TUESDAY September 14, 1999

WEATHER

Tonight:



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TONIGHT WEDNESDAY 60°-63° 81°-84°

Hispanic art to be on display at Hunt Library

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15-Oct. 15, Howard College will display a collection of Hispanic art in the Anthony Hunt Library on the college campus.

The collection will feature work by Howard College students and other local artists. Library hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Special honorees for the month are Hispanic Women for Progress of Big Spring.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

Quarterback Club, 7 p.m., Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus

vSenior Circle Big Spring Mall Walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box

Line dancing, 10:30 a.m., Senior Citizen Center. Industrial Park. ☐ Big Spring Downtown

Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. ☐ Mt. Bethel Baptist

Church is having a going away appreciation covered dish fellowship for Rev. E.C. Wilson and family at 6:30 p.m. Each attendee is asked to bring a covered dish.

☐ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.

☐ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes. 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.

☐ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Rackley-Swords Chapter 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.

☐ American Legion Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084. ☐ Masonic Lodge NO. 1340,

7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

□ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

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'See You at the Pole' gathering planned Wednesday in Crossroads Area

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

Just as the sun is rising Wednesday, dozens of local high school and junior high students will gather around campus flagpoles to pray

It's a national, student-led effort known as "See You at the Pole." The purpose, local youth ministers said, is simply prayer.

"The design and intent is just to show up and pray," said Jeff Donnell, youth minister at First

Baptist Church. He expects just administrators. about all the members of his youth group to participate.

Gatherings are planned not only at Big Spring High School and Big Spring Junior High School, but also Forsan and Coahoma school flagpoles. Most prayer meetings will start at 7:30 a.m.

Adults, Donnell said, will meet across the street from most of the youth-led events. There, parents and ministers will add their prayers for the students, their teachers and

"We want to be there to support our young people, but out of respect for the laws and such, we will be across the street," said Virgil Feinsod, youth minister at First United Methodist Church.

Donnell said "See You at the Pole" is unique in that students are in charge.

"What these kids are saying is We're going to get together and pray," Donnell said. "Anytime they say that, we want to support it as much as possible.'

fits in with his goals for the youth group members and other young Christians

"I want these kids to have their own faith," he said, "not their parents' faith and not my faith - their own.'

Wednesday evening at 7, those same students and more will meet at Comanche Trail Park Amphitheatre for a city-wide rally they have named "Saw You at the Pole.'

While the morning was filled mostly with prayer, the evening

He said "See You at the Pole" event will include drama and music - fun ways for teens to

worship, youth leaders said. "This is a great time for youth from many churches to get together and do some more worship," Donnell said. While youth from Nazarene, Baptist, Methodist and non-denominational churches are expected to join, anyone is welcome, he added.

"Both of these worship events are designed for anyone to get involved who wants to, Donnell said.



Compaction grouting work has begun on Big Spring Junior High School. A crew from Haywood Baker of Dallas began drilling holes in the terrazzo flooring at the southeast corner door today. Compaction grouting involves pumping concrete under the building to stabilize the soil to stop the sinking and wall cracking the \$10 million new school has experienced. Drilling is Chris Fletcher, supervised by Corey Shipwash, right.

Howard County commissioners keep same 45.89-cent tax rate as last year

RICK McLAUGHLIN

Staff Writer

As expected, Howard County Commissioner's Court on Monday approved keeping

Howard County's tax rate the same rate as last year — at 45.89 cents per \$100 of valuation for the third year in a row. Homeowners

will see theirtax bill stay LOCKHART the same assuming the valuation is the same as last year, and county employees are going back to a 40-hour work week starting Oct. 1. Also, a one-time Christmas "supplement" the first pay period in December.

The county saved \$140,000 during the six months of this year that the 135 full-time employees and 38 part-time employees were on the reduced-hours schedule, said County Judge Ben Lockhart after the budget meeting and public hearing.

In addition to returning to 40hour work weeks for employees, the commissioners budgeted a \$500 bonus, or supplement as they called it, for full-time employees with more than six months of employment with the county. A supplement of \$250 was approved for part-time employees with more than six months. The supplement for

county employees will receive both full-time and part-time employees is expected to cost \$90,000, according to the Howard County Treasurer's

This will be the third consecutive year the court has kept the tax rate at 45.89 cents which this year is expected to raise \$3,749,546. The same rate raised \$4,479,959 last year, a shortfall of \$730,413 due to falling mineral valuations. The difference has been made up in cost-cutting measures.

General fund expenditures for 1999-2000 budget year will be \$5,463,265 with tax revenues estimated at \$4,255,961 and total revenues estimated **\$5,463,265**.

The new year's estimated

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County employees' salaries don't change much

RICK McLAUGHLIN

Staff Writer

Salaries and benefits for departments and major department heads are aren't going very far up or down in the 1999-2000 Howard County bud-

The big budget on the departmental block is the sheriff's office with a \$955,461 budget for the new year. Salaries for the department at \$591,531, with the sheriff getting \$39,483.15, the same as last year. Two years ago, the sher-

iff's salary was \$36,603. The sheriff's office salaries are up slightly from the \$589,300 budgeted two years ago, but are down from the \$644,161 budgeted for 1998-99. The same is true for the department's budget as a whole

 up from the \$923,874 budget two years ago, but down from the \$1,44,215 budgeted in 1998-

The jail is a separate department budget with \$502,497 appropriated for 1999-2000, compared to \$503,373 last year and \$460,451 in the 1997-98 bud-

The salary and expenses of the 118th District Judge's office are up slightly from \$98,262 in the 1998-99 budget to \$98,827 in the 1999-2000 budget.

The personal salary of Judge Robert H. Moore II of \$101,600 per year is paid by the state, but is supplemented by the county with about \$6,000.

Other salaries for his office went down from \$46,126 in the 1997-98 budget to \$45,807 in the 1998-99 budget and up \$120 per year to \$45,927 in the newest budget.

Salaries, benefits and expenses for the judge's office were \$83,622 in the 1997-98 budget, \$98,262 in 1998-99 and \$98,827 for the 1999-2000 budget year.

Justice of the peace personal salaries for 1999-2000 are, respectively:

JP 1.1 Green, \$31,900.

JP 1.2 Carson, \$31,900.
JP 1.3 Dobbs, 32,230.

Their combined salaries (justice of the peace and staff), benefits and expense account

<u>Water</u>

Planning groups given necessary funding to help complete the task

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

West Texas water planning groups have been appropriated \$5 million over the next two years to help complete their

The funds were appropriated by the 76th Texas Legislature, which directed in 1997 than a statewide water conservation program be established. "Without a water plan for the

future, many small, rural Texas cities will wither up and die as our population grows and water resources become more scarce," said Rep. David Counts, who helped lead the charge for an increase in funding for water planning during the last legislative session.

The regional groups are made up of representatives from cities, counties, agriculture and water suppliers. John Grant, Colorado Municipal Water District manager, chairs the which includes Howard, cent of the cost but the people Midland, Tom Green, Martin



COUNTS



GRANT and other counties.

Grant credited Counts with helping make the program workable

'The comprehensive water bill, Senate Bill 1, was original ly projected to cost \$16.5 million. But when we actually got into it, it was determined it would cost closer to \$23 million. David was instrumental in helping secure those funds," said

"David was also very instrumental in helping get some of the rules changed for regional water planning. Initially, the Region F. a 32-county area state was going to pay 75 per-

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Business After Hours event set Thursday at Beth Ann's

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor another Business After Hours gettogether on Thursday at Beth Ann's.

The informal, come-and-go event will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.. The public is invited and there is no charge.

Business After Hours is a chamber program designed to encourage networking and to showcase sponsors.

"It's a great way for business owners and the general public to get to know each other, and to introduce them to this particular business," said Allan Johnson, who is in charge of the Business After Hours pro-

"If you are comfortable about who you are buying from, you are going to go back and buy from them. It helps keep businesses in town," Johnson said. "Plus, people visiting is always good, and that's what this is all about."

Door prizes will be given away and refreshments will be served.

Business owners are encouraged to attend and exchange business cards and information. The public is also invited to come and meet business leaders and learn more about the products the women's clothing store has to offer.

Beth Ann's is located at 2112



Tony Pena of Big Spring puts some of the final touches on the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium. Pena, who works for Johnston Construction, said there are only about two, maybe three, weeks of work left and he expects the renovation of the historic auditorium to be finished slightly ahead of the the Oct. 1 dead-

OBITUARIES

Hazel Shortes

Graveside service for Hazel Shortes, 74, Ackerly, will be 10 Vednesday, Sept. 15, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Shortes died Thursday, Sept. 9, at her home.

She was orn on May 15. 1925, in Dalvson County. She marri d Marvie Shortes on Jan. 1 1946, in Sparenberg. She was a housewife and a long time member of the Northridge Methodist Church.

Survivors include: her husband, Marvie Shortes of Big Spring; and one son, Dee

Shortes of Portland, Ore. Arrangements under the direction of Branon Funeral Home Inc., Lamesa

Velma C. Jones

Graveside service for Velma C. Jones, 83, Abilene, was 2:30 p.m. today in Elmwood Memorial Park, Abilene, with Rick Cunningham, minister at 14th and Main Church of Christ in Big Spring, officiating. She died Sunday, Sept. 12, 1999, at an Abilene hospital.

Mrs. Jones was born in Quinton, Okla., and attended schools in Pleasant Hill, Scurry County. She moved to Abilene in 1970 from Sweetwater. She married James Anson Jones in Colorado City June 15, 1935, and he preceded her in death in 1993. Mrs. Jones was a homemaker and member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include: three daughters, LaNell Morgan of Big Spring, and Joyce Middleton and Oleta Ahlfield, both of Abilene; two sisters, Nonnie Lobbin of Odessa and Pearl Houts of Fort Worth; four grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Hendrick Hospice Care, P.O. Box 1922, Abilene 79604.

Arrangements under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Homes, Abilene.

Lucille Krumnow Service for Lucille Krumnow,

90, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1999, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints with Bishop Ron Colwell officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial

She died Monday, Sept. 13, 1999, in a local nursing home.

She was born June 24, 1909, in Yazoo, Miss., and married Tom C. Krumnow in Houston and he preceded her in death. She first came to Big Spring in 1918 and served in the United States Army as a nurse during World War II. She worked in Houston as an LVN until

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Trinity Memorial Park



Alton D. Ditto, 67, died Monday. Services will be 4:00 PM Wednesday at Hillcrest Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Lucille Krumnow, 90, died Monday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Lorena Ethel Shortes, 95, died Tuesday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Doyle Singleton, 57, died Monday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Survivors include: one son, Garner Thixton of Big Spring; four grandchildren; four greatgrandchildren; seven sisters; and one brother.

The family suggests memorials to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1803 Wasson Rd., Big Spring.

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

Alton D. Ditto

Alton D. Ditto, 67, Big Spring, died Monday Sept. 13, 1999, in a Lubbock hospital. Service will be 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, 1999, at Hillcrest Baptist Church with Dr. Robert Lacey, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial

He was born April 21, 1932, in McLennan County, and married Shirley Cearley on June 12, 1956, in Coahoma

He came to Big Spring in 1946 and worked for McCann Butane Company for 25 years and for Trio Fuels 14 years as a truck driver and repairman.

He was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church and was a deacon for 26 years. He was a volunteer at the Veterans Administration Medical Center and taught Sunday School there for 29 years. Mr. Ditto served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

Survivors include: his wife, Shirley Ditto of Big Spring; two sons and daughters-in-law, Doyle and Kim Ditto and Donnie and Melissa Ditto, all of Lubbock; three brothers, Dale Ditto and Loy Ditto, both of Big Spring, and Edwin Ditto of Kermit; one sister, Wanda Foster of Kermit; three granddaughters, Stevie Ditto, Danielle Ditto and Callie Ditto, all of Lubbock; one grandson, Garrett Ditto of Lubbock; and

numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Guy and Edna Ditto, and one brother, Darrell

The family suggests memorials to Hillcrest Baptist Church, 2000 W. FM 700, Big Spring. The family will receive friends today from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

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

Paid obituary

Doyle Singleton Service is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home for Doyle Singleton, 57, of Midland. He died Monday, Sept. 13, 1999, in a Big Spring

Lorena Shortes

Service is pending with Home for Lorena Ethel Shortes

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral 95, of Big Spring. She died Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1999.

COUNTY

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expenditures of 5.46 million is down slightly compared to 1998-1999 expenditures of \$5,514,944 and 1997-1998 expenditures of \$6,244,190. Expenditures fell \$729,246 from 1999-98 and fell another \$51,679 from last year to this, for a two-year decline of \$880,925 in general fund budgeted expenditures.

Appraised value for the 1999-2000 budget year comes to \$1,170,719,064 compared to the county's appraised value of \$1,299,983,896 for the 1998-1999 budget year.

However, the value of exemptions is up to \$195,707,677 for the 1999-2000 budget year compared to \$179,568,724 for the last year. That means the taxable value, certified by the appraisal district, is \$975,011,387 compared to the certified taxable value last year of \$1,120,415,172, a difference of more than \$145 million.

With verified intangibles factored in, the total taxable values for this year and last year, respectively, are \$976,238,649,

and \$1,121,771,212. The estimated collections of taxes for this year and last are, respectively, \$4,225,961 compared to \$4,890,418, a decline in estimated collections this year of \$634,457.

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This year's \$978 million value total compares with the recent high point of valuations in 1997 of \$1,155,013,307, a difference of more than \$277 million.

The 1999-2000 budget's revenue comes from several sources. Taxes provide 62 percent of the revenue. Charges for services account for another 14 percent of revenue. Eleven percent of the budget revenue comes from licenses and permits, while fines and fees provide 8 percent of revenue. Miscellaneous makes up 4 percent of revenue and inter-government transfers provide 1 percent of revenue.

In other business, the court approved:

· Rescinding the ban on burning issued Friday just hours before the first of several recent Selling a vacant, surplus .2

acre lot on Hoosier Road for \$800 "to get it back on the tax · Renewed the contract for

juvenile services with Garza County for the Juvenile Detention Center. · Re-appointed Tracy Tartar

SALARIES

as outside auditor.

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packages for 1999-2000 are: Green, \$82,764; Carson, \$83,102; and Dobbs, \$77,373.

The district attorney's office is budgeted at \$181,422 for the 1999-2000 budget year. The district attorney's office salaries have gone from \$114,725 in the 1997-98 budget year to \$135,871 in the 1998-99 year to \$135,991 in the new budget.

The district attorney's personal salary is \$101,000 from the state with a supplement from the county of \$11,000.

His office's salaries, benefits, and expense package has gone from \$161,400 to \$182,705 to \$181,422 for the three budget years, respectively. The district clerk's salary is

set at \$38.954 in the new budget. That office is budgeted at \$128,025 in salaries for the 1999-2000 year, up slightly from \$126,090 in 1997-98 and \$127,655 The department overall is

budgeted \$206,162 for the new year, \$206,352 for 1998-99 and \$199,597 in the 1997-98 budget

The county attorney's office budget is set at \$99,504 in salaries and \$147,349 in salaries. benefits and expenses for the new year. Salaries were \$99,114 and department budget was \$147,457 in the 1998-99 budget year. Salaries were \$98,992 and the department budget was \$140,128 in the 1997-98 year.

The county attorney's salary is \$46,180 in the new budget, and does not include a \$16,950 supplement from the state.

The county clerk's salary is budgeted at \$38,954 in a department salary budget of \$168,699. The department's total budget is \$274,080 for the new budget

The county clerk's office salaries have declined from \$196,354 two years ago, to \$193,537 in the 1998-99 budget, to

the current \$168,699. The department's overall budget increased from the \$300,174 in 1997-98 to \$309,825 in 1998-99 and dropped significantly to

\$274,080 in the new budget year. The county judge will receive \$41,071 plus a \$10,000 supplement from the state in the new budget. The county judge's office budget is \$136,883 in the new year, \$131,593 in the 1998-99

98 budget. County commissioners will receive \$30,533.05 in the new budget. Salaries are set at \$126,941 with a departmental

budget and \$133,250 in the 1997-

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The commissioners court budget was \$163,841 two years ago, \$173,977 in the 1998-99 budget and has declined \$163 in the new budget, to \$173,814.

budget of \$173,814.

The county auditor will receive \$43,953 in the new budget and the auditor's department is budgeted at \$154,987.

The county treasurer and county tax assessor/collector will each receive \$38,953.95.

The Treasurer's office is budgeted at \$79,551, down from \$88.080 two years ago and down even more from \$92,769 in the 1998-99 budget year.

The tax office is budgeted at \$326,125, up from \$314,878, but down from the \$328,552 budget in 1998-99.

WATER

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in each region were going to have to come up with the other 25 percent. In Region F, the cost of the program is a little over \$1.5 million. That meant we would have had to come up with a quarter of a million dollars, and that just wasn't feasible," said Grant. "He helped get the rules changed to where the state pays for everything but administrative costs, and those are fairly nominal."

Planning began in March of 1998, and most of the first 12 months was spent taking care of administrative matters, Grant

"Since March, we've been in the planning process. We've completed population and water use projections for the next 50 years. Our consultants are in the process of gathering information on available surface water and ground water. Once we get that, we'll be determining whether the availability of water meets those population and water use projections, and if it doesn't, what we need to do about it," Grant said.

The next meeting of the Region F water planning group will be Monday, Sept. 27, at 10:30 a.m. the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum East Room.

we encourage the public and those interested in water to come out and see what's going on. This is a planning process. said Grant. Representatives from the

Texas Water Development

Board and the Texas Parks & Wildlife will be making presentations at the meeting. The legislature appropriated more than \$17.9 million to be

used over the next six years for planning efforts statewide.

Regional water plans are due to the state's water planning agency, the Texas Water Development Board, on Jan. 5, 2002. After that date, the agency will stop providing financial assistance to water supply projects that are not consistent with the regional plan.

Support Groups

TUESDAY

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

Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles. ·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

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Monday's high 78

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Average high 88

Record high 104 in 1930

Record low 45 in 1975

Precip. Monday 0.00

Month's normal 0.46

Normal for the year 13.83

FIRE/EMS

Sunrise Wednesday 7:30 a.m.

Following is a summary of

9:37 a.m. - 700 block West I-

20, trauma call, patient trans-

ported to Scenic Mountain

9:53 a.m. — 200 block Little

1:25 p.m. - 3200 block

1:57 p.m. -1300 block

4:11 p.m. - Highway 821,

Marijo, medical call, service

Parkway, medical call, patient

Road, medical call, patient

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Department/EMS reports:

MONDAY

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Sunset Wednesday 7:52 p.m.

Month to date 3.17

Year to date 11.44

Average low 63

February, April, June, August, October and December in the RECORDS Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West

Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769. ·Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Sue Jones, 263-7361

ext. 7179 or 264-7518. "Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610 Dixon, call 264-9900.

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients in Midland. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

BRIEFS

AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 506 will have a fish fry on Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. at 3203 W. Hwy 80. The cost is \$6 per plate and carry out is available. For more information or to call in an order, 263-2084.

MT. BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH is having a going away appreciation covered dish fellowship for Rev. E.C. Wilson and family on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Each attendee is asked to bring a covered dish.

for the Scout Store, located at 610 Scurry. It is now open from 4-6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and contains a wide variety of Scouting items. FORSAN JUNIOR/SENIOR

THERE ARE NEW HOURS

HIGH School will have an open house on Tuesday, Sept. 21, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. First sixweeks report cards will be handed out at this time. All parents are invited to attend.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 55.25 cents, up 40 points; Oct. crude 23.96, down 25 points; cash hogs \$2 lower at 32 even; cash steers steady at 66 even; Oct. lean hog futures 41.30, down 167 points; Oct. live cattle futures 67.42, up 5 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Other markets not available by presstime.

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6:17 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC. 8:58 p.m. — 1000 block E.

21st, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC. 9:45 p.m. - 3700 block

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transported to SMMC 10:50 p.m. - 2000 block Virginia, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday.

•EUSVIO GALAVIZ, 34, was arrested for a class C assault. •EARL HANKE, 41, was

arrested on local warrants. •KATHY TURNEY, 46, was arrested for driving while

intoxicated. •GREGORY GREEN, 27, was arrested for public intoxication. •CYNTHIA THOMAS, 20, was arrested for public intoxication.

·LARITA BECK, 48, was arrested for public intoxication. •DELFINO ZARRAGA, 19. was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

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Monster Floyd bears down on Southeast; evacuations planned

GENERAL NEWS

shelters opened and buildings were boarded up as residents along 400 miles of coastal Florida and Georgia made final preparations for Hurricane Floyd, one of the most powerful storms to ever threaten the United States.

Floyd's top winds were 155 mph - just below Category 5 strength, the most powerful designation for a hurricane. Storm surges were reported at up to 20 feet above normal tide levels.

At 5 a.m. EDT, Floyd was about 275 miles southeast of Miami and moving slightly to the northwest at about 14 mph. Southern Florida could begin feeling hurricane-force winds at least 74 mph - by this after-

But forecasters said early today that Floyd was expected

MIAMI (AP) — Schools closed, to gradually turn northwest and pretty devastating." possibly hit land somewhere between central Florida and South Carolina in the next few

> Although it may shift north, Florida would still be battered when Floyd's eye was expected to pass within 90 miles of southern Florida today and perhaps skirt as near as 50 miles from north Florida's coast by Wednesday morning.

Damage could come from hurricane-force winds that extend 125 miles from the hurricane's center. Tropical storm force winds reached out as far as 290

"If this thing parallels us, it could act like a weed-eater going up the coast," said Craig Fugate of the Florida Emergency Operations Center in Tallahassee. "It's going to be Floyd was much larger than

Hurricane Andrew – a Category 4 storm — which smashed into South Florida in 1992, causing \$25 billion in damage, killing 26 people and leaving 160,000 homeless.

The East Coast from Florida City, south of Miami, to Brunswick, Ga., \neq about 400 miles + was under a hurricane warning Monday night, meaning hurricane conditions could be felt within 24 hours.

A hurricane watch covered coastal areas from Brunswick north along most of the South Carolina coast, while a tropical storm warning was in effect for most of the Florida Keys.

Residents in coastal and lowlying areas of Florida and Georgia packed stores to stock up on canned food, bottled

water, plywood and aluminum shutters as about 1 million residents were urged to evacuate.

Florida Gov. Jeb Bush declared a state of emergency, giving him the authority to deploy the state's National Guard. Officials suspended tolls on Florida's Turnpike, one of three major north-south highways, and other toll roads in centual and southern Florida.

Martha Thompson, 48, was worried about being alone during a storm and went to a Miami-Dade County shelter Monday night.

"Unfortunately, my husband died last year, and I can't stay alone in my house during this hurricane," she said. "I would not know what to do.'

Central Florida tourist attractions and theme parks that have never been through a major

worst by lowering water levels in manmade lagoons, and removing trash cans and anything else that could become a projectile.

Airlines canceled virtually all flights into and out of southern Florida, while Navy ships left port to ride out the storm at sea, and aircraft were sent inland.

A skeleton crew left behind at NASA's Kennedy Space Center was expected to remain unless winds become as fierce as pre-

Three space shuttles were in the shuttle hangar, which is designed to withstand wind of only up to 105 mph.

A fourth is in the 525-foot-high Vehicle Assembly Building, which is designed to withstand wind of up to 125 mph.

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hurricane prepared for the ets stood exposed on launeh pads and could not be moved in

> In Georgia, Gov. Roy Barnes activated the National Guard late Monday to aid evacuation. Further up the coast, in South Carolina, residents with memories of Hurricane Hugo which battered the coast with 135 mph winds 10 years ago also started packing up.

"How do you prepare for a storm that's going to wipe you out?" asked Buster Browne, a McClennanville, S.C., resident who rode out Hugo, a Category 4 storm.

"Category 1 or 2, you run out and buy plywood and do what you can," he said "If a Category 5's going to hit you, what the hell are you going to do? Get the stuff you want to save and leave town.'

Democrat: Justice disclosed use of pyrotechnic tear gas

chief Republican congressional investigator in the Waco affair overlooked evidence his own committee had received from the Justice Department four years ago showing federal agents used potentially incendiary tear gas during the fiery end of the 1993 Branch Davidian siege, a key House Democrat disclosed Monday.

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Releasing a trio of documents that "explicitly" describe the FBI's use of military tear gas rounds on the standoff's final day, Rep. Henry Waxman questioned why the House Government Reform Committee's chairman is accusing the Justice Department of a coverup when his own investigators overlooked the same evidence that suddenly has revived the

"Contrary to the allegations of cover-up, substantial evidence of the use of military tear gas rounds was, in fact, provided to Congress in 1995," said Waxman, top Democrat on the Government Reform Comm-

The records, discovered among the more than 40 boxes of material compiled during the at 181 pilot's 1993 statement recarming a radio transmission

in which agents had a convertion of some sort of military

unnamed FBI agent's explanation that smoke captured on film "came from attempt to penetrate bunker with one military and two (non-incendiary) rounds.'

In a letter to the special counsel investigating the controversy, Waxman of California wrote: "There is no indication that Chairman (Dan) Burton or his staff thought to review these documents before accusing the attorney general of a

Burton spokesman Mark Corallo acknowledged the records had been in the committee's possession since 1995. However, he noted, they were part of more than 100,000 documents which the Justice Department gave the panel three days before hearings were set to begin, "in an obvious attempt to keep congressional staff from having enough time to review those docu-

Added Corallo: "You have to wonder why the attorney general is running around seeming so distraught and upset that people lied to her ... despite the fact that a memo has existed at the Justice Department since 1993 that points to the use of these devices.'

Last week the Justice Department was forced to

WASHINGTON (AP) - The view summaries include an mentioning the use of military 28 gun battle that ignited the tear gas. 🚌

> The missing page "raises more questions about whether this committee was intentionally misled during the original Waco investigation," Burton, R-Ind., said on "Fox News

> Houston lawyer Michael Caddell, who represents surviving Davidians in their upcoming lawsuit against the government, said the Waxman disclosures mean little. "Unless you were a munitions expert, you would not know that military CS gas was necessarily a pyrotechnic device," he said. 'You've got to connect the

> Until the FBI's recent admission that a "very limited number" of pyrotechnic rounds were fired, Justice and FBI officials publicly had denied the use of potentially incendiary tear gas. That about-face has sparked inquiry and led Attorney General Janet Reno to appoint an outside investigator.

> Waxman's presentation came as the Texas Rangers released a report showing that spent rifle cartridges of a caliber preferred by snipers turned up in a house the FBI used during the sevenweek siege.

The FBI steadfastly has single shot that day. Bureau of acknowledge it had failed in Alcohol, Tobadco and Firearms on a concrete 1995 to give Congress the key agents also had used the house bunker." And post-raid interpage from a 1993 FBI/lab report 51 days earlier during the Feb.

standoff. The ATF agents had been trying to serve weapons warrants on/the well-armed Davidians, who had received a tip about the raid.

The spent .308-caliber and .223-caliber casings recovered at the scene match the type ATF agents used, an agency spokesman said. Whether the shell casings referenced in the Rangers' report are from the ATF agents' rounds, "We do not know," ATF spokesman Jeff Roehm said.

FBI spokesman Tron Brekke said .308-caliber and .223-caliber shells are "within our inventory," but added, "Our position is the same as it's always been: We didn't fire any rounds at Waco.'

In an account the FBI since has said was wrong, an FBI agent initially reported hearing shots fired from that house on April 19, 1993, the siege's final

Former Sen. John Danforth, the Missouri Republican Reno appointed last week to head an independent inquiry, said whether FBI agents fired shots that day will be among the "dark questions" his inquiry will probe.

The Rangers' report also includes a letter from a federal denied that its agents fired a prosecutor who told Reno that may have withheld facts from her regarding use of the pyrotechnic tear gas.

Lawyers ask for delay in providing witness lists

WACO (AP) - Government attorneys asked Monday for a two-week extension in turning over information about expert witnesses scheduled to testify at a lawsuit brought by Branch

In their motion, government attorneys said they could not produce the witness list due last Friday and also comply with a House Government Reform Committee request to review case files for two previous lawsuits, along with the United States v. Branch trial transcript and "voluminous other materials."

Mike Caddell, lead attorney for the Branch Davidians, said that while he does not object to the extension, it's another reason to delay the trial set for Oct.

Plaintiffs attorneys filed a motion last week to delay the trial until Dec. 6 or Jan. 10 and asked for a meeting with U.S. District Judge Walter Smith to discuss scheduling.

Caddell said he is still waiting on key evidence from the government, including audio tapes and videotapes from April 19, 1993, the day that the Davidians' compound 10 miles west of Waco went up in flames, killing David Koresh and about 80 of his followers, ending a 51-

In the government's motion, attorneys said they have gathered for the plaintiffs approximately seven boxes of documents, plus several boxes containing videotapes, audio tapes. photographs, diagrams and other materials.

"Additional files are being searched, and it is expected that more materials may be made available shortly," the motion The wrongful death lawsuit

filed by survivors and relatives of the dead challenges the government's conclusions that the Davidians started the fire and shot first during the initial

The FBI now admits that potentially incendiary tear-gas canisters were fired on the final day but says they were aimed away from the main compound.

Attorneys for the Davidians filed a document Monday adding Edward Allard to their list of expert witnesses for the

Allard will testify his analysis of a Forward Looking Infra Red (FLIR) tape shows that at least 60 shots were fired at the Davidians on the day their residence burned down.

Allard made similar claims in the 1997 film, "Waco: Rules of Engagement."

Trump may run as Reform Party candidate

WASHINGTON (AP) Donald Trump says he may run for president as a Reform Party candidate out of respect for

Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura. Supporters of Ventura, a former professional wrestler and a leader in the Reform Party, are said to be urging Trump to run as an alternative to the potential candidacy of Pat Buchanan.

"Everybody wants me to run for president, and I have a lot of respect for Jesse and the job he has done," Trump said Monday in a telephone interview from his New York office. "When he asks to look at something, I'm going to consider it.'

He declined to say whether Ventura has actually urged him

to run, though Trump has talked to the governor recently. But Ventura's backers are making it clear that Trump would more suitable than Buchanan.

And an official who has talked to both Trump and Ventura said the governor would prefer to see Trump run.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity.

Ventura said Monday that he has had three conversations with Trump, and that "he is starting to pique my interest a

"I think he may end up being a good candidate for us, Ventura said, adding that he has read Trump's upcoming

book and he believes Trump "seems to parallel me a lot."

Buchanan, a three-time Republican presidential candidate who is sagging in the 2000 presidential polls, is on the brink of bolting the GOP for the Reform Party. Trump's remarks set the stage for a potential clash between him and

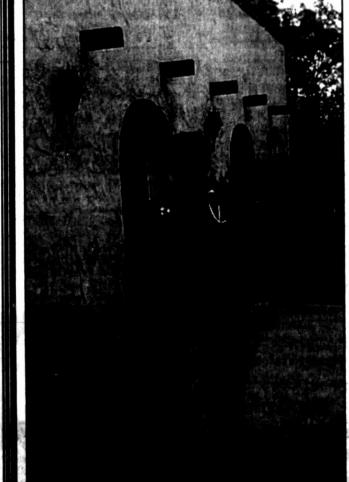
"I think his views are prehis-Trump said toric," Buchanan.

Buchanan, appearing on CNN's "Larry King Live," said he was "heading in that direction of running for the Reform Party nomination ... and we'll have a final decision by Oct.



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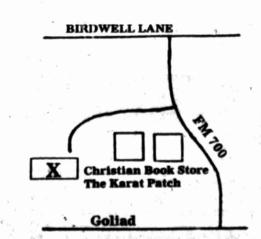
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OUR VIEWS

Take advantage of unique event going on Thursday

usiness leaders and the general public alike are encouraged to participate in Business After Hours this Thursday at Beth Ann's.

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors the quarterly program, which is designed to bring business people together to share information and learn more about each other. The program also gives the public a special opportunity to learn more about the business being featured.

It's an informal, come-and-go event that begins at 5 p.m. and ends at 7 p.m. There is no charge, of course, and refreshments are provided. Door prizes will also be given away.

If you haven't participated in Business After Hours before, you'll find it a unique way to meet a lot of people in a short time and at one location. It's a tradition to exchange business cards, so bring them if you have

Beth Ann's, a women's clothing store, is located at **2112 Scurry**.

We hope to see you there.

Your Views

TO THE EDITOR: When we read today's headline stories, we see a continu ing escalation of serious crimes inflicted upon innocent people by criminals who are becoming younger in age. These stories imply that our streets are not safe.

One of the major causes of this trend is serious failure/in the homes of the people. A failure in cultivating those virtues which lead to respect for law, respect for peers, and especially respect for self. The one virtue I would like to address today is family prayer.

Not long ago family prayer in the home was as much a part of the daily schedule as eating. As this practice has diminished, moral decay has increased. Successful societies are established upon successful families. Successful families are established and maintained on principles of righteousness such as family prayer.

There is something in the very posture of kneeling that contradicts the attitudes of selfishness and pride associated with crime.

There is something in the act of addressing Deity that offsets a tendency toward "...blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, ... without natural affection, ... despisers of those that are good." (2 Timothy 3:1-

The inclination to be unholy, as Paul described it, is erased as together the family members thank the Lord for life and peace and all that they

In remembering together before the Lord, the poor, the needy, and the oppressed, there is developed a love for others above self, a respect for others, and a desire to serve others. One cannot ask God to help a neighbor in need without feeling motivated to do something themselves. I know of no other way of reducing family tension more effectively than family

Family prayer unifies, strengthens love, pleads for for giveness, and sponsors service. We have reached a low point in society where we are no longer able to invoke the blessings of our Creator in our schools at a point where school violence is rampant, but we can still pray in our homes. The family is the basic unit of society and praying as a family

Can we strengthen our society and make it a better place to live? Yes, by starting with our children and strengthening their virtues through kneeling together and supplicating the Almighty in the name of His Beloved Son.

is the hope for a better society.

BISHOP RON COLWELL THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS **BIG SPRING**

TO THE EDITOR:

As president of the Howard County Fair Association this year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of Howard County and the surrounding area for your support of the fair this year. Without the continued support we could not bring the fair to our community.

Most people do not realize the fair costs a great deal of money to present. Without the support of volunteers, financial contributors, the media and many others the fair would not be a reality.

As we look to the new millennium, it is my hope that everyone will continue to support the many areas of the fair. From bringing a petting zoo for the children who have never been on a farm, to Ag in the Classroom, to the Battle of the Cheerleaders, we look forward to continuing to promote agriculture of our children and our community

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Get courts out of student assignment business

ast Friday, a federal judge ordered a halt to the country's oldest Supreme Court-mandated school busing plan in Charlotte, N.C., marking the end of an era that has lasted almost 30 years.

U.S. District Judge Robert Potter ordered the Charlotte-Mecklenburg school district to stop assigning students to schools based on the color of their skin, despite a 28-year-old Supreme

LINDA CHAVEZ

that established the procedure in the first place.

The Charlotte case illustrates the reversal of fortune busing has undergone in the last three decades. What began as a liberal experiment in promoting racial integration and harmony ended in white flight, bitter disappointment and opposition, even among blacks.

From its inception, forced busing to achieve racial integration was controversial. White parents faced with busing their children to poor, often unsafe, inner-city schools fled to suburbs beyond the reach of court orders. Black parents whose children were forced to ride school buses across town two or three hours a day just to attend schools with white children soon began to complain angrily that the time and money busing entailed could be better spent on improving classroom instruction in their neighborhood schools. But despite its unpopularity, forced busing became a common tool in school districts around the country, large and small, urban and suburban.

From Charlotte, to Boston, to Denver, to San Francisco, judges ordered school systems to assign students on the basis of race and ethnicity to achieve some imaginary ideal of racial and ethnic balance. Rather than merely forcing schools to end illegal racial segregation, which had been outlawed since 1954, judges became social engineers bent on achieving certain racial and ethnic mixes within individual schools. regardless of the consequences for students, faculty or the communities in which the schools were based.

But try as they might, most courts failed miserably at their racial and ethnic balancing act. School systems like that in Denver found its student population went from two-thirds white, when it began courtordered busing in 1973, to twothirds black and Hispanic two decades later, as more affluent parents fled the public schools and the city itself. Indeed, as Stephan and

Abigail Thernstrom point out in their monumental study "America in Black and White." few large American cities today even have a majority non-Hispanic white population, and none has a majority white public-school population. Given these demographic realities, school districts are often hardpressed to achieve anything approaching racial integration. Still, courts have been reluc-

tant to give up their oversight of student assignments. Last year, the Center for Equal Opportunity, which I head, obtained records from the U.S. Justice Department indicating some 585 school-desegregation cases remain on the federal court dockets. I have since written all the federal judges in the districts where these cases remain-open, urging them to search their dockets to determine whether illegal segregation of these schools still exists and, if not, to dissolve the court orders and dismiss the

Some judges have responded favorably and have pledged to

review those cases under their jurisdiction. One judge in Texas invited the lawyers in a desegregation case in his district to a status conference to determine whether it was time

— after 20 years — to/close the case down. Others have written to accuse me of having some nefarious ideological agenda. Still others have failed to respond at all.

Ironically, most of these 585 cases stem from the original Supreme Court decision that approved forced busing for Charlotte-Mecklenburg students in 1971. In that case, Swann v. Charlotte Mecklenburg Board of Education, the Supreme Court granted broad discretionary power to federal district courts to "remedy past wrongs," including "the very limited use

... of mathematical ratios" to assign students of differing races and ethnic groups to the same schools.

The Supreme Court has since decided such methods should not continue "in perpetuity," but not all the lower courts have gotten the message. Now that the district court in Charlotte-Mecklenburg has reached its historic decision. others should follow suit and get the federal courts out of the business of making student assignments.

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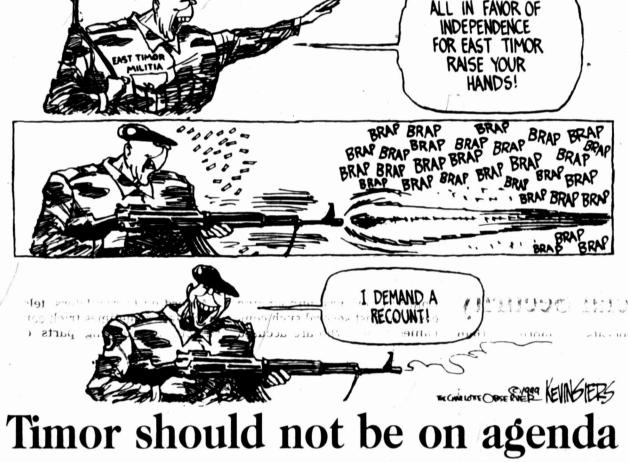
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he new "crisis" some pols and media pundits want you to think about is Timor. Forget

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portant to us and none of our business.

Timor is an island, about 13,000 square miles, very mountainous, long but narrow. The inhabitants grow rice, coconuts and coffee and

raise some cattle in a few

stretches of grassland. It was once divided between

the Dutch (West Timor) and the Portuguese (East Timor). When the Republic of Indonesia was created in 1950, West Timor became part of Indonesia. East Timor remained a Portuguese colony until a brief civil war in 1975. A leftist outfit won, and the Indonesian army came in and took the eastern half. It has

been Indonesia ever since. More to the point, Americans should no more care whether it's Indonesian or independent than they cared whether it was Dutch and Portuguese. It's just none of our business. This sudden interest on the part of the United States in settling ethnic squabbles in out-of-the-way places smells like dead fish to

Our logical interest should be Indonesia, which covers 700.000 square miles with a population of 212 million. Yet the Clinton administration is threatening Indonesia over its internal problems with Timor. And the press seems to be about to go frothy over a place I venture to say few could find on a map.

In the meantime, important topics get ignored. We should be focused on the

immigration crisis. Loose laws allow about 1.2 million immigrants per year. There should be a moratorium. This immigration at this level at this time has a lot of negative consequences on the labor market, the environment, on welfare, crime and education.

We should be focused on the agricultural crisis. Even some government officials are saying American farms are on the way out. That would be a disaster. A country this large cannot afford to be dependent on imports to feed its people.

We should be focused on the defects in the economy that are causing a widening gap between rich and poor and squeezing the middle class. The stock-market euphoria, to anyone who knows American economic history, is an ominous, not a hopeful, sign.

We should be focused on the fact that increasing numbers of Americans in the middle class can afford neither lawyers nor illness - high costs in both areas are leaving more and more people out in the cold.

We should be focused on the decline of government education and either seriously reform it, which is probably impossible, or abandon it. which is quite feasible. We should be focused on the

military crisis, in which a stripped-down and overutilized military is wearing out its equipment and its people. There needs to be a realistic military mission and a force properly equipped and properly funded to accomplish it. Both mission and force structure are in limbo. Whether we like it or not,

Medicare and Social Security are here forever, short of a revolution, so Congress ought to get busy and seriously repair the defects in both programs. At this point in our history, foreign policy should take a

back seat. Contrary to the multicultural garbage preached in the United States, ethnic and racial and tribal differences are causing problems all over but not in any way that threatens the economic interests or national security of the United States. Apparently, however,

Washington likes foreign policy as a red herring to distract people from all the unsolved domestic problems. That's wrong, and Americans ought to raise heck about it. As for Timor, that's Indonesia's prob-

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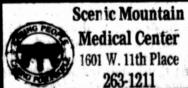
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without resorting to budget gimmicks, like declaring the 2000 census an "emergency" so the surplus can be used to pay for it. Nonetheless, the GOP intent is to write bills that make a statement.

"Social Security is where we're staking our ground," said John Feehery, spokesman for House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-III.

will have to battle the perception of the public, which polls have long shown trusts



House moving again to OK ban on unlimited soft money

WASHINGTON (AP) - For are now paid for with soft the second consecutive year, the House appears ready to brush aside the objections of Republican leaders and approve a ban on the unlimited 'soft money" campaign donations so prized by the national political parties.

"This is the moment of truth for all who support reform to our corrupt campaign finance system," Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., said Monday or is made anonymously, or at a news conference where backers of the bipartisan measure expressed optimism about today's vote.

"It is a debate that is long overdue.

It was also a debate with a familiar ring.

Last year, the House approved similar legislation that included a ban on soft money for national parties and for state parties seeking to influence federal elections. The vote then was 252-179, and came after a strenuous cam-Republican majority.

The bill died in a Senate filibuster last year, and opponents have promised to try and kill it again when it reaches the floor in October.

In addition to banning softmoney donations, which are not regulated by the federal government, the bill would place curbs on certain political advertising. Broadcast commercials within 60 days of an election that made use of the name or likeness of a candidate would have to be paid for with regulated contributions. So, too, would any print or broadcast commercial that contained an "unmistakeable or unambiguous" appeal for the election or defeat of a federal candidate.

Those designed to crack down on all prepared for the two men's thinly veiled attack ads that presentation.

money.

A House Republican leader ridiculed the measure on Monday as an infringement on the First Amendment's freespeech guarantee.

For the bill to be constitutional, said Rep. J.C. Watts, R-Okla., the First Amendment would have had to be written so it didn't apply to speech that "supports or opposes a cause, occurs in September or October of an even-numbered year...

"Since they didn't write it this way I hope you'll join me in opposing" the bill, Watts urged his Republican col-

Constitutional issues aside, Republicans fear they will be hurt politically if soft money is banned and there are no similar curbs on the activities of labor inions.

Republican Party Chairman Jim Nicholson and Rep. Tom paign of opposition waged by Davis, the Virginian who the leadership of the House chairs the Republican House campaign committee, cautioned the rank and file this summer that a ban on soft money could wipe out a \$40 million soft money advantage the GOP enjoyed in the last campaign.

According to GOP sources, the two men said the bill's proposed ban on soft money would leave GOP candidates vulnerable to unlimited expenditures by unions and other groups working to overturn the narrow Republican majority in the House.

"During the 1998 election cycle, soft money helped fund over 32 million phone bank calls, over 27 million GOTV (get out the vote) mail pieces, over 18 million absentee ballots and over 4.5 million issue provisions are and GOTV calls," said materi-

sive pension program for the

Clinton and his aides would

pay for the extra spending by

raising the tax on cigarettes

and boosting fees on shippers

and others. Such proposals have

little congressional support, but

could shield the White House

from GOP accusations of loot-

"Compared to cuts (in spend-

ing), compared to using the

Social Security surplus, the

framework we've put forward is

the right way to go," said Jacob

Lew, the White House budget

In the end, a bipartisan agree-

ment may well involve spend-

ing several billion dollars in

Social Security surpluses if the

two sides can agree to no other

sources of money. In that case,

the two sides would be left accusing each other of forcing

those So ial Security dollars to

Reput icans also hope to limit

Clinton's spending demands,

and thus claim credit for rein-

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make government ever-larger.

But that won't be easy either for

Many lawmakers of both par-

ties favor many of Clinton's

spending proposals for educa-

tion, health and other pro-

grams. It will be tough for GOP

leaders to push bills through

Congress that are cut too

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Budget fight shifts to debt reduction and Social Security

WASHINGTON (AP) - With Democrats Republicans all but writing off Republicans to protect the mastheir premier goal of cutting taxes this year, the GOP will elderly and disauled. now compete with President Clinton for political supremacy on protecting Social Security, controlling spending and reducing the national debt.

But even some Republicans say it will be tough for them to salvage much of a budget victory if they end 1999 by losing their tax cut to a Clinton veto and giving him some of the extra spending he wants. GOP leaders plan to ship their 10year, \$792 billion tax cut to Clinton on Wednesday for his promised veto.

"Pretty bleak," said Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., of GOP prospects for claiming a win this year.

Congress will focus the bulk of its energy in this session's waning weeks on completing the 11 remaining spending bills for fiscal 2000, which begins Oct. 1. The GOP goal is to contain Clinton's demands for more than \$25 billion in spending beyond what Republicans want, and to accuse him of wanting to pay for the excess by raiding Social Security surplus-

"What does that extra spending crowd out? Does it come out of Social Security?" said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-

Miss., in a brief interview. In contrast, Republicans say they will pass all the spending bills without using any Social Security funds. They are hunting furiously for ways to do

Many critics - including Hagel - say they won't succeed

But to prevail, Republicans

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Four states, D.C., rewarded for reducing unwed births

most of the country, the proportion of babies born to unwed parents continues to rise, but 12 states have cut these rates. And the federal government has rewarded the top four and the District of Columbia with \$20 million each in extra welfare money.

Since 1996, when Congress offered \$100 million to the states that did the best job reducing births to unwed parents, states have been devising programs to so, mostly aimed at teens.

The first set of winners are California, Michigan, Alabama, Massachusetts and the district, which recorded the largest drops in out-of-wedlock births without increasing the number of abortions, the Department of Health and Human Services said Monday.

Nationally, about one in three babies is born to unwed parents, a rate that didn't change between 1994-95 and 1996-97.

far-reaching welfare law, includes all births outside marriage — intended and unintended, to teens and adults, to families on and off welfare

California led the nation, with its rate falling 5.7 percent. It was followed by the District of Columbia, which dropped 3.7 percent; Michigan, 3.4 percent; Alabama, 2 percent; and Massachusetts, 1.5 percent.

The winners are a diverse group, geographically, culturally and otherwise, and no one is sure how to explain their success. Moreover, while all their rates declined, the district has the nation's highest out-of-wedlock birth rate; Massachusetts has one of the lowest.

In its first year, the contest was based on data from 1996-97 — too early for programs passed in the wake of welfare reform to have had an impact.

"More evidence is needed to

The competition, little noticed fully understand the range of as Congress was enacting its factors contributing to the decrease ... in these particular states," the department said in a statement.

The one-time windfall, which will be awarded to the top five states each year, must be spent on aid to the poor; it cannot be used for schools, roads or tax cuts.

Alabama officials have been talking about the bonus as they consider how to use \$30 million in unspent regular welfare money, said Joel Sanders, who runs the state's welfare reform

Getting the extra money, he said, makes it easier for officials to consider raising spending, knowing that they have a deeper cushion. They are considering, for instance, raising their monthly welfare benefit; Alabama now pays just \$164 for a family of three, the lowest in the nation.

But Sanders said the state is

also considering expanding Alabama's teen pregnancy prevention program, which now

gets less than \$1 million per "We got the bonus because of that rate coming down, and we would like to see it keep coming

down," he said. But Massachusetts and Michigan officials said they had no idea how they would use the money.

Nationally, out-of-wedlock birth rates range from 16 percent in Utah to 45 percent in Mississippi. Cities generally have higher rates, and in Washington, D.C., it is 65 per-

Teens account for only one in three unwed births, though most state programs focus on them since teen moms are at high risk of joining the welfare rolls and dropping out of school. Advocates hope the winners use their bonus money to boost these programs.

So-called protection schemes bilk consumers out of millions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chris Weddle, a college student with just one credit card, had received numerous calls from telemarketers offering plans that would supposedly protect him from being held liable for

charges he did not make. He resisted time and again, saying he did not need additional safeguards beyond those guaranteed by federal law.

"Some of them would just keep pushing," said Weddle of Santa Maria, Calif. "There were a couple of times where I just had to hang up on them."

But one company didn't take "no" for an answer - and ironically, charged Weddle an unauthorized \$240 on his credit card bill for a plan to protect against unauthorized charges.

Federal regulators say credit card protection scams have become big business for fraudulent operations who target people unaware of the rights they already have.

Federal The Trade Commission was announcing million by exploiting concerns about card theft, loss or Y2Krelated problems.

"These companies took advantage of students, seniors and others scared into thinking they were vulnerable," said Jodie Bernstein, director of the FTC's bureau of consumer protection.

Attorneys general in Illinois, Ohio, Arizona, Florida, West Virginia and Wisconsin planned similar actions.

Credit card holders already are entitled to certain protections without having to pay for them. Federal law caps the maximum amount credit card companies can be held liable for charges they did not authorize at \$50. Lenders often opt to waive this fee as well.

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Visa, for example, has a "zero liability" policy for customers who report fraudulent charges within two business days of discovering them. Customers might realize their credit card is missing right away or might not discover the fraudulent charges until they notice them on their monthly bill.

In some instances, the telemarketers posed as representatives of major credit card companies and would scare cardholders into thinking that they should pay for additional protection because criminals were stealing card numbers over the Internet, the FTC said.

Telemarketers also told consumers they could be held fully liable for charges they did not consent to on their bills. In another twist on the scam, telemarketers called credit cardholders to warn them that the millennium bug could expose their card to fraud that the offered protection plan would avoid.

According to regulators, telecases against several such com-marketers sometimes trick conpanies today, who are accused sumers by reciting parts of of bilking consumers out of \$25 their credit card number and asking for the rest of the digits, claiming they need to verify the security of the card.

> the companies could bill directly to the credit card, with charges ranging from \$200 to Some consumers, like Weddle,

With the full number in hand,

had not consented to any services but were billed for them anyway.

Banks and credit card issuers say the red flags should go up for cardholders if they are asked to provide their number.

"Consumers should never need to provide their account information over the phone unless they initiated the call,' said Charlotte Birch of the American Bankers Association.

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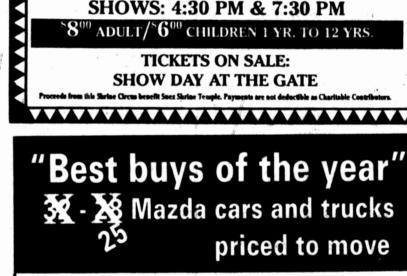
grams and can finance anyone," said Todd Robinson, Finance

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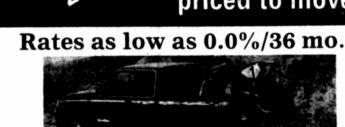


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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers 7th and 8th take wins in Sweetwater

Big Spring Junior High School's seventh- and eighthgrade Lady Steers swept to four wins Monday over Sweetwater's young Lady Mustangs.

In seventh-grade action, both matches, went to three games. The Lady Steers Black squad took an 8-15, 16-14, 15-2 win behind Stefani Scott's 15 points, as Crystal Sturm and Alicia Vanderbilt added six and five points, respectively.

April Salazar's 10 points and Tiffany Emerson's nine paced the White squad to a 15-1, 8-15,

In eighth-grade matches, Samantha Newton and Lindsay Wilks scored nine points each in leading the Gold team to a 15-11, 15-8 win.

The eighth-grade Black squad got 13 points from Gaby Sifuentes and six from Rene Williams en route to a 15-12, 15-5 win.

Doe earns honor team awards at tournaments

Bobby Doe of Big Spring earned all-tournament team honors at both the NAFA World Series in Albuquerque, N.M., and the ASA National Class A Softball Tournament in Rockport, Ill.

Catching for the Houston Nine, Doe when 11-for-18 at the plate in the NAFA World Series. His one home run, three doubles and seven runs batted in earned him firstteam All-World Series honors.

The Houston Nine took the Series title going unbeaten in the tournament

Doe followed that by earning second-team All-American honors at the tournament in Illinois, as he and his Texas Flyers teammates battled back from the consolation bracket to whin the national tide with

Forsan runners improve at Concno **valle**y meet

Every member of Forsan's Buffaloes and Queens crosscountry teams improved their times Saturday at the Concho Valley Classic cross-country meet in Carlsbad.

The Buffs finished eighth in the team standings behind Adam Dunlap's 20th-place finish and Ross Rhoton's placing 29th. Steven Rains finished 37th and Logan Stanley was

The Queens finished 14th in the girls' field with Erica Hector leading the way by finishing 32nd individually Becky Zubiate was 77th and Candace Gamble was 90th.

Quarterback club slates meeting for tonight

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will meet at 7 tonight in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center's conference room.

Boosters will review Friday's 52-12 Steers victory over Monahans.

Steers Baseball Boosters slate meeting Wednesday

The Big Spring Baseball Boosters Club will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center's conference

All those interested in the Steers baseball program are invited to attend.

Beach volleyball tourney scheduled for Saturday

A beach volleyball tourna ment sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee has been scheduled for Saturday at Comanche Trail

On the air

Radio

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL 6:40 p.m. —Texas Rangers at Minnesota Twins, KBST-AM

Television

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL 7 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Minnesota Twins, TCA Ch. 97. 7 p.m. - Philadelphia Phillies at Houston Astros, FXS, Ch. 29.

Kansas City errors allow Rangers to take extra-inning win said. "But if it's a must-win in regards to

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) - Two it. starters were hurt, one even before the first pitch.

Oakland had already won, keeping the heat on in the AL West race.

The Texas Rangers needed something good to happen, and it finally did — or more precisely, a lot of bad things started happening to the Kansas City Royals.

Kansas City committed two errors in the 10th inning Monday night, and the Rangers capitalized with four unearned runs for an 8-4 win that kept them 51/2 games ahead of Oakland in the AL West.

"It was a long game, and we needed this win," said Roberto Kelly, whose two RBIs included a 10th-inning single that scored Juan Gonzalez with the go-ahead run. "Fortunately, we were able to do

But in the Rangers clubhouse, opinions differed over the significance of the win, which denied Kansas City its first four-game sweep of the Rangers since

"I can't answer how important this game is. I just know it's very big," manager Johnny Oates said. "This might be the biggest game of the year for us when we look back on it at the end of the

But reliever John Wetteland (4-4), who pitched two scoreless innings for the win, said Monday's game wasn't a mustwin for the Rangers.

"The only reason it would be a mustwin is that (a Kansas City sweep) would cripple everybody's pride," Wetteland

our pride, I'm sorry, but you're barking up the wrong tree. Our pride is already hurt by losing three. The Rangers' outburst began with one

out in the 10th, when Gonzalez reached first on a throwing error by third baseman Joe Randa. After Todd Zeile singled, Kelly's single off Jose Santiago (2-4) scored Gonzalez.

Zeile scored when first baseman Mike Sweeney booted Lee Stevens' grounder for an error. Kelly came home on Brad Rigby's wild pitch, and Tom Goodwin added an RBI single to make it 8-4.

"It just goes to show there really is not a routine play in baseball," Royals manager Tony Muser said. "You can't take anything for granted.'

Texas outfielder Rusty Greer was hit in the left eye by a thrown ball during pregame warmups. An examination found no damage to the retina or optic nerve. but Greer is not expected to play again until this weekend.

"We were all just hoping for the best," Kelly said. "Fortunately, he's going to be all right.

Second baseman Luis Alicea pulled his right calf muscle running out a sacrifice bunt in the fifth inning. He is expected to be out for several days.

Ivan Rodriguez went 2-for-5 with a tworun homer and drove in three runs for Texas. With 104 runs scored and 102 RBIs, he became the eighth catcher in history with 100 runs and 100 RBIs in a

Marino, Dolphins spoil Elway's retirement party

boost from Miami's special teams. Dan Marino spoiled Elway's going-away party.

Marino was coolly efficient Monday night, throwing two touchdown passes as the Dolphins prevailed 38-21 on the night Elway was inducted into the Broncos' Ring of Fame and had his No. 7 jersey retired.

Miami blocked a field goal and a punt, setting up 10 points, and rookie running backs Rob Konrad and J.J. Johnson each scored a touchdown as the Dolphins ended Denver's 24-game regular-season winning streak at home. They also raised questions about the Broncos will put up a serious bid for a third straight Super Bowl victory.

Denver quarterback Brian Griese, the second-year pro who made his first NFL start after being elevated over Bubby Brister two weeks ago, was impressive, completing touchdowns, all

Griese wasn't Elway one expected him to be — but therein was a problem for the Broncos Because Griese's arm didn't pose the threat that Elway's did, Miami was able to play eight men close to the line of scrimmage to shut down Terrell Davis, who finished with 61 yards on 19 carries.

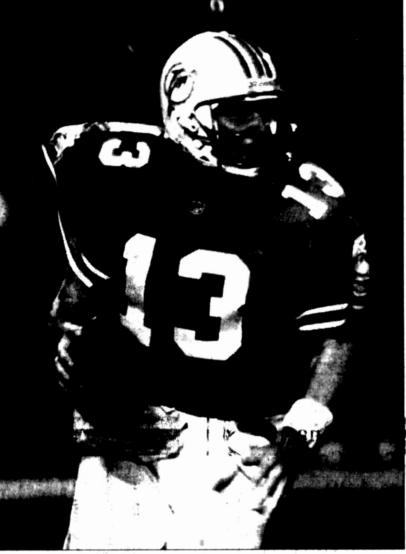
"It's like when Michael Jordan left," said cornerback Terrell Buckley, whose 43-yard return with a blocked field goal set up Miami's first touchdown. "Griese, he can play. But John Elway can flat out get it done."

Griese did a convincing Elway imitation on the game's first series. He completed four of six passes - and both incompletions were on balls dropped by receivers — and hit McCaffrey on a 61-yard touchdown pass less than four minutes into the game.

But the Dolphins, who lost 38-3 to Denver in last season's NFL playoffs, scored the next 24 points.

Early in the second quarter, Buckley blocked Jason Elam's 44-yard field-goal attempt, returning it 43 yards to the Denver 36. Marino passed 28 yards to O.J. McDuffie, and two plays later Karim Abdul-Jabbar scored from the 1.

Marino passed 40 yards to Tony Martin, setting up a 12yard TD throw to Konrad with



Miami quarterback Dan Marino, pictured here in action against the San Francisco 49ers in 1995, threw two touchdown passes in the Dolphins' season opener Monday night. In the process, Miami spoiled John Elway's going-away party at Mile High Stadium by taking a 38-21 win over the defending Super Bowl champion Broncos.

3:02 left in the period.

Miami then made it 17-7 when Greg Jeffries partially blocked a punt, giving the Dolphins possession at the Denver 43. Olindo Mare kicked a 37-yard field goal.

After Marino's 25-yard pass to Martin, Johnson scored from the 1 for a 24-7 lead.

"I thought our guys did an excellent job of accomplishing what we set out to do," Miami coach Jimmy Johnson said. "That was to protect the ball, protect Dan, give him time to throw, run the football and be balanced offensively.

Defensively, our goal was to slow down the run. We made some big plays in the kicking game that gave us a spark."

Griese's 11-yard TD pass to McCaffrey made it 24-14, but a subsequent Broncos threat early in the fourth quarter the Miami 40, Griese was

sacked by Zach Thomas. The Dolphins promptly drove 50 yards for another score, Marino's 4-yard pass to

McDuffie. With 3:56 left, Griese was sacked by Rich Owens and fumbled, and Jason Taylor returned the ball 4 yards for

Miami's final score. "I think if everyone had played like Brian Griese today we would have won the game,' Denver coach, Mike Shanahan said. "I was pleased with the way he handled himself against an excellent defensive

and a lot of composure.' Griese said he was "disap pointed right now, disappoint ed that we lost. There are some things I could have done. The only thing I can take away from this game is that I left everything I had on the field. I died. Facing fourth-and-1 from never felt I was bewildered or

team. He showed a lot of poise

Monahans becomes Steers' second foe to fall from rankings From staff and wire reports

For the second time in three weeks, Big Spring's Steers have had a clear impact on this week's Associated Press high school football poll.

Monahans' Loboes are the latest victim, falling completely out of the Class 3A rankings following the Steers' lopsided 52-12 win Friday

Monahans had entered the game as the No. 5 team in Class

The Steers, while not ranked in Class 4A, continue to gain respect, adding three move points from the panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters that cast ballots in the poll. Big Spring opened the season

with a win over Plainview's Bulldogs, knocking them out of the No. 10 spot they had held in the Class 4A preseason poll. Another top 10 opponent

appears on the Steers' schedule in Abilene Wylie, which moved up to No. 9 in Class BA following Monahans' departure from

The Steers will play host to Wylie on Sept. 24.

Otherwise, there were not many changes in the top-ranked teams in all five classes.

The Class 5A rankings were unchanged for the first time this season, as all nine teams in action won their games

No. 1 Midland Lee held on to the top spot with a 35-7 win over El Paso Franklin, and No. 2 Duncanville stayed close behind with a 19-3 victory over Plano. No. 8 Katy was idle.

Stephenville, La Marque and Texas City remained atop the 4A heap with wins. But Schertz Clemens' 49-8 win over New Braunfels Canyon shook up the rest of the rankings.

Canyon fell from No. 4 to No. 9, Clemens jumped from No. 8 to No. 6, while Greenville, Brownwood and Bay City all moved up one position. Coppell entered the 4A poll as previously ninth-ranked Terrell fell to

Sealy, Cuero, Aledo and Royse City held their ground as the top four in Class 3A. Newton broke into the 3A poll at No. 10.

Class 2A's Omaha Paul Pewitt and 1A's Wheeler continued their strangleholds on their respective No. 1 rankings with blowout wins. Italy, Burkeville and Muenster all dropped out, while Comfort, Nazareth and Marfa entered the rankings for

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The Associated Press high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses Voting done by a panel of 20 sports writers

2. Duncanville 3. Lewisville (3) . Austin Westlak Copperas Cove (3) Aldine Eisenhower

Also receiving votes: Jersey Village 12, Aldine 9, Lufkin 6, SA Roosevelt 4, Euless

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DROPPED OUT: No. 9 Terrell.

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DROPPED OUT: No. 5 Monahans Also receiving votes: Aransas Pass 13. Corrigan-Camden 12, Commerce 8, Childress 7, Breckenridge 6, Frisco 5, weeny 4, Crane 3, Hondo 3, Lake Worth 3.

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3. Celina (3)	
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5. Grand Saline (1)	
6. Boyd	
7. Alto	
8. Goldthwaite	
9. Brookshire-Royal	
10. Comfort	

Also receiving votes: Elysian Fields 15, Pilot Point 9, Seagraves 8, Italy 7, **Stanton** 3, Lexington 5, Hemphill 3, Refugio 3,

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Class A	* 17.3
1. Wheeler (15)	24
2. Bartlett (3)	2-
3. Detroit (2)	2-4
4. Dawson	2-
5. Iola	1-6
6. Baird	2-4
7. Sudan	2-
8. Aspermont	1-
9. Nazareth	2-4
10. Marfa	2-4

DROPPED OUT: No. 9 Burkeville, No. 10 Also receiving votes: Era 12, Meridian 7, Charlotte 6, Burkeville 5, Menard 4, Wortham 4, Evadale 3, Gruver 3, Paducah 3, Tenaha 3, Bronte 2, Falls City 2, Memphis 2. Apple Springs 1, Celeste 1, Milano 1 Petrolia 1, Vega 1.

Usually stoic Gailey still excited by Cowboys' comeback IRVING (AP) — Other than preferring proof. It gives you that extra sense of

a baseball cap to a fedora, Chan Gailey's sideline demeanor is pretty similar to the stone-faced stoicism of Tom Landry. But as the Dallas Cowboys erased a 21-

point deficit to beat the Washington Redskins 41-35 in overtime Sunday, Gailey turned Jimmy Johnson-like whooping, hollering, backslapping and even jumping with joy. Gailey was still riding that emotional

wave Monday as he discussed how the season-opening victory, and the way it happened, will help the team over the next 15 games.

"We talk about don't quit, you can come back, if they can score 20 in the third quarter you can score 21 in the fourth quarter, but until you do it and see it and feel it and it happens, you're not sure," Gailey said. "Now, they realize they can. I'm not sure you can put a

"For the rest of the rest of the year, we can say, 'We're not out of it.' We have He maintained it until halfway

confidence.

Cowboys coaches had to pull out all their comeback cliches after Dallas gave up 32 straight points, turning a 14-3 lead into a 35-14 deficit going into the fourth

Then came the stuff coaches preach can happen but hardly ever does: a 70yard touchdown drive, a recovered onside kick, a 66-yard touchdown march, a 90-yard touchdown drive without any timeouts that was helped by four defensive penalties, the game-tying extra point ricocheting in off the left upright, a botched field goal by Washington and, finally, a 76-yard bomb from Troy Aikman to a wide-open Raghib Ismail for

The touchdown triggered a wild celebration that didn't include Gailey. Amazed by what he had seen, Gailey stood bent at the waist, clutching his knees until he regained his composure.

through his news conference Monday, when he was explaining what the comeback showed him about his players.

"I learned I'm excited about going to war with the guys we've got on our football team. I'm excited about that. I want to say a lot more," he said, pausing, "But I'm not going to say it.' 'Aikman's performance in the fourth quarter and overtime stiff-armed two of

can't throw the long ball and he can't rally the Cowboys the way Roger Staubach did. None of those critics were in the Dallas huddle. Teammates believed in Aikman the way the Denver Broncos knew John Elway would carry them. He responded by erasing a bigger deficit than Staubach ever did, matching Danny White's team-

the biggest knocks against him: that he

Orleans. "There was never a sense of panic." Gailey said. "He knew what we were able to do and what we were trying to

record recovery in 1984 against New

On the final play, the Redskins expected the Cowboys to run on third-and-2 from their 24. Gailey gambled with a bit of reverse psychology.

"You've got to make some of those calls sometimes," he said. "I thought our defense was starting to get back into it and we could still win even if we didn't make it there. I felt the reward was worth the risk."

Ismail's catch was the longest of his career and the longest touchdown Aikman had thrown in the regular season since an 80-yarder against Washington in the 1993 opener. It gave Aikman his first five-TD game since high school.

"I think this says a lot for the organization, it says a lot for the coaches and players to have guys that keep battling and keep playing," Aikman said, "You don't want to get 21 points down every week, but I think the way we were able to come back says a lot."

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> "You know that Houston is going to be there right until the end," said the Reds' Greg Vaughn, who hit a solo homer. "All we can worry about is the Cincinnati Reds, and everything else will fall into place. I still see us being there right at the end."

Hampton (20-3) allowed two runs and six hits in seven innings with six strikeouts. He has won 11th consecutive decisions since June 24.

"I'll trade the Cy Young for the World Series MVP anytime," Hampton said. "From a personal standpoint, that's great. But today I just focused on getting a win any way we could. We knew the Reds had already won, that was the only thing that was important.'

In other National League games, it was the Mets 6, Colorado 5; San Diego 3, Atlanta 0; Milwaukee 4, St. Louis 3; Arizona 5, Pittsburgh 1; and Los Angeles 12, Montreal 4.

In the American League, it was Toronto 2, New York 1; Cleveland 11, Boston 7; Oakland 8, Tampa Bay 3; Baltimore 5, Seattle 4 in 10 innings; Detroit 3, Chicago 2; Anaheim 6, Minnesota 5; and Texas 8, Kansas City 4 in 10 innings.

Houston, which previously had six 10-game winning streaks, sent the Phillies to their 10th straight loss, their longest skid since an 11-gamer from June 24-July 4, 1997.

The last time teammates won 20 in the same season was in 1993, when Atlanta's Greg Maddux (20-10) and and Tom Glavine (22-6) did it along with San Francisco's John Burkett (22-7) and Bill Swift (21-8).

"I'm so happy for him," Lima said. "I am a good teammate. My throat is still scratchy from screaming so much for him. I am really proud of him. The way this pitching staff has performed is amazing."

Philadelphia starter Joe Grahe (0-3) left after three innings with a blister on his right index finger. He allowed three runs — two earned — and two hits.

Vaughn's 38 home runs are the most by a Reds player since George Foster hit 40 in 1978. His 101 RBIs are the most for Cincinnati since Eric Davis drove in 101 in 1989.

Steve Parris (9-2) gave up four runs and eight hits in six innings, helping Cincinnati win its 10th straight over Florida.

Mets 6, Rockies 5

A wild pitch by Dave Veres (3-8) allowed Mike Piazza to score from third with the go-ahead run in the ninth inning, and visiting New York won for the eighth time in nine games.

Rickey Henderson hit a tworun homer for the Mets, who began the day two games behind first-place Atlanta in the NL East. New York remained 21/2 games ahead of Cincinnati in the wild-card race.

Turk Wendell (4-4) allowed one hit in two scoreless innings, and Armando Benitez got three outs for his 20th save in 25 chances.

Padres 3, Braves 0

Woody Williams took a shutout into the ninth inning and also hit an RBI single as Atlanta lost its third straight

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Williams (9-12) left after walking Keith Lockhart and giving up a single to Gerald Williams to start the ninth. Trevor Hoffman got three outs for his 37th save in 40 chances.

San Diego scored all three of its runs off Terry Mulholland (8-

Brewers 4, Cardinals 3

Rookie Kevin Barker hit a tiebreaking two-run homer in the fifth inning to lead Milwaukee to victory at St.

Mark McGwire strained his left groin and left after 41/2 innings. McGwire, second in the major leagues with 55 homers, grounded out in the first and walked in the third. St. Louis said he was day-to-day.

Hideo Nomo (12-7) got the win and Mark Thompson (0-2) took the loss.

Diamondbacks 5, Pirates 1

Hanley Frias hit his first home run of the season, and Erubiel Durazo hit a three-run shot into the Bank One Ballpark swimming pool for Arizona.

The victory, Arizona's eighth in nine games, reduced the

for clinching the NL West title to 11.

Arizona's 87th victory also made the Diamondbacks the most successful second-year franchise. The 1962 Los Angeles Angels won 86 games.

Omar Daal (15-8) pitched 7 1-3 innings for the win, and Jason Schmidt (12-10) took the loss.

Dodgers 12, Expos 4

Raul Mondesi went 4-for-5 and host Los Angeles got home runs from Gary Sheffield, Todd Hundley and Devon White to beat Montreal.

Todd Hollandsworth scored the go-ahead run on a double Indians 11, Red Sox 7 steal and Chan Ho Park (10-10) struggled to his second home victory of the season, allowing four runs and eight hits in six innings.

Dan Smith (4-9) lost his third consecutive start.

Blue Jays 2, Yankees 1 David Wells didn't make it

any easier for the slumping New York Yankees.

Wells pitched a four-hitter against his former teammates as Toronto handed the Yankees their fourth straight loss.

Cleveland Indians prevented the Yankees from losing any more of their East Division lead to the Red Sox. The Yankees remained 31/2 games ahead of the Red Sox, coming off a three-

game sweep of New York. For the third time in four games, the Yankees were held

to one run. Wells, acquired in February in the Roger Clemens deal, was 0-3 with a 5.49 ERA against the Yankees this season before throwing his sixth complete

game this season and 35th of his

Kenny Lofton returned from a strained right hamstring to homer for the first time since June 11, driving in three runs to lead Cleveland over visiting

Boston's lead over Oakland in the wild-card race slipped to two games.

Lofton, who missed nine games, was 3-for-4, and Richie Sexson and Harold Baines each hit three-run homers.

Charles Nagy (16-9) allowedfive runs and eight hits in 5 2-3 innings, improving to 7-1

Diamondbacks' magic number Only Boston's loss to the against Boston since Aug. 13, 1992. Paul Shuey pitched two innings for his sixth save.

Tim Wakefield (5-10) took the

Athletics 8, Devil Rays 3 Jason Giambi, Randy Velarde and Olmedo Saenz homered as

Oakland won its fifth straight. Miguel Tejada had a two-run single during a five-run third inning against Bobby Witt (7-13) for the A's, who have won 13 of 18 road games.

Kevin Appier (15-12) allowed three runs and seven hits in eight innings, improving to 6-3 since Oakland acquired him from Kansas City on July 31.

Orioles 5, Mariners 4

Cal Ripken homered and drove in three runs, and B.J. Surhoff scored the winning run in the 10th inning on a throwing error by Jose Mesa (2-6) as Baltimore completed its first four-game sweep of visiting

Ripken hit a two-run homer in the second inning and a sacrifice fly in the sixth.

He went 1-for-2 with two walks and needs 18 hits in his final 18 games to reach 3,000 career hits this season.

Baltimore has won seven straight, matching its season high. The Orioles are 32-25 since the All-Star break, but 68-76 overall.

Rookie B.J. Ryan (1-0) earned his first major league win by working 1 1-3 hitless innings, striking out three.

Tigers 3, White Sox 2

Rob Fick had a three-run homer for his first hit of the season, and Dave Mlicki won his eighth straight start to lead Detroit to victory at Chicago.

Fick, who had not played since shoulder surgery in May, got his first hit in 12 at-bats since he was activated Sept. 8. It was his fourth homer in 36 career at-bats.

Mlicki (13-10) allowed three hits in seven-plus scoreless innings, struck out five and walked three. His winning streak is Detroit's longest since Doyle Alexander won eight in a

row from Aug. 20-Sept. 23, 1987. Todd Jones pitched the ninth for his 25th save in 29 chances, allowing a two-run homer to

Greg Norton. John Snyder (9-12) lost his sixth straight decision.

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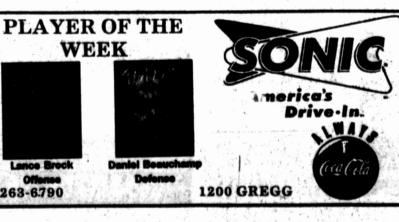
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) ****Opt for new beginnings, breaking patterns where you might previously have been rigid. Understand that you might not always communicate the essence of what is needed. Creativity remains high. Let your imagination help with a business discussion. Tonight: Make unusual

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** Close relating takes you in

weekend plans.

a new direction. Evaluate money and emotional decisions. Be willing to brainstorm. Work remains a high priority. A boss is difficult or vague. Trust that, underneath it all, he has a concept or idea. Tonight: Take time to understand another who is key to your wellbeing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

****Breeze into work. Focus on efficiency. Don't hedge; speak your mind. Make better communication a goal. Just thinking or . Take charge. Do some serious feeling something isn't enough! Express your views. Make longdistance calls. Plan to take a seminar or workshop. Tonight: Spend time with people, not alone.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ****Pace yourself; listen to feed-

back and zero in on the job at hand. Don't take a back seat with others. Make your ideas known. You don't always have to be politically correct. Your sixth sense style. Network. Make an extra helps you read an associate and discern wha he really wants. your friends are. Tonight: Work late, if necessary.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

****Take care of personal matters first, then launch into a brainstorming session at work. Moneymaking ideas add to your sense of security. Let your imagination merge with another's; together, you come up with amazing ideas. Note the energy between you. Tonight: Add some heat to your relationship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ****Handle calls, work and director Oliver Stone (1946) errands that involve others as \$\, \text{0.1999} as soon as possible. By afternoon, Syndicate Inc.

tion could change. A family member makes a request that you need to evaluate. Carefully consider a dietary or health change. Tonight: Roll on home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

****Reach out for others; make sure the facts are being presented. A child or new love interest could be most deceptive. You can't seem to see beyond the fog this person creates. Your inner voice gives you financial direction. Use it. Tonight: Visiting with a friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***You are personality plus. Make time for networking and visiting with others. Make it OK to have a lengthy lunch. Mix business with pleasure. Your imagination might be making more out of a money offer than you realize.

Tonight: Get some chores done. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

****Do research in the morning. Have an important discussion with a boss once you establish what is what. Though he may not always agree with you, you'll get powerful feedback. Accept some facts, rather than digging for logic. Some things just are. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ****Take an overview. Question what might be another route to the same end. Make goals; brainstorm and discuss objectives. thinking later in the day, although you don't have to make -a final decision just yet. Tonight: Curl up with that best seller.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *****Aiming for what you want remains a key priority. A partner attempts to keep you focused. Thank him for his good intentions, realizing that he doesn't always have the most diplomatic effort to pitch in. Tonight: Where

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

****Others give you their opinions, whether you seek them out or not. Take the high road. Consider other opportunities. You might not always agree with others, but they are doing their share. Intuition helps you with your career and a boss. Tonight: Burning the midnight oil. **BORN TODAY**

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Man who did everything right now feels terribly wronged

DEAR ABBY: Eight years ago, the most beautiful woman in the world came into my life. I'll call her "Mary." We dated for seven months before she started asking for a proposal. I happily agreed, and in 1993 we were married.

Two years later, she con-

vinced me that we should buy a house. A year after that, she said she wanted to have cats in our home. I don't care too much for cats, but I

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dren. When we married, we both realized that she could not get pregnant. So she began inquiring into adoption. I was-Three room house, 903 n't too fond of the idea of bringing a child into our home when we knew little about its medical or psychiatric history. Again, to make her happy, I agreed. Now don't get me wrong — not a day goes by that I don't look at my son and

thank God for him.

get ahead financially. We both agreed that she would be the one to return to college, since we could not afford to lose my income and my study habits are not great. So we struggled for two years to put her through school.

After a while, Mary started going out with her friends from school for a few hours. Then the outings turned into allnighters. Keep in mind, my son and I were at home while she was out partying with money we couldn't afford. Eventually she confessed to me that she'd had a fling with a guy she met. I forgave her by telling her that six years was too much time to throw away over one mistake.

Two months ago, she told me

the reason may be that she yells at him for every little

5 years old.

for an opportunity to attend school and have a good job. Mary does not want our son to come with her. In fact, she says she doesn't want him at all. Sometimes she says she wishes she could take him back to the agency.

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thing he does wrong. He's only

Two days ago, she informed me that she's moving to Florida

Abby, I gave my wife everything she wanted — a house, an education, a son and plenty more. Now she's leaving me high and dry to cope with the responsibilities of paying the

much for deadbeat fathers. Care to offer any advice? –

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Today is Tuesday, Sept. 14, the 257th day of 1999. There are

108 days left in the year

Today's Highlight in History: Qn Sept. 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key wrote "The Star-Spangled Banner" after witnessing the British bombardment of Fort McHenry in Maryland.

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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On this date:

In 1847, U.S. forces under Gen. Winfield Scott took control of Mexico City. In 1901, President McKinley

died in Buffalo, N.Y., of gunshot wounds inflicted by an assassin. Vice President Theodore Roosevelt succeeded In 1927, modern dance pio-

neer Isadora Duncan died in Nice, France, when a scarf became entangled in a wheel of her sports car.

In 1940, Congress passed the Selective Service Act, providing for the nations' first peacetime draft. In 1948, a groundbreaking

ceremony took place in New York at the site of the United Nations' world headquarters.

In 1959, the Soviet space probe Luna 2 became the first manmade object to reach the moon.

In 1975, Pope Paul VI declared Mother Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton the first U.S.-born saint. In 1982, Princess Grace of

Monaco, formerly actress Grace Kelly, died at age 52 of injuries from a car crash a day earlier.

In 1982, Lebanon's presidentelect, Bashir Gemayel, was killed by a bomb.

Ten years ago: Joseph T. Wesbecker, a 47-year-old pressman on disability for mental illness, killed himself after he shot eight people dead and wounded 12 at a printing plant in Louisville, Ky.

Five years ago: On the 34th day of a stril a by players, But Selig, acting commissioner, announced the 1994 baseball season was over.

One year ago: Ten people were charged in what prosecutors said was the largest Cuban spy ring uncovered in the United States since Fidel Castro came to power. (Five men later pleaded guilty to lesser charges; the trial of the other five has been postponed until May 2000.)

Today's Birthdays: "Lone Ranger" Clayton Moore is 85. Actress Zoe Caldwell is 66. Feminist author Kate Millett is 65. Actor Walter Koenig is 63. Actor Nicol Williamson is 61. Singer-actress Joey Heatherton is 55. Actor Sam Neill is 52. Singer Jon "Bowzer" Bauman (Sha Na Na) is 52. Singer Barry Cowsill is 45. Rock musician Steve Berlin (Los Lobos) is 44. Actor Joe Penny is 43. Actress Mary Crosby is 40. Singer Morten Harket (a-ha) is 40. Country singer John Berry is 40. Actress Faith Ford is 35. Actor Dan Cortese is 31. Rock musician Craig Montoya (Everclear) is 29.

Thought for Today: "Keep your mouth shut, your eyes open." - Japanese proverb.

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