TUESDAY November 9, 1999

WEATHER



PARTLY CLOUDY

TONIGHT 43°-47° WEDNESDAY 73°-76°

Blood drive set for Wednesday in Coahoma

Coahoma Lion's Club is sponsoring a blood drive Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. at the Coahoma Community Center.

United Blood Services from San Angelo will be handling the drive, and they recommend donors make an appointment. To do so, call 394-4277. Walk-in donors are also welcome.

WHAT'S UP...

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

□ VFW Post No. 2013, VFW Hall, 7 p.m.

Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

WEDNESDAY

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

Senior Circle mall walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.

☐ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Line dancing, 1 p.m.,

Industrial Park. ☐ Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles

Senior Citizens Center,

Lodge, 704 W. Third. THURSDAY

☐ Gideon's International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7

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

☐ Kiwanis Club, noon, **Howard College Cactus** Room.

☐ Christmas in April, noon, Lion's Club, 1607 E. Third.

☐ Friends of the Library, noon, Howard College Library.

☐ American Legion Auxiliary, 7 p.m. ☐ Masonic Lodge No. 598,

7:30 p.m., 219 Main. ☐ Big Spring Newcomers Club contact Pat Mireles for time and location.

FRIDAY

☐ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Bring a lunch. AMBUCS, noon,

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Jail's failure to meet standards has officials looking at their options

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners, along with Sheriff Bill Jennings, will travel to Brownfield next week to tour a remodeled jail facility, to obtain ideas about possibilities for Howard County.

"By law, the county is the only entity that must have a jail, and we are required by law to have those

facilities, which must meet a standard,"

said Commissioner Jerry Kilgore. Kilgore said the Howard County jail, located on the fourth floor of the Courthouse, was created in 1952 when the building was constructed.

And Jennings said he has recently received correspondence that indicates Howard County jail will have to comply with the American With Disabilities

Act,
"I have received a letter that states in the future we will be required to comply with the ADA. We are drawing up contingency plans for this, because there is just no way you can fit a 34-inch wheelchair through a 28-inch door," Jennings waiver, because standards have changed and the facility does not necessarily meet all the present requirements.

"We know they will come and inspect us next year, and we just want to have some ideas in mind about how we want to look at this situation," Kilgore said.

Commissioner Bill Crooker said the trip, which will take place Monday, is to gather ideas, and commissioners are considering all options from building a new facility to remodeling or renovating an existing location.

"Right now we're just beginning to look at our options," Crooker said.

Currently, because Howard County See JAIL, Page 2

Currently, the jail operates under a has no facilities designed for women inmates, all Howard County female inmates are housed in nearby county iails.

Kilgore said the expense of that process, about \$40 per day per inmate, is an increasing one for the county.

Also, if the inmate must be transported. Howard County deputies are required to make the transfer, thereby causing additional expenses in salary and overtime, he said.

"There are a number of expenses incurred because of this situation," he



Katie Junkin and Royce Perez write the names of people in their families who served in the armed forces on a banner at Moss Elementary this morning. The banner, which will include the names of hundreds of veterans, will be displayed Thursday during Veterans Day ceremonies at the school. A

State regs for on-site sewage facilities get approval by county commissioners

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Howard County Commissioners on Monday approved state regulations regarding onsewage

facilities for county residents, agreed to seek bids for the district courthouse renovations and set the county holidays for 2000.

LOCKHART

"We do this so county residents can receive their septic tank permits from us at a substantially reduced rate from the site inspection by TNRCC," said County Judge Ben Lockhart.

Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission will inspect a site for a septic system and charge up to \$400 for the first visit, Lockhart said. The

second site visit, once the sys- County library building after tem is installed, costs another

"We do not charge that much. They may be able to get all the permits and things for around \$200," Lockhart said.

At least eight county residents attended the meeting to hear the short presentation by George Franklin concerning the proposed regulations set by the

Permits are not required for landowners of 10 acres of more, but Lockhart said in the event of sale of the property and other considerations, having a permit is always prudent.

Commissioners also agreed to finance \$1,500 worth of maintenance repairs on emergency sirens. These sirens are placed throughout the county and are used in the event of tornadoes or other disasters, Lockhart

Phil Furqueron suggested commissioners prepare to solicit bids for the former Howard See COUNTY, Page 2

the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

"I suggest we release the project after the first of the year because that is a good time to receive bids for projects. The holidays are over and contractors are looking for work,"

Furqueron said. The remodeling/renovation project, which is ideally converting the former library into a district courthouse complete with a courtroom and office spaces for the district judge and attorneys, as well as other district officials, is expected to cost about \$500,000.

"We have the funds set aside for this project in place and we are beginning to get under way," said Commissioner Bill Crooker.

Furqueron has been in charge of creating the plans for the remodeling of the building. He said the project/should be

Library to get sump pump replacement

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners Monday agreed with architect Phil Ferqueron's recom-

mendation to the replace sump pump in the Howard County library at a cost of \$10,584.

"My proposal is to rework the sump pit and two new pumps, which is a redundan-

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cy measure in case one fails, with a new lid, new float and new starter," said Furgueron.

The sump pit, which is located in a mechanical room to the north of the renovated library basement, was not replaced when the nearly \$300,000 renovations were done because it was hoped the equipment would operate properly.

However, Furgueron said the pumps work chronically now and are not adequately performing the job of sewage disposal for the library.

The sump pit works by pumping refuse up to the city sewer lines, which are located above the below-ground level of the basement.

"This was a calculated risk we took when we renovated the library and it is not working out. We need to take a conservative route and replace those and make sure they work," Furgueron said.

Hester's Mechanical Co. will perform the work, which will include cleaning the sump pit, and then checking to make sure it is in good shape, he said. The pit and the pumps were installed at least 30 years ago, and he hopes to find the pit in good repair.

"We're going to check and make sure there are no fractures and no opportunities for leaking," Furgueron said.

He also said the pump lines would be installed so that material will flow away from the pumps through a flow redirection change of the current method.

"And the line above the pumps is totally plugged up," he said.

Furqueron said city building official Kenny Davis had determined through the use of tests and equipment, that the odor which has plagued the library basement and stairwell since it was remodeled is definitely coming from the sump pit area.

"He pinpointed that as the location," Furgueron. Daily operations of the library

will not be interrupted while the work is progressing, Furgueron said.

And all materials come with a one-year warranty, and two other estimates received for the same work indicate the cost is competitive, he said.

Primary

Full slate of offices up for election in March; candidates getting ready

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Out of the shadow of one election into another one. That's the case across the nation as poten-

tial candidates began to plot and prune for the March 2000 party pri maries.

Nothing less is expected in Howard County, where at least nine offices will be

WRIGHT up for election.

Toss in assorted U.S. and state legislators, various judges and boards of education and, of course, our nation's presidency, and there are sure to be some interesting races.

The first day to officially file for office isn't until Dec. 3, but candidates can name a campaign treasurer at any time.

Two local candidates have already done so.

"Javier V. Becerra has indicated he will run for sheriff and Mark E. Winn will run for constable, Precinct 4," said Howard County Clerk Donna Wright.

The Precinct 4 constanble is located in the Vincent area. No one currently holds that office. The current sheriff, Bill Jennings, said Friday afternoon he has never given notice of closing out his campaign trea-

"In all probability, I will seek re-election. I will annouce that on Dec. 3," Jennings said.

Candidate filing ends Jan. 3. The primary is March 14.

Other local offices up for election include the district judge's seat, currently held by Bob Moore, and the district attorney's seat, held by Hardy Wilkerson. Others are tax assessor-collector, held by Kathy Sales; county attorney, held by Mike Thomas; and the unexpired term of county treasurer, currently held by Teresa

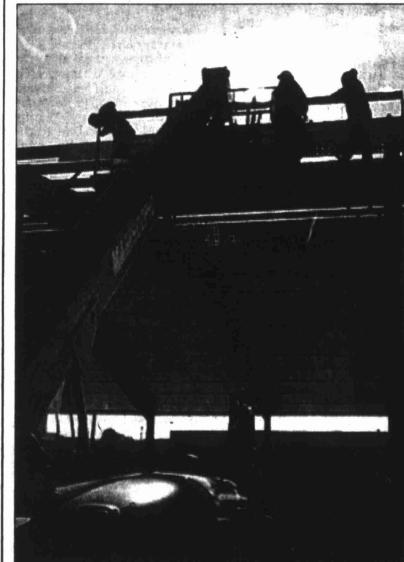
Thomas. Two commissioner's seats are up: Precinct 1, occupied by Emma Brown, and Precinct 3, held by William Crooker. Also up for election is the Justice of the Peace seat held by Bennie

All constables are on the ballot as well, but may or may not draw a candidate. It costs \$300 to file for the post, which has no salary.

Of particular interest to Howard County residents will be the District 70 Texas House of Representatives race. That seat is currently held by David Counts. Equally of interest will be a race for U.S. Representative for the 17th District, where the seat is currently held by Charlie

Stenholm. A U.S. Senator's seat - this one held by Kay Bailey Hutchison — will also be up for election in March.

Anyone who has not registered to vote in the primary, or who has moved and needs to renew their voter's registration information, has until Feb. 14, 2000, to do so.



Ricardo Robies, Oscar Gober and Carlos Gonzales, with Young Building Systems of Midland, work on the roof of the multi-purpose building under construction at SouthWest Collegiate institute for the Deaf this morning. Once the roof is complete, the bricklayers will start to work, job supervisors said today.

A William William

State requirements are leanng toward a one-level inmate facility, and are requesting more and more separate entrances and exits for inmates, County Judge Ben Lockhart

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opened for bidding the first or second week in January.

Commissioners also approved 12 holidays for county employees for 2000. These are Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Jan. 17; President's Day, Feb. 21; Good Friday, April 21; Memorial Day, May 29; Independence Day, July 4; Labor Day, Sept. 4; Columbus Day, Oct. 9; Veterans Day, Nov. 10; Thanksgiving, Nov. 23-24; Christmas Eve, Dec. 22; and Christmas, Dec. 25.

Commissioners also canvassed votes from the special Nov. 2 election.

LIBRARY

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Commissioner Bill Crooker made the motion to accept the offer from Hester Supply for \$9,384 in materials and \$1,200 in labor. All commissioners approved. Emma Brown was absent from the meeting.

WHAT'S UP

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Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

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

SATURDAY

☐ Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. ☐ The Heritage Museum, 510

home, is open from 1 to 5 p. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encour-

☐ Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Members and guests welcome.

Sexual assault report filed with BSPD

A sexual assault was reported Spring Police Big Department by a 19-year-old female. The assault was reported to have occurred late in the evening of Nov. 1 in the eastern

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Dorothy Fay Neece, 71, died Saturday. Services were 2:00 PM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Hazel D. Lawrence, 89, died Friday, October 29 1999. Memorial services will be 10:30 AM Wednesday, November 10, 1999 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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The suspect is a white male known to the victim, and no major injuries were reported and no medical treatment was

An investigation is continuing by Det. Lupe Liedecke.

Jasper judge to decide today on change of venue for trial

JASPER (AP) - The judge in the third dragging death trial today will wade through a mountain of news stories about the case as he considers a motion for a venue change by defendant Shawn Allen Berry.

State District Judge Joe Bob Golden will look only at the evidence he receives today, the deadline he set after Berry's attorney argued Monday to move the proceedings from Jasper.

Defense lawyer Joseph C. "Lum" Hawthorn filed for the venue change Friday, moments before 12 white jurors and two alternates were selected. It was a total reversal for Hawthorn, who had said he wanted the capital murder case tried in Jasper County, where Berry is a native son.

'What I wanted to do was try the case here, but after interrogating the jury ... it's clear to me that he can't get a fair trial here," Hawthorn said.

To buttress his claim, Hawthorn subpoenaed five local broadcast outlets, seeking transcripts and videotapes of all news stories aired since March 1 about the killing of James Byrd Jr.

Representatives from two Jasper radio stations and three Beaumont-Port Arthur TV stations briefly took the stand Monday, bringing varying amounts of the subpoenaed material.

Representatives from the TV stations - KBMT, KBTV and KFDM - said it would take at least four days to comply, as each station had aired more Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Potton House, 200 tensors than 300 stories. Both radio stations brought the extent of the stories are stories they kept on file. stories they kept on file.

> Today would have been the first day of testimony in the trial, but Golden delayed the start until after he rules on the venue matter Wednesday.

Golden initially planned to allow testimony to go forward Tuesday and then rule on the change-of-venue request after Friday, but changed his mind after prosecutors objected. Jasper County District

Attorney Guy James Gray said allowing the jury to be sworn in before Golden decided the venue matter could have created an appellate issue. Constitutional protections against double jeopardy could preclude Berry from facing a second jury if Golden were to dissolve the Jasper jury and change the venue, Gray said.

Berry, 24, is the third and final white man charged with the June 7, 1998, dragging death of a black East Texas man. White supremacists John William King, 25, and Lawrence Russell Brewer, 32, already are on death row.

In asking to move the trial, Hawthorn argued that pretrial coverage of the fight between prosecutors and CBS News over the outtakes of Berry's interview with anchor Dan Rather had created a "circus. Furthermore, he said, several of the 50 jurors qualified to serve on the panel indicated they had heard the case discussed in Jasper and they

thought Berry was guilty. "When the community sentiment about a defendant's guilt is so pervasive, there's a good case for change of venue," he

said after Monday's hearing. Golden chided Hawthorn, pointing out that Berry's CBS interview, which aired on "60 Minutes II" on Sept. 28, was a

source of some of the hubbub. "There has been a substantial amount of pretrial publicity that has been generated by the

defendant," Golden said. Prosecutors argued against moving the trial, saying coverage of the case in Jasper County has been "less inflammatory and prejudicial than media accounts in the rest of

the state." In the CBS News matter, prosecutors have tried to obtain

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the unaired portions of Berry's interview by subpoenaing Dallas-based producer Mary Mapes and ordering her to turn over a complete transcript and videotape.

Golden twice found Ms. Mapes in contempt of court and ordered her jailed until she hands over both items.

Fugitive found after TV show tip leads police to Massachusetts

FRAMINGHAM, Mass. (AP) - A woman on the lam for 2-1/2 years after being indicted in the murder of her millionaire husband was arrested by police who posed as pizza delivery

Margaret Rudin was taken into custody Friday, after authorities received a tip when a story about her case was broadcast last month on "America's Most Wanted." At a Monday hearing Framingham District Court, she was ordered held without

Her lawyer, Randall Power, said she plans to fight extradiction to Nevada.

Ms. Rudin, 56, was indicted in 1997 on a murder charge in the shooting of millionaire Las Vegas real estate agent Ron

Rudin's bullet-ridden and burned body was found near Lake Mohave in Nevada in January 1995, nearly a month after Ms. Rudin, his fifth wife, reported him missing.

A break in the case came in 1996, when a diver found a .22 caliber pistol buried under layers of plastic wrap in a Nevada lake. Investigators said the gun belonged to Rudin and was the murder weapon. Ms. Rudin was indicted in 1997, but she couldn't be located.

Authorities believe Ms. Rudin had been staying in Revere since at least December. While in Massachusetts, she was trying to become a cobbler's apprentice, said State Police Sgt. Mark Lynch.

Police had been staking out a house in Revere bwhen a Dominols pizza delivery man showed up Briday officers followed the employee back to his shop and showed him a photograph of Ms. Rudin, and he said he believed he had seen the woman in the home.

Police borrowed a Domino's shirt, a pizza box and a company sign to put on top of the car and went back to the house. Authorities said they arrested Ms. Rudin — who was hiding in the bathroom - without incident.

In asking that Ms. Rudin be held, prosecutor Maura Murphy said the woman "has led the police through the states of Arizona, Illinois and New Mexico.'

BRIEFS

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION will have an Ar and Crafts sales at Big Spring Mall Dec. 11, and booths are available for vendors.

Booths are available at \$35 for one weekend and \$50 for both weekends. Proceeds fund the ABWA scholarship program, but any profit the vendor makes is theirs to keep.

For more information or to secure a booth call Albert at

COAHOMA LION'S CLUB IS sponsoring a blood drive Wednesday, Nov. 10, 4-8 p.m. at the Coahoma Community

United Blood Services from San Angelo will be handling the drive, and they recommend donors make an appointment. To do so, call 394-4277.

Walk-in donors are also wel-

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BIG SPRING Around the Town

COAHOMA ELEMENTARY PTA FALL Festival will be Saturday, Nov. 13, from 5:30 to 10 p.m., in the Coahoma Elementary cafeteria.

IN OBSERVANCE OF VET-ERAN'S Day, Howard College will be holding a special presentation on the flag and what it symbolizes and a presentation on the Pledge of Allegiance on Thursday, Nov. 11, at 4:30 p.m. in the Fireplace Room at Howard College. Refreshments will be served.

AARP 55 ALIVE MATURE Driving Course will be taught Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 1-2 at Martin County Senior Citizens Center. The course is open to all people age 50 and over, who must attend both sessions. After completion, participants are eligible for a 10 percent discount on auto insur-

Cost is \$8 for the course and there are no tests or exams. Call 756-2791 to register.

THE TEXAS DEPART-MENT OF Health will be giving flu shots every Wednesday through the winter months to those persons 18 years and older, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. If you are on Medicare we will file. The cost to others will be \$5. For more information call 263-9775.

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.

POLICE

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

• HENRY CASTILLO, 31, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• PHILLIP CASTILLO, 28, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• SAMMY GARZA, 32, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication

• DANFEL LOPEZ, 21, was arrested on local warrants. BURGLARY OF A VEHI-

CLE was reported at the police DISORDERLY CON-DUCT/LANGUAGE

reported in the 1000 block of East 12th. CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING was issued in the

1800 block of East Marcy CLASS A CRIMINAL MIS-CHIEF TO A VEHICLE was

reported at the police station. DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 2300 block

of Gregg. CLASS B HARASSMENT was reported in the 2500 block of Hunter.

 THEFT was reported in the 200 block of West Marcy, 1100 block of North Lamesa, 600 block of East Third, at the police station, 1700 block of East Marcy and 400 block of Johnson.

 WEEKEND REPORT indicates five assault, two family violence, two burglary of a habitation, three burglary of a building, two burglary of a vehicle, two driving while intoxicated and five driving while license suspended inci-

And one forgery, one graffiti,

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two possession of drugs, one sexual assault, nine thefts, five convenience store thefts and revoke probation of burglary of one unauthorized use of a vehi-

Also eight information, 26 arrests, two major and two minor accidents reported.

SHERIFF

cle reports

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the follow-

 CHAD BRITTON STRICK-LAND, 32, was arrested on a charge of motion to revoke probation of forgery of a financial instrument (HCSO)

 DENNIS EDWARD AUS-BIE, 39, was arrested for a parole violation (HCSO).

• PATRICK RIOS, 28, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces (BSPD).

 HENRY CASTILLO, 31, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated (BSPD). TERRY DEWAYNE BAI-

LEY, 28, was arrested in a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces and making alcohol available to a minor. • TIFFNEY LEE TINDOL, 20

was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces (BSPD)

· CANDIDA FARMER, 26, was issued for issuance of a bad check (HCSO) RICHARD KEITH HUCK-

ABEE, 39, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia (HCSO). • JOHNNY LEE PUGA, 59,

was arrested on a charge of drive ving while intoxicated and open alcoholic container.

 CAMILO MARTIN NIETO JR., 25, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid (BSPD). JUAN MANUEL GARCIA,

34, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces and driving while license invalid (BSPD). • BONNIE LOPEZ MENDEZ.

30, was arrested on a charge of thwarting the compulsory attendance law (HCSO).

MANUEL TORRES ESCAMILLA, 37, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid (BSPD).

 BOBBY PHILLIP MAS-TERS, 37, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid (BSPD). APRIL JEANETTE

MCGEE, 18, was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle (BSPD). • KENNETH DAVIS, 25, was

arrested on a charge of forgery of a financial instrument (BSPD). • RICKY LIN WALLACE, 33, was arrested for bondsman off bond and motion to revoke pro-

less than \$500 (HCSO). JULIE ANN MINCE, 27. was arrested for motions to revoke probation of possession of marijuana less than two ounces, driving while license suspended and credit card abuse (HCSO).

bation of theft more than \$50

was arrested on a charge of contempt of child support order **ALLAN'S**

FURNITURE

• BRENT LEE MARIN, 27,

 GARY CECIL WYATT, 42. was arrested for motion to

a building (BSPD). · FRED CASTILLO, 52, was arrested on a charge of violation of a protective order (BSPD).

DOMINGO CASTILLO, 29,

was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than one gram, possession of a dangerous drug and possession of marijuana more than two ounces less than four ounces (BSPD). CRUZ GUTIERREZ SR., 24,

was arrested on a charge of forgery by passing (BSPD).

 ANDY RODRIGUEZ, 37, was arrested for two judgment sentences of driving while license invalid (HCSO). • JOHNNY GREEN, 34, was

arrested on a judgment sentence of driving while license invalid (HCSO). THOMAS DERRICK DUN-NAM, 34, was arrested on a

while intoxicated (HCSO). • IVAN LEE ROSE, 42, was arrested on a charge of issuance of a bad check (HCSO).

judgment sentence of driving

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Spring Department/EMS reports: **MONDAY**

4:41 p.m. - 2100 block South Main, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 4:47 p.m. — 1100 block North

Lancaster, medical call, patient

transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 100 block East Third, structure fire reported, smoke scare.

9:36 p.m. - 100 block Miller, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC. 9:51 p.m. — North Highway 87, trauma call, patient trans-

ported to SMMC. 11:13 p.m. - SMMC, trauma call, patient transported to Lubbock UMC.

RECORDS

Monday's high 78 Monday's low 53 Average high 68 Average low 42 Record high 91 in 1980 Record low 22 in 1943 Precip. Monday 0.00 Month to date 0.00 Month's normal 0.20 Year to date 11.84 Normal for the year 17.10 Sunrise Wednesday 7:10 a.m. Sunset Wednesday 5:49 p.m. *Statistics not available

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 50.75 cents, up 35 points; Dec. crude 23.75, up 48 points; cash hogs steady at 32; cash steers steady at 69 even; Dec. lean hog futures 47.32, up 72 points; Dec. live cattle futures 68.75, up 5 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Other markets not available by presstime.

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Hopes

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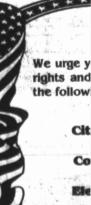
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Hopes begin diminishing for Wednesday end to budget negotiations

WASHINGTON (AP) - Budget brokers from the White House to Capitol Hill are pushing ahead with talks on their toughest disputes, but Congress' hopes of adjourning on Wednesday are

The two sides had only slightly narrowed their differences Tuesday night, hoping to tie up loose ends today on three spending bills. House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bill Young said it would take "a little miracle" to get the bills to the floor and sent to the White House by Wednesday.

Republican joked with reporters.

Budget negotiators were hoping to work some legislative magic by weaving hard numbers and competing political agendas into compromise bills that

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touching Social Security funds. Lawmakers are rushing to finish the job by Wednesday, when a temporary bill expires that is keeping the government running. They also want to return to their home districts for Veterans Day parades and other festivities this weekend.

Away from budget negotiations, other lawmakers were hoping to resolve disputes on a bill to increase the minimum wage by \$1.

Republicans and Democrats disagree on how quickly it should take effect "This might be a good time for a and on the size of an accompanying prayer meeting," the Florida business tax relief package.

But votes were set for today in the Senate on whether to boost the \$5.15an-hour wage by a dollar over 28 months, as Republicans want, or over 13 months as Democrats propose. would balance the budget without About 11 million workers earn the and key lawmakers tried Monday

minimum wage, about half of them

Congress' biggest job, however. remained budget negotiations. Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said he hoped a late evening meeting Monday would set the stage for the final details to be wrapped up today. Instead, they were expected to restart negotiations today and it was uncertain when they would finish.

The gaps between the two sides were significant enough that it looked increasingly unrealistic that they would reach resolution by Wednesday. The bills in question cover fiscal 2000, which began Oct. 1, and details of both sides' positions were described by participants who spoke on condition of anonymity

White House budget chief Jack Lew

measure to finance the departments of Commerce, Justice and State. President Clinton was seeking nearly \$1 billion more than Republicans were offering.

That bill features two major battlegrounds.

White House bargainers had lowered their demand for \$1.3 billion for hiring new police officers to \$570 million in new spending, closer to the \$325 million Congress has approved.

Republicans also were looking for compromise regarding unpaid U.S. dues to the United Nations and an effort by conservatives to link that money to abortion restrictions over-

In a dispute over a second bill, Republicans offered to give Clinton \$228 million of the additional \$2.3 bil-

night to come together on a \$39 billion lion he wants for education, labor and health programs, said Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa. That bill already has a \$314 billion price tag.

In the standoff over the third bill, the two sides were barely \$100 million apart on a roughly \$15 billion Interior Department measure, which participants said was closer to a deal than the other measures.

Meanwhile, Clinton predicted that a federal spending deal could be struck "in a heartbeat," but he said Republicans should support his proposal to help school districts hire thousands of new teachers.

The president wants \$1.4 billion this year to hire thousands of additional elementary school teachers, while Republicans prefer \$1.2 billion that states could use for teacher hiring or other education purposes.

One of Flight 800's data recorders recovered

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) -EgyptAir crash investigators other box, the cockpit voice recovered the flight data recorder from the depths of the Atlantic early today, hoping it would yield clues to what caused the jetliner to plunge into the ocean, killing 217 peo-

The recorder, one of two socalled "black boxes" on the Boeing 767, was damaged at one end, said Jim Hall, chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board. It was not immediately clear how that would affect the data stored in it, he

The recorder was expected to be flown to the NTSB lab in Washington as soon as possible for analysis.

"I congratulate all that are involved in the search," he

said. The Navy search for the n't unusual for the search for recorder, continued.

An around-the-clock mission to recover the flight recorders of the plane that crashed Oct. 31 had relied on a gigantic 8,000-pound underwater robot to go where another monster robot has failed. But in the end, it was the first robot that did the job.

After rough seas calmed Monday afternoon, Magnum, a tougher, nimbler underwater robot, was deployed to help locate the elusive recorders.

A cable on Magnum was damaged overnight, and Deep Drone, a robot that had failed in 13 previous hours on the ocean floor, was put back into the search, Hall said.

Earlier, Hall had said it was-

the black boxes to take this long. For example, it took 13 days to locate one recorder in 6 feet of water after a ValuJet crash in the Florida Everglades killed 110 people in 1996.

In the case of Flight 990, the black boxes were buried amid wreckage and silt some 270 feet beneath the Atlantic Ocean. Investigators say that whenever a piece of wreckage is moved, sediment gets stirred up, reducing visibility.

The plane took off early Oct. 31 from New York's Kennedy Airport bound for Cairo before it then plunged 33,000 feet into the Atlantic Ocean, about 60 south of miles the island Massachusetts Nantucket. No distress call went out from the crew.

Investigators are looking into all possibilities to the crash, including mechanical failure, human error and sabotage.

The Magnum is made of titanium and has a seven-jointed arm that can be manipulated from its ship to grasp the recorders.

It also has a cage that protects it from the heavy seas. Both Magnum and Deep Drone are remote-controlled underwater vessels about the size of a mini-

The civilian salvage ship Carolyn Chouest, which carries the Magnum, can also withstand rougher conditions than the USS Grapple, which carries Deep Drone, because the Carolyn Chouest can float in a fixed spot without dropping

Doctors, patient groups praise move to stop second-guessing doctors

NEW YORK (AP) — A move how HMOs will control rising by a leading managed care firm to free its doctors from the oversight of health plan administrators is winning praise from physician and patient groups.

The change by UnitedHealth Group — which comes after years of what it now calls a layer of wasteful, costly red tape — returns the final say on treatment decisions back to physicians.

"No one wants a system where you sit over the doctor's shoulder second-guessing each decision on every patient," said Sally Coberly, director of public policy for the Washington Business Group on Health, which represents a coalition of large national employers.

Organized medicine also applauded United's move.

"Doctors will receive this news well," said Dr. Thomas Reardon, president of the American Medical Association. 'We've always advocated that it should be doctors making the determination of what is medically necessary. This is a real win for patients covered by United."

UnitedHealth, which operates United HealthCare plans, is the nation's second-largest health insurer behind Aetna. United covers about 14.5 million peo-

Its policy change, being implemented nationwide this month, accelerates a trend among HMOs to give doctors ence," said Jay Silverstein, it also raises questions about cer.

health care costs and whether consumers will be best served by a return to the "doctorknows-best" philosophy.

Karen Ignagni, president of the American Association of Health Plans, said she expects more plans to follow United's strategy.

"Health plans are evolving to respond to the key objectives of patients and physicians," she

But United's approach could result in higher insurance premiums, said John Erb, a health benefits consultant in Boca Raton, Fla.

"The corollary here is: Be careful what you wish for, you might get it," said Erb, a vice president with Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

United said the approval system made sense in the 1980s and early 1990s when health costs were spiraling out of control. But United said it recently has been approving about 99 percent of physician requests.

United will still ask doctors to justify their care decisions. such as ordering surgery or expensive diagnostic tests. But under the new policy, the doctor will have the final say on how the patient will be treated, a company spokesman said.

"For years, this industry has innovated on the basis of cost and we are innovating on the basis of the health care experiand patients more freedom. But United's chief marketing offi-

Regulators say merger activity warrants scrutiny

WASHINGTON (AP) - Megamergers in the communications industry — which impact how people receive, disperse and share information — warrant close scrutiny, say lawmakers and regulators, who have a number of such deals now

Companies argue that they need to merge to improve efficiency and enter new markets, But top officials remain concerned that the unprecedented wave of mammoth deals will limit consumer options for ser-

"Most Americans tend to view increased concentration of control as a negative, and, unfortunately, this is often the case," Senate Commerce Committee Chairman John McCain, R-

Ariz., said in opening a hearing into the matter Monday. "The average consumer doesn't always reap the benefits of lower prices and better service.

Among recent mega-mergers: Marriages between Bell companies SBC and Ameritech; AT&T and cable giant TCI; and longdistance carriers MCI and WorldCom. More are to come. Regulators are looking at deals to combine MCI WorldCom and Sprint: CBS and Viacom; and Bell Atlantic and GTE.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, which shares responsibility with the Justice Department for reviewing deals for antitrust problems, merger filings in the communications industry have increased by almost 50 percent since 1995. The dollar value has increased eightfold, to more than \$266 bil-

The number of mergers isn't necessarily the problem, FTC Chairman Robert Pitofsky told the committee. It's the size of the transactions and the impact they have on the flow of information, he said.

"You are talking about the marketplace of ideas," Pitofsky said. Different standards need questioned the customer impact not be used to evaluate commu- of the proposed Sprint-MCI nications mergers, but close WorldCom deal, which would scrutiny should be given to the deals' impact on the First Amendment, he said.

The Federal Communications cerned" interest. FCC Chairman Bill

Kennard said a major concern of the agency is to ensure consolidation doesn't significantly reduce consumers' options in the marketplace.

"The consumer should be able to have a range of product choices," Kennard said. Optimally, he said, this would mean having four or more competitors for each product or ser-

combine the nation's No. 2 and No. 3 long-distance carriers.

"I think we should be conabout the deal, Commission reviews merger Kennard said. He would not applications for their public comment further on the merger, which is before his agency.

University's poll discovers today's Texans take tougher stance on crime

HUNTSVILLE (AP) - Over tices and fear of crime. the past two decades. Texans have become less tolerant of crime and more fond of tough sentences for criminals, a Sam Houston State University poll

suggests. The annual telephone poll, released Monday by the university's College of Criminal Justice, was compared to a similar study from 1979. Both measured factors such as perceptions about the purpose of the criminal justice system, evaluation of court sentencing prac-

"The most significant shift in Texans' attitudes about criminal justice over the past 20 years seems to be a loss of commitment to rehabilitation and an acceptance of adult prisons as warehouses to keep 'them' away from 'us' and to punish 'them' for their crimes," said Dennis R. Longmire, director of the school's Survey Research Program and author of the

The 1999 Texas Crime Poll found more people now believe

ish or incapacitate prisoners. while less value is placed on rehabilitation.

Of the 607 adults surveyed, 68 percent believe incapacitation was "very important" for prisons, compared to 43 percent in 1979. Following that trend, 71 percent this year believed offenders should serve their full prison sentences, rather than receiving early parole, up from 52 percent.

In 1979, 84 percent reported that rehabilitation was a prima-

the purpose of prisons is to pun-ry purpose of prisons. This year, that number dropped to 72 percent

Attitudes toward the death penalty also have changed. More Texans now support the use of capital punishment for crimes such as murder, rape, treason, armed robbery and even arson, the study found.

While the death penalty is currently only legal in capital murder cases, 46 percent of respondents said they would support it as a punishment for convicted rapists, compared to

39 percent in 1979. As a penalty the adult justice system. for arson, 17 percent supported the death penalty in 1999, up from 9 percent.

While many responses indicated a law-and-order mentality, some answers were tempered by a tone of compassion.

Asked what they thought about the overall purpose of the adult and juvenile justice systems, 92 percent of Texans this year said rehabilitation should be "very important" in the juvenile justice system, while 68 percent answered similarly for

And while 83 percent identified punishment as a primary goal of the adult system, 54 percent of those same people felt that "reconciliation of offenders, victims and their communities" was a very important pur-

The survey also found Texans to be less fearful of crime now than in 1979. About one-third of 1999 respondents were afraid to walk alone at night within a mile of their homes, compared with 54 percent in 1979.

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OUR VIEWS

Women veterans

prove abilities in

serving country .

aside to honor those who served our country in uni-

And while their uniforms may have looked a little

different, these veterans served their country for

many of the same reasons as their male counterparts.

In many cases, these soldiers fought two battles -

first, the enemy, and then, for acceptance from their

"I believe we have proved a women can do what a

man can do, but this is still a man's world," veteran

But while women in the armed services were com-

peting in a job that has traditionally belonged to men,

"The Army is such an adventure, and life is differ-

ent every day," Arnet said. "I learned leadership and

discipline, and self-motivation. If you don't have team-

For many years, the important work of women in the

military was not recognized Now, when 1.23 million

of the 25 million living veterans are female, that is changing.

"Because of their traditional roles as non-combat-

ants, the heroism of military women in war has been

overlooked, but they too have paid a price for free-

dom," said Cary Brown, chief executive officer of Big

To honor the women veterans of our community, a

luncheon is planned at St. Paul Lutheran Church

Wednesday, with a program beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The rights of women veterans will be a topic of the

discussion, and women veterans will also have an

opportunity to register for the women's primary care

clinic. Entertainment will be provided by the Spring

We join the VA in honoring the work of these

women who served in our armed forces. And we are

proud that many of these "heroes" now call Big Spring

Your Views

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In closing, I wish to mention

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Christy Arnet told the Herald.

Spring VA Medical Center.

City Stompers line dance group.

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ICU. Keep up the good work.

Your compassion and humor

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Bruha and Dr. Michael

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Judy, your helper that day, Dr.

Also want to mention all the

My special thanks to Vicki,

Patricia, Bill, Teresa, Jose.

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by our Founding Fathers: Article I, Section 8, paragraph 7 of the Constitution reads, "The Congress shall have power... to establish post offices...

Congress waited nearly 200 years to delegate that constitutional authority by passing the Postal Reorganization Act. which President Richard Nixon signed into law on August 12, 1970. This act created a new quasi-government business under the executive branch.

run by an 11-member Board of Governors, nine of whom are appointed by the president (the other two being selected by the Board and the postmaster general, who is elected by the

What is the reality of all this? The Postal Service used to be highly responsive to Congress, usually because many high-ranking postal employees owed their jobs to patronage appointments. Now, only the responsive tradition remains, which is to say that complaints to members of Congress still occasionally spur some postal employees to action. Tradition, however, is a poor and toothless motivator

The reality is that Congress has created a bureaucratic monster. The Board members are appointed for nine-year terms, which is tantamount to making the service they run independent of governmental control. True, they must go to Congress for money, but unlike other budget items, Congress has virtually no say on how the money will be spent.

The result is a bureaucratically run, monopolistic, giantsized business that affects every American - throw in

say how far the postal tentacles reach. In fact, as we pointed out to a high-ranking postal employee, "It is an organization centrally controlled. accountable to no one, devoid of competition and free of liability for its actions." You could say it resembles a well: known, justifiably maligned system that East Europeans just kicked a few years ago.

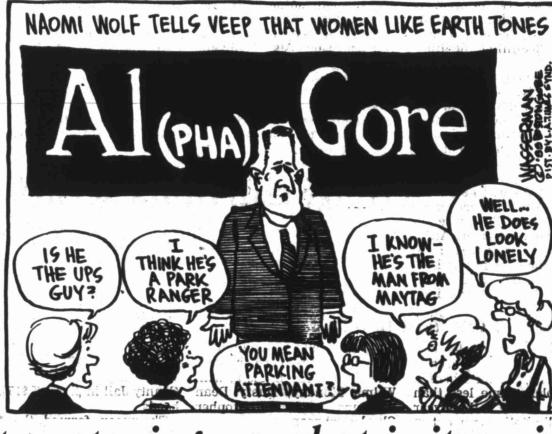
Let's be specific: You mail a letter; they lose the letter. You complain; they refer you to customer service. Customer service commences a "trace"; they do not find your letter they almost never find your letter. You ask how they will compensate you; the manner of reply may vary with the maturity and temper of the postal employee, but the substance never does: the U.S. Postal Service is only liable if you insured your mail.

Imagine UPS or Federal Express or any other package carrier saying such a thing. Imagine what the courts would say if they did.

Now, suppose you run a business - say a newspaper, say the newspaper you are reading - that is dependent upon the Postal Service to deliver your international mail and who can product. They call that time-

U.S. Postal Service: Answerable to no one dated material, meaning the product's value diminishes with time. Now suppose you mail several thousand newspapers to your subscribers, but the Postal Service somehow manages to deliver them two weeks later or not at all. Your customers - subscribers and advertisers - scream. They demand refunds or free ads or. if it happens once too often, they cancel. You are answerable, and had you used any delivery company other than the U.S. Postal Service you too could seek compensation.

> But, alas, the Postal Service has a monopoly on the mail because competition, they say, would take the profitable urban routes and leave them the sparse rural routes. So, why not simply pass a law that requires all companies seeking to enter the mail business to service all areas? Or, why not require the Postal Service to accept responsibility for its actions like all other companies, and pay for its mistakes? Or, why not go back to the good old patronage system? At least under that system, highranking postal employees were answerable to someone - and that someone was answerable to you.



Stereotyping, yes, but is it racial?

then you reach the stage in life that actor Danny Glover has, you don't expect racism to play much of a role in your day-today routine. But last week, the "Lethal Weapon" star held a news confer-

ence in New York to publicize his recent encounters with racist stereotypes on the streets of Manhattan.

Like many black men (and sometimes women),

Glover had trouble when

he tried to hail a cab for himself and his college-age daughter and her roommate. First, several empty cabs passed him by. When a driver finally stopped, he refused Glover's request to sit up front where he could stretch out his legs, which Glover explained were bothering him because of an old hip injury.

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During a press conference he held to complain about racial stereotyping, Glover blamed racism for his unpleasant experiences. But if it is racism, it's certainly not the old-fashioned prejudice of whites against blacks. Most of the taxi drivers who passed Glover by - and the rude one who finally picked him up — were "people of color," according to Glover's lawyer, who spoke at the press

Not surprising in a city where the Taxi and Limousine Commission estimates that about 70 percent of New York cabbies are immigrants from India, Pakistan and Bangladesh. Only a small minority of New York City cab drivers are U.S.-born or European immigrants, and this pattern is repeated in cities across the country.

But if you ask these mostly brown-skinned drivers why so few are willing to pick up black riders, you'll get the same answers: fear of being robbed by the passenger, fear of being robbed by others in the neighborhoods where these passengers live, fear of being ripped off of the fare they're entitled to. One African taxi driver I ride with frequently admitted that he routinely asks some black customers to pay their fare at the beginning of the trip, even though it's against company policy, because he's had so many customers flee the cab without

paying. Racial stereotyping? Absolutely. But the problem is not an easy one to solve, in part, because the stereotypes in many cases reflect the drivers' own experiences. Steven Holmes, a reporter for The New York Times, wrote a column this spring on his own encounters with this kind of racial stereotyping, as both vic-

tim and perpetrator. Holmes, who is black, was stopped a few weeks earlier by a D.C. police officer while walking near his home in a predominantly white neighborhood. Holmes became angry when he discovered, after call-

ing the local precinct, that the officer had lied when he said. Holmes matched the description of a burglar in a housebreaking nearby. There had been no break-ins, leaving Holmes to conclude the police stopped him because he was black.

But Holmes' anger abated when he realized that he'd been guilty of the same kind of stereotyping.years earlier when he had driven a taxi in New York while putting himself through college.

In three years of driving, Holmes was robbed twice, both times by young, black men. " I did not out driving a taxi. I liked the job too much," Holmes said. "But I became more choosy about who I let in my cab. I still picked up black women, older men, couples, families and men dressed in suits. But my sense of tolerance and racial solidarity was tested every time a casually dressed young black man, especially one in sneakers, tried to hail my cab. Most times, I

drove right by," he admitted. How do we fight the temptation to judge people by the color of their skin? There are already laws on the books in most cities that make it illegal to discriminate against passengers, but they haven't ended the practice. Glover recommends more training for drivers. I'm usually skeptical of such racial-sensitivity programs, but maybe it's worth a

Taxi drivers have the right to avoid danger, but law-abiding citizens also have the right not to be presumed dangerous simply because they're black.

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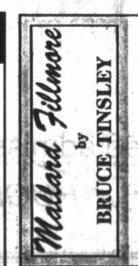
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Privacy advocates asking government to help stop online profiling

group of privacy advocates is asking the government to stop companies from tracking computer users' online visits.

Their request comes as the computer advertising industry launches its own guidelines in hopes of heading off privacy complaints.

"The Web and new technology provide unprecedented opportunity for Web sites to collect detailed information about individuals," said one of the privacy advocates, Jeffrey Chester, executive director of the Center for Media Education.

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Evan Hendricks, editor and publisher of Privacy Times, agreed: "We think it's necessary to halt this in its tracks," he

Federal authorities heard the suggestions Monday at a forum to examine the practice of tracking Web activities of computer users, known as online profiling. In profiling, companies collect information about users' behavior from practices such as

NEW YORK (AP) — For two decades, in a Latanisha died,

closet strewn with air fresheners, bolted

shut and blocked by a wardrobe, authori-

ties say Madelyn Carmichael kept a horri-

fying secret: the violent death of her young

Ms. Carmichael, 60, fainted last week as

she watched police — acting on a tip from

a long-lost son - break into the makeshift

tomb in her Brooklyn home where the

Police believe the girl, named Latinsha,

Test results on the girl's body are not

expected until next week. Ms. Carmichael

remained hospitalized today, delaying her

arraignment on second-degree murder

Meanwhile, investigators continue to

Detectives traveled to an upstate prison

over the weekend to speak with

Carmichael's eldest son, Gregory, 37 - a

piece together a harrowing family history

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was beaten to death 20 years ago.

WASHINGTON (AP) - A online buying or simple Web from children without a par- banner ads, if they were notisurfing.

The information is used to target advertising to specific

computer users. Advocates want a 90-day Federal Trade Commission investigation, with findings sent to Congress.

Industry leaders answered that they are acting on their own to ease concerns.

Under a plan by the 10 leading Internet advertising and dataprofiling companies, users can switch off information-gathering technology used at many Web sites by accessing privacy policies either at the site; the third-party site, or server, that delivers the ad for the site; or at a site operated by the participating advertising networks www.networkadvertising.org.

The industry also is launching an advertising campaign to inform users of their options.

Last month, the FTC released rules to implement a federal law that bans companies from collecting personal information

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wouldn't let her sleep.'

never bring Andrea back.

ent's permission. Laws do not exist to prevent online profiling of adults, however, and officials so far have opted to wait and see how effectively the industry regulates itself.

"Because this technology knows no borders, it is far better for the market to respond than for governments around the world to take action," Commerce Secretary William M. Daley said at the conference.

FTC Chairman Robert Pitofsky said consumers can benefit from online advertising linked to their interests. "Online profiling, however, looks like it may be a very different beast," he said.

Advertisers and data profiling Singleton said. companies insisted it was possible to find a balance.

To support their point, supporters pointed to an industry-

fied it was happening and given the option to decline.

Supporters also noted that tracking technology only records activities, not personal data. When people enter personal data, they are asked whether their information can be shared, supporters said.

Solveig Singleton, director of information studies for the Cato Institute, a conservative Washington think tank, likened the practice of online profiling to a shopkeeper's gathering of information about his cus-

"In order for a merchant to have a general familiarity ... it's natural he would want to seek information," some

But privacy advocates said they especially worry that online and offline behavior eventually will be merged. They sponsored survey that found noted that DoubleClick Inc., an that 58 percent of Internet users online advertising network, would agree to have visits to recently merged with Abacus Web sites used to personalize Direct, an offline market

his twin. He didn't recall having one.

horrifying secret flooded back.

pearance went unnoticed.

That prompted him to confront his older

sister, Sabrina. The sister broke down,

telling Andre that she believed his twin was

dead, and that the body was still inside

their mother's apartment. Memories of the

When he was young, Andre said,

Latanisha "went through my mind a lot of

times." He said social workers and teachers

ignored talk of a twin sister, "so I shut

myself down." Welfare officials say they

are investigating how the toddler's disap-

After Andre and his sister called police,

members of the department's Cold Case

Squad knocked on the door of Ms.

Carmichael's ramshackle, one-bedroom

apartment Friday night with a search war-

Inside the closet, detectives found a trunk

covered with cellophane. Inside was a tiny

body wrapped in a baby blanket, plastic

bags and yellowed newspaper dated Nov. 4,

State government Web sites fall victim to hacker's attacks

agencies tightened computer security Monday after a hacker vandalized at least seven Web sites by posting profanity and other messages.

The hacker, known as "hV2k," began his attack Friday when he defaced the City of Arlington's site, and continued through Monday when at least five state government sites were hit.

The text messages, found at the bottom of the site home pages, contained spelling, capitalization and punctuation errors. The sites were cleaned up by Monday afternoon.

"Texas Department Hacking, err Health be owned," the hacker wrote on the health department's home page.

The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Department Services, Licensing and Regulation, Alcoholic Beverage Commission, State Auditor's Office, and the Department of Public Safety were among the agencies that also were vandalized.

As many as 12 agencies could have had their sites hacked into, said a DPS spokeswoman.

"I don't know if this was somebody trying to get a black belt in hacking or what," said Doug McBride, health department spokesman.

All of the sites used the popular Microsoft Windows NT Internet Information Server, a program that has suffered sev-

AUSTIN (AP) - Several state eral security problems during the past year. Microsoft has distributed patches in each case but relies on local administrators to install them correctly.

One of the hacker's messages read: "...this is getting boring, SEKURE YER DAMN NABIT NT SYSTEMS.

The Microsoft program is the same one that was used on Gov. George W. Bush's presidential campaign Web site, which was vandalized nine days ago.

"It's embarrassing. It points out that you've got a problem, which is good because you've got to know about that, but a lot of resources go into this," said Steven Wilkins, resources manager at the Department of Licensing and Regulation.

Officials and computer technicians at the agencies were reluctant to talk about how the hacker got into the Web site servers or Internet security Monday, saying only that any flaws would be corrected.

The agencies said the hacker only had access to information available on the Internet, and not more sensitive information stored on separate systems.

"We're really cautious about all of our Web sites because we have children available for adoption on our Web sites and really sensitive information on our Web sites, so we are really careful with them," said Marla Sheely, of the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.



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Preacher free on bond, three others held in suspected arson of church in 1996 WICHITA FALLS (AP) - A Thompson, pastor of the Full \$150,000 bond, is accused of \$270,000 insurance policy:

Police unlock a mother's long secret in closet tomb

Ms. Carmichael has no criminal record.

But as a single mother facing accusations of

severe child abuse in the 1980s, she had

sent two of her three children — including

Latanisha's twin, Andre — into foster care.

declining health, neighbors said Ms.

Carmichael talked of being haunted by a

Describing a mostly reclusive woman in

No small children lived nearby, but

Johana Rivera, the building's superinten-

dent, said her tenant complained about how

a phantom baby "was screaming and

Several weeks ago, Andre Carmichael, 23,

sought to renew a relationship with his

mother. The surviving siblings have said

Ms. Carmichael welcomed her son, but

seemed disturbed by the sight of his 3-year-

old daughter, Andrea, who bears a strong

resemblance to Latanisha. She asked him to

Andre also contacted an aunt, who star-

three others charged in the statute of limitations ran out on Charles Johnson.

crime remained in custody. Arrests of the Rev. Theophilus

convicted robber who was a teen-ager when tled him by asking if he was in touch with

the case, investigators say.

minister accused of setting fire Gospel Power House Church of engaging in organized criminal Williams, 25; and Johnson, 22; to a church that was covered by a large insurance policy was free on bond Monday night, but two weeks before less than two weeks

Thompson formed the pre-Ms. Monday, former church dominantly black church in

Thompson, who posted a owner and ex-beneficiary of a 1960. 13th Big Spring Herald **Community Christmas Parade**

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wide or 14 feet high. 3. Vehicles other than antiques must be deco-

4. Vehicles of a strictly commercial nature will

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YMCA registering players for its basketball program

The Big Spring YMCA is now registering girls and boys in kindergarten through the sixth grade for its youth basketball program.

The program fee includes a T-shirt, individual player award and a full service YMCA youth membership for January and February.

YMCA full members may register for the program for \$15. Basic program members will pay \$25 and non-members will pay \$32.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

T&WD official releases hunt recommendations

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials have suggested harvest recommendations for the general deer hunting season which continues through Jan. 2 in Howard County.

The legal bag limit for Howard County is four deer with no more than two of them being bucks.

No special permits are required for harvesting antlerless deer, but both anterless deer and bucks must be tagged with an appropriate tag from a valid hunting license.

TP&WD wildlife biologist Kathy McGinty has recommended that landowners allow the harvest of one anterless deer per 800 acres and one buck per 1,700 acres.

For more information, call McGinty at (915) 795-2238.

YMCA offering free racquetball lessons

The Big Spring Family YMCA is currently offering free racquetball lessons to adults and youngsters 10 and

The hour-long sessions are

member, will conduct the lessons on the YMCA's newlyrenovated courts.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Dante Hall kicked off Texas A&M football team

COLLEGE STATION (AP) -Dante Hall, Texas A&M's leading rusher the last two sea-sons, was dismissed from the team Monday for disciplinary reasons. A one-sentence statement did not provide further

The action comes two days after the Aggies lost 37-0 to Nebraska, knocking them out of the top 25. Texas A&M had 2 yards rushing in the game. Hall had one of them on one

Hall, who had just three carries in the last five games, finishes the season with 179 yards and two touchdowns on 53 attempts. He also caught five passes for 59 yards.

Lett rejoining Cowboys after serving suspension

IRVING (AP) — Leon Lett is once again a member of the Dallas Cowboys.

Lett's eight-game suspension for violating the NFL's substance abuse policy ended Monday night following

Dallas' loss to Minnesota. The defensive tackle was eligible to return to the team's Valley Ranch headquarters today. Players had the day off, though, so his first practice won't be until Wednesday. He's expected to play Sunday when Dallas faces Green Bay

in Texas Stadium. Lett's latest suspension was for his fifth violation. He's been punished three times, keeping him out of 28 of Dallas' last 60 regular-season

ON THE AIR

Television

7 p.m. - Portland Trail Blazers at Utah Jazz, TNT, Ch. 28. 7:30 p.m. — Los Angeles Lakers at Dallas Mavericks, FXS,

7 p.m. - Dallas Stars at St. ouis Blues, ESPN, Ch. 30.

UConn is preseason No. 1, Gonzaga ranked for first time went 34-2, and the national first time the school from are worthy of such recognition

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sitting atop both the men's and women's basketball polls is nothing new for the state of Connecticut. Just being in the Top 25 is all new for Gonzaga.

The teams from the Nutmeg State hold the No. 1 spots in The Associated Press' preseason rankings, the third time they have done that.

They did it for one week in February 1995 and for six weeks last season, the only times one school had both No. 1s.

The men's team went on to win the national championship, and the Huskies were tabbed No. 1 for this season Monday with Cincinnati and Michigan State close behind.

The Huskies have three starters back from the team that

media panel gave them 1,669 points. They were No. 1 on 21 ballots.

"I really believe this is a carryover from our winning the national championship this past March," Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said Monday. "I guess the voters said we're pretty good and have some quality players returning, and I guess they didn't feel anyone had jumped past us.

"Ultimately, I think what they're saying is 'Let's roll the balls out and see who's best.""

Connecticut was ranked second in last year's preseason poll, behind Duke, the team it beat in the national title game.

Gonzaga, whose great run in last season's NCAA tournament ended with a regional final loss to Connecticut, was 24th, the Spokane, Wash., known as the alma mater of Bing Crosby and John Stockton, ever cracked the Top 25.

The Bulldogs have three starters back from that team, but coach Dan Monson left for Minnesota and assistant Mark Few was promoted. Now, Few's first game as head coach will be with a ranked team.

"Obviously we are pleased about the recognition," he said. "Any time you get such national exposure, it's a boost to the recruiting efforts of not only the basketball program and athletic department, but of the university. It also puts the Spokane community on the map. But like most coaches I'm probably more concerned about the rankings at the end of the year. Now we have to do our part to prove we

and work hard to improve."

Two coaches have been in Few's situation in recent years. Bill Guthridge's first game at North Carolina in 1997 came with the Tar Heels ranked No. 4. A year earlier, Steve Lavin's first game at UCLA was with the Bruins ranked fifth.

Cincinnati received 19 firstplace votes and 1,630 points, 23 more than Michigan State, which was No. 1 on 20 ballots. Cincinnati has four starters back from the team that went

27-6. The Spartans, who were 33-5 and made their first Final Four appearance since 1979 last season, would most probably have been selected No. 1, but All-American Mateen Cleaves broke his foot and will be out until mid-December.

MEN'S POLL

The top 25 teams in The Associated . Connecticut (21) . Cincinnati (19) 33-5 29-4 27-9 24-10 24-11 22-9 22-7 37-2 23-10 . Aubum (4) . North Carolina (3) 9. Arizona Kansas Stanford 16. Illinois 19. Tenness 20. DePaul 22. Oklahoma St 24. Gonzaga

Smith injury big break in Vikings' turnaround

Aikman also out after receiving mild concussion

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - The Minnesota Vikings' big break came when Emmitt Smith stiffarmed rookie cornerback Kenny Wright on his way into the end zone.

Smith broke his hand on the play and watched in street clothes as the Vikings rallied for a 27-17 victory over the Dallas Cowboys on Monday night.

"I don't know how he hurt his hand," Wright said. 'Maybe he did it grabbing my face mask."

Dallas dominated the first half as Smith scored twice within 18 seconds on runs of 63 and 24 yards. Smith gained 140 yards on 13 carries in just 21 minutes as the Cowboys ran up a 17-0 lead and held Minnesota without a pass completion until 5:30 was left in the half.

Troy Aikman sustained a mild concussion early in the third quarter and joined Smith on the sideline, and the Vikings (5-4) scored the final 27 points behind Jeff George, who won his third straight since replacing Cunningham.

Smith broke his hand on his 63-yard run, but didn't have time to leave the sideline because Minnesota fumbled away the ensuing kickoff. So Smith rumbled in from 24 yards out, giving Dallas a 17-0 lead and tying Marcus Allen for second place with 145 career touchdowns. Jerry Rice is the leader.

"When I came off, I felt it. There were a few cracks. Then we got a quick turnover and I got my h'met on and went onto the field." Smith said.

And into the end zone. But then Smith left, and the Vikings recovered an errant snap that led to a 4-yard touchdown pass from George to Randy Moss to cut it to 17-7 by halftime.

Aikman got the sixth concussion of his 11-year career after getting sacked by Jerry Ball on the first series of the second half. Then the Vikings took

Dallas (4-4) lost for the third time in its last four starts and fell to third in the NFC East, a



Dallas quarterback Troy Alkman, pictured here in a game against Washington in 1993, was one of two key Cowboys starters knocked out of Monday's 27-17 loss to Minnesota.

game behind Washington and the New York Giants.

Gary Anderson kicked two field goals to start the secondhalf rally, then George completed another 4-yard TD pass for the go-ahead score with 1:22 gone in the final quarter. The pass was to Cris Carter, who caught it despite premature fireworks blasts that went off just as the ball left George's hand.

"It sure shocked me," George said. "Cris had great concentration to make the catch. It could have cost us the touch-

"I heard it," Carter said. What did he think?

"Prophetic," he replied with a smile.

George then clinched it with 5:10 left, throwing a 47-yard TD pass to Moss, his third TD pass of the night.

The game began with mistakes, penalties and missed field goals — two by Dallas' Richie Cunningham and one by the Anderson.

Minnesota safety Robert Griffith said he wasn't sure what role Dallas' injuries played in the comeback.

"I don't know how the game would have gone," he said. "But we were going to play better football than we did in the first half."

Preseason No. 1's complete first ever wire-to-wire reign

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

For the first time in the history of The Associated Press high school football poll, all five teams ranked No. 1 in the preseason finished the regular season atop the rankings.

Class 5A Midland Lee, 4A Stephenville, 3A Sealy, 2A Omaha Paul Pewitt and 1A Wheeler began their unprecedented reign when a panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters voted them No. 1 in their respective classes. In this week's poll released Monday, all five undefeated teams held their positions for the 12th straight week.

There have been only two occasions in which four of five preseason No. Is have run the table in the same regular sea-

Four top-ranked teams play their first game of the playoffs this week. Wheeler plays its last district game against Memphis on Friday.

Although the rankings won't affect the team's success in the run for a state championship, some coaches said the polls have become a source of inspiration.

Elsewhere in the poll this week, Duncanville had insult added to injury as it fell from the 5A Top 10 and had its season end in the same week. Duncanville, which began the season ranked No. 2, finished 8-2 but misses the playoffs.

In the final 5A regular season rankings, Midland Lee is followed by Lewisville, Austin Westlake, South Grand Prairie, Katy, Euless Trinity, Pasadena Dobie, Amarillo, Copperas Cove and Aldine Eisenhower.

In 4A, Stephenville leads a list including Texas City, Schertz Clemens, Dallas Highland Park, Belton, La Marque, Smithson Valley, Brenham, Coppell and Nederland.

In 3A, Sealy is joined by Newton, Commerce, Fairfield, Cleveland, Crane, Crockett, Atlanta, Brenham and Forney. In 2A, Paul Pewitt is joined by

Mart, Celina, Iraan, Boyd, Grand Saline, Comfort, Garrison, Goldthwaite and Lexington. In 1A, Wheeler is followed by

Baird, Detroit, Dawson, Asperment, Bartlett, Wortham, Milano, Iola and Sudan.

SCHOOLBOY POLI

The Associated Press high school football and records through Nov. 6. Voting done by a

Class 5A		_
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1. Midland Lee (14)		10
2. Lewisville (5)		10
3. Austin Westlake (1)		10
.4. South Grand Prairie		9
5. Katy		
6. Euless Trinity		
7. Pasadena Dobie	* .	10
8. Amarillo	* .	10
9. Copperas Cove		- 6
10. Aldine Eisenhower		3

Others receiving votes: Garland 17 Duncanville 12, Arlington Lamar 7, Converse

	6, SA MacArthur 4, Waco 4, Tyler Lee 3.
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	7. Smithson Valley
	8. Brenham 10
	9. Coppell
	10. Nederland

Also receiving votes: Port Neches-Grove 11. FW Wyatt 10, FW Dunbar 8, Bay City 7 Greenville 7, Weatherford 7, Brazosport 5

2, CC Calallen 2,	Ennis 2,	Hallsville 2.	
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2. Newton			9
3. Commerce			10
4. Fairfield			10
Cleveland			9
6. Crane			10
7. Crockett			10
8. Atlanta			9
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3. Celina (2)	1	0
4. Iraan	1	0
5. Boyd	. 1	0
6. Grand Saline	1	0
7. Comfort	. 1	0
8. Garrison	1	0
9. Goldthwaite		9
10. Lexington	1	0

Others receiving votes: **Stanton 11** Refugio 10, Canadian 9, Brookshire-Royal 8 Gunter 8, Elysian Fields 7, Pilot Point 6, Alto 5, Cooper 5, Olney 3, Shiner 3, Sonora 3.

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ı	2. Detroit (2)		10-0
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1	4. Baird		10-0
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1	6. Bartlett		9-1
1	7. Wortham	1	9-1
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1	10. Sudan		10-0
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DROPPED OUT: No. 6 Menard Others receiving votes: Jarrell 11, Menard 10, Nazareth 7, Charlotte 6, Evadale 6, Fells City 6, Marfa 6, Meridian 4, Karnack 3, Tolar 3, Celeste 2, Rankin 2, Claude 1.

Iverson leads 76ers past Sonics for first win of season cutting short a tribute to the late Wilt in the final 13 seconds as Orlando beat Nuggets 115, Hawks 100

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

After a pregame fireworks display backfired in Philadelphia, Allen Iverson and Larry Hughes put on a better show for 76ers fans.

Iverson scored 37 points and Hughes 27 as the 76ers beat the Seattle SuperSonies 117-98 Monday night. It was the first win of the season for Philadelphia (1-3) and the first loss for Seattle (3-1).

Iverson and Hughes started together in the backcourt for the first time this sea-"Obviously, it worked," said Iverson,

who scored 17 points in the fourth quarter when Philadelphia pulled away with a 39-19 burst.

Not much else worked at First Union Center in the Sixers' home opener. A giant video screen malfunctioned,

Chamberlain, and there also were problems with the shot clock, game clock and scoreboard.

But the worst moments came before the game, when a fireworks and blowtorch show left the court shrouded in smoke and the floor covered with dust. The game was delayed twice while the mess was cleaned up.

Gary Payton scored 28 points for the Sonics, who had beaten the 76ers 12 straight times. In other NBA games, it was New York 111, Milwaukee 101 in overtime; Orlando

102. Houston 97: Denver 115. Atlanta 100:

and Utah 94, Los Angeles Clippers 79.

Magic 102, Rockets 97 Chris Gatling scored 22 points and Darrell Armstrong hit four free throws in four games.

the winless Rockets for the 10th straight time.

Reserve Cuttino Mobley scored 25 points for Houston, which fell to 0-4 for the first time since 1982. Charles Barkley had 18 points and 17 rebounds for the Rockets.

Knicks 111, Bucks 101 Latrell Sprewell hit a tying 3-pointer with 7.9 seconds left in regulation, and Marcus Camby had 23 points and rebounds as New York handed Milwaukee its first defeat in overtime.

Allan Houston led the Knicks with 30 points and Sprewell finished with 21 at Madison Square Garden. Glenn Robinson Milwaukee, which lost for the first time

Nick Van Exel had 23 points and 20 assists, and Raef LaFrentz scored 24 points as Denver won at home.

Ron Mercer added 19 points for the Nuggets, and rookie Ryan Bowen grabbed 11 rebounds, including eight on the offensive end. Isaiah Rider led Atlanta with 28 points.

Jazz 94, Clippers 79

Karl Malone scored 15 of his 24 points in the second half, and Utah held the Clippers without a field goal during a 6:40 span of the fourth quarter to win

Maurice Taylor scored 21 points for the Clippers, who shot 34 percent from the scored 23 points for field and missed 12 of 14 shots from 3point range in front of a half-empty Staples Center.

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WEST TEXAS PLAYOFF PAIRINGS UConn leads preseason women's poll, too

El Paso Franklin (8-2) vs. El Paso Montwood (4-5), 8:30 p.m. (CST) Friday, El Paso Socorro San Angelo Central (3-7) vs. Midland Lee (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Memorial

Lewisville (10-0) vs. Euless Trinity (9-1), 4 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium,

Arlington Martin (6-4) vs. Waco (7-3), 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Maverick Stadium,

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(CST) Eastwood (6-4), 8:30 p.m. (CST) Thursday, El Paso Eastwood

Amarillo (10-0) vs. Abilene Cooper (4-5), 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jones Stadium, Lubbock South Grand Prairie (9-1) vs. Irving

Nimitz (6-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving Arlington Lamar (7-3) vs. Temple (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Maverick

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Paso Del Valle Abilene (8-2) vs. Lubbock Monterey (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jones Stadium, Lubbock

Irving (8-2) vs. The Colony (5-5), 7 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving Copperas Cove (9-1) vs. DeSoto (6-4), 8 p.m. Friday, Maverick Stadium, Arlington

Class 4A DIVISION I **Bi-district**

El Paso Ysleta (4-6) vs. Pecos (5-4), 8:30 p.m. (CST) Friday, El Paso Ysleta Hereford (9-1) vs. Plainview (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Plainview Big Spring (7-3) vs. Brownwood (8-

2), 1 p.m. Saturday, San Angelo Denton (8-2) vs. Weatherford (9-1),

7:30 p.m. Friday, Farrington Field, Fort **DIVISION II**

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Snyder (8-2) vs. Everman (7-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Tarleton Memorial Stadium. Stephenville Wichita Falls (8-2) vs. Saginaw Boswell (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday,

Memorial Stadium, Wichita Falls San Elizario (8-2) vs. El Paso Riverside (7-3), 8:30 p.m. (CST) Friday,

Wolfforth Frenship (6-4) vs. Pampa (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Pampa Stephenville (10-0) vs. Andrews (8-2), 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Shotwell Stadium,

White Settlement Brewer (6-4) vs. Wichita Falls Hirschi (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, BISD, North Richland Hills ...

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Perryton (6-4) vs. Muleshoe (7-3), 5 p.m. Friday, Dick Bivins Stadium, Amarillo

Lamesa (8-2) vs. Monahans (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa Graham (6-4) vs. Abilene Wylie (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Abilene Wylie

Breckenridge (9-1) vs. Waco La Vega (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Clark Stadium, Fort Worth

DIVISION II Bi-district Region I

Dalhart (5-5) vs. Shallowater (4-6), 4 p.m. Saturday, Bivins Stadium, Amarillo Seminole (5-4) vs. Greenwood (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Mustang Bowl, Andrews

Childress (9-1) vs. Brady (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sweetwater Eastland (6-4) vs. Hillsboro (4-6), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Tarleton Memorial

Stadium, Stephenville Friona (9-1) vs. Amarillo River Road (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dimmitt Crane (10-0) vs. Slaton (3-7), 2 p.m.

Saturday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa Ballinger (6-4) vs. lowa Park (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Stamford China Spring (8-2) vs. Glen Rose (3-7), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Waxahachie

Class 2A DIVISION I Bi-district

Big Lake Reagan County (7-3) vs. Ozona (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Big Lake Reagan County

Post (8-2) vs. Hale Center (6-4), 3 p.m. Saturday, Lowrey Field, Lubbock Canadian (9-1) vs. Quanah (9-1), 8 p.m. Friday, Dick Bivins Stadium,

Lockney (7-3) vs. Tuscola Jim Ned (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lowrey Field, Lubbock

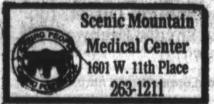
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Iraan (10-0) vs. Eldorado (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Angelo Stadium Stanton (10-0) vs. Farwell (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Levelland
Stratford (8-2) vs. Clarendon (6-4),
7:30 p.m. Friday, Kimbrough Stadium,

Canyon
Abernathy (7-3) vs. Albany (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Colorado City
Sonora (10-0) vs. Van Horn (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Fort Stockton
Sundown (8-2) vs. Seagraves (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Denver City
Amarillo Highland Park (8-2) vs.
Spearman (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Durnes

Hamlin (7-3) vs. New Deal (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Big Spring

er (9-0), bye



Springlake-Earth (8-2) vs. Turkey Valley (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Tulia Sudan (8-2), bye Fort Davis (7-2) or Marfa (8-1), bye

Claude (6-3) or Gruver (6-3), bye Petersburg (5-5) vs. Nazareth (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Littlefield

Anton (7-3), bye Rankin (7-2), bye Aspermont (9-1) vs. Windthorst (5-5),

Roscoe (7-3), bye Baird (10-0) vs. Tolar (7-3), 8 p.m. Friday, Early Rocksprings (5-4), bye Paducah (7-3) vs. Chico (8-2), TBA

Rotan (8-2), bye Bronte (7-3) vs. Ranger (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Abilene Wylie Menard (8-2), bye Region III

Bi-district

Groom (9-1) vs. Samnorwood (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lefors Whitharral (9-1) vs Rochester (8-1),

7:30 Friday, Crosbyton Meadow (8-2) vs. Gall Borden County (8-2), 7:30 Friday at Lamesa

Sanderson (8-1), bye

Follett (8-2) vs. McLean (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Miami Three Way (6-4) vs. Rule (8-1) ,7:30

p.m. Friday, Wilson Wellman-Union (7-3) vs. Ackerly Sands (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Grandfalls Royalty (8-1), bye

Connecticut emerged ahead of SEC powers Tennessee and Georgia as the No. 1 team in The Associated Press preseason women's basketball poll today. completing a sweep for the Huskies at the top of the rank-

UConn led the men's poll on Monday, the third time the school has been No. 1 in both lists, but the first time it has happened at the start of the season. The Huskies also were No. 1 in both lists last season and in February of 1995.

No other school has achieved that distinction.

The Connecticut women received 29 of a possible 45 firstplace votes from a national media panel and had 1,095 points. Tennessee was second with nine first-place votes and 1,057 points and Georgia third with four first-place votes and 1,015 points.

Connecticut is coming off an injury-ravaged 29-5 season that ended with a loss to Iowa State in the third round of the NCAA tournament. But everyone is healthy now except guard Keirsten Walters, who has a lin-

Huskies will get a lift from reached the Final Four. guard Kennitra freshman Johnson.

It's just the second time Connecticut has been No. 1 in the preseason. The Huskies began the 1995-96 season at No. 1. but lost to Louisiana Tech in their opener and never led the poll again that season.

"We feel it is a tremendous honor for us." Connecticut coach Geno Auriemma said. "It's flattering that people want to put us in the number one position. We're just going to enjoy it and keep it in perspec-

Only one team this decade has won the national championship after starting the season ranked **No.** 1 — Tennessee in 1997-98.

Tennessee must do without player of the year Chamique Holdsclaw and point guard Kellie Jolly, who helped the Lady Vols win three of the last four national titles. But they still have Tamika Catchings, Semeka Randall and Kristen Clement from coach Pat Summitt's outstanding recruiting class three years ago.

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gering knee problem, and the starters from a 27-7 team that

No. 4 Rutgers received one first-place vote, and fifth-ranked UCLA had two. Louisiana Tech was sixth and Iowa State seventh, followed by Notre Dame, North Carolina and Penn State.

Iowa State's ranking is the highest ever for the Cyclones, who return everyone from a team that reached the Mideast Regional finals. Rutgers has not been ranked as high as fourth since Feb. 23, 1987, and UCLA is at its highest point since it was fifth the week of Feb. 17, 1981. Auburn, which returns all

five starters from a 20-9 team. was 11th and Illinois 12th. Then it was LSU, UC Santa Barbara and Old Dominion, followed by Oregon, Virginia Tech, Kansas, Boston College and North Carolina State. Duke, Texas Tech, defending

national champion Purdue, Nebraska and Arizona held the final five spots.

The No. 23 ranking is the lowest ever for a defending NCAA champion.

Purdue suffered a major loss with the graduation of guards Georgia returns twins Kelly Stephanie White-McCarty and

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29-7 30-4 21. Duke 22 Texas Tech 23. Purdue 35-1 21-12 24. Nebraska 25. Arizona

Others receiving votes: Wisconsin 113, Tulane 97, Marquette 85, Stanford 70, Texas 70, Virginia 61, George Washington 58, Florida 47, Arkansas 32, SW Missouri St. 31. St. Joseph's 28. Xavier 28. Ohio St. 27, Maine 26, Kentucky 24, Clemson 21, Colorado St. 18, lowa 18, Utah 17, SMU 12, Alabama 5, Kent 4, St. Mary's, Cal. 3, UNLV 3, Arkansas St. 2, DePaul 2,

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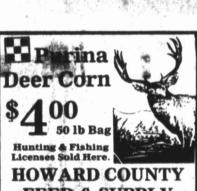
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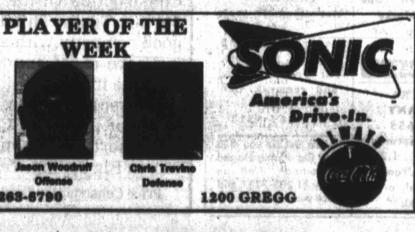
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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** Build financial security.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

*****You are personality plus, allowing others to express their essence as well. A friend shares some good news; there could also be more of a bond between the two of you than just friendship. Your intuition leads you in the right direction. Tonight:

Wherever you enjoy yourself. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

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*****Network; take charge of your life. As you know what you want, another might no longer be able to lure you on a specific path of his choosing. However, because of your independence, there could be a strong reaction in the near future. Tonight: Reach out for a loved one at a distance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

****Others look to you to make decisions at work. You might not always feel secure with the choices you make. Heed your inner voice. A coworker or associate gives you important support. Don't forget to listen! Tonight: Make time for an important friendship.

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distance away, door, (She's mid

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still lives at mortified because I knew "Sis"

give them a heads-up and an apology, and offered to bring more food. My mother-in-law overheard me on the phone and took great offense and said they weren't going. She said my husband and I were rude because we treated Sis like a criminal. She asked repeatedly before storming off, "What's one more person gonna hurt?" Who was in the wrong here? - BAF-FLED BY LACK OF ETI-QUETTE

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DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Wounded in Midland, Texas," who was devastated because a friend had told her that her deceased husband had had an affair. Twelve years ago, when I was 23, my husband committed suicide while I was in the room with him. Not only did I have to deal with the pain of losing him, but also the guilt of wondering what I could have done to stop

the first I had heard of them.)

I'll never understand why people do that when you're at one of the lowest points in your life. If they couldn't tell me while he was with me, what was the point of telling me then? Losing someone causes enough pain; at least leave us with what happy memories we

I. too, went through years of therapy and am now happily remarried for eight years, but I'll never forget those "friends' at the funeral. Needless to say, I haven't seen or talked to them in 12 years. — ALSO WOUND-ED IN WISCONSIN

DEAR ALSO WOUNDED: I'm pleased that you have managed to get past your tragedy and have gone on to have a successful life. Believe it or not, I have actually heard from some people who feel that the widow should be told so that she won't idealize her deceased spouse and will "get on with her life." I have never subscribed to the "for your own good" school of

DEAR ABBY: In response to ried on a verifiable affair, she should ask herself, "Why did **HURT** her!

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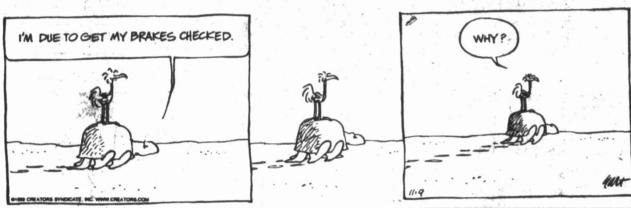
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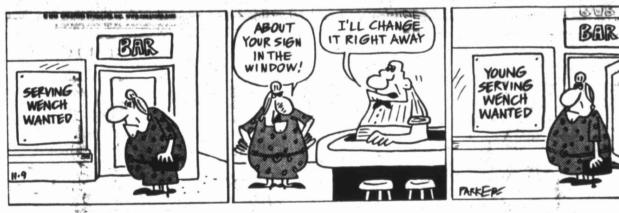


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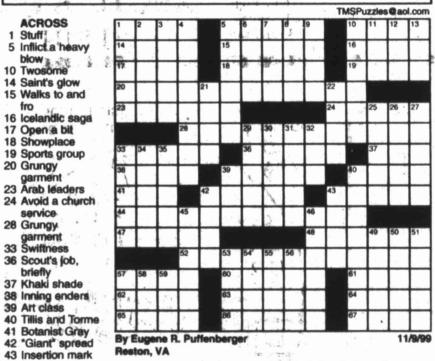
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Foday is Tuesday, Nov. 9, the 313th day of 1999. There are 52

days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Ten years ago, on Nov. 9, 1989, communist East Germany opened its borders, allowing citizens to travel freely to the West, Joyous Germans danced atop the Berlin Wall.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams



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In 1918, Germany's Kaiser Wilhelm II announced he would abdicate. He then fled to the Netherlands.

In 1935, United Mine Workers president John L. Lewis and other labor leaders formed the Committee for Industrial Organization (CIO).

In 1938, Nazis looted and burned synagogues and Jewishowned stores and houses in Germany and Austria in what became known "Kristallnacht."

In 1953, author-poet Dylan Thomas died in New York at age 39.

In 1963, twin disasters struck Japan as some 450 miners were killed in a coal-dust explosion and 160 people died in a train crash.

In 1965, the great Northeast blackout left several states and parts of Canada in the dark for up to 13 hours because of a series of power failures.

In 1970, former French president Charles De Gaulle died at age 79.

In 1986, Israel said it was holding Mordechai Vanunu, a former nuclear technician who had vanished after providing information to a British newspaper about Israel's nuclear weapons program. Vanunu was convicted of treason and sentenced to 18 years in prison.

In 1988, former Attorney General John N. Mitchell, a major figure in the Watergate scandal, died in Washington at age 75.

Five years ago: A day after Republicans won majorities in both the House and Senate, President Clinton and the GOP pledged cooperation, even as they started forming battle lines over irreconcilable differences.

One year ago: A federal judge in New York approved the richest antitrust settlement in U.S. history, a promise by leading brokerage firms to pay \$1.03 billion to investors who had sued over a price-rigging scheme for stocks listed on the Nasdaq market. The age of digital and interactive TV opened with a PBS documentary special, "Chihuly Over Venice."

Today's Birthdays: Actress Hedy Lamarr is 86. Sportscaster Charlie Jones is 69. Baseball executive Whitey Herzog is 68. Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., is 63. Movie director Bille August is 51. Actor Lou Ferrigno is 47. Rock musician Dee Plakas (L7) is 39, Rhythmand-blues singers Ike and Mike Owensby (Twice) are 31. Rapper Pepa (Salt-N-Pepa) is 30. Rapper Scarface (Geto Boys) is 30. Blues singer Susan Tedeschi