p.m. Monday through Friday. p.m. Monday through Friday.
In addition, youngsters can In addition, youngsters can
register at Neal's Sporting
Goods during business hours Goods during business ho
throughout the week. throughout the week.
A fee of $\$ 20$ is required each participant in the league
For more information, call

Softball umpires needed for high school schedule Fastpitch umpires are cur-
rently needed to work softball remes throughout West
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Monahans, Odessa, Pecos, San Angelo, Snyder, Sonora and
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For more information, cal
Mack Gipson at $502-5961$.

## Playoffs

FRIDAY:
7:30 p.m.

- Stanton (13-1) vs. Celina


## SATURDAY

3 p.m.
Tinidad (140), in Brownwood
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TODAY:
FOOTBALL
7 p.m. - Green Bay Packers at Tampa Bay Buccaneers, ABC, Ch. 2 and
Ch. 8 .

Cowboys smothered by Saints defense in 22-3 defeat

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - For the New terback Kerry Collins, a pair of 53 -yard it was the first time Dallas failed to
Orleans Saints, it was like old times. The field gaals and a safety when Aikman score a touchdown sinde Oct Orieans Saints, it was like old times. The field goals and a safety when Aikman defense was dominating, the offense was
adequate, and the result was a big-time victory.
The Sa The Saints, after losing seven of the
lat 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 Emmitt Smith with just 6 yards rushing. "We, wanted to get back to the Saints the past,"' defensive lineman La'Roi the past," defensive lineman La'Roi
Glover said. "We did that and it did what it always does, it won the game for us. field goals and a safety when Aikman sore a touchdown si
couldn't escape the New Orreans
defense, the Saints (6-7) took control
aginst Philadelphia.
The Saints, who h
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 averag.
Dallas was averaging over 366 yards a
game, including 137 on the ground, and game, including 137 on the ground, and
27 points a game going into Sunday's match. The Saints held them to 182 total
yards,
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yands rushing yards, just 8 yards rushing, led by
Smith's 6 yards on 15 carries. Smith's 6 yards on 15 carries.
"We expected a close game, but this "We expected a close game, but this
was soo one-sided it was almost like one team didn't show up,"'s
is absolutely the worst.' touchdown in the Superdome a Game 5 against San Francisco, brought 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 starting for the injured Deion Sanders, intercepted a pass from Collins on the
New Orleans 16. But after three straight New Orleans 16. But after three straight
incompletions, Dallas settled for a 33-
yard field goal by Richie Cunningham

Tennessee No. 1 by real landslide in final AP poll

## Steers swimmers fourth at Odessa Invitational

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Lumberjacks edge Red Raiders, 75-74
LUBBOCK (AP)- Patrick
Gusters had 32 points to lead
Stephen F. Austin over Texas Stephen F. Austin
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
(2-4) a $75-71$ lead.

Stephen F. Austin led by as "(Our players) believed that
many as nine points in the sec- they could win and they fought
ond half before the Raiders (4-2) a ond half before the Raiders (4-2) a lot harder," said Stephen $F$.
trimmed the lead to three on a Austin coach Derek Allister. rimmed the lead to three on a
Austin coach Derek Allister.
hree-pointer by Rayford Young "This was a big upset for us." with $3: 53$ left. Young also hit a three-point shot with one sec-
ond remaining in the game to
draw Texas Tech within one.

## Jermaine Lyons and Kevin Daniels had 11 and 10 points

 respectivelyLumberjacks.


## Broncos stay unbeaten; Jets in ancther officiating controversy

The ASSOCIATED PRESS
On just another routine Sunday in th NFL, the Denver Broncos won and th Was another officiating controversy.
Well, it wasn't that routine for th Broncos. The Broncos joined the 1934 Bears and in NFL history by rallying from 10 points down in the final minutes to beat Kansas City 35-31. John Elway demon strated he still has last-quarter magic in
the rare moments the Broncos need it. "To be able to come through when w needed the passing game, it's nice to make the plays when you have to make hem," said Elway, who threw for 400 yards, including a 24-yard TD pass to
Sterling Sharpe for the game winne with 3:34 left: with "It'34 left.
"Itseen so long since we've been in a
game like thits. This was fun." , $\rightarrow$

But New Jersey wasn't fun for the
Seattle Seahawks, who lost $32-31$ to the
New York Jets on Vinny Testaverde's 5 New York Jets on Vinny Testaverde's 5 -
yard run. Replays showed Testaverde yard 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 conceded coach Bith Parcells, whose
team is now $9-4$ and tied for Miami in the team is now $9-4$ and tied for Miami in the
AFC East, a game ahead of New England And Buffalo.
Minnesota,
Minnesota, meanwhile, ran its record title since 1994 with a $48-22$ win over Chicago on Sunday night. In other games, it was Buffalo 33,
In
Cincinnati 20; New Orleans Cincinnati 20; New Orleans 22, Dallas 3 Indianapolis. Indianapolis 21; New England 23;
Pittsburgh 9; Washington 24, San Diego
20; San Francisco 31 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. Fonight.
Fare 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, They had to overcome first-round bye and home-field advantage
throughout the playoffs.
The Broncos had trailed in only three The Broncos had trailed in only three
games this season and never by more than six points. Not only did Elway hrow 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
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 touch-
down that closed the Jets to $31-26$. The loss all but eliminated Seattle ( $6-7$ ) from playoff contention. "It makes you sick," Seattle coach
Dennis Erickson said of the final play.

Vikings 48, Bears 22
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 straight game as Minnesota clinched its
first NFC Central title since 1994. first NFC Central title since 1994.
The Vikings (12-1) outgained the B The Vikings (12-1) outgained the Bears
$341-14$ on the way to a $27-0$ halftime lead.
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Others receiving votes: Virginia Tech 106, Southern Cal 50 , West
Virginia 38, Purdue 21, Marshall 15, Miami, Ohio
Brigham Young 1.

The AP poll and coverage of col
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(9-2), No. 13 Virginia (9-2), No.
14 Nebraska (9-3), $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } 15 \\ & \text { N }\end{aligned}$ Michigan (9-3), No. 16 Air Force
(111-1), No. 17 Notre Dame (9-2), No. 18 Syracuse (8-3), No. 19
Georgia (8-3) and No. 20 Texas (8.3). Force beat Brigham Young 20-13 on Saturday in the
Western Athletic Conference Western Athletic Conference
title game. Oregon (8-3) was No. 21, fol-
lowed by No. 22 Penn State ( $8-3$ ), No. 23 Missouri (7-4), No. 24
Miami
$(8-3)$
and Miami (8-3) and
Mississippi State (8-4) Tennessee, ranked 10th in the preseason poll, took over the
No. 1 spot from Ohio State on lost to Michigan State $28-24$. The AP will announce its national champion on Tuesday,
Jan. 5, the day after the Fiesta Jan. 5, the day after the Fiesta
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Tonight: Burn the midnigh SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec Distant elements draw your attention. You might have hard time staying in the her act people whom you are hinking about. Don't hold back what you feelings because o reaction to be. Tonight: Find CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan One-to-one relating opens domestic issue. Discussions with a roommate or partne prove enlightening. Know tha reveal your true feelings隹eone is there for you. Dont Dinner for two much. Tonight AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Allow others to see what you riend ease past a problem. On alk could be stilted an someone's offer. Others prove helpful and are willing to pitch in. Projects are easily complet-
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"CHRISTMAS MUST BE COMIN' JOEY. I HEARD
THE FIRST PARTRIDGE IN A PEAR TRE TODAY."
THIS DATE days left in the year
Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 7. 1941, Japanese base of the U.S. Pacific fleet at
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Nhilharmonic gave its first con Cert. In 1946, America's worst hotel Hotel in Atlanta; the blaz killed 119 people, including hotel founder W. Frank
Winecoff. In 1972, America's last moon mission to date was launched
as Apollo 17 blasted off from Cape Canaveral.
In 1985, retired Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart
died in Hanover, N.H., at age In 1987, Soviet leader Mikhail American soil for the first time, arriving for a Washington
summit with President Reagan. In 1987, 43 people were killed
in the crash of a Pacific Southwest Airlines jetliner in
California after a gunman apparently opened fire on a fel pilots. Ten years ago: A major earth
quake in the Soviet Union dev astated northern Armenia; offi
cial estimates put the cial estimates put the death toll
at 25,000 . Five years ago: A gunman
opened fire on a Long Island Rail Road commuter train
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than 200 nuclear weapons tests in secret. Surgeon Genera
Joycelyn Elders suggested tha the government study the impact of drug legalization.
One year ago: Republicans One year ago: Republicans
threatened Attorney General Janet Reno with contempt of Congress over her decision to
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campaign fund raising. Singer Bob Dylan, actor Charlton Heston, actress Lauren Bacall,
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and ballet master Edward Villella shared the 20th annual Kennedy Center Honors in Washington D.C. Today's Birthdays: Actor Eli Bobby Osborne is 67. Actress Ellen Burstyn is 66. Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss., is 61 . ABC News anchorwoman Carole
Simpson is 58 . Baseball Hall-of. Famer Johnny Bench is 51 . Country singer Gary Morris is 50. Singer-songwriter Tom Barnes is 43 . Basketball Hall-ofFamer Larry' Bird is 42 .

