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WEATHER

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Humane society project promotes pet ownership

As people consider giving pets as holiday gifts, the Big Spring Humane Society has a new promotion under way to encourage responsible pet ownership.

The local organization is joining Helen Woodward Animal Center, The Iams Company and hundreds of pet adoption centers across the country for "Home for the Holidays."

Designed to share the joy of owning a shelter-adopted pet, the promotion offers each new adoptive household a holiday meal of Iams dog or cat food.

The Home for the Holidays promotion continues through Dec. 24. Interested would-be pet owners can call the shelter at 267-7832 for more information.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Big Spring Band Boosters, 6 p.m., high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.

□ Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., library annex, 500 Main, Community Room.

□ 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 Room.

□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, call Terry Hansen 264-5175.

□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park, call 398-5522 or 267-1628.

THURSDAY

□ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U42060, Herman's, 7 a.m.

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

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Flu shots being made available to homebound residents

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**
Features Editor

Homebound residents can now get a flu shot, thanks to some Big Spring doctors and Community Care Hospice.

Nancy Schraer, a registered nurse who serves as community liaison for the hospice, will make home visits giving the shots, using orders from five local doctors.

People who want a flu shot but can't leave their homes due to medical conditions or disabilities

should call Drs. N. Patel, Robert Bruha, Gene Stokes, Clark McDaniel or Bruce Cox. With their authorization, Schraer will arrange a time to give the shot. Those who take advantage of the program don't have to be hospice patients.

The project depends most on availability of the vaccine, which has been in short supply so far this year.

"We just want to let these people know someone cares about them," said Schraer, who usually works with dying patients, their families

and the volunteers who care for them. "We want to help with more than just their hospice needs."

While Dr. N. Patel will make home visits for local patients who need it, some homebound people don't receive adequate medical care, Schraer said.

"So many times, people who are homebound are in poor health of some kind. If they did get the flu, it could be a life-threatening situation," she said.

There is no age limit or cost for the service, and it does not matter if

the person qualifies for Medicare or has insurance.

Patients who take part will need to sign some forms, but Schraer said she will complete the necessary paperwork.

Patients who may need the service are urged to call one of the doctors as soon as possible; if the vaccine is not currently available, they may need to check back again later.

"We just want to reach as many people as possible," Schraer said. "We want to keep them from getting sick if we can."



Eight-year-old Jackie Ruiz, Westside Day Care Center teacher Tiffany Brown-Moore, 4-year-old Jacob Bingham and 4-year-old Nathan Fuller listen to Old McDonald, told by Karol Smith this morning. Smith led two classes in reciting the nursery rhyme.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Two blood drives slated in Big Spring

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

In the midst of enjoying Thanksgiving and football, area residents still have a few more chances to give the gift of life this month.

The Big Spring Care Center, located at 901 Goliad, will hold a blood drive on Wednesday from 1 until 5 p.m.

"Our goal is to have 22 donors," said Tammy Luxton of the Big Spring Care Center. "They told us they used every bit of blood donated at our last drive."

According to Luxton, the center's last drive collected close to 17 pints.

Luxton said there are several appointments open. Anyone interested in donating can call her or Barbara Smith at the Big Spring Care Center, 263-7633.

Making an appointment helps expedite the process, Luxton said, but walk-in donors will be accepted.

Luxton said information about blood donation such as who can donate is posted on the employee bulletin board. She encourages the public to come and to read

the information.

"A donation of blood can help several different people," Luxton said. "It is very important."

The VA Medical Center will hold a blood drive on Thursday, Nov. 30, from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the recreation room 219.

"Please call for an appointment," said Michelle Carey, secretary to community relations. "Most of the appointment times have already been filled. In order to make the process run

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Election

America waits as court ponders whether recounts by hand will be admitted

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LATEST COUNTS

Unofficially, George W. Bush leads by 764 votes.

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• **Broward County:** With 544 of 609 precincts recounted plus 139 absentee ballots, Gore had gained 117 votes.

• **Palm Beach County:** With 103 of 531 precincts, Gore had gained three votes.

Source: The Associated Press

Two unforgettable weeks after Election Day, George W. Bush and Al Gore are sweating out a ruling from the Florida Supreme Court and manual recounts in three Democratic counties as they wait to learn who will sit in the White House.

"We've had our shot," said Gore lawyer David Boies in a comment that summed up the situation for both sides in the deadlock. "I think the court gave us a lot of time and I think they will issue a ruling promptly."

Bush said nothing about the legal battle this morning when he went to work at the governor's office in Austin, accompanied by adviser Andy Card, his likely chief of staff if he wins.

Asked about his Thanksgiving plans, Bush said, "I'm having dinner with my family."

Ruling on one of several legal skirmishes away from the Supreme Court, Circuit Judge David Tobin refused on Tuesday to set standards for ballot review in Miami-Dade County and rejected Republican requests to go into garbage cans in search of the punched-out paper from ballots.

"I'm not going to manage the minutiae of each ballot being counted," he said. "That's not my job." The

judge said it would be inappropriate to set standards while the issue is before the state Supreme Court.

Presiding over 2-1/2 hours of nationally televised legal arguments on the state's contested election, Florida Chief Justice Charles T. Wells commented Monday on the gravity of the moment.

"The court is certainly aware of the historic nature of this session," he said. The justices are "aware that this is a matter of utmost and vital importance to our nation, our state and our world."

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Holiday donations needed at Big Spring State Hospital

By **VALARIE AVERY**
Herald Correspondent

Big Spring State Hospital patients celebrate the Christmas holidays with a whirlwind of festivities, parties and presents, just like the rest of us.



RUSSWORM

But the holidays aren't spread by hordes of family

HOW TO HELP

WHAT'S NEEDED:

- Monetary donations to purchase jogging suits for 202 patients.
 - Gifts such as grooming supplies, card games and house shoes.
 - Volunteers to wrap gifts, prepare food for patient parties, escort patients on a shopping trip and assist with caroling.
- TO HELP:**
- Call 268-7535 or 268-7533.

members in the manner in which many of us are accustomed.

Instead, elves of many different sizes, shapes and forms are ever present to

make this a special time of the year for people who are receiving intensive, psychiatric care away from home.

"Spending the holidays in the hospital can be depressing for many people," said Billie Russworm, Big Spring State Hospital director of community relations. "Many of our patients are separated from family and friends. Receiving a new, wrapped gift Christmas morning can mean the difference to many between having a good day or a bad day."

Big Spring State Hospital is run under the auspices of the Texas Department of Mental Health Mental Retardation. The state only pays for necessary services; all the extras which make a patient's stay in the hospital more pleasant are provided by Big Spring State Hospital's Volunteer Services Council.

The 240 volunteers shop, wrap and donate gifts for the 202 patients. Last year, patients were given new jog-

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City, county offices will close until Monday

HERALD Staff Report

Across the Crossroads Area, doing business with the government will come to a halt after Wednesday as city and county employees take time for an extended Thanksgiving holiday.

Howard, Mitchell, Martin and Glasscock County offices will shut their doors by 5 p.m. Wednesday and remain closed until Monday morning. That's the situation, too, with city offices at Big Spring, Coahoma, Forsan, Stanton, Garden City and Colorado City.

Public schools throughout the Crossroads Area either

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Douglas Bailey Jr. and Marlo Forman enjoy a turkey dinner with their son Diamond Bailey at Anderson Kindergarten Center. About 180 parents responded to the school's invitation to share the special meal with their children.

HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

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OBITUARIES

C.M. Neel

Graveside service for Dr. C.M. Neel, 89, Keller, formerly of Big Spring, was Tuesday, 3:30 p.m., 2000, at Bourland Cemetery, Keller.

Dr. Neel died on Sunday, Nov. 19, in Keller.

He is survived by: his wife, Jewell Dean Neel of Keller; son, Dr. Morris Neel of Keller; daughter, Gay Neel Darden of Keller; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials to the Dallas Metro Ministries, P.O. Box 226624, Dallas, 75222.

Martha Joy Jones

Funeral service for Martha Joy Jones, 69, Whitesboro, formerly of Big Spring, is 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2000, at Huff Funeral Chapel, Whitesboro, with the Rev. Joe Patterson officiating and David Hart assisting. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Whitesboro.

Mrs. Jones died on Sunday, Nov. 19, in Whitesboro.

She was born on March 20, 1931, in Big Spring. She was a nurse.

She is survived by: her husband, Chub Jones of Whitesboro; one son, Steve Jones of Marble Falls; two daughters, Kathy Welch of Buda and Cindy Zellars of Tioga; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Phoebe Limon

A vigil service for Phoebe Limon, 57, Big Spring, will be said at 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Chapel. Memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2000, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church with the Rev. Jeremiah McCarthy officiating.

Mrs. Limon died on Monday, Nov. 20, after a sudden illness.

She was born on Dec. 15, 1942, in Big Spring. She had lived most of her life in California, returning to



Big Spring in 1989. She had been a hostess at Herman's Restaurant for several years. She had been an active volunteer for the Big Spring Humane Society for over 10 years and had been a caregiver for many others all of her life.

She is survived by: her daughters, Melody Limon of San Luis Obispo, Calif., and Melisa Limon of Big Spring; one sister, Fritzi Leage of Fort Worth; her step-mother, Jeanne Ruse of Big Spring; and three granddaughters.

The family suggest memorials to the Big Spring Humane Society, P.O. Box 823, Big Spring, 79721.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Ray S. Parker

Ray S. Parker, 80, Houston, formerly of Big Spring, died on Nov. 19, 2000, in Houston.

Mr. Parker was born in Gorman.

He is survived by: his wife, Wylodene Parker; son Samuel I. Parker of Houston, daughter, Cynthia J. Fryar of Rotan; a sister, Cecilia Garrison of Santa Monica, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

DRIVES

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more efficiently for the donor, I would encourage anyone interested to call community relations at 264-4824."

Walk-ins are welcomed but appointments will have priority, Carey said.

In order to supply the 12 area hospitals, United Blood Services must collect more than 300 units of blood each week. Blood products have a shelf life of five to 42 days.

Donors must be 17 years old or older, weigh more than 110 pounds, be in good health, carry proof of identification and know the names of any medication they have taken in the past 30 days.

BSSH

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ging suits, which were made available by \$15 donations.

Patients will receive jogging suits this year, but only if donations are received to purchase the outfits.

"We are suggesting that groups, maybe church Sunday school classes purchase suits for an entire unit," Russworm said.

Although cash donations are always needed, other new items are in demand to provide two presents on Christmas morning for the patients. Grooming supplies, card games and house shoes are always popular with patients.

The Volunteer Services Council also needs volunteers for a number of other tasks including, a marathon gift-wrapping session on Dec. 4 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"When you look at all those gifts, the idea of wrapping them all is very daunting, but we always have a lot of help and a lot of fun," said Maria Brito, assistant

director of community relations.

Patients also do their own holiday shopping, by taking an annual trip to The Dollar Store. Volunteers are being recruited to escort the hospital patients and assist them in purchasing and selecting their gifts.

Volunteers also are being sought to prepare sandwiches and desserts for the patient Christmas parties on Dec. 14.

"We need people to make a variety of finger foods and drop it off at the office," Russworm said. "If they would like to stay and help with the party, that would be wonderful. We can always use an extra set of hands."

Men and women who enjoy singing can assist with the annual Christmas caroling on Dec. 4 at 6:30 p.m. The community is invited to the hospital's annual Carol of Lights when employees at Big Spring State Hospital light several buildings on the expansive campus.

For more information on the Volunteer Services Council, call Russworm or Brito at (915) 268-7535 or 268-7533.

ELECTION

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There was no disputing that, given that the winner of the battle for Florida's 25 electoral votes, either the Republican governor of Texas or the Democratic vice president, stands to become the nation's 43rd president on Jan. 20.

Neither Wells nor any of the other six high court justices gave any indication when the court might issue a ruling on whether to allow manual recounts from three counties to count in the final election totals. The Bush campaign hopes the court will snuff out the recounts, and the Gore campaign hopes the court will give them a legal imprimatur, and provide a standard for recount officials to employ.

The justices worked under one timetable as canvassing boards in Broward, Palm Beach and Miami-Dade counties labored on their own schedules to conduct the hand counts the Gore campaign wants.

Bush's official lead stands at 930 votes in statewide results that Secretary of State Katherine Harris has been barred from certifying. Gore picked up 166 votes in manual recounts conducted Monday, which if accepted would reduce Bush's margin to 764.

Gore hopes to overtake his rival in the three heavily Democratic counties where he has propelled the recounts forward.

When the counting stopped Monday evening the situation looked like this:

-Miami-Dade County: With 67 of 614 precincts recounted, Gore had gained 46 votes over last week's official vote totals.

-Broward County: With 544 of 609 precincts recounted plus 139 absentee ballots, Gore had gained 117 votes.

-Palm Beach County: With 103 of 531 precincts recounted by hand, Gore had gained three votes.

Developments in the counting rooms bordered on chaotic at times, a sharp contrast to the crisp pro-

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

ceedings that Wells conducted in the high court in Tallahassee.

All seven justices peppered lawyers with questions about a deadline in the state law for certifying results as well as contradictory directives elsewhere in the law. There was discussion, as well, about a possible statewide recount, and about conflict between state law and federal statutes relating to the appointment of electors.

Wells asked lawyers how long the state had to certify a winner and still have its voice heard when the electors meet to pick a president.

Democrats said Dec. 12 was the answer to Wells' off-asked question, six days before the Electoral College meets. The chief justice's questions sketched a scenario in which recounts might continue, perhaps into December.

Wells seemed to suggest that Harris might be permitted to certify a winner soon so Democrats would have time to challenge the next step in the process and still resolve the dispute before the Electoral College meets Dec. 18.

Bush partisans seemed troubled by the implications of the questions asked in court, but Gore advisers expressed frustration by their relatively small gains in the county recounts.

Broward County elections supervisor Jane Carroll, the only Republican on the three-member board, announced plans to retire at day's end. "I feel like I'm incarcerated," said the 70-year-old veteran local official, "with lunch and dinner brought into me and six attorneys sitting across from me the entire day."

Circuit Judge Robert Rosenberg, an appointee of GOP Gov. Jeb Bush, was named to the canvassing board to replace her.

In Miami-Dade, Republicans said the Democratic-dominated board had "rigged" the recount, but Democrats denied it.

"This thing is rigged," said Rep. David Hobson, R-Ohio. "It is a joke on our democracy."

Kendall Coffey, a Democratic attorney, responded: "I think any attempt to raise fraud or any other type of innuendo is nothing short of outrageous."

HOLIDAY

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have already let out or will today, as will Howard College. Classes will resume on Monday.

The VA Medical Center in Big Spring will see patients in the emergency room only.

The U.S. Postal Service will be closed Thursday only. Offices will be open and mail delivered on Friday and Saturday.

BRIEFS

SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has

TEXAS LOTTERY

Pick 3: 9,3,1

Cash 5: 1,12,20,26,33

Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

RECORDS

Monday's high 59
Monday's low 29
Average high 56
Average low 28
Record high 78 in 1981
Record low 8 in 1973
Precip. Monday 0.01
Month to date 1.81
Month Normal 0.48
Year to date 17.46
Normal for the year 18.37
Sunrise Wednesday 7:22 a.m.
Sunset Wednesday 5:42 p.m.
**Statistics not available

FIRE/EMS

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

- MONDAY
7:01 a.m. - 1500 block Cole Lane, medical call, patient refused service.
10:06 a.m. - 4400 block Elder, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
10:29 a.m. - 900 block Goliad, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC).
10:45 a.m. - 3200 block Parkway, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.
12:02 p.m. - SMMC, patient transferred to Martin County Hospital.
12:20 p.m. - 3900 block Rice Road, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
12:20 p.m. - SMMC, return, CTNC.
12:46 p.m. - SMMC, patient transferred to Hendrick
2:48 p.m. - 900 block W. Second, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
4:53 p.m. - 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
4:28 p.m. - SMMC, patient transferred to Odessa Regional.
6:34 p.m. - SMMC, patient transferred to Lubbock Covenant.
6:56 p.m. - SMMC, patient transferred to 3200 block Parkway.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Friday through 8 a.m. today:

- JOSEPH DEWAYNE TURNER, 23, of 2903 Clanton, was arrested on a judgement sentence/driving while intoxicated, 2nd. (HCSO)
• DAVID ARTHUR WITREIN, 20, of 116 Hooser, was arrested on a judgement sentence/two counts of theft and possession of marijuana. (HCSO)
• TYRAN DYERALLE DAVIS, 21, of Ft. Worth, was arrested on a charge of

possession of marijuana. (DPS)

• CRISPIN G. SANCHEZ, 27, of 1902 N. Monticello, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, (3rd offense) and driving while license suspended. (DPS)

• NEEMESHA DAWN WASHINGTON, 18, of Fort Worth, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana. (DPS)

• JESSIE LEE WOODRUFF, 36, of 1202 Lamar, was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief, unlawful carry of a weapon and driving while intoxicated. (BSPD)

• ROBERTO CLEMENT VARGAS, 24, of Big Spring, was arrested on a charge of unlawful carry of weapon. (BSPD)

• JUAN M. TALAMANTEZ, 46, of 108 E. 11th, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, resisting arrest and fleeing police. (BSPD)

POLICE

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

- JOHN EDMUNDSON, 28, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.
• FRED TURNER, 27, of 1905 Wasson, was arrested on a charge of driving without a valid license.
• FREDDIE PUGA, 57, of 611 Nolan, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
• JOHN DEANDA, 33, of 538 Westover, was arrested on local warrants.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following weekend summary for the weekend ending at 0800 Monday, 20 Nov. 2000.

- AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, 1
• ASSAULT, 2
• ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE, 4
• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION, 2
• BURGLARY OF A BUILDING, 1
• BURGLARY OF A MOTOR VEHICLE, 2
• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF, 4
• DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, 3
• DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID, 1
• FLEEING, 1
• HARASSMENT, 1
• RESISTING ARREST, 1
• THEFT, 15
• CONVENIENCE STORE, 13
• BEER THEFT, 3
• GAS, 10
• ARRESTS, 15
• ACCIDENTS, 9
• MAJOR, 2
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NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home
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Allan Ely Clanton, 53, died Friday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 7:00 to 8:00 PM Tuesday at the funeral home.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288
Michael (Mike) Douglass died Saturday. Funeral services will be 4:00 PM, Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.
Phoebe Limon, 57, died Monday. Vigil services will be 7:00 PM tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Memorial services will be 10:00 AM Wednesday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

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Child support improvements lauded by Sunset Commission

AUSTIN (AP) — The attorney general's office has made significant improvements to its troubled child support division, including increased collections and reduced turnaround time for families waiting for money, according to a state report released Monday.

The division came under heavy fire in 1998 from legislators who criticized it as inefficient and threatened to move it out of then-Attorney General Dan Morales' office unless operations improved. A State Auditor's Office report also blasted the division in February, saying problems with the computer system contributed to a backlog of nearly 1 million delinquent cases and a poor collection record.

The Sunset Advisory Commission report released Monday, however, said that under the direction of current Attorney General John Cornyn, the division "has made significant strides" in redesigning and improving its operations.

Better computer systems, reduced processing time and plans for an automated

distribution system next year were among the key improvements, the report said.

Other improvements included a steady increase in the amount of child support collected. In 1998, the division collected \$757 million in support, compared to \$1.03 billion in 2000.

The number of children for which paternity was established has also increased, from 40,173 in 1998 to 48,481 in 2000.

The report made no recommendations as to whether the division should be moved out of Cornyn's office.

"We inherited a largely dysfunctional program and I think we have turned it around," Cornyn said. "It's on the right path."

The division benefited from a stabilization of its computer system and management changes coupled with the state's strong economy, the report said.

The division has also improved its customer service.

According to surveys cited in the sunset report,

customers were more easily able to get through to local child support offices than they were two years ago.

The Sunset Advisory Commission periodically reviews state programs and recommends to the Legislature if it should abolish them, continue them or make changes.

Also on Monday the commission released a review of the Funeral Service Commission, suggesting that it should be continued for a two-year probationary period.

The report acknowledged improvements but said the commission still faces "significant problems, and needs help to effectively regulate the funeral services industry and protect consumers."

Among the recommendations in the report: providing easier-to-understand information about funeral planning and regulation; developing and adopting an open and fair complaint process; and establishing clear guidelines for the effective use of fines and sanctions.

Carnival owner pleads guilty to manslaughter

AUSTIN (AP) — The owner of a company that operates amusement rides pleaded guilty to manslaughter charges Monday, more than two years after a teen-age girl was killed when a ride threw her into a wall.

B&B Amusement Inc. owner Bob Merten Sr. pleaded guilty on behalf of himself and his company in connection with the death of 15-year-old Leslie Lane. She was thrown from a spinning ride called the Himalaya in March 1998 at the Austin-Travis County Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Under a plea agreement, Yuma, Ariz.-based B&B Amusement faces a \$50,000 fine. Merten will receive a 30-day jail sentence and six years' probation.

Sentencing for Merten,

who waived his right to appeal, is set for Dec. 4.

The guilty plea marks the first time that a carnival ride company has been held criminally responsible for causing a death because of a malfunctioned ride, Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle said.

"Leslie Lane was one of our teen-agers, and we had to do this in order to bring closure to this case and to see that justice was done," he said.

B&B Amusement issued a statement saying it reached the agreement because it could not longer afford to defend itself against the "state's unlimited resources."

"It is our hope and prayer that this decision will bring closure for the Lane family and for our family," the

statement said.

Lane's 9-year-old brother and a 16-year-old friend also were thrown from the ride and received injuries.

Indictments handed up in December 1999 accused Merten, B&B Amusement Company and Florida-based inspection company Bob Gill and Associates Inc. of recklessly causing Lane's death.

The indictment said that Lane was "restrained by a lap bar with an inadequate latching mechanism and a lap bar attachment that was inadequate to secure the lap bar to the amusement ride."

Also listed in the indictment were Bob Gill and Associates Inc. owner Robert G. Gill and B&B employees Jeff Campbell, Phillip Joseph Parenti and Joshua Johnson.

Many election demonstrators are rallying causes for first time

AUSTIN (AP) — Political war makes the most peculiar protesters.

Since the chaotic countdown for America's president first began two weeks ago, a steady stream of clean-cut Republicans have left their comfortable Austin neighborhoods to join rowdy picket lines at the Texas Governor's Mansion.

They're calling for Vice President Al Gore to concede the race and Gov. George W. Bush to become president. They're hoisting witty signs, calling through bullhorns and acting like demonstrators, rather than conservatives who tend to stick to their voting booths. "It's the first time I've ever been in any kind of demonstration," said Kerry Hardy, 31, a stay-at-home mother of two. "My husband and I were making our signs last night and we said, 'we never thought it would be us.'"

Only the recent election drama could provoke her to take public action.

"There's nothing that got me so angry before," she said. "Frankly it made me mad as hell."

In her black cowboy hat, she stood in the rain holding a poster with the popular words of Soviet dictator Joseph Stalin, "Those who cast the votes decide nothing. Those who count the votes decide everything."

Hardy said she's been riling up the other mothers in her Austin Great Hills neighborhood.

"Women in my neighborhood who are not normal activist people said if they declare Gore (as president), they'll be out in the street," she said.

Other first-timers such as stock broker Harvey Ford came out for Saturday's demonstration "kind of to see what goes on at these things."

The 61-year-old Vietnam veteran, wearing a cowboy hat and clutching a Bush poster, said didn't think too kindly of demonstrators — until he became one. "Most people tend to look like some rabble raisers," he said. "I just feel like a concerned citizen."

Most of the Republicans enjoyed their first taste of political activism.

"I should have been doing this all my life, it's a lot of fun," said Exxon Mobile manager Mike Sargent, 54.

He said Republicans don't protest as often as Democrats because GOP faithful are more polite.

"We show respect, that's the difference," he said.

Mark Reiff, holding a sign that read "Sore Loserman," had another idea.

Cameron County plans second recount

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A weekend recount of votes in one South Texas precinct resulted in a 679 vote discrepancy in the race for county commissioner, leaving officials suspicious enough to schedule a second recount.

"You just don't lose 679 votes," Cameron County Democratic candidate David A. Garza, said in Tuesday's editions of The Brownsville Herald. "If you lose something, you have to look for it until you find it."

Garza's votes decreased in the first recount by 317 votes. He still has the edge over Republican opponent Melanie McCormick, who's vote count also decreased in the first recount.

"We don't do this for a living; we have our own jobs," said Reiff, an engineer for a NASA contractor. "It takes something like this to bring Republicans out."

"When we get our dander up, we come out in force."

Military voters seek late vote, damages

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Attorneys representing several hundred active-duty military troops who unsuccessfully tried to vote in the presidential election plan to file a suit with the U.S. Supreme Court requesting late voting privileges for the troops or exemption from federal income taxes during the next four years.

"It's almost an outrageous request," said Sean Campbell of Campbell & Jones, the San Antonio firm drafting the class-action suit. "But it's also

equally outrageous that we're the stronghold of democracy in the world and we should find ourselves in this position."

Clients include a Fort Hood officer and three Army recruits in basic training at Fort Lee, Va. They all claim they were denied the right to vote in the Nov. 7 contest. They requested mail-in ballots or tried to vote in person, but were denied, attorneys allege.

Defense Secretary William Cohen and the U.S. Postal Service will be

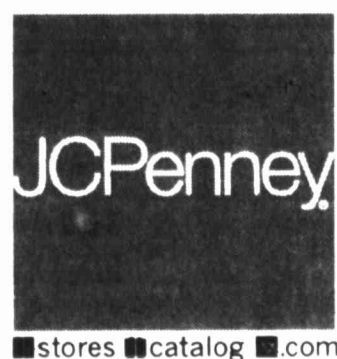
among the primary defendants in the suit, attorney Philip E. Jones said.

The firm decided Monday night to file it in the Supreme Court, where attorneys hope it will receive rapid consideration because of the unusual nature of the pleading.

If voting privileges are denied, the suit will seek damages based on the amount of income tax a typical taxpayer would owe the Internal Revenue Service during the next presidential term, which starts Jan. 20.

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OUR VIEWS

Be thankful, and not a DPS statistic

It's almost Thanksgiving, and for most of us it is a chance to get together with family members we might not see more than once or twice a year.

For some, it means a drive across the state or maybe a trip to New Mexico or Oklahoma. All that driving means less time to visit, so some of us will fudge a little on that 70 miles per hour speed limit. If we can just go 80, or 85, we can cut an hour off the time it takes to get to Mom's house.

Once we get there, we might enjoy the visit and the good food a little too long. We'll have those great memories and be stuffed with turkey, ham and dressing. But we'll be just a little tired when we get back in the car to head home. We can make it.

A few of us will have had a few glasses of wine with that great dinner, or maybe a few drinks. But it's no big deal. We figure we can handle it. Figure again.

Last year, 56 people died in 46 traffic accidents over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend in Texas. Speeding, driver fatigue, and alcohol were the primary causes for those accidents. And for those who died, 41 percent were not wearing seat belts.

Those 56 people won't be celebrating Thanksgiving this week. And their families — mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, spouses, children — will have a difficult time this holiday season, because that tragic and oh-so-needless loss will be on their minds.

Thanksgiving is a time of joy and a time to give thanks. Don't make it a time for sorrow.

Slow down this holiday season. If you get tired, change drivers or pull over and rest. If you decide to drink, make sure you can rely on someone else to drive. Finally, make sure everyone in the vehicle is properly secured.

Have a happy Thanksgiving... and many, many more to come.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

WESTBROOK

We would like to thank the people at the Big Spring Mall who were so gracious to us during our son's recent hospitalizations.

Regis Hair Salon, Blum's Jewelers, Absolutely Wireless, Sears, Suggs Hallmark, Curves for Women, Santa Fe Sandwiches, Bealls, Athletic Supply, SMH Health, GNC and Merle Norman.

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness during our difficult time. May God bless you all.

TODD AND TERRI BURLESON

TO THE EDITOR:

TOMMY HART
BIG SPRING

There must be better ways to select a United States president. I offer one way.

Why not have the two candidates (in this instance George W. Bush and Al Gore) meet on the 50-yard line of a football field for a coin toss that would determine the winner.

The only other person allowed on the field would be a referee of good repute, who would identify the winner.

TOMMY HART
BIG SPRING

Facts should end the election confusion

Hopefully by the time you read this, George W. Bush will be the president-elect. To avoid encumbering this election with the debris left by a largely confused and hysterical press, let's review the facts:



CHARLEY REESE

On Nov. 7, we had an election. After the votes were tallied, George W. Bush had defeated Al Gore. Florida law required an automatic recount because of the close margin of victory. Florida's governor, Jeb Bush, recused himself from the state board that certifies election results. That was the right thing to do because it avoided any appearance of a conflict of interest.

The recount was held, and after those votes were tallied, George W. Bush remained the winner. All that was left was to count the overseas absentee bal-

lots, the deadline for which was midnight, Nov. 17. A majority of them, mostly from the military, were expected to go for Bush.

It was at that point that Gore sent his lawyers and agitators into Florida to create a phony controversy. Clearly the plan was to steal the election by counting — for the third time — ballots cast in heavily Democratic counties that had gone overwhelmingly for Gore.

They argued, absurdly, that some Palm Beach County voters discovered the next day, presumably by divine revelation, that they had voted for Reform Party presidential candidate Pat Buchanan by mistake. If they had not known that they had voted for Buchanan while they were at the polling place, there is no way that they could have known that they had done so the next day. But all lawyers need is an excuse, and they began to muddy the waters.

Other than the closeness of the vote, the election Nov. 7 was perfectly normal. It is entirely routine that some people will mark their ballots incorrectly

and have them discarded. It is entirely routine that some people will be confused by the ballot. After all, reading directions is not one of America's strong points. Remember the jokes about people who can't program their VCRs?

Hand counts are the most unreliable way to count votes. As former Secretary of State James Baker pointed out, machines are neither Democrat nor Republican. The same, of course, is not true of people. Machines cannot be bribed or overtaken with ideological zeal. People can. Machines don't get fatigued. People do. The Gore crowd appears confident that with hand recounts in their areas, by their people, they will surely "find" enough votes to defeat Bush. No doubt they will if allowed to count and recount long enough.

Gore, who appears to be a moral clone of Bill Clinton, is desperately trying to frustrate the will of the people while proclaiming that protecting it is his only motivation. That, of course, is totally unbelievable.

He is acting in a dishon-

orable way, which should not surprise anyone. He has lusted for power for decades, and to see it slipping from his grasp must surely be excruciating.

But George W. Bush's election will not be a controversial election, as the news media are now proclaiming. A controversy is a disagreement on a matter of opinion. The election of Bush, if it occurs, will be a matter of fact and law, not a matter of opinion.

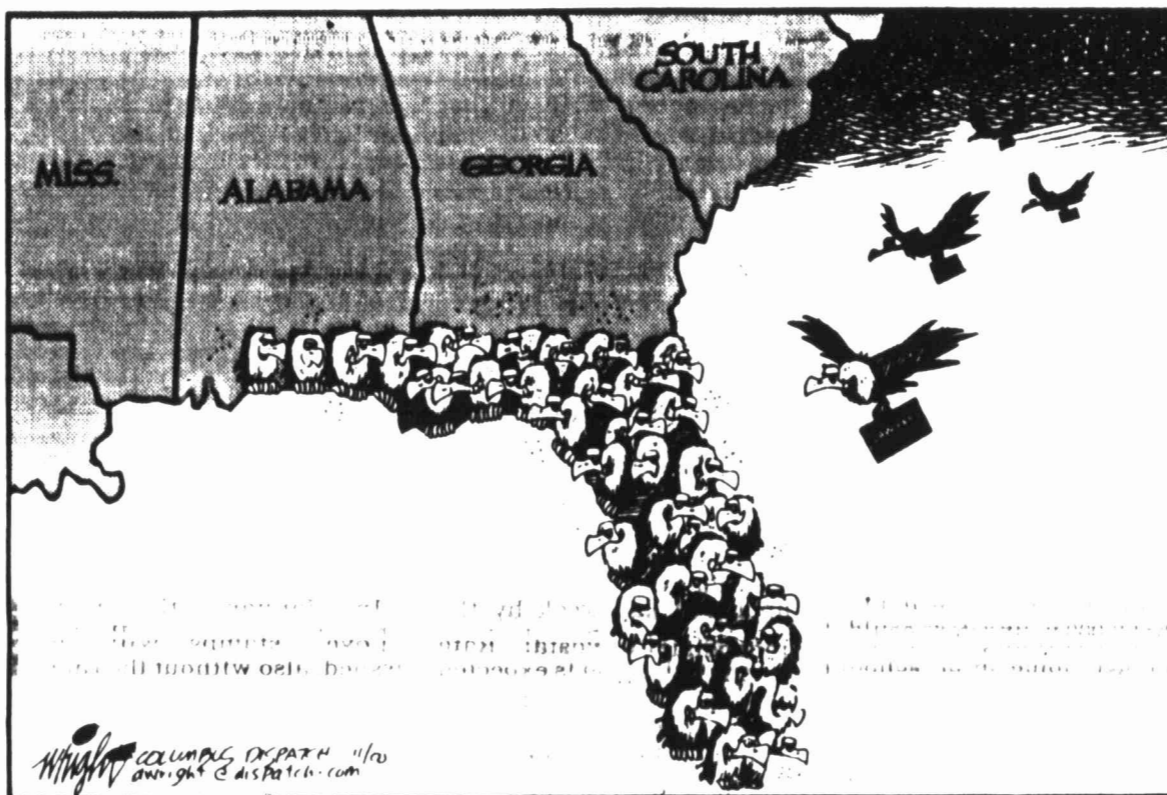
Even close elections are not unusual. The news media have been acting as if we only ever have presidential races. Elections for public office all over the country are sometimes won by razor-thin margins, but close doesn't count.

I'm not sure that America can recover from eight years of sleaze, moral degradation, abuse of power, lies, character assassination and otherwise non-leadership that has characterized the Clinton-Gore administration.

I so look forward to having a decent man in the White House again. I just hope that lawyers and judges don't frustrate that hope.

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Captured by the lure of the free tote bag

I am a junkie. A magazine junkie. The ones I have read, mean to read or will never get around to reading are strewn about the house, colorful cobblestones to step on, over or around.

I read The New Yorker for its reviews and cartoons and smart political patter about city matters that really don't concern me. You can ponder, for instance, the dreadful tire dumps where the mosquitoes that carry the West Nile virus breed, then feel sympathetic, but not panicked.

There is a certain relief in knowing you cannot rush out to hear a concert featuring Dennis De Young, "who specialized in baroque arpeggios and falsetto power ballads...." And that the Sufi Mevlevi order of religious dancers from Konya, Turkey, will have to recite passages

from the poetry of Rumi without you sitting there.

On the other hand, I read Country Living for its essays about the simple life, made far simpler if you have the loot to buy a 1722 Cape Cod or a Tennessee Victorian, conveniently listed in the magazine's real-estate sampler and always, always "lovingly restored." Never do they list "fixer-uppers" in briar patches where deer hunters on four-wheelers rampage.

The rustic lodges and stripped-down country estates are all out of my reach. But I have this theory: If you can't join 'em, dogear 'em. One day I might inherit a "historic Texas lodge" from a relative I don't know that I have, and I'd be armed with a pattern to furnish it.

I read Vanity Fair because of Dominick Dunne's juicy stories and because I love to hate Christopher Hitchens. He always gets my dander up with his snooty observations.

I'll admit, I wouldn't have Vanity Fair around the house if I was a mother. Who wants her child grow-

ing up thinking all stylish women are scantily clad toothpicks prone to conformationist poses?

But the book smells nice from its bouquet of perfume ads, and a friend renews my subscription every Christmas. So I stay abreast of the half-naked movie stars and their boyfriends, of who is hot and who smokes pot.

In a weak moment — and because of a terrific free tote bag — I even subscribed to Martha Stewart's Living. I've softened on Martha in recent years, anyhow, ever since she lent her name to a discount-store line and made reality shopping more of a pleasure. Just because it's cheap, it doesn't have to be lime-green.

But that book is more advertising than content, and so thick it takes up all the room in the mailbox the day it arrives. That's why Martha can buy any house she wants from Country Living's real-estate sampler.

Speaking of Martha, a recent issue of the magazine O, Oprah's newest tentacle, had a conversation

between the two powerful women. That was a little scary.

Oprah talks about a show she did with Martha wannabes, describing it as "funny but a little sad."

That's OK, Martha responded. "That they have made an attempt in their way... I'm pleased."

Made me think Martha's been a fly on the wall for my Eiffel Tower cookies — funny but a little sad.

Oprah's book deals a lot with being who you are, or who you know you can be, or who you would know you could be if you could get in touch with your inner self and reaffirm that better part of you. And red leather pants. Oprah seems fixated on red leather pants, featured under "Practical Matters" and ranging in price from \$175 to \$1,245.

I'm thinking that my inner self may want a pair of those practical, thousand-dollar red leather pants, even if my outer self screams "No way!"

For, as all of America and all of my selves — inner and outer — know, Oprah knows best.



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Mallard Fillmore by BRUCE TINSLEY

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Publicly financed candidates find success in Maine, Arizona

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) — A couple of years after retiring as head of Maine's campaign finance watchdog agency, Marilyn Canavan decided to run for the state House of Representatives. But she had a problem.

Canavan, a Democrat, was queasy about knocking on doors and making phone calls to plead for campaign donations. If public campaign funds had not been available, "I would not have run," she said.

On Nov. 7, Canavan beat her Republican and independent rivals — both of whom relied on traditional campaign contributions. It was her first run for elective office.

"It's a good feeling knowing I don't owe anything to anybody except my constituents," said the 68-year-old Canavan, who previously headed the state office that enforces campaign spending laws.

In the latest election, Maine and Arizona became the first states in which dozens of candidates were able to tap public funds for legislative campaigns.

Unofficial counts in Maine show candidates who used the state's Clean Election fund defeated privately financed rivals in more than two dozen legislative races.

When the new Legislature is sworn in next month, almost half the members of the Senate and a quarter of those in the House will

have used public funds, said William Hain, executive director of Maine's Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.

In Arizona, where 41 publicly financed candidates ran for the 90 legislative seats, 14 won on Election Day, according to Public Campaign, a nonpartisan group advocating less special-interest money in elections.

"A lot more people ran who might not otherwise have run," said Nick Nyhart, the group's executive director. "There were more contested races — voters had more choices."

Maine's Clean Election Act gives legislative candidates who qualify

for public funding 75 percent of the average amount spent on comparable races in 1998 and 1996. Candidates may get up to twice as much to keep pace with privately funded opponents.

The law also requires candidates collect \$5 contributions from a fixed number of supporters.

This year, 134 "clean" candidates spent \$975,000 in public funds in Maine.

Arizona's publicly financed candidates spent about \$1.6 million, an average of slightly more than \$28,000 each, according to the Clean Elections Institute, a non-profit group that helps implement the law.

Candidates for state offices there

who get the requisite number of \$5 donations can get \$10,000 in public funds for the primary and \$15,000 for the general election. If privately financed opponents outspend them, the state matches the extra spending, but only up to three times the original allotment.

Despite the system's growing pains, "everybody thinks this first go-around has been a great success," said Dennis Burke, executive director of Common Cause in Arizona. "It's going to make a huge difference."

Public campaign financing in Maine and Arizona was created by citizen initiatives. In both states, participants forgo private contributions.

Thousands stranded in Buffalo snow storm

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Thousands of workers and schoolchildren awoke Tuesday in offices, supermarkets, hospitals and restaurants where they were stranded overnight by a storm that paralyzed the city with 2 feet of snow.

Abandoned vehicles, including school buses, clogged streets "as far as the eye can see." All nonessential travel was banned Tuesday under a city state of emergency to give plows and tow trucks room to work.

Emergency medical teams had been on the job all night helping stranded motorists.

"We've had people that have been in their ambulances almost 24 hours now, and we've got to pat them on the back," said Mike Hughes of Rural Metro Medical Services. "People are scared and there are a lot of people in need."

The city that is accustomed to stunning snow amounts was caught by surprise Monday as the storm clogged streets in time for the evening rush hour.

"Timing is everything," Mayor Anthony Masiello said.

"If this would have hit at night, if this would have hit on the weekend, we would have been ahead of it because, quite frankly, we wouldn't have had all

the vehicles on the streets and everybody trying to get home."

Some 25 inches of snow fell Monday, the third-highest total for any 24-hour period on record in a city that is regularly pummeled by "lake effect" snowstorms that blow the length of Lake Erie. More than 40 inches have fallen this month. The sun was out again Tuesday, but an additional inch of snow was forecast.

A 65-mile section of the New York State Thruway was closed Tuesday between Buffalo and Rochester because of blowing snow.

National Guard units were ordered to help the city dig out.

"The problem is getting our snow plows out," Masiello said Monday. "The problem we're having is the same problem the motorists are having."

School bus drivers were told to take children to the nearest public building, including supermarkets, City Hall, hospitals, restaurants and government offices.

Authorities estimated that 2,000 youngsters couldn't get home after school Monday.

Workers at the FBI building set out on snowmobiles to pick up pizzas for two busloads of schoolchildren and 30 adults who sought shelter there.

FDA: Daily pill can prevent, not just treat, flu

WASHINGTON (AP) — If for some reason you miss getting your flu vaccine, there's now a backup: The government says taking a prescription pill every day during a flu outbreak can prevent the misery-inducing illness, too.

Tamiflu, however, is not meant to replace flu vaccine — not only because it's more expensive but also because those annual shots offer season-long protection credited with saving countless lives.

"Vaccination is the No. 1 preventive method against influenza," Dr. Debra Birnkrant of the Food and Drug Administration stressed Monday.

But only about 75 million of the nation's 280 million people get vaccinated each year, leaving lots of potential flu victims. Nor is the vaccine perfect. Indeed, the

flu sickens 20 million Americans annually and kills 20,000. So doctors have long hoped for additional protections.

Monday, the FDA announced that Tamiflu, a drug already used to shorten influenza patients' symptoms by about a day, is highly effective at preventing flu, too — if people take one pill every day during a flu outbreak.

The Tamiflu news comes amid serious delays of this year's flu shots. Vaccine production was delayed, prompting health officials to urge healthy people to wait until December for a shot — so that the elderly and people with heart disease and other conditions that make them particularly susceptible would get the earliest vaccine shipments. Vaccine is being shipped

now, and health officials insist supplies are adequate.

Vaccination remains the easier, and for many people cheaper, protection. Many Americans get flu shots free through insurers, Medicare or employers, or for less than \$20 during public vaccine campaigns.

In contrast, a 10-day supply of Tamiflu costs \$49 wholesale — and patients

must swallow a pill each day during an outbreak, which in some Tamiflu studies lasted a stunning 42 days.

Manufacturer Hoffmann-La Roche is negotiating with insurance companies to cover Tamiflu for flu prevention; Medicare doesn't pay for prescription drugs.

Tamiflu and vaccine weren't directly compared.

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New stamps to reflect rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three new stamps will be issued Dec. 15 and a fourth in January to handle the new 34-cent postage rate, the Postal Service said Monday.

The one-cent increase for first-class mail was approved last week by the independent Postal Rate Commission and is expected to take effect in January.

The new stamps at first will not have a price on them, because the large volume needed meant they had to be printed in advance, before the new rate was

determined. Later versions of the stamps with the 34-cent rate on them will be available.

Stamps showing the American flag flying over a farm, the Statue of Liberty and pastel flowers will be issued in December.

In January the new "Love" stamps will be issued, also without the rate initially printed on them. These will feature portions of love letters written by John Adams and Abigail Adams and will be available for both the one- and two-ounce letter rate.

Dean Witter accused of fraudulent marketing to elderly

NEW YORK (AP) — The National Association of Securities Dealers has accused broker Dean Witter Reynolds of coaxing thousands of elderly investors to put \$2 billion into volatile bond funds by fraudulently marketing them as secure, conservative investments.

NASD regulators filed a complaint Monday against Dean Witter and two execu-

tives, John B. Kemp and Lawrence J. Solari Jr., accusing them of targeting holders of certificates of deposit and other low-risk investments in the early 1990s for the brokerage's Term Trusts.

Dean Witter's bond funds were embraced by more than 100,000 customers, many of them elderly and on fixed incomes. About

30,000 of those investors lost \$65 million after the value of the Term Trusts dropped precipitously in 1994, NASD Regulation said.

The brokerage firm denied the allegations.

"The NASDR's action against our firm and the two named individuals is unfounded and particularly surprising since it concerns investments sold seven or

eight years ago," said Bret Galloway, a spokesman for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Co.

But Barry R. Goldsmith, the NASD's executive vice president for enforcement, said it took time before investors realized their losses and several years beyond that for investigators to uncover and document the depth of the problems.

Woman left for dead by response team has to call 911 a second time for help

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — A woman who survived a suicide attempt dialed 911 for help and then passed out — and when rescuers arrived, they thought she was dead. She had to call 911 a second time before she was given any help.

Firefighters trained as emergency medical technicians were sent to the home of a 53-year-old woman in Soldier Township on Wednesday after she shot

herself in the head, authorities said.

Firefighters found her unconscious and assumed she was dead, without checking for a pulse. An ambulance was canceled, and firefighters and deputies waited outside the home to protect it as a crime scene.

Meanwhile, the woman regained consciousness and called 911 again.

Firefighters outside the

home were told of the call by a dispatcher and rushed inside to provide medical care.

"It was a mistake. It should have never happened," said Shawnee County Sheriff Dick Barta.

"I've never seen anything like this happen in my 32 years of law enforcement," he said.

The woman, who was not identified, was listed in fair condition Monday.



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IN BRIEF

No presale scheduled for Steers' next game

With schools taking a break for the Thanksgiving holiday this week, there will be no presale of tickets for Saturday's Class 4A, Division II area playoff game between the Big Spring Steers and El Paso Riverside Rangers in Artesia, N.M.

Tickets for the game will be \$6 at the gate and \$2 for students.

Kickoff time will be 2 p.m. (3 p.m. Big Spring time).

Lady Steers announce changes in schedule

Big Spring's Lady Steers and Odessa High's Lady Broncos have changed the site of their non-district basketball game set for 7:30 tonight.

Both teams had mistakenly listed the game as a home date on their respective schedules.

As a result, Lady Steers coach Jimmy Avery said he has agreed to play the game at the OHS Field House.

In addition, the Lady Steers' game with Merkel's Lady Badgers, set for Saturday, has been rescheduled for 2:30 p.m. Friday at Steer Gym.

Bulldogettes post first win of season

Coahoma's Bulldogettes displayed better shooting and defense than in two previous outings, as they rolled to a 74-48 win over Christoval's Lady Cougars in non-district basketball action Monday.

The Bulldogettes chalked up their first win behind the scoring lead of post Brandi Hart, who scored a game-high 21 points.

Three other Coahoma players finished in double figures, however. Crystal Atkinson added 12 points, while Kortney Kemper and Kayla Smith had 11 apiece.

Area coaches asked to transmit schedules

The Herald is asking all Crossroads area basketball coaches who have not provided copies of their varsity schedules and rosters for the 2000-2001 season to do so as quickly as possible.

Rosters and schedules can be faxed to the attention of John A. Moseley at 264-7205.

Quarterback Club to meet on Monday

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

AREA GAMES

TONIGHT

H.S. BASKETBALL

6:30 p.m.

- Midland Greenwood at Coahoma (VG, VB)
- Forsan at Garden City (VG, VB)
- Wellman-Union at Grady (VG, VB)

7:30 p.m.

- Big Spring at Odessa High (VG)
- Lamesa at Big Spring (VB)

ON THE AIR

Television

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

6 p.m. — Maui Invitational, semifinal 1, ESPN, Ch. 30.

8 p.m. — Maui Invitational, semifinal 2, ESPN, Ch. 30.

PRO BASKETBALL

7 p.m. — New York Knicks at Orlando Magic, TBS, Ch. 11.

7 p.m. — Seattle Sonics at Dallas Mavericks, FXS, Ch. 29.

George leads Redskins to 33-20 win over St. Louis

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The bye week turned out to be a perfect break for the Washington Redskins.

Jeff George threw three touchdown passes and the Washington defense, given extra time to study the St. Louis Rams' No. 1-ranked offense with the week off, had a strong game in a 33-20 victory Monday night.

"I'm not going to kid you," free safety Mark Carrier said. "We had some different things we put in specifically for this team. If it's a short week, I don't know how quick we would adjust to it like it did."

"But having that extra week helped."

The rested Redskins (7-4) also got four field goals from 44-year-old Eddie Murray, signed during the bye week, and are back in the thick

of the NFC East picture, tied for second with the New York Giants and a half-game behind Philadelphia.

The Redskins already have beaten both teams, and play them again at home in their next two games.

Washington, which entered the break with consecutive losses to the Titans and Cardinals, has won five in a row after a bye. This time, they handed the defending Super Bowl champion Rams (8-3) their second straight loss at home, where they had a 14-game winning streak snapped earlier this season, and their third setback in five games overall.

The Rams, who had been averaging 39 points, had their lowest regular-season point total since they scored 19 in the 1998 finale at San Francisco.

"All during the week, all we heard was the Rams this, the Rams that, how are we going to stop the Rams?" defensive end Bruce Smith said. "Like we couldn't match up or go out and give them a competitive game. It was an insult, but it was inspiring as well."

The Redskins got a big game from Smith, who had three sacks and tackled Trent Green in the end zone for a safety, and from most of owner Daniel Snyder's offseason acquisitions.

George, substituting for the injured Brad Johnson, was 24-for-34 for 269 yards. LaVar Arrington, this year's first-round draft pick, had two sacks. Champ Bailey, last year's No. 1 pick clinched the game with an interception and 48-yard return after the Rams had driven to the 3.

That was the last in a series of mistakes by the Rams, who self-destructed after jumping to a 10-0 lead. St. Louis also lost two fumbles, one after a 64-yard catch by Torry Holt and the other on a kickoff return by Tony Horne that allowed the Redskins to take a 31-20 lead on Murray's fourth field goal with 10:41 to play.

"The only team that can beat the Rams is the Rams," offensive tackle Ryan Tucker said. "If we played our 'A' game, there's no doubt in my mind we would have won."

Special teams failed the Rams again when Redskins kicker Scott Bentley recovered his own onside kick at the end of the third quarter, leading to a field goal. Redskins coach Norv Turner said the team practiced that play all week.

Lady Hawks roll to big win

JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

Howard College's Lady Hawks had no trouble in defending their home court Monday night, rolling to a convincing 103-50 win over Lubbock Christian University's junior varsity.

The win was clearly satisfying for Lady Hawks head coach Ron Mayberry, who'd been frustrated by his team's overall intensity in getting off to a sluggish 4-3 start.

"We gave a good effort tonight, and that's hard to do when you're playing a team you're that much better than," Mayberry said. "These girls wanted to play a good game and they did."

"That's important right now, because we've got some awfully good basketball teams coming in here next week and we're going to have to play hard for 40 minutes when we play Tyler and Trinity Valley," he added.

Now 5-3 on the season, the Lady Hawks' competition will improve dramatically when they return to action following the Thanksgiving break when defending national champion Tyler Junior College's Lady Apaches pay a call on Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on Dec. 1. Trinity Valley Community College's Lady Cardinals, the 1998-1999 national champions, will arrive the following night.

"That's going to be a tremendous challenge for us," Mayberry noted, "but that's the kind of competition we want to be able to play. We've got to be ready to play hard every minute we're on the floor."

"Of course, we ought to be aware by now that we've got to play that way against everybody we face," he continued. "We have to do that because that's the way people are going to play us. We're going to bring out the best in everyone. We're going to get everyone's best game ... they're all going to step it up a notch when they play us."

The best Lubbock Christian's JV could muster simply wasn't enough to derail the Lady Hawks, however.

Howard literally did whatever it wanted against the Lady Chaparrals — rattling off 16 straight points to open the game and then closing the first half with another string of 16 unanswered points to take a 53-15 lead at intermission.

Grace Grantt, a sophomore from San Marcos, keyed the Lady Hawks' opening run, scoring eight of her 18 points on the night in that early spurt.

Howard's stretch run in the first half featured freshmen Latasha Mathiew and Shamiaka Buckley. Mathiew, a 5-foot-10 Houston product, and Buckley, a 6-footer from Fort



Howard College's Grace Gantt (40) drives to the basket as teammate Taneshia Harris (11) looks on during the second half of the Lady Hawks' 103-50 win over Lubbock Christian University's junior varsity Monday night.

Worth, scored six points apiece during the run.

Mathiew would finish the night with 18 points, while Buckley would add 15 more.

But the Lady Hawks leading scorer on the night wound up being guard Taneshia Harris, another San Marcos sophomore, who had 19 points splitting time at the point with classmate Tashean Thomas.

Harris did most of her damage in the second half, scoring 14 of her points in the final 20 minutes of play.

The Lady Chaps didn't go as quietly in the second half, as 5-foot-11 sophomore post Sarah Gonzales caught fire late in the game and scored all eight of her points to make Lubbock Christian seem more respectable.

Guards Deborah Rojas and Elisheba Mathysee proved to be the Lady Chaps' top scorers, both finishing the

game with three 3-pointers to their credit.

Rojas was Lubbock Christian's only player to finish the night in double figures, however, posting 12 points. Mathysee finished with nine.

The Lady Hawks had five in double figures. As Sweetwater sophomore Vanessa Lehmann scored 12 points to join Harris, Grantt, Mathiew and Buckley.

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Halftime scores: Howard 53, Lubbock Christian 15.
Three-point goals: Lubbock Christian 6 (Mathysee 3, Rojas 3), Howard 3 (Stewart, Smith 2). Total fouls: Lubbock Christian 13, Howard 14. Fouled out: None. Technical fouls: None.

Texas players start trash talking before A&M game

AUSTIN (AP) — It took Texas linebacker D.D. Lewis all of five minutes to provide Texas A&M players with the rivalry's first locker room quote of the week.

Asked Monday about the Aggies' 270-pound running back Jamar Toombs, Lewis offered little respect.

"All you got to do," Lewis said, "is hit him in the mouth and he'll fold."

That's big talk about a running back who last year smashed through the Texas defense for 126 yards and two touchdowns in A&M's 20-16 victory.

But big talk is what rival-

ries are all about. And Lewis' questionable quote is just an indication that the state's biggest rivalry is back on solid ground.

In a rivalry that dates back to 1894, this year marks only the eighth time both schools will be ranked when the game is played.

Texas (8-2, 6-1 Big 12) moved up two spots after their bye week to No. 12 while the Aggies (7-3, 5-2) fell one spot to No. 22.

For the last two years, be it history in the making or a tragedy that cast a dark

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Duke gets within a point of No. 1 Arizona in hoops poll

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Arizona is still No. 1 in The Associated Press college basketball poll and Duke is as close as you can get.

The Wildcats opened their season Monday with a 95-57 victory over Chaminade in the first round of the Maui Invitational, just after the latest rankings were released with them still on top.

But Duke (2-0), which beat Princeton and Villanova to advance to the semifinals of the Preseason NIT, was just one point behind, 15 points closer than it was in the first

poll of the regular season. Arizona received 33 first-place votes and 1,654 points from the national media panel, while Duke was No. 1 on 30 ballots. Last week, Arizona had 35 first-place votes, 14 more than Duke.

Kansas, which beat North Dakota 92-61 in its only game last week to improve to 3-0, moved up one place to third, while Michigan State (1-0), which opened its season Sunday with a 97-61 victory over Oakland, Mich., dropped one spot to fourth. The Spartans, the defending national champions, received four first-place votes.

For the second straight week, Stanford, Maryland, North Carolina, Illinois, Tennessee and Seton Hall were ranked fifth through 10th.

Maryland, which opened its season Monday in the Maui Invitational with a 95-73 victory over Louisville, was the only other team to get a first-place vote.

The Terrapins play Illinois in the semifinals at Maui on Tuesday, while Arizona, which is playing without preseason All-America Loren Woods, will face Dayton. Woods was suspended for six games for undisclosed NCAA rules viola-

tions. Florida again led the Second Ten, followed by Connecticut, Utah, Notre Dame, UCLA, Cincinnati, Wake Forest, Wisconsin, Oklahoma and Southern California.

The last five ranked teams were DePaul, Kentucky, St. John's, Arkansas and Virginia.

While the same 25 teams remained in the rankings, the only significant move was Arkansas' drop from 15th to 24th. The Razorbacks (1-1) opened the season with a 90-68 victory over Tennessee State, then lost to Southern Mississippi 63-54.

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TOP 25 - FOOTBALL

Table listing the top 25 football teams in the Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Nov. 19.

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PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed OF Eric Valent, OF Jason Michaels, OF Josue Perez, RHP Brandon Duckworth, C Johnny Estrada, SS Nick Punto, RHP Franklin Nunez, RHP Carlos Silva and RHP Evan Thomas.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Signed RHP Bryan Corey, RHP Matt Miller, LHP Ron Mahay, OF Ernie Young, INF Keith Luuloa, and C Charlie Greene to minor league contracts.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Purchased the contract of RHP Clint Weber, LHP Les Wainrod, RHP Jason Kammath, OF Eric Sneed and Bill Ortega from Memphis of the PCL.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Signed QB Billy Joe Toller to a one-year contract. Placed QB Jeff Blake on injured reserve.

NEW YORK GIANTS—Waived CB/DB Bank Levingston, WR/DE Frank Ferrara from the practice squad. Signed G Scott Kiemann to the practice squad.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Placed LB Jeff Ulbrich on injured reserve.

Buffalo at Tampa Bay, Noon. Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, Noon. Atlanta at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.

Monday's Games: Washington 33, St. Louis 20. Thursday's Games: New England at Detroit, 11:30 a.m.

Delvin James and RHP Travis Phelps from Durham of the International League. Designated 2B Miguel Cairo, OF Ozzie Temonis, OF Quinton McCracken, RHP Jeff Sparks, LHP Jim Morris, and LHP Cedrick Bowers for assignment.

CHICAGO CUBS—Claimed RHP Eric Ireland off waivers from the Houston Astros.

COLORADO ROCKIES—Purchased the contracts of INF Juan Uribe, RHP Aaron Cook and RHP Luke Hudson from Colorado Springs of the PCL, and RHP Robert Averette and LHP Randy Durame from Carolina of the Southern League. Released RHP Jason Green. Assigned RHP Travis Thompson to Colorado Springs.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Purchased the contracts of RHP Wes Anderson, RHP Gary Knotts, RHP Blaine Neal, RHP Claudio Vargas, LHP Geoff Goetz, and OF Abraham Nunez. Designated INF Amury Garcia, RHP Joe Fontenot and RHP Nelson Lara for assignment.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Signed INF Jose Viciano to a two-year contract. Purchased the contracts of RHP Roy Oswalt, LHP Kyle Kessel, C Carlos Maldonado and RHP Tim Lincecum from Round Rock of the Texas League. RHP Brad

76ers have little trouble reaching 10-0

The Philadelphia 76ers didn't have much difficulty improving to 10-0. They led by 15 at halftime, by 23 in the third and won by 24.

"Everybody wants to be the first team to beat us now," Allen Iverson said after scoring 26 points to help Philadelphia extend its best-ever start with a 114-90 victory over Boston. "When you start breaking franchise records, everybody wants to beat you."

Iverson added eight assists and Eric Snow had 12, and Theo Ratliff scored 21 points for the Sixers, whose previous best start was 8-0 in 1979-80.

"I don't get caught up in wins and losses," coach Larry Brown said. "It's nice to get some in the bank, though."

Eric Williams had 22 points for Boston, which never got closer than 11 in the second half. "Tough day at the office," center Tony Battie shrugged as he left the locker room

following his 15-point, 12-rebound performance. In other games, Charlotte crushed Toronto 100-64, Dallas downed Utah 107-98, Denver edged Vancouver 95-92 and New Jersey beat the Los Angeles Clippers 86-85.

Celtics coach Rick Pitino said his team played its worst game of the season. "No one knows the 3-point shot (like me). I've lived with it since its inception," Pitino said after his team shot just 5 of 25 from 3-point range. "It can be a weapon, but it can also be my enemy."

Aaron McKie scored 16 of his 17 points in the second quarter — eight of them in a row as the Sixers mounted a 10-0 run that helped open a 59-44 halftime lead. Philadelphia, which rallied from third-quarter deficits with 18 0 runs in each of its two previous games, then scored 10 of the first 12 points in the second half to open a 23-point lead, 69-46.

Hornets 100, Raptors 64. At Toronto, Jamal Mashburn scored 25 points

and Charlotte held Toronto to the lowest point total in franchise history. The Raptors shot a franchise-worst 27 percent from the field. Vince Carter made just seven of 22 shots, finishing with a team-high 20 points.

P.J. Brown had 14 points and nine rebounds, while Charlotte rookie Jamaal Magloire — a Toronto native — had 16 points and eight rebounds.

The Hornets, who shot 52 percent, have won two straight after losing their previous five.

Mavericks 107, Jazz 98. At Salt Lake City, Michael Finley scored 29 points and Steve Nash had 17 points and a career-high 17 assists.

Former Jazz guard Howard Eisley made two free throws with 50.5 seconds remaining and Nash added two more with 32.8 seconds left to preserve the victory.

Dirk Nowitzki added 20 points for the Mavericks. Bryon Russell led the Jazz with 17 points.

TEXAS

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shadow over the game, the rivalry was marked by niceties between the two schools.

In 1998, Texas' Ricky Williams was on the verge of breaking the NCAA I-A career rushing record. Aggie players and coaches heaped praise on Williams and even said they hoped he would set the record, which he did.

Last year, the game was played under the emotional strain of A&M's collapsed bonfire tragedy, which killed 12 people and injured 27. In deference to the tragedy, the Longhorns turned their annual "hex" rally into a unity rally and the team helped organize a blood drive for the victims.

This year, the game should be just that: a day-after-Thanksgiving slugfest

where the emotions stay on the field and the teams can get back to the business of earning state bragging rights.

Texas cornerback Quentin Jammer seems to be on the right track. "I don't hate their team. I just want to kill them," Jammer said.

Some have questioned if the Texas-Texas A&M rivalry still holds its honored status on the schedule. The startup of the Big 12 had created a new Texas-Nebraska rivalry and considering Texas' shocking 63-14 loss to Oklahoma, next year's rematch with the Sooners will no doubt be THE GAME on the Longhorns' 2001 schedule.

Texas coach Mack Brown says he thinks the A&M rivalry will always be important to Longhorns and Aggie fans.

"Our fans live with A&M fans every day," Brown said. "They pick at each other every day and make fun of each other every day. I get people in the spring come up and say 'Unless you beat A&M, my life's miserable.' And I say, 'Well, what about mine? My life's a whole lot better if we beat A&M, too.'"

Friday's game will be nationally televised on ABC and will be Texas' first game against a ranked opponent since the devastating loss to Oklahoma back on Oct. 7.

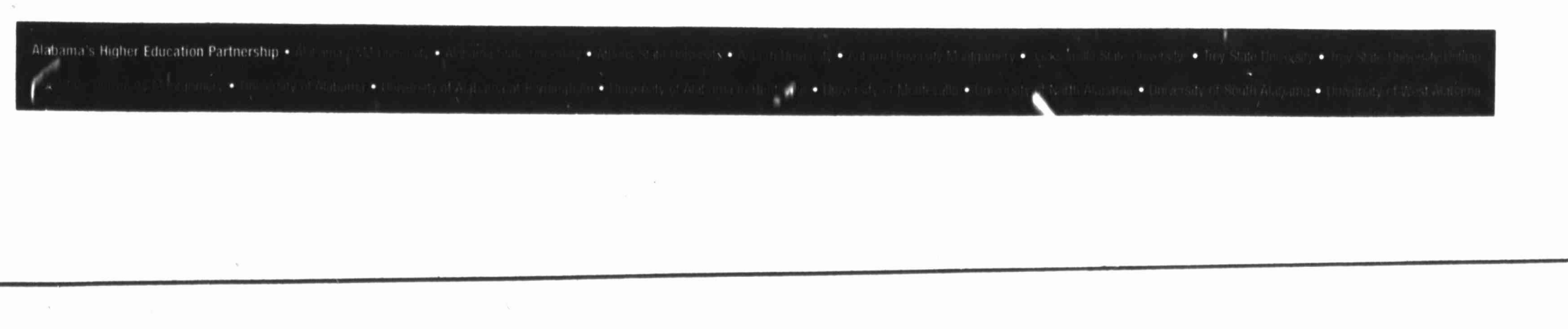
The Longhorns lost two of their three previously nationally broadcast games this season.

"It's a huge audience," Brown said. "It gives our kids a chance to regain some of the national respect that we lost earlier in the year."

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7:30	Be a Millionaire (CC)	70s Show (CC)	Scientific Frontiers (CC)	Freaks and Geeks (CC)	JAG (CC)	Be a Millionaire (CC)	Michael 3rd Rock-Sun (CC)	NBA Basketball: New (CC)	Mujeres Enganadas (CC)	Don't Look Under the (CC)	Halloween H2O: Twenty (CC)	Movie: Being John (CC)	Movie: J.R. Returns (CC)	Movie: Dead Men on Campus (CC)	Movie: Being John (CC)	Real Sports (CC)	Light of the Southwest (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	Wild Discovery (CC)	PGA Golf: Grand Slam (CC)	Trauma: Life in the ER (CC)	
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9:30	Once and Again (CC)	Arrest & Trial Nanny (CC)	Frontline (CC)	Early Edition (CC)	Judging Amy (CC)	Once and Again (CC)	DAG (CC)	York Knicks at Orlando (CC)	Laberintos de Pasion (CC)	Don't Look Under the (CC)	Halloween H2O: Twenty (CC)	Movie: Being John (CC)	Movie: J.R. Returns (CC)	Movie: Dead Men on Campus (CC)	Movie: Being John (CC)	Real Sports (CC)	Light of the Southwest (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	Wild Discovery (CC)	PGA Golf: Grand Slam (CC)	Trauma: Life in the ER (CC)	
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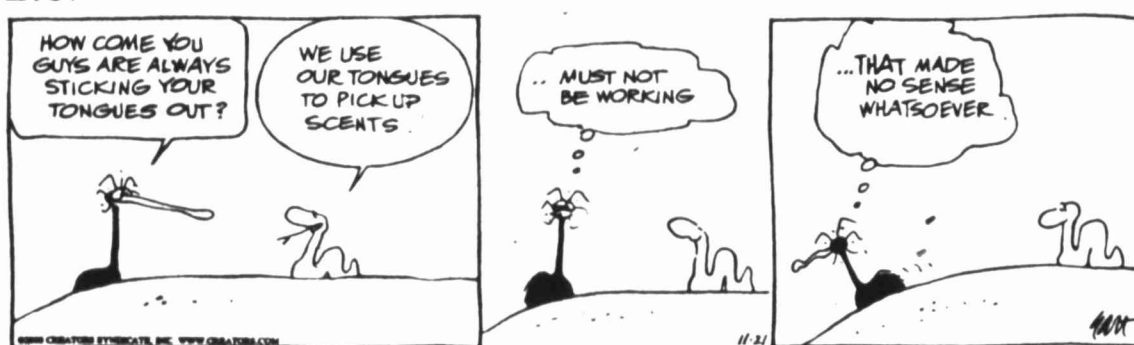
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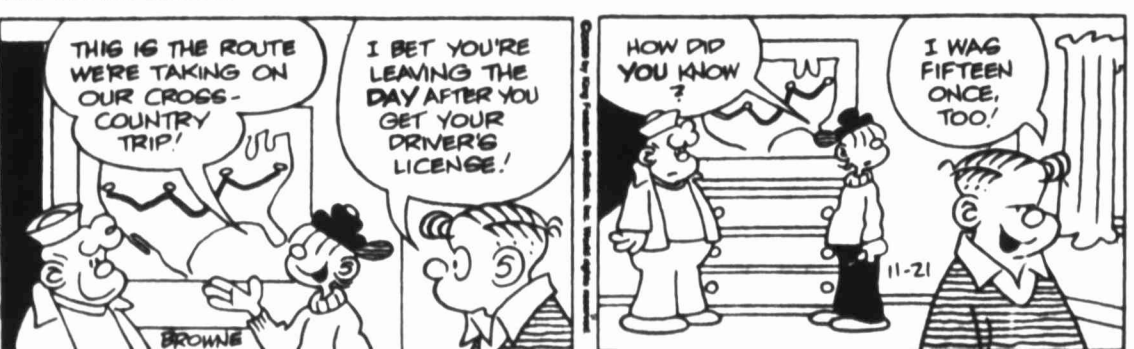
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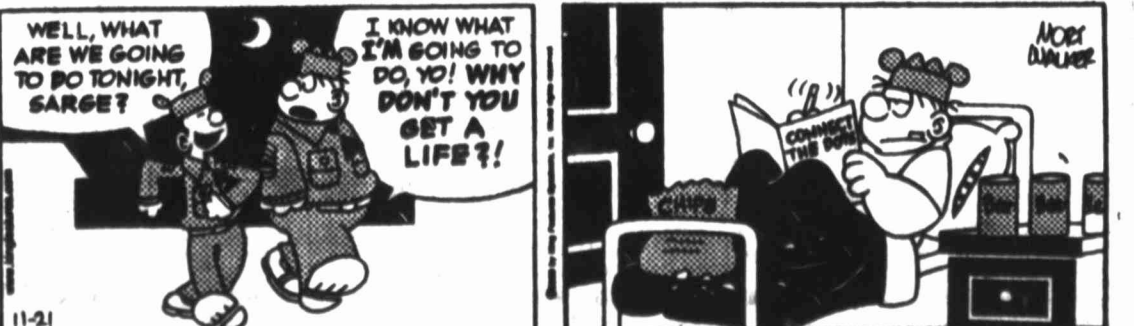
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Tuesday, Nov. 21, the 326th day of 2000. There are 40 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On Nov. 21, 1789, North Carolina became the 12th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.
On this date:
In 1877, inventor Thomas A. Edison announced the invention of his phonograph.
In 1899, Vice President Garret A. Hobart, serving under President McKinley, died in Paterson, N.J., at age 55.
In 1922, Rebecca L. Felton of Georgia was sworn in as the first woman to serve in

the U.S. Senate.
In 1942, the Alaska highway across Canada was formally opened.
In 1964, New York's Verrazano Narrows Bridge opened.
In 1969, the Senate voted down the Supreme Court nomination of Clement F. Haynsworth, the first such rejection since 1930.
In 1973, President Nixon's attorney, J. Fred Buzhardt, revealed the existence of an 18-minute gap in one of the White House tape recordings related to Watergate.
In 1979, a mob attacked the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan, killing two Americans.
In 1980, 87 people died in a fire at the MGM Grand Hotel-Casino in Las Vegas.
In 1980, an estimated 88 million TV viewers tuned in to the CBS prime-time soap opera "Dallas" to find out "who shot J.R." (It turned out to be Kristin Shephard, played by Mary Crosby.)
Today's Birthdays:
Baseball Hall-of-Famer Stan Musial is 80. Country singer Jean Shepard is 67. Actor Laurence Luckinbill is 66. Actress Marlo Thomas is 63. Actor Rick Lenz is 61. Ballet dancer Natalia Makarova is 60. Singer Dr. John is 60. Actress Juliet Mills is 59. Comedian-director Harold Ramis is 56. Television producer Marcy Carsey is 56. Actress Goldie Hawn is 55. Movie director Andrew Davis is 54. Rock musician Lonnie Jordan (War) is 52. Singer Livingston Taylor is 50. Actress-singer Lorna Luft is 48. Actress Cherry Jones is 44. Rock musician Brian Ritchie (The Violent Femmes) is 40. Gospel singer Steven Curtis Chapman is 38. Actress Nicollette Sheridan is 37.

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34 Jack of "Barney Miller"
36 Poet's Ireland
37 Architect Saarinen
38 Laugh loudly

41 Be fruitful
44 Architect Saarinen
48 Entangle
50 Keatsian twilight
51 Sister's clothes?
52 Conscious

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57 West Point sch.
59 Othello's foe
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