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WEATHER

Tonight:



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United Way mid-campaign meeting slated

United Way of Big Spring and Howard County will hold its mid-campaign report breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday.

The breakfast is \$5 and will be held at Al's and Son Barbecue.

Those attending will receive updates on the various divisions. They are asked to RSVP by calling 267-5201.

Senior center offering classes on computer

Computer classes for senior citizens will be offered Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Spring City Senior Center.

The classes, taught by Lillian Bohannon of Maranatha Baptist Academy, cover a variety of skills starting with the most basic use of the computer to surfing the Internet. The subject of the classes will depend on the interest and knowledge of the class members.

Call the center at 267-1628 for more information.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

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

TUESDAY

□ Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m. Senior Citizens Center, call 267-1628.

□ Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Big Spring Choir Boosters, 7:30 p.m., high school choir room. Parents of high school and junior high school choir students are encouraged to attend.

WEDNESDAY

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

□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.

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Just Say No: Variety of activities focus on Red Ribbon Week

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

If you see red while driving through a school zone this week, it might not be the flashing lights of a police car about to give you a speeding ticket.

It might be the red ribbons and banners flying from trees and fences at schools across the city. The reason? It's Red Ribbon Week, when the color reminds students to resist using drugs.

"Anything you do to raise awareness and focus on an issue like this is definitely worthwhile," said Roy

Villareal, principal at Marcy Elementary School. "This is a positive advertisement for a drug-free life."

Several local schools planned to hand out bracelets to students today for them to wear all week. The red, plastic-coated paper jewelry bears the message, "Just Say No," in keeping with the week's theme, "Choose to Be Drug Free."

Throughout the week, elementary students will answer trivia questions, wear message T-shirts and attend assemblies to emphasize the week's goal. They might wear sunglasses to illustrate they are "too

cool for drugs" or visit with a drug-sniffing dog.

"It's amazing to see it happen every year," said Andre Clark, principal at Bauer Elementary. "It's an extremely pertinent message, especially now that so many parents have bought into it. They are getting behind it and making it that much more meaningful."

At Big Spring High School, the community's older students are participating in a number of activities planned by their student council. Among them, students planned to tie red ribbons around the trees on campus today, and on cars

Thursday.

During the week, students will hand out ribbons to city council members and the commissioner's court, which have also issued proclamations supporting the effort.

While announcements will be made daily at the high school, on Friday students will hear the story about the origin of Red Ribbon Week and the efforts of a DEA agent battling drug traffickers. That night at the football game, Steer students will present their opponents from Lubbock Estacado with some red

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Davidson enjoys making a difference

Editor's Note: The following article is one in a series on volunteerism in the Crossroads Area.

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC) volunteer Virginia Davidson will take on any task, big or small, because she likes to make a difference.

"On Mondays, I get to the hospital at 7:30 a.m. although I am not suppose to be here until 9, but I am just so anxious to get to work," she said.

For the past two years, Davidson has been president of the volunteers. She's responsible for coordinating the hospital's 52 volunteers.

"I always like to do something that makes a difference," she said. "I feel like I make a difference. When I visit someone who does not have anyone to see them and I get them a Coke or coffee, it just please them and makes me feel good."

Davidson performs any task requested of her. She works the volunteer gift shop, serves popcorn in the lobby, takes the daily papers and flowers to the patients, performs patient surveys and even helps the administration staff by shredding papers.

She also helps set up the candlelight dinners served to the parents of newborn children.

"They can talk me into



Scenic Mountain Medical Center volunteer president Virginia Davidson serves Jeff McCranie, registered nurse, some popcorn in the hospital lobby. A 13-year volunteer, Davidson enjoys making a difference.

anything," Davidson said. "If they can't find anyone else to do the job, they just call me."

Davidson just enjoys her work.

"We make a difference,"

she said. "I would encourage anyone to get out and volunteer. You get a self-satisfaction from it. I have never been sold on anything more than volunteering."

She first began to volunteer to fill some of her days after retirement.

"One day it was real rainy and foggy, and I was

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Vote

Registration numbers up as voters head to ballot box

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

As early balloting in the Nov. 7 general election got under way across the state this morning, Howard County Tax Assessor/collector Kathy Sayles noted that voter registration numbers are up locally.



"We had a strong finish on the last day of registration last Tuesday," said Sayles. "Our office processed more than 100 registrations that last day and mailed out another 188 after the deadline."

Sayles said there has been a steady increase in registered voters since the last presidential election in 1996.

"In 1996, we had 17,897 registered voters in Howard County," said Sayles. "Through last Tuesday, the last day to register, we had processed 19,511 voter registration. That is an increase of 1,614 over the number registered in 1996."

A check with the county clerk's office at 10 showed

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2,500 expected here for Jehovah's Witness convention

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

An estimated 2,500 Jehovah's Witnesses are expected to gather at Dorothy Garret Coliseum their annual two-day convention this



GAMBOA

weekend.

According to convention overseer Eliseo Gamboa, this year's convention theme is "Love God, Not The Things Of The World." "Our theme this year is all based on 1 John 2:15-17," said Gamboa. "We must always remember to keep God first and foremost in our lives because the things of world will someday all pass away but the things of God is what will see us through."

People will be coming from 21 different congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses from locations such as Abilene, San Angelo, Fort Stockton, Pecos, Kermit, Lamesa, Odessa, Midland and Big Spring, according to Gamboa.

The program is all in Spanish and there will be no entrance fee nor will there be any offerings or collections taken.

On Saturday, all new

members will be baptized in services that will be held at noon. Juan Lujan of Kermit will be in charge of that portion of the program.

The convention will get started at 9:50 a.m. Saturday and is expected to finish on Sunday around 3:35 p.m. with a final prayer given by Felipe Episcopo, a special representative from Watchtower Bible & Tract Society of Brooklyn New York.

Gamboa said that during

the weekend, those in attendance will be dining at local restaurants and staying in area motels.

"It's quite a boost to the local economy when you have around 2,500 people extra to house and feed," said Gamboa. "They enjoy the chance to eat out here because they tell me that we have such nice places to eat. They are always saying how nice everyone is around Big Spring and want to keep the convention kept here."

Blood drive set this week at Fiberflex

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United Blood Services will be taking blood donations at Fiberflex from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday.

"There's no tricks, just treats. Where else can you have the treat of saving lives? Please come see us," said Johnna Pevey, UBS representative.

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh more than 100 pounds and be in good health. They must bring proof of identification and know the names of medication they have taken in the previous 30 days.

To save time, make an appointment by calling Beth Baker at 267-1661.



Retired Air Force Col. Jim Little, Joy and Russell Madden, Theresa Overton and Randy Pierce visit during the Hangar 25 Air Museum Pig Ball held on Saturday. Participants enjoyed dinner, dancing, an auction and even a ride to the entrance in the Carriage Inn limousine. Russell Madden is the owner of the AT-11 plane currently on loan to the Hangar 25 Air Museum.

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OBITUARIES

Wilford Lucas

Graveside service for Wilford "Buddy" Lucas, 69, Goliad, formerly of Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2000, at Hebron Cemetery near Yoakum.

Mr. Lucas died on Saturday, Oct. 21.

He was born on Nov. 26, 1930, in Fortran. He worked in oil field production.

He is survived by: his wife, Shirley Minton Lucas of Goliad; and three daughters, Renae Nettles of Ira, Debra Crawford of Abilene and Denise Cox of Goliad.

Arrangements are under the direction of Colonial Funeral Home, Goliad.

Frances Rard

Graveside service for Frances Rard, 63, Big Spring, will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2000, at Mount Olive Memorial Park with Chaplain Raymond Bugg officiating.

Ms. Rard died on Sunday, Oct. 22, at Mountainview Lodge.

She was born on July 14, 1937, at Midland. She was a member of the Church of Christ and had worked at the Big Spring State Hospital, retiring in 1995.

She is survived by her friends and care givers. Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Maria Luisa Rodriguez

A Rosary for Maria Luisa Rodriguez, 81, Big Spring, will be held 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 23, 2000, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. James Plagens, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Rodriguez died on Saturday, Oct. 21, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

She was born on Aug. 19, 1919, in Big Spring and was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She married Getrudez "Tule" Rodriguez on Oct. 5, 1940. He preceded

her in death on Aug. 18, 1996.

She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and was retired from the Big Spring Independent School District.

She is survived by: six daughters, Francisca (Panchita) Parras of San Angelo, Jovita Hernandez, Ermelinda (Mina) Garcia, Merejilda (Mary) Cortez, Isabel Rodriguez and Ramona Calderon, all of Big Spring; three sons, Cipriano (Pano) Rodriguez Sr., Juan (Bear) Rodriguez Sr. and Getrudez Rodriguez Jr., all of Big Spring; two sisters, Madelina Silvas and Antonia Terrazas, both of Midland; 31 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Cynthia Stoll

Funeral service for Cynthia Stoll, 69, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Ms. Stoll died on Sunday, Oct. 22, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

John Childress

Funeral service for John Childress, 85, Sand Springs, is pending in Odessa. Mr. Childress died on Sunday, Oct. 22, at his residence. Local arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

RED RIBBON

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ribbons; before the game, they will decorate the stadium.

On Wednesday, local students are asking for the community to join the effort.

"We invite the community of Big Spring to join Big Spring High School in observing this national project," says a letter from Jesus Valdez and Cody Rubio of the student council. "We hope the community and business people will wear red on Wednesday to show their support in the war on drugs."

Parents can call the school of their choice to find out details and times for the Red Ribbon week observances, assemblies and programs.

VOLUNTEER

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sitting around bored watching the TV," she said. "I turned to my husband and said I can't take this. I put in a volunteer application to the hospital and was working the next week."

For close to 13 years, she has kept coming back to the hospital. Recently Davidson fell and thought she might have seriously hurt herself.

"My very first thought was my volunteering is gone," she said.

But a fall didn't stop the 80-year-old volunteer from bouncing back to her work.

"I will keep volunteering until the funeral home comes after me," she said.

VOTE

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that some 115 people had cast a ballot during the first two hours of early voting.

Though there are a num-

ber of races on this year's ballot that stir local interest, the one drawing the most notice perhaps is in the race for Howard County sheriff which has Republican incumbent W.B. "Bill" Jennings who is facing Democratic challenger Dale L. Walker.

Walker was selected in May by the Democratic committee to replace Javier Beccerra, who had no Democratic opponent but eliminated himself from the race when he voted for his friend, David Mohn, a Republican, in March.

Jennings defeated Mohn by a 2-1 margin in the March 14 election receiving 1,820 votes to 896 for Mohn.

The most notable race outside of Howard County is the race for president and vice president. Republican candidates are George W. Bush, the current Texas governor and his running mate, Dick Cheney; Democrats are vice president Al Gore and his running mate, Senator Joe Lieberman.

Other choices on the ballot are Libertarians Harry Browne and Art Oliver, Green Party candidates Ralph Nader and Winona LaDuke and Independent Party candidates Pat Buchanan and Ezola Foster. In the race for U.S. Representative, District 17, Democratic incumbent Charlie Stenholm is being challenged by Republican Darrell Clements and Libertarian Debra M. Monde. Stenholm has been in office since being first elected in 1980.

Early voting is held at the county clerk's office from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. weekdays through Nov. 3. On Tuesday, citizens can vote from 1 until 3 p.m. at Canterbury South. And on Wednesday, voting will be held from 9 until 11 a.m. at Carriage Inn and at from 1 until 3 p.m. at Canterbury North.

Additionally, early voting will be held at the clerk's office from 9 a.m. through 2 p.m. Saturday.

MARKETS

December cotton 63.05, up 13 points; December crude 32.85, down 10 points; cash hogs steady 44 even; slaughter steers steady at 68 even; December lean hog futures 52.80, up 60 points; December live cattle futures 71.47 up 10 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Table with market data including AT&T, Archer-Daniels, Atmos Energy, BP AMOCO, Chevron Corp, Compaq, Cornell, Dell, Du Pont, Exxon Mobil, Halliburton, IFCO Systems, IBM, Intel Corp, NUV, Patterson Ener, Pepsico Inc, Phillips Petro, SBC Comms, Sears Roebuck, Texaco Inc.

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BRIEFS

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

A MEMORIAL FUND FOR Michael Culbreath, former Big Spring resident who died on Tuesday, has been set up at Texas State Technical Institute in Sweetwater. Culbreath, who attended TSTI, had a wife and young child. Contributions to aid his family with medical and funeral bills can be mailed to: Memorial Fund, c/o Kevin Shipp, TSTI, 300 College Drive, Sweetwater, 79556.

RECYCLING BINS PREVIOUSLY LOCATED in the parking lot north of the Big Spring Herald are expected to be relocated by Nov. 1. The bins, which accept paper, such as newspapers and magazines, for

Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 1601 W. 11th Place. 263-1211.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Friday to 8 a.m. today:

MELVIN JAMES FAIR III, 32, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended.

DAVID LEVANE HUMPHREY, 36, no address given, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

SAMMIE SHIFFLETT USSERY, 51, no address given, was arrested for Ector Co. Warrants on driver's license violation.

MAJOR ACCIDENT WITH VEHICLE/PEDESTRIAN was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg.

THEFT was reported in the 2000 block of Monticello where a 20 inch silver Mongoose bike worth \$150 and one silver bike chain/combination lock worth \$15 was reported stolen and in the 4100 block of Bilger where the windshield of a 1999 black Ford Mustang worth \$400 was damaged.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1200 block of W. Second.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF TO A VEHICLE was reported in the 1300 block of Manmouth.

ASSAULT was reported in the 300 block of State.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON was reported in the 1100 block of Birdwell.

BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 1900 block of 11th Place.

THEFT was reported in the 600 block of W. I-20, in the 300 block of Owens and in the 800 block of I-20.

FIRE/EMS

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

FRIDAY 2:35 a.m. - 2600 block of Allendale, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC).

10:52 a.m. - 2500 block Dow, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

2:20 p.m. - 200 block N. Benton, automobile fire, fire was extinguished.

5:48 p.m. - 1800 block Gregg, trauma call, patient transported to VA hospital.

8:46 p.m. - 2000 block Morrison, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

9:50 p.m. - 1900 block Similer, medical call, patient refused service.

10:09 p.m. - 1500 block E. 11th Place, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 79, Sunday's low 59, Average high 74, Average low 48, Record high 91 in 1921, Record low 31 in 1917, Precip. Sunday 0.09, Month to date 2.25, Year to date 13.98, Normal for the year 16.49, Sunrise Tuesday 7:57 a.m., Sunset Tuesday 7:03 p.m., **Statistics not available.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home. Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory. 906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL. 24th & Johnson. 267-8288. Lena Macomber, 88, died Thursday. Funeral services were 10:00 AM, Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel. Anthony "Tony" Arista, 41, died Friday. Funeral Mass will be 2:00 PM Monday at St. Thomas Catholic Church.

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One dead, one missing in blasts at propane storage facility

LONGVIEW (AP) — One man has died and another remained missing today after a series of explosions at a propane storage facility in East Texas that injured another person and forced evacuations of nearby homes.

A tanker truck carrying 8,000 gallons of liquid propane exploded Sunday between Kilgore and Interstate 20. Residents living within three miles of the Martin Resource

Management Corp. yard were ordered to leave their homes Sunday afternoon.

Law officers feared that a nearby propane tank holding as much as 30,000 gallons of fuel could also explode.

Shannon McCaslin of the Gregg County Sheriff's Department confirmed the death but said other details remained sketchy.

Stubborn flames were expected to continue burning through today, keeping

away residents who have been evacuated from their homes until the fire is extinguished.

"Right now, we can't get in there," Gregg County Sheriff Bobby Weaver told the Longview News-Journal. "We don't know for sure if there are any deaths."

An eyewitness told the newspaper the line exploded while the 18-wheeler was transferring its load.

The first blast was fol-

lowed by a larger explosion when the tanker truck caught fire.

"I thought it was thunder at first and then I turned around and the truck exploded," said Dean Hensley, whose family owns 80 acres next to the plant. "The two guys in between the truck and the storage tank were completely gone. They never got out."

The burning truck was about 15 feet away from the storage tank, Gregg County

Sheriff Jerry Pierce said.

Law officers don't know how much propane was in the tank at the time of the explosion.

About 200 residents living within a three-mile radius of the blast were evacuated, Weaver said. A four-mile stretch of I-20 between Texas 42 and Texas 149 was closed and traffic was diverted around the blast scene.

Firefighters monitoring

the resulting blaze said they planned to let the fire burn itself out.

"The safest way to fight this — and most environmental — is to let it burn," said Pierce. "There is no way to fight it until we know the cause and volume involved."

He said it could take as long as 30 hours to burn off the fuel and evacuees would not be allowed to return to their homes until the blaze was extinguished.

Settlement reached in first Firestone suit

NEW YORK (AP) — Relatives of a Texas couple who died after a tire blew out on their sport-utility vehicle have reached a verbal settlement with Bridgestone/Firestone in the first product liability lawsuit scheduled for trial since the company's August tire recall.

Details of the settlement, which was first reported in The Wall Street Journal in Monday's editions, were not disclosed.

Ryan Anthony Guillen, 21, and his sister, Kimberly Guillen, 18, sued the tire manufacturer last November after their mother and stepfather were killed when their Ford Explorer crashed May 30, 1999.

Nidia and Patricio Leal died when a Firestone tire unraveled, sending the vehicle skidding into a ditch near Brownsville, Texas.

In a telephone interview with The Associated Press late Sunday, Robert J. Patterson, a lawyer for the siblings, confirmed that a verbal settlement was reached Friday. He refused to elaborate.

"We finalized it Friday, although it's just verbal at this point," he said from his home in Corpus Christi, Texas. "I really can't talk about the details but we've been talking for a while."

Bridgestone/Firestone spokeswoman Jill Bratina confirmed an agreement was reached but declined any further comment.

Envoy arrives in North Korea for landmark visit

PYONGYANG, North Korea (AP) — Putting aside a half-century of acrimony, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and North Korean leader Kim Jong Il engaged in unprecedented talks today, aimed at laying the groundwork for a visit by President Clinton to one of the last bastions of the Cold War.

With a firm handshake, Albright and Kim moved their two nations a bit closer together.

Kim noted that Albright was the first secretary of state to ever visit North Korea. "This is a new one from a historical point of view," he said. "I am really very happy."

Responded Albright, "I'm very glad to be here in your beautiful city."

The two spoke for three hours, with a 15-minute break, and during the meeting Albright gave Kim a letter from Clinton anticipating further developments in bilateral relations.

"The visit is historic," said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher. But there are "a lot of things that have to be discussed; a lot of issues that have to be dealt with."

"Being able to deal successfully with these issues is the key to having a successful visit by the president," he said.



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OUR VIEWS

Wear those red ribbons with pride

Students across the city are seeing red this week, and it's not final exam time. They are seeing, wearing and decorating with red to remind themselves and each other to stay drug free.

Red ribbons and banners will be flying from trees and fences at schools across the city during Red Ribbon Week.

Local schools were to hand out bracelets to students today for them to wear all week. The red, plastic-coated paper jewelry bears the message, "Just Say No," in keeping with the week's theme, "Choose to Be Drug Free."

While elementary students will answer trivia questions, wear message T-shirts and attend assemblies, the community's older students are participating in a number of activities planned by their student council. Among them, students will tie red ribbons around the trees on campus today, and on cars Thursday.

High school students also planned to hand out ribbons to city council members and the commissioner's court, which have both issued proclamations supporting their effort.

On Wednesday, it's our turn. Students have asked that business people, parents and grandparents in the community community show their support for their effort by wearing wearing red clothing.

Parents can also call the school of their choice to find out details and times for the Red Ribbon week observances, assemblies and programs. Join your child in this important effort, it could mean the difference in a healthy, drug-free future.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I never met Billy Ray Carver. I felt like I knew him, though. I knew his sister and his mother, with whom he lived south of the Elbow School. He walked down Elbow Road (FM 818) every day, rain or shine, in sandstorm and on very hot, sunny days.

I thought he must be the healthiest man alive. He always wore a hat and a jacket. Then all of a sudden one night, his life was cut short, hit by a car as he walked on U.S. Highway 87 in the dark.

I was very shocked when I heard the news. I

don't know why he was walking in the road at night, but I will miss that friendly figure walking down FM 818 every time I drove that road.

I'm sure all the folks in Elbow and those who traveled FM 818 daily will miss that friendly figure walking down the road.

I want to express my sincere sympathy to his sisters, mother and other family members who live in the Elbow community and elsewhere. He will be missed.

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- Letters should be submitted to Editor, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721.

Intangibles have big role in homestretch

By WILL LESTER
Associated Press Writer

Presidential campaigns often have moments when voters pick up on a politician's "intangibles" and get a strong feeling whether they are right for the times.

This year's race has been marked more by a tug of war than memorable moments.

The contest between George W. Bush and Al Gore has swung between personality and character (favoring Bush) and issues (favoring Gore) and back again.

Gore did his best last week to tug the rope in his direction with a forceful debate performance Tuesday night and an emphasis on the strong economy.

But the jury's still out. One network poll Wednesday showed Gore closing the gap on Bush, who was slightly ahead, while a tracking poll showed Bush gaining more ground.

In past election years, certain moments seemed to capture a candidate's appeal.

— Jimmy Carter promising voters he would never lie to them.

— Ronald Reagan smiling reassuringly four years

later as he chided a critical President Carter, saying "There you go again."

— Bill Clinton hitting the campaign trail with Gore eight years ago on an upbeat post-convention bus tour of the Midwest.

Republican Bush is betting voters will respond to his generally sunny personality, message of smaller government, bipartisan cooperation and promise to tell the truth. "Bush just seems more honest to me," said 30-year-old independent Darin Callan, of Axtell, Neb.

Democrat Gore has countered with an avalanche of policy details, on which he generally has the advantage.

"Gore seems more animated, looser. It's like getting a hard piece of toast and putting gravy on it," said Mary Walker, 44, an undecided, independent voter from Kansas City, Mo.

Polls suggest voters see the economy as strong and Gore as having the right experience and positions on top issues, but the vice president hasn't pulled away from Bush.

Debate watchers rated them about even in their final debate, but thought Bush was more likable by a 2-to-1 margin.

"It may be that's one of the biggest assets that Bush has," political scientist David Rohde of Michigan State University, said of Bush's pledge to be bipartisan. "It's clear that the center of the electorate doesn't like partisanship."

A poll this week suggested about one in seven likely voters is undecided. But Gore's command of the issues and Bush's reassurances of his cooperative spirit may be lost on swing voters.

"We're down to a bunch of people whom we know to be less attentive," said presidential scholar Charles Jones, a professor emeritus at the University of Wisconsin. "But I think the public mood is more for what Bush is proposing, working together to develop proposals."

The focus of the campaign was on personality and character before the debates, when Bush appeared on "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and "Live With Regis" and Gore was caught making dubious statements about the cost of his mother-in-law's medication and a labor song he claimed to have heard as a lullaby, said political analyst Stuart Rothenberg.

"That's the point at which people were remind-

ed about Gore and character," Rothenberg said.

His debate performance may have reinforced those concerns as Gore first tried out an aggressive persona — in which he often sighed audibly and rolled his eyes — then a more passive one before returning to the surefooted populism of his convention speech.

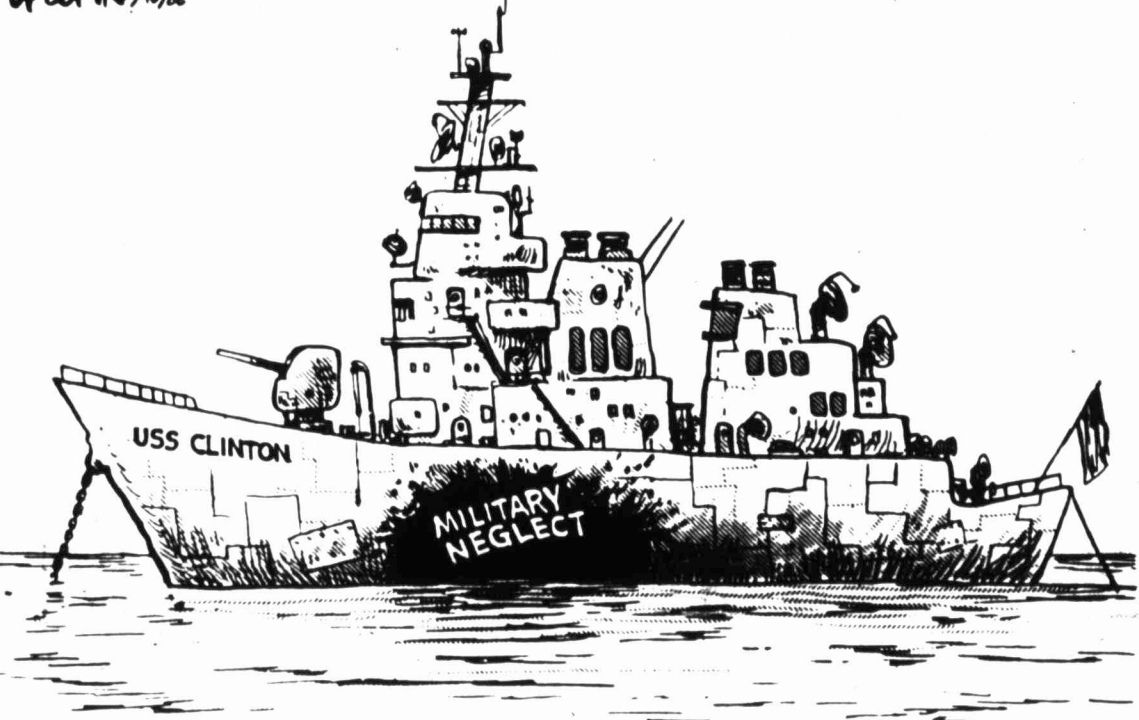
Now he will make the economy his centerpiece and drive home his top issues in the sprint to Election Day. But it's unclear whether his earlier stumbles left lingering unease.

"If Gore had had this debate first," Rothenberg said, "Bush would be in real trouble."

People now have conflicting images of Gore in the three debates — too hot, too cool and finally, just right. He later likened that to Goldilocks testing the three bowls of porridge.

"Gore was in position to kick butt in the debates, the economy is so good," said Robert Goold, a retired high school principal in Pocatello, Idaho, and an independent. "But Bush helped himself more. It ticked me off when Gore did all that sighing. Gore would have won all three if he had behaved himself more."

BRUCE TINSLEY



Murder down but compared to what?

We are going to inundate with figures today. We are doing so because statistics — especially crime statistics — best illustrate a primary societal difference between the United States and the rest of the industrialized world.

The U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation released a report dated Oct. 15, 2000, reporting that serious crime in the United States had decreased 7 percent from 1998 and 16 percent from 1995. It is the eighth consecutive year in which crime has decreased. The number of murders in 1999 was estimated to be 15,533, an 8 percent decrease from 1998 and 28 percent decrease from 1995. Moreover, "the recorded rate of 6 (murders) per 100,000 inhabitants was the lowest figure since 1996," according to the report. However, the report also showed that cities with populations of more than 1 million residents showed the lowest rate of decline in murders — down from 13.5



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to 13.0 murders per 100,000 people. New York, the largest city, showed an increase in murders for last year, from 633 to 671 murders.

According to James Alan Fox, a professor at Northeastern University, "The big cities were the first to go up in the 1980s, the first to come down in the 1990s. Now the lowest murder rate declines suggest they'll be the first to stabilize. Murders and crime can't go down forever." For the Los Angeles-Long Beach region, there were 9.5 murders per 100,000 residents. The murder rate for Las Vegas was 9.8 per 100,000. New York's murder rate was 7.9 per 100,000. New Orleans had a murder rate of 16 per 100,000.

Comparing the homicide rate of the United States with those of other nations, one finds that the United States still has a much higher murder rate than the world average. The homicide rate in Canada for 1998 was 1.8 per 100,000. Canada has generally seen a decrease in murders since 1976. France's murder rate in 1994 was 1.12 per 100,000. Japan's was 0.62 per 100,000 in 1994. Great Britain had a murder rate of 1.41 per 100,000 in 1992. And Germany's was 1.17 per 100,000 for 1994.

Bear in mind that the U.S. rate that we are so pleased about is 6 murders per 100,000 inhabitants. The question is why is the rate four to six times greater than our civilized trading partners' rates? For more than a decade we have begged for the placement of more police on the street, and not until the Clinton administration took office did this actually happen to a significant degree. But we need more police out there. After all, the first duty of government is to provide for the public safety.

We have also called for a national police academy — a West Point for police — to create a highly motivated, highly trained cadre for our nation's police.

We have advocated the licensing of firearms, but the National Rifle Association has thwarted this by talking people into believing that advocates of licensing want to take away their members' guns. Hgswash.

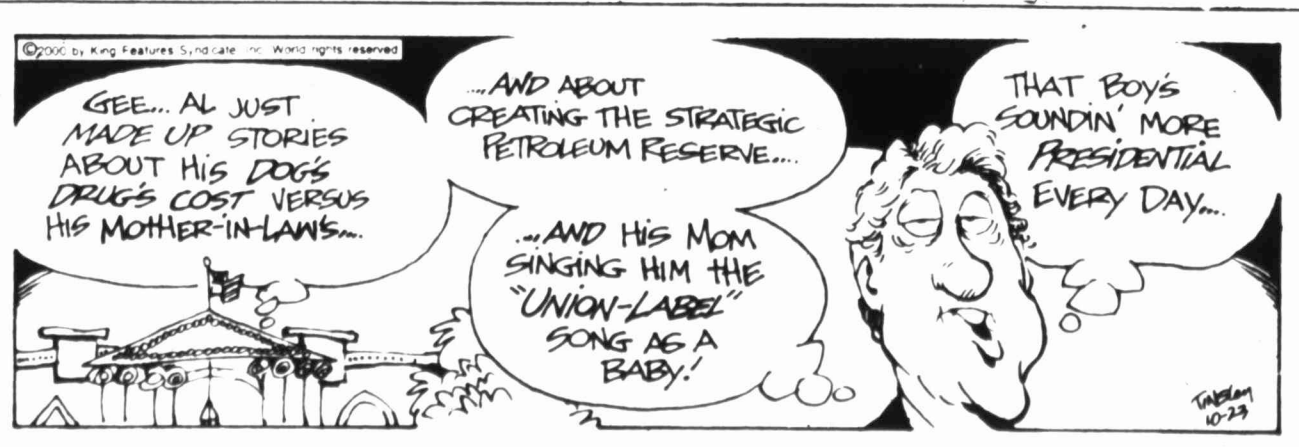
We have advocated increasing expenditures to clean up the nations' slums that act as breeding grounds for criminals.

These and other recommendations will undoubtedly one day come to pass, and future generations will look back upon us and wonder what took us so long.

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Quarterback to meet tod

The Big Spring Quarterback meet at 7 p.m. at the Big Spring School Athletic Center's meeting room. Anyone interested in supporting the ball program is invited to attend.

Baseball bo to meet Tue

The first meeting of the 2001 High School Baseball Boosters will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Training Center. Those attending will meet with the coaches to discuss plans for the season, officers, and a short workout on Saturday.

The meeting is open to all parents of Big Spring High School baseball players. The meeting will last about 30 minutes. Anyone having questions should call after 6:30 p.m.

Hunter ed cl begins Satur

A hunter education course has been scheduled for Saturday at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce office. Class sessions will be held for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. All persons who have completed the Sept. 1, 1971, mandatory hunter education course in order to hunt are eligible. Those interested in signing up for the course should call Steve Poitner at 7033.

Amarillo wres gold medal fr

GENEVA (AP) — An American International Committee member, Alexander Leipold, won the gold medal in the 167 1/2-pound category at the South Korea's World Judo Championships. He would move to the bronze medal, while Turkmenistan's Bereket would move to fourth.

In a written statement, the IOC executive committee said it had rejected the German Olympic Committee's appeal to return Leipold to the 1/2-pound category. The IOC said the urine samples from the present Norandrosterone precursors of the Norandrosterone precursors of the IOC are in concentrations higher than the maximum allowed under IOC rules. Leipold, the German wrestler, tested positive for the drug at the hearing. The IOC medical commission which was involved in two positive drug tests during the weekend of the Games. Following the hearing, the commission recommended Leipold's medal be stripped. Leipold maintained his innocence, saying he had never tested positive for the drug, and a steroid which had caused a rash of rashes around the

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IN BRIEF

Quarterback Club to meet today

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will meet at 7 p.m. today in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center's meeting room.

Anyone interested in supporting the Steers football program is invited to attend.

Baseball boosters to meet Tuesday

The first meeting of the 2001 High School Baseball Boosters will be Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Athletic Training Center.

Those attending will meet with the coach and discuss plans for the season, officers, and schedule a short workday for Saturday.

The meeting is for all parents of prospective Big Spring High School baseball players. The meeting should last only about 30 minutes.

Anyone having questions should call 267-1069 after 6:30 p.m.

Hunter ed class begins Saturday

A hunter education course has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce office.

Class sessions are set for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. The fee will be \$10.

All persons born after Sept. 1, 1971, must take a hunter education course in order to hunt in Texas. Those interested may sign up for the class at Dibrell's Gun Shop.

For more information, call Steve Poitevint at 264-7033.

Amarillo wrestler gets gold medal from IOC

GENEVA (AP) — The International Olympic Committee stripped German freestyle wrestler Alexander Leipold of his Olympic gold medal today after he failed a drug test. The gold will now go to the silver medalist, Brandon Slay, of Amarillo, who lost 4-0 to Leipold in the final of the 167 1/2-pound division. South Korea's Moon Eui Jae would move up from the bronze medal to silver, while Turkey's Adem Bereket would go from fourth to third.

In a written statement, the IOC executive committee said it had ordered the German Olympic Committee to "withdraw and return" Leipold's gold medal for the men's 167 1/2-pound category.

The IOC said Leipold's urine samples indicated the presence of Norandrosterone and Norethiocholanolone — precursors of nandrolone — in concentrations 10 times higher than the maximum permitted under IOC rules.

Leipold, the first German wrestler to ever test positive at the Olympics, appeared last week at a hearing of the IOC medical commission, which was investigating two positive drug cases in wrestling from the final weekend of the Sydney Games. Following the hearing, the medical commission recommended Leipold's medal be taken. Leipold maintains his innocence, saying he has no idea how he could have tested positive for nandrolone, an anabolic steroid which has produced a rash of drug scandals around the world.

ON THE AIR

Television FOOTBALL

8 p.m. — Miami Dolphins at New York Jets ABC.

FIGURE SKATING

8 p.m. — World championships, ESPN.

Sooners close in on No. 2 spot in AP football poll

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Virginia Tech is still No. 2, but not by much.

While Nebraska beat Baylor 59-0 and remained No. 1 in The Associated Press Top 25 poll, the Hokies barely beat Syracuse 22-14 and hung on at No. 2.

Oklahoma was idle over the weekend, but picked up support in Sunday's balloting by the 70 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. The Sooners, who play host to the Cornhuskers next Saturday, moved within six points of

the Hokies. Last week, they trailed by 53 points.

The Huskers (7-0) received 67 first-place votes and 1,747 points, while the Hokies (7-0) had no first-place votes and 1,605 points. The Sooners (6-0) had three first-place votes and 1,599 points.

The top 11 teams remained the same as last week, with Miami (5-1), a 45-17 winner over Temple, at No. 4 and Clemson (8-0), a 38-24 winner over North Carolina, at No. 5.

Florida State (7-1) was No. 6, followed by No. 7 Oregon (7-1), No. 8 Florida (6-1), No.

9 Washington (6-1), No. 10 Kansas State (7-1) and No. 11 TCU (6-0).

Ohio State, a 38-10 winner over Iowa, was No. 12, followed by No. 13 Georgia, No. 14 Southern Mississippi, No. 15 Michigan, No. 16 Purdue, No. 17 South Carolina, No. 18 Oregon State, No. 19 Notre Dame and No. 20 Mississippi State.

North Carolina State, which plays Florida State next Saturday, was No. 21, followed by No. 22 Texas, No. 23 Northwestern, No. 24 Arizona and No. 25 Auburn.

Mississippi State, a 45-38 overtime loser to LSU, dropped seven spots, while Arizona, a 17-10 loser to Oregon, fell three spots from a week ago.

Texas and Auburn returned to the Top 25 after brief absences; UCLA and Minnesota dropped out.

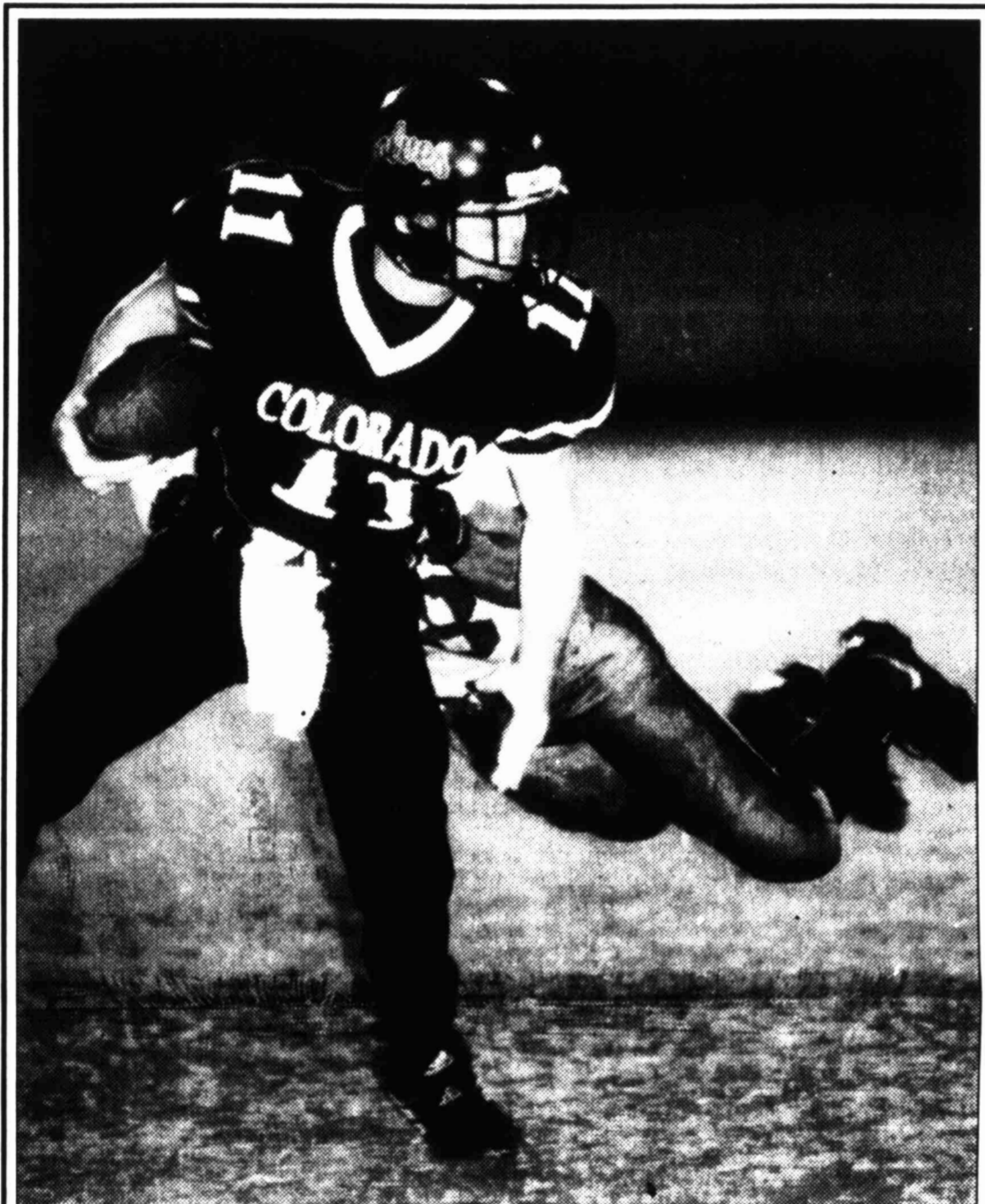
In the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll, the top 5 were Nebraska, Virginia Tech, Oklahoma, Clemson and Miami.

The first Bowl Championship Series standings will be released during halftime of the Monday

night NFL game.

The BCS list, in its third year, uses the AP media poll and the coaches poll, eight computer rankings and strength of schedule to determine which teams will play in a national title game. This year, the BCS title will be decided in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 3.

Five teams remain unbeaten — Nebraska, Virginia Tech, Oklahoma, Clemson and TCU. The Huskers are expected to be first in the BCS standings, with either Virginia Tech or Oklahoma second.



Colorado City quarterback Chase Phariss (11) pulls away from a would-be Stanton fiercer during the Wolves' 20-18 over the Buffs on Friday. The win leaves Colorado City and Coahoma tied atop the District 3-2A standings.

HERALD photo Jim Fierro

Mets' rally fails as Yanks go up 2-0 in Series

NEW YORK (AP) — The flashpoint was the jagged barrel of a bat, not a beanball.

And even after the New York Mets nearly pulled off one of the greatest comebacks in World Series history, Game 2 was still all about Roger Clemens and Mike Piazza.

The Yankees withstood the Mets' five-run rally in the ninth inning for a 6-5 win Sunday night and a 2-0 lead. Questions about the game were practically irrelevant because only one mattered: Did Clemens try to hit Piazza with the bat, or did he just throw it in his direction?

Clemens wound up pitching eight shutout innings and leading the Yankees to their record 14th straight World Series victory. But when the benches emptied in the very first inning, it was clear this Subway Series had a definite meaning, fueled by a beaning that was far from forgotten.

"There was no intent," Clemens said repeatedly. "I was fired up and emotional and flung the bat toward the on-deck circle where the batboy was. I had no idea that Mike was running."

"I guess it came close to him," he said. "I came back into the dugout and I said I've got to get control of my emotions and calm down."

Asked about the play, Yankees manager Joe Torre snapped, uncharacteristically: "Let's try to analyze it: Why would he throw it at him? So he could get thrown out of the game in the second game of the World Series? Does that make any sense to anybody? Somebody answer me."

The umpires agreed and did not eject Clemens.

Said Piazza: "It was just so bizarre."

"When he threw the bat, I basically walked out and kept asking him what his problem was," Piazza said. "He really had no response. 'I was trying to figure out whether it was intentional or not. I was going to ask him. If it was, then obviously he really had no response,' he said. 'I was more shocked and confused than anything.'"

Piazza seemed to unleash all his fury in the ninth, hitting a two-run homer off

reliever Jeff Nelson. Jay Payton later hit a three-run homer off Mariano Rivera to make it 6-5 with two outs, but Rivera struck out Kurt Abbott to end it.

Scott Brosius homered off loser Mike Hampton and hit a sacrifice fly, and Paul O'Neill, Derek Jeter and Tino Martinez each had three hits for the Yankees.

Now, when the Series shifts to Shea Stadium for Game 3 Tuesday night, the Mets must hope Rick Reed can somehow beat Orlando Hernandez, the only pitcher ever to win his first eight postseason decisions.

The Rocket was clearly revved up from the start, bouncing all around the diamond to congratulate his fielders. He hardly needed a lot of help as he struck out nine and walked none.

Throwing 97 mph fastballs, Clemens evened his career postseason record at 5-5 in 16 starts.

Ever since the Mets-Yankees matchup was set, the whole city wondered what would happen when Clemens faced Piazza for the first time since hitting him in the head with a fastball in an interleague game.

The sellout crowd of 56,059 did not have to wait long for the answer.

Clemens struck out Timo Perez and Edgardo Alfonzo to start the game, and that brought up Piazza.

Boos filled the ballpark as Piazza, 7-for-12 with three home runs lifetime against Clemens, slowly walked to the plate.

Then on a 1-2 count, all the tension that had been brewing suddenly blew up.

Piazza shattered his bat on a foul ball, and the barrel went skittering toward the mound. Clemens instantly reacted, grabbing the broken piece and furiously slinging it in Piazza's path as the Mets star jogged toward first base.

Piazza stopped with the bat handle in his hand, looked at Clemens and took a couple of steps in his direction. As plate umpire Charlie Reliford rushed between them, players from the dugouts and bullpen ran onto the field.

There was pushing, but no punching, as Clemens and Piazza were kept apart and order was quickly restored.

BSHS tankers win three of four meets

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring High School's tankers took three of four meets Saturday in a three-school meet with Andrews and Abilene Wylie.

BSHS' boys took a 69-23 win over Wylie and a 54-47 win over Andrews while the girls defeated Wylie 54-32 and lost to Andrews, 62-39.

The meet sets the stage for the Big Spring Invitational, scheduled for an 11 a.m. start Saturday at the YMCA pool and featuring 13 teams.

Big Spring's boys garnered nine first-place finishes against Wylie and eight against Andrews.

Against Wylie the Steers got wins from the 200 medley relay (Doug Willberg, Josh Pike, Cody Clark and Michael Carrasco), from Pike in the 200 IM, Carrasco in the 50 and 100 freestyle, Clark in the 100 butterfly, 200 freestyle relay (Carrasco, Pike, Chris Stokes and Patric Beltran), Willberg in the 100 backstroke, Will Liggett in the 100 breaststroke and the 400 free relay (Willberg, Pike, Liggett and Carrasco).

Willberg, Pike, Carrasco, Liggett and the 400 freestyle relay repeated with wins against Andrews.

For the Lady Steers, Danielle Bartlett took first in the 200 and 500 freestyle against Andrews while Heidi Robinson won the 50 and 100 freestyle. Lauren Bradley took the 100 backstroke and Nadia Torres the 100 breaststroke.

Against Wylie, the 200 IM relay team (Hollie Cobb, Torres, Robinson and Amanda Chapman) won, as did Bartlett in the 200 and 500 freestyle. Torres in the 200 IM and 100 breaststroke, Robinson in the 50 and 100 freestyle, Bradley in the 100 butterfly and 100 backstroke as well as the 400 freestyle team of Bradley, Robinson, Torres and Bartlett.

Lady Steers end volleyball season at 21-11

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring's Lady Steers completed an otherwise solid volleyball season on a losing note here Saturday, falling to Plainview 15-2, 15-12, in a District 4-4A matchup.

"I was disappointed that we didn't play with much intensity or desire," said coach Traci Pierce, whose squad had been knocked out of playoff contention earlier in the week. It was a big let down, knowing

that we were not going to make the playoffs. Still, I had hoped we'd play better."

With the season over, Pierce is looking to next year, when she will return eight players from a team that put together a 21-11 record overall, 7-7 in district.

"Anytime you win 20 games in a season, that's quite an accomplishment. And seven of our losses were in district play, which is an indication of how strong the district is," Pierce said.

Payton's single-game record broken; Cowboys roll

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

On a day when Corey Dillon rushed into the record book, Kurt Warner and a bunch of other NFL stars were grounded.

Dillon broke Walter Payton's single-game rushing mark with 278 yards and scored twice Sunday, leading Cincinnati to its first victory this season, 31-21 over Denver. Dillon, who already has the rookie rushing record of 246 yards, ran for touchdowns of 65 and 41

yards to best Payton, who had 275 yards against Minnesota on Nov. 20, 1977.

Elsewhere, it was Dallas 48, Arizona 7; New Orleans 21, Atlanta 19; Philadelphia 13, Chicago 9; Carolina 34, San Francisco 16; and Pittsburgh 22, Cleveland 0.

Bengals 31, Broncos 21 Cincinnati (1-6) won for the first time in four games in its new Paul Brown Stadium as Dillon ran wild against Denver (4-4), which was yielding just 65 yards rushing a game.

Chiefs 54, Rams 34

Warner, the league's leading passer, was hurt when the ball hit his finger on a snap, leading to a fumble that Kansas City (4-3) recovered.

Titans 14, Ravens 6

Steve McNair was just 11-of-21 for 101 yards at Baltimore. But the Ravens (5-3) haven't gotten into the end zone in four games, so when McNair found Randy Thomas for a 9-yard TD toss, it was enough for Tennessee (6-1) to win its

sixth straight.

Raiders 31, Seahawks 3

Tyrone Wheatley had a career-high 156 yards on 15 carries, including a career-longest 80-yard TD run for the host Raiders (6-1).

Colts 30, Patriots 23

After visiting New England (2-6) controlled the game into the fourth quarter, Indianapolis (5-2) rallied for 16 points.

Redskins 35, Jaguars 16

Albert Connell had a career day with 211 yards in receptions and three touch-

downs as Washington (6-2) won its fifth straight and host Jacksonville (2-6) lost its fifth in a row.

Vikings 31, Bills 27

Anderson kicked a 21-yard field goal with 1:04 remaining to break George Blanda's scoring mark. The 41-year-old Anderson scored 11 points Sunday.

Cowboys 48, Cardinals 7

In Dallas' most lopsided win since 1980, Emmitt Smith rushed for 112 yards and scored once, while Chris Warren had two TDs.

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Traveling in RV offers no recreation

DEAR ABBY: Ten years ago, my husband decided that we would purchase a motor home and travel.

Biggest mistake I ever made. He refuses to look at a map. I am supposed to give the exact directions to all places, and if I get us lost, he goes to t o t a l l y berserk. We spend our nights in dirty truck stops; we do not "see the sights" because he passes everything by. I am supposed to do all the cooking, cleaning, etc.



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And to top it off, I get to do the laundry in the seediest Laundromats — with no help from him.

We spend two or three months a year cooped up in this tiny space while he watches TV (his channels). I have no place to carry a few hobby-type things to keep me from getting bored. Most of the time he's in a rotten mood, and I can't get away.

Ladies, please think twice before your better half talks you into an RV. I would love to stay home, but he's so unreasonable, he won't hear of it. I try to tell him my feelings, but he doesn't want to hear them. How do I handle this situation? I simply hate this lifestyle. It is not fun. It is claustrophobic and inconvenient. — RV PRISONER IN LAS VEGAS

DEAR PRISONER: It's time to parole yourself. You have tolerated this situation far longer than most women would have. RVing is not for everyone. Turn up the volume and inform your jailer that you've served your time. Either he immediately begins pulling his fair share of the "house-keeping" chores and sharing the remote control, or you're on the next plane home. Then do it.

DEAR ABBY: I just finished reading the letter from "Fuming" in Ridgefield, N.J., who was upset because she didn't receive a thank-you letter from her friend's daughter after sending a wedding gift.

A few months following my wedding, a friend of mine was married and I sent a gift. During the time that her thank-you notes would have been written, I moved to another address. Although I had my mail forwarded, I know of several pieces I did not receive. Because I didn't receive a thank-you note from my friend, I assumed it was lost in the mail, and I have never mentioned it to her. While I agree that it is unacceptable not to send a thank-you for a gift, I thought this might shed some light on why some people may not receive one.

— THANKFUL IN PENNSYLVANIA
DEAR THANKFUL: If an acknowledgment of a gift is not forthcoming, the giver should diplomatically ask if the gift was received. Let me share a story with you: One day I was talking with the late David Orgell, a brilliant retailer in Beverly Hills, whose store was patronized by celebrities and other wealthy folk. What he told me was an eye-opener. He said that finding delivery people he could trust was an ongoing problem, because packages were sometimes stolen by store couriers. He said florists and other retailers experience the same frustrating problem. He was emphatic that if acknowledgment of a gift is not received, the sender should follow up by asking if the package ever arrived. He also suggested that when instructing a store to deliver a gift, proof of delivery should be requested — meaning that someone must sign for it.

DEAR ABBY: I have a suggestion, based on my experience, for "Colorado

Lady in Waiting," who is in love with "Bob" after dating him for seven months. He wanted her to be his girlfriend, but didn't want her to go with him when he moved out of state, saying he "wasn't sure he wanted to commit."

Twenty years ago, I maintained a four-year long-distance relationship with a boyfriend. Everything seemed fine. Then suddenly he advised me that he had met someone else. I was devastated and unable to form a lasting relationship for years, as I trusted no one.

Absence does NOT make the heart grow fonder; absence makes the heart forget.

My boyfriend left me for a woman he felt would make him a better financial partner. The joke was on him. I made my first million when I was 40. I found him recently via the Internet and discovered that his marriage is an unhappy one, and he regretted the decision he made so many years ago. Today I am ... SADDER, OLDER AND WISER

DEAR SADDER, OLDER AND WISER: Sadder? Please reconsider and settle for older and wiser. Be grateful that this man showed his true colors and made another woman miserable for 20 years. There but for the grace of God go you!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Oct. 24:

You often swing from being extremely gregarious to wanting to vanish. Emphasize your innate creativity, even if it intensifies your mood swings. Broaden your horizons and network. You have the people skills to work through a difficult partnership. If you are single, be picky. Avoid anyone who might not share your relationship goal. Still, you will need to work on relating, as your chosen person could dance in and out. If you are attached, acknowledge changes in your relationship. Accepting your partner will be the first step toward a deeper bond. LIBRA reads you cold.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) **** You're high-energy and close to unstoppable. Follow through on a financial matter early this morning. Success greets your work. Schedule meetings and gather others. Someone makes a strong overture in the afternoon. Your imagination holds interesting nuggets. Tonight: Invite a friend to a fun happening.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Get an early start. Success greets you in the morning and early afternoon. Ideas that need thought and evaluation bloom in the afternoon. Understand what is expected of you. Tonight: Work late if needed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Get down to basics. Realize what you expect and want from your personal life. Your instincts prove to be correct. Creativity comes forth once you relax and resolve a personal problem. Allow more fun and caring at work. Good news comes from a distance. Tonight: Kick up your heels.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Dig into your imagination

and find out more about what is going on with a child or loved one. Your sense of humor comes out with a key personality. Make important calls as soon as you get into work. Free-associate with a partner in the p.m. Tonight: Loosen up on restrictions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Handle finances in the morning. Know your limits with others. Examine long-term objectives with others. Communication draws another's good wishes. Aim for more of what you want. Don't worry about a nebulous conversation. Tonight: Let another choose.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Take a strict look at your finances, with an eye to the holidays. Know when you have had enough. Say so. A brainstorming session breeds good ideas. Tonight: Pay bills first.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Recognize your limits with a testy associate. You might also be more contrary than you realize. Talk about your needs, with an eye to the future. Your sense of humor helps you deal with others. Add more imagination to your work, and you'll gain. A flirtation draws attention. Tonight: Suit yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** Get a head start on your day. Don't back off when you're focused on what you want. You impress others with your willingness to go to extremes to make what you want happen. Evaluate a decision that involves your family and home. You think you are making a good decision. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Think before you make a decision involving a difficult boss. If you're no longer happy with your work, decide to make changes. Your ingenuity mixes with another's creativity in the afternoon. You could be amazed at the ideas you come up with.

Free-associate in a brainstorming session. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** Do prep work. You also might want to clear out additional work. You might not have the control you'd like in different realms of your life. Carefully evaluate a decision that involves another. You might notice that he can be difficult at times. Take charge of your work in the afternoon. Tonight: Work late if need be.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** Your determination marks your decisions involving a partner. The problem remains that this person can put up considerable opposition. Are you ready to deal with that? You also might want to pull back and take an overview. Gain through seeking information. Seek solutions. Tonight: Make getaway plans for the near future.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Another clearly lets you know what is on his mind. You don't want to get into a power play or a conflict of wills. Understanding your limits proves to be primary. Intuition helps you deal with another, especially about a financial matter. Tonight: Talk with a loved one.

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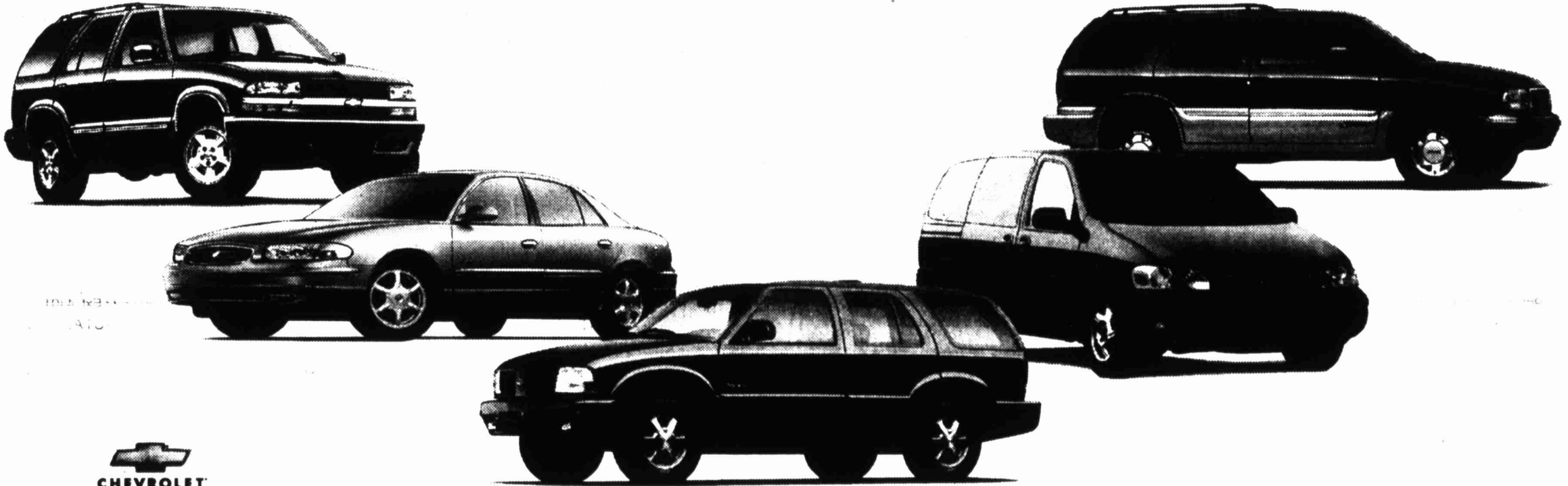
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Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 23, 1983, 241 U.S. Marines and sailors in Lebanon were killed in a suicide truck-bombing at Beirut International Airport; a near-simultaneous attack on French forces killed 58 paratroopers.

On this date:

In 1864, forces led by Union Gen. Samuel R. Curtis defeated Confederate Gen. Sterling Price's army in Missouri.

In 1910, Blanche S. Scott became the first woman to make a solo, public air-

plane flight, reaching an altitude of 12 feet at a park in Fort Wayne, Ind.

In 1915, 25,000 women marched in New York City, demanding the right to vote.

In 1942, during World War II, Britain launched a major offensive against Axis forces at El Alamein in Egypt.

In 1944, the World War II Battle of Leyte Gulf began.

In 1946, the U.N. General Assembly convened in New York for the first time, at an auditorium in Flushing Meadow.

In 1956, an anti-Stalinist revolt that was subsequently crushed by Soviet troops began in Hungary.

In 1973, President Nixon agreed to turn White House tape recordings requested by the Watergate special prosecutor over to Judge

John J. Sirica.

In 1980, the resignation of Soviet Premier Alexei N. Kosygin was announced.

Today's Birthdays:

Former 'Tonight Show' host Johnny Carson is 75.

Zydeco singer-musician Boozoo Chavis is 70.

Movie director Philip Kaufman is 64.

Soccer great Pele is 60.

Author Michael Crichton is 58.

Rhythm-and-blues singer Barbara Ann Hawkins is 57.

Actor Michael Rupert is 49.

Country singer Dwight Yoakam is 44.

Producer-director Sam Raimi is 41.

Parodist 'Weird Al' Yankovic is 41.

Rhythm-and-blues singer David Thomas (Take 6) is 34.

Rock musician Brian Nevin (Big Head Todd and the Monsters) is 34.

Country singer-musician Junior Bryant (Ricochet) is 32.

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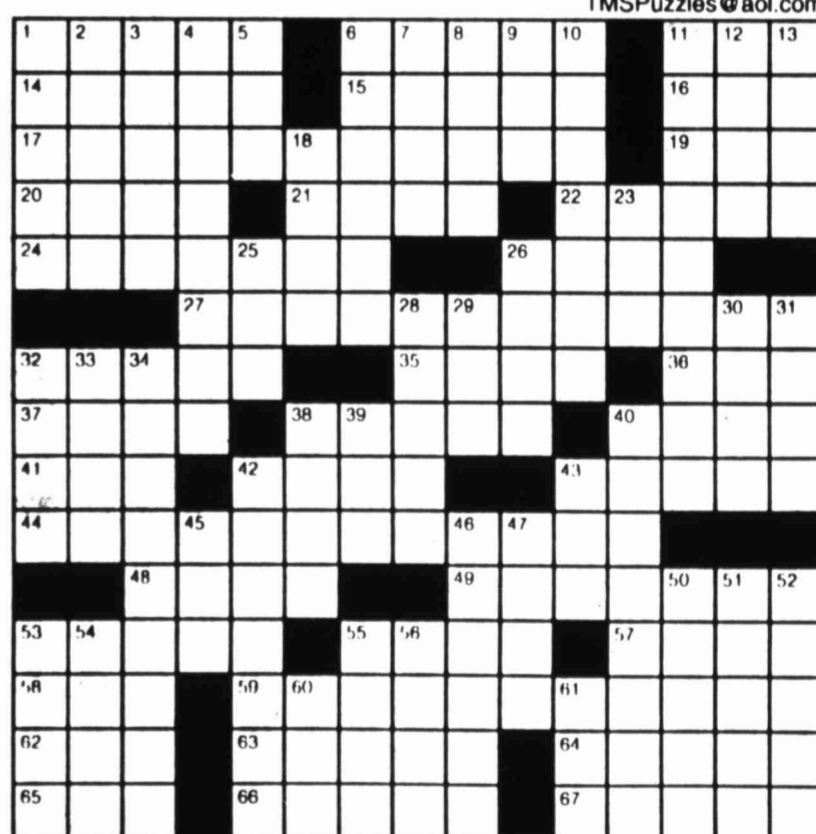
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