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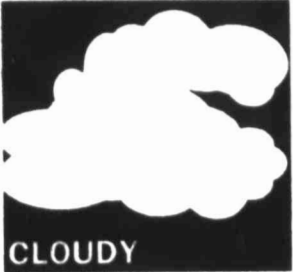
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November 23, 2000

### WEATHER

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### State Sen. Duncan to visit Big Spring office, Rotary Club

State Sen. Robert Duncan will visit Big Spring on Tuesday to meet the public and update members of an area civic club on state redistricting.

Sen. Duncan's Big Spring office recently moved to 401 Austin and will have an open house from 10 to 11 a.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

The open house is part of a Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting ceremony celebrating the three business that have recently moved into the building, including Bynum Enterprise and Ralf McLaughlin Financial.

At noon, Sen. Duncan will speak to Rotary Club of Big Spring members during their regular meeting at the Howard College Cactus Room.

### Luncheon slated Nov. 30 to honor State Rep. Counts

An appreciation luncheon for State Rep. David Counts will be held Thursday, Nov. 30 with an 11 a.m. reception and noon meal at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum East Room. Tickets are \$5 per person.

Tickets are available at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and should be purchased by Tuesday.

### WHAT'S UP...

**SATURDAY**  
 □ Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

**MONDAY**  
 □ Senior Circle, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and older are invited to participate.  
 □ Big Spring Evening Lions club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call 267-3068.

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## Bush gains ground as Miami-Dade County officials quit recount

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

George W. Bush gained unexpected ground in Florida's contested presidential election Wednesday when local officials shut down a manual recount vital to Al Gore's



BUSH

hopes for a come-from-behind victory.

Gore swiftly filed papers in the state appeals court to force the recount to resume in Miami-Dade County. But Republican sources said Bush was seeking to consolidate his gains by deciding to ask the U.S. Supreme Court to order an end to recounts under way in two other counties.

The events tumbled unpredictably out of south

Florida as Republican running mate Dick Cheney was hospitalized with what his doctor called a "very slight heart attack." Physicians inserted a stent to treat a narrowing in one artery segment, and said he should recover fully.

"I believe Secretary Cheney and I won the vote in Florida," Bush said at midday as events churned on in the incredible election of 2000. "And I believe some

are determined to keep counting in an effort to change the legitimate result."

William Daley, Gore's campaign chairman, countered, "We hope the counts continue." He added, "All we are asking for is that the rule of law be respected and upheld and that all the votes be counted in a way that is consistent with Florida law."

Bush holds a 930-vote lead

in the state that stands to pick the next president, and Gore was hoping to overtake him based on manual recounts in Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade counties.

The immediate result of the board's decision was to erase the 157 votes Gore had gained in the hotly disputed Miami-Dade recount. And it also deprived the vice presi-

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## Cooking up a feast on Thanksgiving Day

By CARL GRAHAM  
 Staff Writer

Thanksgiving is a traditional day each year for family and friends to come together, enjoy turkey and dressing and other goodies as well as visit and maybe watch some football.

But for those who happen to be in the food service business, it's one of the busiest days of the year.

Leo Whitley, food service manager for the Country Fare Restaurant at Rip Griffin's Truck/Travel Center, said Thanksgiving is always a busy day for them.

"Truck drivers are still out on the road and they stop in to get a good Thanksgiving dinner," said Whitley. "In addition to our truck drivers, we will be feeding a lot of travelers and local folks who don't want the hassle of having to cook at home. We will be cooking 18 whole turkeys, several gallons of giblet gravy, and several pounds of dressing."

Whitley said she has only been in Big Spring since the

first of August, coming here from a Cracker Barrel restaurant.

"We may be busy but probably not near as busy as we were there," she said. "It was non-stop from the time the doors opened until we closed there with some people waiting in line up to an hour."

Two days a year, Thanksgiving and Christmas, the local Wilderness Camp gets the traditional meal of turkey and dressing from the Wallace and Ware units at Colorado City.

Sgt. David Pinkerton of the Wallace Unit food service department in Colorado City said preparations began early in the week for the Thanksgiving feast held there.

"Some of our preparation began as early as Monday but most of it had to wait until Wednesday," said Pinkerton, who has been at the unit since it opened seven years ago. "We prepared almost 900 pounds of turkey, 70 roasting pans of dressing and 12 pans of giblet gravy."



HERALD photo/Carl Graham

Salvation Army volunteers Louise Hitch, Francis Lafler, Gloria McDonald and Jo Ann Miers debone several pounds of turkey that will be served up to around 300 people at the Salvation Army today. Anyone may partake of the meal, which will be served at 11:30 a.m.

In addition to those favorites, cooks prepared candied yams, green beans,

corn, vegetable blend with cheese sauce, buttermilk pie, cole slaw and fruit

salad. Between the two See FEAST, Page 2A

## Solitaire Homes extends a hand to those in need

By CARL GRAHAM  
 Staff Writer

Thanks to the generosity of a local industry, several local families will be able to enjoy a turkey dinner today.

Garland Gandy, general manager of Solitaire Manufactured



GANDY

Homes, had extra turkeys after each of his employees received one for Thanksgiving. Gandy knew the turkeys could be used, but being fairly new to Big Spring, needed some help in being guided to the right source. He called Pam Welch of Moore Development For Big Spring.

"We always order a few extra turkeys each year because we don't want our employees to come up short," said Gandy. "We do

this with the intent that if we do have some left over, we find a charitable cause that can use them and donate them to them.

"Being new in town, I called Pam Welch because Moore Development has helped us so much and she said she would do some calling."

Ten minutes later, Welch called back and said Isaiah 48 would be able to use the turkeys and would come get them.

Paul Smith, a volunteer worker at Isaiah 48, said it

was an answered prayer to get the call from Welch.

"Out of the blue, our mopped up phone rang and someone asked, 'Can you use some turkeys?'" said Smith. "I told her, 'Praise God, we certainly can.'"

"This was going to be a rough Thanksgiving Day for our clients. The food bank was able to get a few three-pound canned hams at the last minute but the chickens we were supposed to get didn't come in. Hadn't heard a cackle from

them, so it was a welcome surprise to get the call about the turkeys," said Smith.

Gandy said last Thanksgiving he had only been on staff for about 30 days and didn't go through the process, but now he knows who to contact.

"We had about 550 pounds of turkey and wanted it to go to a charitable cause and that is what was done," said Gandy. "We are happy that we were able to help out."



June Waters and Erma Dunne, volunteers for Project Isaiah 48, put away turkeys that were donated to them by Solitaire Manufactured Homes general manager Garland Gandy. Around 455 pounds of turkey were donated to help families that are less fortunate. At right, Solitaire Homes employees Janie Morales and Steve Carroll help Isaiah 48 volunteer Paul Smith, center, load up the turkeys.

HERALD photo/Carl Graham



## Holiday activities have only just begun for Howard College

By MARSHA JONES  
 Herald Correspondent

There is still a lot in store this semester that Howard College will have its hand in — everything from "blues" to "Best Ever."



SPARKS

"Howard College is ready for the holiday season and we hope the community will join us in our celebrations,"

said Dr. Cheri Sparks, Howard College president.

On Monday, "Blues Jam 2 - An Evening With the Blues," will feature the talents of Howard College students at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Building. This annual event is open to the public and there is no charge.

On Wednesday, Howard College will host the Crossroads Area College Fair for area high school seniors. This event allows seniors from four to six area high schools to visit the Howard College campus and

meet with representatives from 40 to 60 colleges and universities.

The 22nd annual Luminaria, always a treat for community residents as well as Howard College students, will be Dec. 7, at 7 p.m. This year a traditional posada will also be a part of the festivities, with caroling, hot chocolate and Santa Claus. This event begins at the SUB.

The last event of the season for the Howard College campus will be Dec. 15, when the annual Next Generation Day will find

eight-grade students from area junior highs attending the day-long event.

Next Generation Day brings all these eight graders together to attend break out sessions highlighting several different career options, such as law enforcement, nursing and computer network technology. Guest speakers from around the area will present their profession to the students, following motivational speaker Jason Dorsey.

Dorsey, a known speaker for public school, began his career as a teenager and

speaks to students with their experiences in mind. The campus will be closed Dec. 15, as all employees come together to make Next Generation Day a success, said Javier Flores, assistant dean of student service for Howard College.

And a true holiday treat will be the second annual community theatre production at the Municipal Auditorium Dec. 14-16. This year's performance of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," will feature the tal-

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units, enough food was prepared to feed around 2,700 inmates and correctional officers as well as inmates from the Wilderness Camp in Big Spring.

Captain Venson Stewart, food service manager of the Price Daniel Unit in Snyder, said that except for a few exceptions, the same menu would be prepared for around 1,500 at that facility. He said that extra time was being given to the inmates to eat their holiday meal. Feeding began at 9 a.m. and went through 1:30 p.m.

"In order for our kitchen personnel to be able to be at home this evening with their families, we will give the inmates a 'Johnny Bag' for the evening meal," said Stewart. "The sack lunch is made up of a bologna sandwich, a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, some cake and fruit such as apples and oranges and a soft drink."

The Salvation Army prepared for around 300 people at its annual Thanksgiving meal, according to Maj. Ron Alexander. This meal is prepared and served by volunteers each year to those that are not financially or physically able to prepare their own. However, anyone can partake of the meal, said Maj. Jo Alexander.

"It's going to be a great day and a great meal we will be serving at the Salvation Army. We don't turn anyone away," said Maj. Jo Alexander. "This is a community thing. We want the community to come and fellowship with us."

Serving begins at 11:30 a.m. today at the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St. Volunteers began preparing the feast Wednesday morning.

RECOUNT

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depth of a potential trove of votes he had been counting on.

The court-and-recount controversy played out as the new speaker of the Republican-controlled Florida Legislature, Rep. Tom Feeney, suggested strongly that lawmakers must step in to appoint electors who could cast the state's 25 electoral votes, presumably on behalf of Bush and Cheney.

He sharply criticized a state Supreme Court ruling that said the recounts could continue, and said the state constitution "specifically delegates the power, authority and responsibility" to insure the state has a voice in the Electoral College. "The Florida Legislature intends to uphold the Florida Constitution," he said.

On a day in which the political pendulum swung, then swung back, the Miami-Dade County canvassing board first decided to accelerate the counting of questionable ballots, a step that seemed to be good news for Gore.

Republicans protested furiously, and Bush himself said the manual recounts pressed by Gore in three Florida counties invited "human error and mischief."

After a chaotic morning of vote counting, punctuated by angry shouting by protesters, the chairman of the Miami-Dade board said he had concluded it was physically impossible to count all ballots that needed counting by the state Supreme Court's Sunday deadline. "I do not believe we have the ability to conduct a full, accurate recount" under the limits, said Lawrence King.

Separately, Bush filed suit in Florida seeking to have hundreds of rejected overseas absentee ballots counted. The ballots, cast by members of the armed forces, were thrown out last week after Democrats protested a lack of proper postmarks.

GOP sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Bush had also agreed to file papers in the nation's highest court, seeking effectively to overturn a Florida Supreme Court ruling on Tuesday night that said the recounts could continue until Sunday.

The recounting continued in Broward County, where Gore had gained 78 votes thus far. Officials in Palm Beach County, where Gore had gained a handful of votes, suspended their work to await a court ruling they hoped would provide guidance for accepting or rejecting questionable ballots.

The flurry of events unfolded on the morning after a pivotal state Supreme Court ruling. In a unanimous order, the justices ruled the recounts could continue until Sunday, when a final vote certification was required.

That ruling spread optimism through the Gore camp.

Make no mistake, the court rewrote the laws. It changed the rules and it did so after the election was over," Bush said in a noon-time appearance before reporters in Austin, Texas.

A short while later, Daley spoke from the lawn outside the vice president's residence in Washington. "We must uphold the rule of law and we should not attack our courts," he said. He said that a recount is mandatory, and added, "We will immediately be seeking an order directing the Dade County board of canvassers to resume the manual recount." There was no immediate word on which court would receive the Gore campaign petition.

Touching on yet another area of controversy, Bush urged Gore to join him in making sure that "all overseas military ballots that were signed and received in time count in this election." More than a thousand overseas ballots were rejected last week as Democrats protested a lack of postmarks.

The Gore campaign, under fire for the rejection of the ballots, had signaled a willingness to reconsider the issue. Daley addressed that issue carefully. "Well, all of us agree that those legally cast ballots, whether they're military ballots or civilian ballots, should be counted. There's no question about that," he said.

As for the Bush campaign, lawyers were weighing an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court in an attempt to overturn the state Supreme Court's ruling, according to several officials. Both sides have been operating under the assumption that the recount ballots will boost Gore's totals, and possibly allow him to overtake Bush's lead in the state that now means everything in the battle for the White House.

Bush spoke ominously of the recount process. "Voters who clearly punched preferences in other races on the ballot but did not do so in the presidential race should not have their votes interpreted by local officials in a process that invites human error and mischief," he said.

Republicans responded with a protest and sit-in in the lobby of the county Elections Division. "Let us see the ballots," they shouted, and "Bush won twice," a reference to Election Day totals and a recount conducted in the first few days after Nov. 7.

Protesters yelled for police to arrest a Democratic attorney, Joe Geller, accusing him of walking out of the tabulation room with a ballot in his back pocket. More than a dozen police officers surrounded Geller and led him inside the building to safety. He said later he had a "training ballot" used to show people how to count votes.

"It is clearly marked 'training ballot.' I wouldn't have taken something from elections officials that I wasn't supposed to have in front of a room full of screaming Republicans," he said.

COLLEGE

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ents of about 20 local children, as well as about 10 adults. Rehearsals are under way now, and the show is sure to be a delight for the young and young at heart.

"This play is funny, as well as poignant, and is a gift to our community for the holiday season. There will be no charge to attend any of the three performances, although donations will be accepted to fund our community theatre group," said Clay Grizzle, Howard College theatre instructor and director of the community Christmas play.

As always, the public is invited to watch the play at each of these events throughout the holiday season.

Former social workers plead guilty to stealing kid's charity funds

SUNBURY, Pa. (AP) — Eight former social service agency workers have pleaded guilty to stealing from charitable funds intended for needy children.

Seven employees and a volunteer were charged in connection with the Christmastime thefts last year of nearly \$12,000 worth of gift certificates donated by businesses to benefit underprivileged children.

The Northumberland County Children and Youth workers entered the plea Monday in exchange for an agreement by prosecutors to recommend 23 months' probation for each defendant along with 300 hours of community service, restitution and a fine.

One defendant was also charged with misuse of funds from the agency's Christmas Fund, also intended for disadvantaged children.

Trials of three other people charged in the thefts have not begun. Two others were expected to plead guilty.

BIG SPRING  
AROUND THE TOWN

When injected into the livers of diabetic rats and mice, the altered virus integrated into the liver's chromosomal DNA.

After a few weeks, the new DNA structure took hold, responding to changes in blood-sugar by producing the insulin substitute, which then held blood-sugar levels at near-normal range for at least eight months.

The rodents experienced no detectable side effects, and their livers were not harmed, said one of the researchers, Ji-Won Yoon, a professor of microbiology and immunology at the University of Calgary. "They are very similar to normal rats and mice — very healthy and very active," he said.

Kenneth Polonsky of Washington University's School of Medicine in St. Louis praised the team's innovation, but said the therapy might pose a "significant problem" that would prevent its use in humans.

While a normal pancreas instantly produces insulin after a blood-sugar shift, the response of the rodents' livers to such fluctuations was delayed, sometimes by hours.

Some 1 million Americans have Type 1 diabetes, and about 29,000 new cases are diagnosed annually in the United States, mostly among children and young adults.

Although insulin activity in the treated rats and mice was only 20 percent to 40 percent that of normal rodents, it was enough to regulate blood sugar.

The study, spearheaded by Hyun Chul Lee of the Yonsei University Medical School in Seoul, South Korea, and three colleagues, appears in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature.

In juvenile diabetes, also called Type 1 diabetes, the body mistakenly destroys cells in the pancreas that secrete insulin, a hormone needed to help metabolize blood sugar into energy.

Patients must take several insulin shots a day and monitor their blood-sugar levels. Untreated, diabetes can lead to cardiovascular disease, nerve and kidney damage and blindness.

Previous attempts at treating diabetes have been hampered by the immune system's relentless assault on insulin-producing pancreas cells, even when patients receive new cells or an entire new pancreas. Transplant patients must take anti-rejection drugs.

The Korean-Canadian team circumvented that problem by altering cells in the liver to assume the insulin-producing duties normally handled in the pancreas.

Researchers inserted a gene that produces an insulin-like substance into an adeno-associated virus, which is often used in gene therapy and is thought to be harmless. The virus was then engineered to be controlled by a second gene, one that senses glucose levels in the liver.

craft a plan "that is not only fair and equitable, but also meaningful as possible given the number of potential claimants."

Wrote Korman: "I believe that the special master has succeeded in that endeavor."

The distribution plan sets aside \$800 million for claimants who can prove their families deposited money in Swiss banks to hide it from the Nazis and never got it back. At last count, about 80,000 people had identified themselves as depositors or their heirs.

The remaining \$450 million will go to refugees denied entrance to or expelled from Switzerland, slave laborers forced to work for companies with Swiss accounts and victims whose belongings were plundered by the Nazis and apparently ended up in Switzerland.

Gribetz has estimated that each refugee would get \$2,500 and each laborer \$1,000. Lawyers acknowledged that the settlement was insufficient to settle every claim, though plaintiffs' attorney Burt Neuborne called it "scrupulously fair."

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Federal judge approves distribution plan in Swiss Banks case

NEW YORK (AP) — A federal judge approved a plan to distribute a \$1.25 billion settlement in a lawsuit by Holocaust survivors against Swiss banks, clearing the way for payment of more than a half million claims worldwide.

The ruling on Wednesday by U.S. District Judge Edward Korman came two days after a public hearing where some survivors complained that the settlement was too small and that the distribution plan — proposed by a court-appointed special master — was flawed. Plaintiff attorneys had assured Korman the proposal was fair and was supported by the majority of claimants.

The plan relies on a complex set of formulas for locating qualified claimants and distributing the money — a process that could take several months.

In his six-page decision, Korman quoted the mediator, Judah Gribetz, who wrote that he had tried to

FRIDAY

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•AA, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (paper no.).

•Al-Anon support group, noon, 615 Settles.

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

SUPPORT GROUPS

•ROCKY ROBLES YANEZ, 18, of 107 NE 9th, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana. (BSPD)

•ARTHUR MARTINEZ ARMENDARIZ, 38, of 1008 N. Gregg, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended. (BSPD)

•GILBERT RODRIGUEZ, 44, of Colorado City, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated and no valid drivers license. (DPS)

•RODEY WILSON, 18, of 1001 Birdwell Lane, was arrested on a charge of assault (HCSO)

•SIMON WAYNE ARAUSA, 30, of 4103 Parkway, was arrested on a charge of aggravated sexual assault of a child. (HCSO)

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Allan Ely Clanton, 53, died Friday. Services were 2:00 PM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park.

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EL PASO Bliss officials hiring a contractor to perform post's engineering and jobs under a plan mandated.

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# Fort Bliss considers privatizing 350 jobs

EL PASO (AP) — Fort Bliss officials are considering hiring a private contractor to perform most of the post's engineering, maintenance and transportation jobs under a cost-cutting plan mandated by Congress. The change could put about 350 civilian employees out of work and save the post millions of dollars. "It's the way business is done now," said post spokeswoman Jean Offutt. "Try to get the most efficiency for the least amount of money." Post commander Brig. Gen. Stanley Green announced the plan Monday to many of the people who

could lose their jobs in June if the decision stands. Members of the National Association of Government Employees, a union that represents government workers at Fort Bliss, were angry. Joe Saavedra, a union official, said his group will appeal the decision. "That's an automatic," Saavedra said. "We owe it to the employees." Army Training and Doctrine Command, or TRADOC, officials made their decision after reviewing a three-year study that considered which tasks were candidates for privatization. Under the process,

bids are solicited from private businesses for certain services and those bids are compared with calculations of how much it costs the military to provide the same services. Saavedra said the post estimate was \$108 million and the contractor bid was \$88 million. Offutt said the Virginia-based company would operate on the base because of the nature of the jobs. She said it isn't known exactly which jobs would be affected. Targeted are jobs in the Directorate of Public Works and Logistics with 400 people. The directorate is respon-

sible for engineering, supplying materials, maintaining vehicles and weapons systems, and transporting soldiers, munitions and mail. The post has about 6,600 civilian employees. About 1,300 work in TRADOC jobs. The post would help furloughed employees find other government jobs and work with others who want to take separation incentives, severance packages, retirement packages or transition programs into different jobs. Employees also might be able to get jobs with the new contractor if the plan is implemented.

# Hispanic CoC director sentenced for tax fraud

BEAUMONT (AP) — The director of the Port Arthur Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is being sent to prison for two years, followed by three years of supervised release along with a \$3,000 fine after she was convicted of eight counts of tax fraud. Edna Martinez Sierra was ordered Tuesday by U.S. District Judge Richard Schell to report to a federal lockup in Beaumont Jan. 7 to begin her sentence. Sierra, 47, told the judge she was innocent despite evidence and testimony prosecutors said contradicted her claims. "She had a position of trust with people who were vulnerable," Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul Naman said as he argued for the maximum sentence of 27 months. "She abused people and hurt people." Federal prosecutors, Internal Revenue Service agents and Raymond Armstrong, who conducted the pre-sentence investigation, said Sierra listed children as dependents on tax returns who were not living in the United States and were not considered dependents. She also listed unborn children as dependents, they said. Sierra was indicted in February and convicted in June of two counts of aid-

ing and assisting in preparing false income tax returns; two counts of making and subscribing false income tax returns; two counts of making false statements on her income tax returns and two counts of making false claims for refunds in her income tax returns. Court documents show that in 1992, 1993 and March 1994 Sierra prepared individual tax returns for others that fraudulently allowed them to collect larger refunds. IRS investigators said in 1997 and 1998, she filed her own tax returns that falsely claimed a dependent and earnings she knew to be false. Sierra could have received up to 32 years in prison and \$2 million in fines. Instead, she will serve eight two-year sentences at the same time plus the \$3,000 fine. She also was barred from preparing tax returns. In June, Sierra faxed a lengthy letter to the Port Arthur News accusing the IRS of harassment and contending witnesses against her committed perjury. She also said her lawyer was incompetent. Twelve years ago, Sierra was convicted of theft and forgery from an insurance company in Louisiana.

# State gets \$300 million loan for highway project

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Turnpike Authority on Tuesday was awarded an \$800 million federal loan to pay for highway projects aimed at relieving traffic problems in central Texas. The loan from the U.S. Department of Transportation will help finance all

four parts of the proposed 122-mile Central Texas Turnpike Project, including the proposed Texas 130. The highway, which would run over the entire 90-mile span from Georgetown to Seguin, is expected to provide congestion relief to Interstate 35.

The loan also is expected to finance the proposed extension of Loop 1 in northern Travis County, the northern section of Texas 45 and U.S. 183-A in southwest Williamson County. Total construction cost for the Central Texas Turnpike is estimated at \$2 billion,

said Phillip Russell, director of the Texas Turnpike Authority. The federal loan "is only part of a package of financing we'll need to build the entire project," Russell said. "We'll be asking the Texas Transportation Commission for \$700 million in funding."

# Man arrested for DWI after 2-year-old dies in crash

McALLEN (AP) — A 2-year-old girl was killed and her two siblings hospitalized after a Houston family's sedan spun out and rolled over four times on U.S. Highway 281. The children's father, 29-

year-old Eliud Campos, was jailed on charges of intoxicated manslaughter and assault. Anna Patricia Campos was thrown from the car and killed. None of the three Campos children wore seat

belts, investigators said. Campos, his wife Elma Campos and their three children were headed south to visit family members in the Rio Grande Valley. When investigators arrived at the crash scene,

they smelled alcohol on Campos' breath and spotted open beer containers inside the car. Irma Campos, 5, was in critical condition at McAllen Medical Center with broken ribs.

# Judge gives probated term man who stole Elvis' jacket

DALLAS (AP) — A judge has sentenced a thief of Elvis Presley memorabilia to four years' deferred probation and fined him \$750 after he pleaded guilty to stealing more than \$100,000. State District Judge Mark Nancarrow sentenced Kirk Sanders, 33, after he admitted to trying to help sell Presley's leather motorcycle jacket, which authorities say was stolen by Robert Louis Rodgers in February 1998 from a museum near Graceland in Memphis, Tenn.

Rodgers, the alleged mastermind of the theft, recruited Sanders to help sell the jacket in Dallas, court records say. The pair was caught September 1998 when Dallas police arrested Rodgers after Sanders arranged for undercover officers to buy the jacket. It was returned to Elvis Presley Enterprises. Rodgers, a 42-year-old with an Austin address at the time, has jumped bond, officials told The Dallas Morning News. A warrant is out for his arrest.

# Inmate to receive part of \$275,000 settlement

ROCKWALL (AP) — An inmate who claimed he was raped in the Rockwall County jail will receive part of a \$275,000 payment to settle his federal lawsuit against the jail. Brian Pugh, who is still serving time for felony injury to a child, will receive up to \$65,000 in the tentative settlement.

reached after 13 hours of mediation last week. Steven DeWolf, Pugh's attorney, told the Dallas Morning News in Wednesday's editions. DeWolf will receive \$150,000 plus \$25,000 for expenses, with at least \$35,000 going to the child whose fingers Pugh burned. Pugh is appealing his five-

year sentence on the conviction. Pugh's lawyer declined to let his client be interviewed. "Without a settlement, this could go on for another two years," DeWolf said. "Now there's a finality to this." Tom Brandt, an attorney representing Rockwall County, said it was best to

settle the case as soon as possible. "I think that Rockwall County and the sheriff and all the parties wanted to get this behind them," Brandt said. The Pugh case started in spring 1998 when he was charged with burning several fingers of his girlfriend's 13-month-old baby.

# Former Houston mayor pleads, gets probation

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Former Houston Mayor Fred Hofheinz says he never knew failing to report a felony was a crime until he was implicated in a federal extortion case that spun out of the investigation of former Gov. Edwin Edwards. But Hofheinz, 62, pleaded guilty Tuesday to that federal crime in a case that originally included charges of extorting payoffs from Texas businessmen interested in seeking state contracts in Louisiana. "I didn't know it was a crime until recently," Hofheinz said outside the courthouse. "But ignorance to the law is not an excuse." The Houston lawyer admitted that he agreed to pay off a close friend of Edwards in hopes of obtaining a government contract in Louisiana. Hofheinz also said he never reported the

extortion to authorities. "I knew that was not fair game, but because I was so fully invested at that time, I chose not to report it," Hofheinz said. U.S. District Judge Frank Polozola sentenced Hofheinz to a year of probation and issued a \$5,000 fine. He could have faced up to 3 years in prison and \$250,000. The ex-mayor said he will not lose his law license because of his plea. "I think this is a victory. I feel vindicated," Hofheinz said. "I am not guilty of what I was charged with originally. I am guilty of being a victim. I am guilty of associating with some very bad guys in Texas." Polozola said he sentenced Hofheinz to probation because of his cooperation with government officials. The judge said to comment further would be inappropriate.

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OUR VIEWS

Pause to give thanks for all our blessings

As we look to the sky today in its beautiful West Texas splendor ... as we watch the leaves turn color and gently float to the ground in advance of winter ... as we gather 'round the dinner table to share food with friends and family, let us give pause.

Thanksgiving is truly a time to give thanks ... for our good fortune, our friends, our family and so many other things in life we enjoy.

But this day is more than turkey and dressing and cranberry sauce, and it is more than the football games television networks pitch at is as "part of the Thanksgiving tradition." And it is certainly more than a day off.

What is the Thanksgiving tradition? In reality, its tradition lies within each of us, doesn't it?

Let's not forget as we give thanks for the various blessings we have received in life, that there are those in our community less fortunate.

To that end, let us give thanks for the opportunity to help others in the same manner we would want to be helped, were the shoe on the other foot.

From our extended family at the Herald, we wish that today we could all understand the true meaning of Thanksgiving and experience the warmth and joy of sharing our wealth with others.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Riding higher than even the trees

She can't pass a horse without a hug. Denise Millichap of Atlanta has a graceful bearing, and in riding boots and pale turtle-neck looks a little like Grace Kelly, or someone else effortlessly elegant.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

A misty day makes the barn at Chastain Horse Park a bright refuge. You can smell the leather and pungent hay and feel each horse's noisy breath. Denise drapes herself around every animal we pass.

"He knows me," she says, and it seems true. The momentary melding of beauty and beast taps at your soul.

For 12 years Denise suffered from a debilitating illness, she says, mucking through life in the dense fog of depression caused by hypothyroidism. She moved from Virginia to Atlanta in 1994, and one day while

walking noticed the old barns in a forgotten corner of Chastain Park.

Something about the sight of those barns, dilapidated though they were, stirred her. For Denise they recalled a childhood of riding, of horses, of hope. She stood on a rise above the park and, full of longing, said a prayer and made a wish.

It wasn't long afterward, last year, that Buckhead, Ga., native Amy Lance reopened the horse park. It was, by all accounts, a regular renaissance, an extensive restoration of what once had been the city's finest equestrian center.

A 1939 stone wall was liberated from decades of vine and weed. New barns were built. An imposing, two-story clubhouse with tack shop and ballroom slowly rose over a fine arena.

Now workers give the three new barns a daily white-glove cleaning, down to the fine detail of "cobbing," the dusting away of cobwebs on stall bars. Brides rent the ballroom for weddings and recep-

tion. As guest Christopher Reeve said at a fund-raiser: Chastain Horse Park "will be a monument to the fact

that our cities must be more than brick and glass and sidewalks." And a city horse park must be more than just a place for wealthy people to board their horses. Amy immediately started a riding program for disadvantaged children, a reward for both good behavior and grades. Inner-city school kids who didn't know a stirrup from a giddyap learned how to ride and care for a horse.

Amy also began a therapeutic riding program designed to serve riders with cognitive, physical or emotional disabilities.

Horses, the time-tested therapy goes, are good for what ails you. Chastain Horse Park's Therapeutic Riding Program benefits those with attention deficit disorder, mental retardation, cerebral palsy, autism, Down syndrome, brain injuries — the list seems endless.

"A horse's gait most closely resembles a human gait," Amy explains, and often the body can remember what the brain has forgotten.

One day nine children in wheelchairs were at the barns. After mounting her horse, one rider broke into

delicious giggles and told Amy: "I can see the top of your head!" Before that moment, the rest of the world had been higher than she was.

Denise Millichap, 40 years old today, saw all of this activity, this beehive at barns where not so long ago there had been quiet and decay. She volunteered.

"It's been an emotional, physical and spiritual healing for me," she says with such fervor you must believe her. Helped by both medication and the gratifying atmosphere at the horse park, the old Denise came roaring back from a sluggish, bloated world.

Denise began by cobbing the stalls. Now she does public relations and is a walking, talking testimonial for the benefits of horse therapy.

Experts say 50 percent to 60 percent of those with a serious mental illness could go to work — if only someone would hire them.

About 95 percent are unemployed, adding to their sense of hopelessness.

But in this life there are occasionally happy endings. A princess wakes up from a deep sleep. A child rides higher than the trees against a rosy horizon.

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YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I have a complaint. Why has life become so complicated that you can not make a simple phone call, and get a simple answer any more?

For some time now, I have needed to call different companies, including the phone company (which is what I was trying to do that set this tirade going) and have gotten this sweet little voice of someone who is merely working there trying to make an honest living that says, "If you would like to... whatever press 1; if you would like to speak to someone who speaks Botswanaian, Portuguese, Spanish or English; press 2; if this is about your bill, press 3;" and by the time you get to 9, you don't care who you are going to talk to and can't remember what you wanted to say.

We get all these advertisements as to how you can save a mint if you change companies, buy a product, give \$10 or more to the 25 charities you get in the mail everyday and a suggestion on how to have peace and good will toward men, women, children and the world in general, if

you will only change your phone company, give your limited retirement income to others and make a simple phone call. If you listen long enough, you'll be told that your company can not serve you today because their computer is down.

I have been with MCI phone service for many years and have been content. I got the Southwestern bill that said I could just have one bill if I would like.

I wanted to find out if it would be to my benefit if I changed, and how to do it if I decided it would help me.

Did I get a simple yes or no?

No, I got "If you would like to make a phone call, hang up and dial again," and "If you want to speak English, dial 2."

By the time I hung my phone up, it was a very dirty, so I took some cleanser and scrubbed it.

I actually felt like throwing it into the dish tub and letting it soak.

I still don't know whether to change systems or not.

CHRISTENE HORN  
BIG SPRING

No mistake, Christmas is for Christians

It is not too early for Christians to think about reclaiming Christmas from the merchants. These merchants have turned Christmas into a debt-fueled commercial orgy devoid not only of religious meaning but even of common sense.



CHARLEY REESE

The exchange of gifts, as expressions of love and affection, are a part of the season but only a part — not the be-all and end-all. Let the secularists worry about whether this year's sales exceed or fall below last year's, or which toys are the most marketable. Christians have more important things to think about.

Of course, people do share the holiday or ignore it. All of the religions have their holidays, and as for the atheists and agnostics, well,

there are plenty of secular holidays for them.

Christianity, however, is an inextricable part of Western civilization. The ire of the Hate the Dead White Males Club notwithstanding, it is literally impossible to understand Western civilization without understanding Christianity and how it shaped our culture and even our political traditions. The United States is an extension of European civilization, and Europe was not so long ago known as Christendom.

Of course, Christianity these days is riddled with heresies. There are a lot of what I call "Cafeteria Christians" who pick and choose which parts of the religion they will follow and which parts they will discard. They discard those parts that they deem to be too inconvenient or, heavens to Betsy, not fashionable or, horror of horrors, politically incorrect.

The idea that religion has to be fashionable is laughable.

The eternal does not conform to the temporary.

God, even more than my first sergeant, will do what he pleases, as he pleases, when he pleases, without so much as a by-your-leave from any of us. He does not give mankind instructions with a note that states "Edit these to suit yourself."

There is a Buddhist saying that Christians ought to ponder. It says: "If you understand, the world is as it is. If you do not understand, the world is as it is." Some folks these days confuse the world they've created inside their nogginns with the world outside. In the real world, unlike their imaginary one, they are insignificant and helpless.

We are temporary mites on a small cinder, spinning around a so-so star in a universe so vast that it remains both incomprehensible and immeasurable. It seems a foolish thing to me for people to dismiss religion when it is certain that science has no answers.

Religion, of course, is a matter of faith, and it is certainly not my job to preach. Believe what you like. Is there a God? A

heaven? A hell? Reality will answer those questions for us individually when we die.

My real point is just to remind people of religious faith that they live now in a secular society as hostile to their faith and to them as the Roman Empire once was. Their faith is under virtually continuous attack — often subtle and indirect — by the government, by the entertainment industry, by academia and by the news media.

The state-as-god is jealous. It aspires to have nothing higher than itself. It positively views with great alarm those individuals whose first loyalty is to something above and beyond the state.

Personally, I hold with George Washington, who said enemies of religion are enemies of republican government.

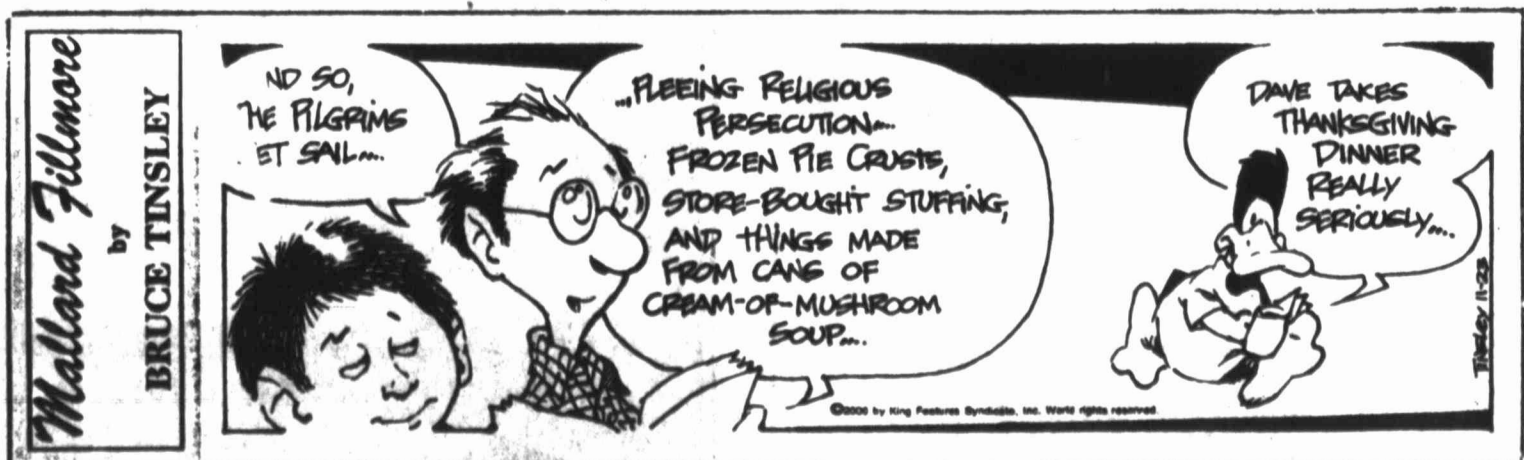
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### Workers block firm's relocation to Mexico

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A jewelry company that announced plans to relocate to Mexico the day after its workers certified union representation has been ordered by a federal judge to remain in America.

U.S. District Judge Carlos Moreno handed down a preliminary injunction Tuesday that prevents Quadrtech Corp., a jewelry manufacturer employing about 120 minimum-wage assemblers, from going through with a planned relocation to Tijuana.

The injunction, thought to be the first of its kind in the Los Angeles area and perhaps the nation, was sought by the National Labor Relations Board and will remain in effect until the board rules on dozens of charges filed by the union.

In issuing the ruling the judge found that the workers were likely to win the board case, which would force company owners to remain and bargain in good faith.

The most serious of the

union's charges is that business owner Vladimir Reil planned his move only to avoid dealing with the Communications Workers of America, the union that represents the workers.

Workers at the Quadrtech plant in Gardena, a southwestern suburb of Los Angeles, voted to unionize in July, galvanized by a supervisor's alleged refusal to give an injured worker a chair.

The day after the union was certified to represent them, Reil announced that he would lay off the entire workforce by Nov. 20 and move his operation to Mexico.

"If we didn't go into federal district court, they would have laid off employees and moved," NLRB attorney Julie Gutman said.

Reil's attorney, Gregory Kennedy, declined to discuss the injunction, which the company can appeal. In court briefs, Quadrtech attorneys argued that the move was motivated by "purely economic reasons."

### Board finds doctor guilty of negligence

NEW YORK (AP) — A state medical board, ruling in the case of a woman who died during normally routine surgery, found that many of the state Health Department's accusations against the hospital and its doctors were unsubstantiated.

Lisa Smart, a 30-year-old financial analyst, died at Beth Israel Medical Center's ambulatory care center after a procedure to remove a fibroid tumor from her uterus in 1997.

The state board found that "there was much less substance to the department's charges than an initial review would indicate."

The board said it could not substantiate reports that two nurses warned the doctors that fluid being pumped

draining Smart died after her body became overloaded with fluid.

The board also said the presence of a sales representative for a medical equipment company in the operating room played no role in the death.

The state board ruling was made a year ago and was reported Tuesday in The New York Times. The Times said the state never publicized the ruling, but Christine Smith, a spokeswoman for the state Health Department, said the case documents were posted on the department's Web site shortly after the ruling.

Smart's surgery was performed by her gynecologist, Dr. Robert Klingler. Klingler's partner, Dr. Marc Sklar, observed the operation, as did a salesman from

Johnson & Johnson, the company that manufactured the device used to vaporize Smart's tumor after another machine filled her uterus with saline solution.

Smart's body became overloaded with fluid and she died.

The state Health Department's initial investigation found that the doctors ignored warnings from nurses about the fluid buildup.

The department also charged that the equipment was not approved for use by the hospital and that no one knew how to use it except for the sales representative, who the department said actually participated in the operation.

The Board of Professional Medical Conduct disagreed with many of the Health

Department's findings.

The panel found no evidence that the presence of the equipment and the sales representative contributed to the complications. The panel also said witnesses failed to corroborate the nurses' account that they had warned the doctors of the fluid imbalance.

The board found Klingler guilty of negligence but not incompetence.

His medical license was suspended for two months and he was put on probation.

The board also fined him \$10,000 and ordered him to perform 500 hours of community service.

Staff members of the board referred all calls to Smith. A spokeswoman for Beth Israel declined to comment.

### "Magnum, P.I." producer Douglas Benton dies at 75

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Douglas Benton, who produced such television series as "Magnum, P.I.," "Police Woman" and "Hec Ramsey," has died. He was 75.

Benton, who was also a writer and director, died Thursday of cancer in his home in Tarzana, said his son, Daniel.

Born in Hollis, Okla., raised in west Texas and educated at the University of New Mexico and Northwestern University, Benton moved into entertainment in 1950, working at General Electric Co. He later joined the communications department.

He was assigned to edit stories and write commercials when the company developed the weekly television program "General Electric Theater" in 1953, and he adapted quickly to Hollywood, going on to write and produce television series for Universal, MGM and other studios.

One of his first writing assignments was for the popular "Dr. Kildare," starring Richard Chamberlain, from 1961 to 1966.

He was writer, director and producer for the 1972 to 1974 series "Hec Ramsey," starring Richard Boone as a

grizzled gunfighter intrigued with new methods of criminology, and earned a producing Emmy in 1974 for "Columbo NBC Sunday Mystery Movie."

Whatever he was writing about, Benton worked to show all sides of a profession or business.

"I did 'Dr. Kildare' for a long time and we were grateful for the help of the medical fraternity, although we were critical of it," he once told Industry Week.

"Even though we had that paragon of virtue, Dr. Kildare, we didn't indicate that all doctors and nurses were gods and goddesses."

Benton produced and directed episodes of "Police Woman," starring Angie Dickinson and Earl Holliman, from 1974 to 1978, and was a supervising producer in Hollywood for Tom Selleck's "Magnum, P.I." in the early 1980s.

Other 1980s producing credits included Angela Lansbury's "Murder, She Wrote," "Code Name: Foxfire" and "Blackie's Magic."

Over the years, Benton also produced several movies for television, among them "A Howling in the Woods" with Vera Miles and Larry Hagman.

### Day-old infant kidnapped

DETROIT (AP) — An old high school friend visiting a new mother at a hospital apparently kidnapped the mother's day-old infant.

No one at Hutzel Hospital noticed anything unusual Tuesday as the woman carried the baby boy out of the maternity ward.

Police believe the kidnapper and mother met at the hospital by coincidence,

bumping into each other in a hallway while the acquaintance was visiting another patient.

The mother invited her old friend back to her room to see her baby, then left them alone for a few minutes while she used the bathroom in her room.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Vijai Rajan's petition for citizenship for his wife, who they believed in a formal ceremony.

After all, they so was their other daughter.

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FREDERICK, Md. (AP) — A 9-year-old boy was found naked in a baseball field, beaten, sexually assaulted, and killed Wednesday.

A mentally handicapped man was charged with the murder of Christopher A. Spencer Jr., released from prison after a week-long trial.

Spencer, 44, was arrested Monday night. He was released from prison after serving about 10 years for a 10-year sentence for assaulting a woman and escaping from prison.

Spencer, who had a criminal record, had served

### Florida \$750,0

TALLAHASSEE (AP) — The state Supreme Court reinstated a \$750,000 award for a former smoker of the nation's largest cigarette maker.

The award — the largest in 40 years — was ordered to pay for a former smoker who had been rejected by the court.

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# New law allows disabled woman to become United States citizen

LOS ANGELES (AP) — When Vijai Rajan's parents sought U.S. citizenship for her six years ago, they believed it would just be a formality.

After all, they were citizens and so was their other child.

But their daughter's application was denied because she suffers from cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, seizures and other ailments that made it impossible for her to take the oath of allegiance.

The Rajans went to court; they knocked on politicians' doors.

On Tuesday, after a six-year battle, Ms. Rajan became the first person granted American citizenship

under a new law that waives the oath for immigrants whose disabilities prevent them from reciting it but who otherwise qualify for citizenship.

"We're very pleased to be able to welcome Ms. Rajan as a citizen," Thomas J. Schiltgen, director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service district office, said at a private ceremony Tuesday.

Ms. Rajan, who cannot speak and has the comprehension of a 2-year-old, clutched a small American flag and her parents accepted a certificate on her behalf.

"Now, you are an American," said her father, Sunder Rajan of Anaheim, a scientist and engineer.

The 25-year-old woman, who requires 24-hour care, was born in India but has lived in the United States since she was an infant. Her parents are naturalized citizens, and her sister was born in Ohio.

"We have always treated her equally, believing she was entitled to the same things that we have," her father said. "But she wasn't treated the same by others. She didn't have the same rights we did."

The family spent years pressing for a change in law so that she could become a citizen despite being unable to take the oath.

Their plight gained national attention when they filed a discrimination lawsuit this year to try to force the INS to grant citizenship.

"Few Americans have to fight so hard for their citizenship, and I thank the Rajan family for never losing hope," said Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., who sponsored the legislation.

President Clinton earlier this month signed the law, which each year will give citizenship to about

1,000 immigrants with disabilities. Rajan's mother, Shakunthala, and her sister, Induh Rajan, 29, clutched her hands through Tuesday's ceremony.

"If you push her over in bed, she gets back up. She will fight you. She will never cry. She has taught us that — to fight," her mother said.

"We fought for her because she taught us that."

Asked if he believes people in the United States take citizenship for granted, the father said: "In my language ... we have a saying, 'Sometimes you have to stand in the sun to appreciate the shade.'"

## Boy found in dugout was strangled, assaulted

FREDERICK, Md. (AP) — A 9-year-old boy whose naked body was found in a baseball field dugout was beaten, strangled and sexually assaulted, police said Wednesday.

A mentally retarded homeless man with a history of sexual offenses was charged with first-degree murder in the death of Christopher Ausherman. The suspect, Elmer Spencer Jr., had been released from prison less than a week before the killing.

Spencer, 44, was arrested at a homeless shelter Monday night. He had been released from prison after serving about four years of a 10-year sentence for assaulting a woman and escaping from the arresting officer.

Spencer, who was on probation, had served two pre-

vious prison terms for child sexual assault and battery convictions, according to court documents. His record also includes charges of sexually assaulting a 7-year-old girl in 1996 and assaulting, with intent to murder, an 8-year-old boy in 1995. Both cases were dropped.

Leonard Sipes, a spokesman for the state corrections department, said Spencer was released early from his latest prison term because of good behavior credits accrued over the 13 years he served on a 22-year sentence for sexually assaulting a child in 1981.

Police said Spencer was tracked down through an acquaintance who identified him as the man seen with the boy in surveillance videotapes taken at two convenience stores.

## FBI should keep using e-mail snooper, report says

WASHINGTON (AP) — A review by a private contractor of the FBI's Carnivore e-mail surveillance tool concludes that the FBI should continue to use the system, but raised the possibility that it could be abused to grab more data than a court allows.

The review, was posted on the Justice Department's Web site, is the result of a monthlong, \$170,000 contract to provide an independent analysis of the controversial surveillance system. But some civil rights advocates and a key lawmaker accused the authors of bias.

The report, prepared by the Illinois Institute of Technology's Research Institute and Chicago-Kent College of Law, recommends that the FBI make some changes in the Carnivore program so it's easier for agents to use and less open to possible abuse. "In the current Carnivore software," the report says,

"it is possible to select filter settings that may not be appropriate or even technically feasible," including a selection that would "collect all information that is available on the local area network."

Carnivore also lacks "individual accountability," the authors say, because each action is not traceable to a specific FBI technician. "Given that chain-of-custody for the collected evidence is important, it should be important to know who set up the collection and when it was set up," the report said.

But even with its limita-

tions, the report said, Carnivore is more precise in allowing agents to focus on narrowly defined, specific data than off-the-shelf network monitoring software. This can prevent agents from getting more information than they're allowed under court direction, the report suggested.

Critics immediately blasted the findings and noted that several senior members of the review team have worked for the Clinton administration and federal agencies in several administrations.

"We continue to believe that this was not an inde-

pendent study," said Barry Steinhardt, associate director of the American Civil Liberties Union. "Most of the truly independent institutions declined to bid for the contract."

Calling the review a "fuzzy snapshot of Carnivore," Steinhardt noted that Carnivore's technology is constantly evolving, so that new versions may have more sweeping capabilities than reviewed in the study.

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, a longtime Carnivore critic, called the findings "questionable."

## Florida Supreme Court reinstates \$750,000 award for cigarette smoker

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — The state Supreme Court reinstated a \$750,000 award for a former smoker against the nation's third largest cigarette maker.

The award — only the second time in 40 years of anti-smoking litigation that a tobacco company was ordered to pay damages — had been reversed on appeal.

Grady Carter, 69, sued Brown & Williamson in 1996, blaming the company for the lung cancer he developed after smoking for 44 years. A jury ruled that the cigarette... were a defective product and that their makers were negligent for not warning people of the dan-

ger. An appeals court reversed the award nearly two years later, saying Carter had waited too long to go to court. It also said the jury award could not stand because of a 1969 federal law that bars lawsuits claiming the wording of the cigarette warning label is inadequate.

In a 5-0 ruling, Florida's high court disagreed with both conclusions and said the district court had overstepped its role.

"Accordingly, we quash the district court's decision in this case," Justice Major Harding wrote for the court.

A lawyer for Brown & Williamson hadn't read the opinion and said he couldn't

comment. Brown & Williamson is a subsidiary of British American Tobacco. Its brands include Kool, Capri, Raleigh, Viceroy, Carlton, Lucky Strike and Pall Mall.

The first award against a tobacco company in a liability case was won in 1988, but the \$400,000 verdict was overturned on appeal, and the lawsuit was dropped.

Two years ago, a jury ordered Brown & Williamson to pay nearly \$1 million to the family of a deceased smoker.

It was the first time a jury awarded punitive damages in a tobacco liability case. That verdict also was overturned.

## Feds update investigation into Contour and Mystique

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal safety officials have upgraded their investigation into 277,656 of the 1998 Ford Contour and Mystique sedans that may spit out gasoline during refueling.

There have been more than 300 reports of the problem made to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Ford Motor Co.

Ford has another 11,066 reports of frequent nozzle shutoffs and difficulty in filling the tank that do not mention spit-backs.


Ford officials did not immediately return calls seeking comment, but according to an investigation report, the automaker maintains that the amount of fuel that is expelled is not large enough to create a safety problem.

NHTSA is upgrading the investigation to conduct testing and interview owners who have complained, it said.

NHTSA begins any investigation with a preliminary evaluation, during which the agency and the manufacturer exchange paperwork that includes any complaints.

The investigation then could be upgraded to an engineering analysis, during which engineers study parts to see if they are defective, as in the case of the Contour and Mystique.

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### Western, Southwest looks making a return to home decor

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Just when you think it's safe to put on your cowboy boots and throw a Navajo blanket over the arm of the sofa without being considered trendy, Western gear starts coming on strong again.

When Rancho Deluxe: Rustic Dreams and Real Western Living (Chronicle Books, \$40) hit the bookshelves in the spring, it seemed like a lovingly nostalgic look at American

ranch houses from the 1840s to today. Great photographs; a nifty cover simulating leather; observations on the decorating but no source list for furniture, accessories or designers. No clue of what was to come.

Shades of author Mary Emmerling, who led the charge for the Western style 15 years ago with American Country West (Potter). Soon old barns and bunkhouses were being stripped of everything from horseshoes to saddle bags to decorate

urban family rooms and country retreats. Manufacturers churned out furniture supposed to look right off the ranch or hacienda, blankets printed with cowboys riding buckin' broncos and dishes bearing cattle brands.

Texans and others who grew up with these traditions, whether or not they ever climbed on a horse, found the trend amusing, at best a passing fancy.

Southwest residents endured the overkill of

brightly colored howling coyote figures and antlers turned into every possible accessory, from candlesticks to carving knives, and waited for the Santa Fe chic phase to return to the indigenous style.

Now two new books, Cowboy Chic and Southwest Style, are once more exploring the look of beefy, carved beds and tables; oversized leather chairs trimmed in nailheads; and bleached skulls mounted over the mantel.

Cowboy Chic: Western Style Comes Home by Chase Reynolds Ewald (Gibbs Smith, \$39.95) showcases the work of artisans making everything from reproduction log furniture to lamps and tables with cut-metal figures of horses, Indians, even trees.

A Jim Covert round table with a pedestal of four natural logs is perfect in its simple setting, while it's difficult to imagine anyone relaxing on a love seat made with moose and elk antlers.

There's a lengthy directory of artisans, galleries and shops, even architects, interior designers and builders specializing in the look.

In Southwest Style: A Home-Lover's Guide to Architecture and Design by Linda Mason Hunter (Northland, \$40), some interiors — like the dining room of a Texas mud hut — bask in elegant simplicity, while others are layered with pioneer antiques, memorabilia and reproductions.



Ian Acosta (from left), Tristan Fielder, Clarissa Valencia and Aaron Salazar are among the youngsters who enjoyed dressing up in pilgrim attire for Thanksgiving fun at the Cottage House, on the Howard College campus.

Courtesy photo

### Mobile courtroom brings justice to LA homeless

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Working from a makeshift bench at a homeless shelter, Superior Court Judge Michael Tynan cleared a docket filled with outstanding warrants and misdemeanor offenses in less than an hour.

The judge was joined by bailiffs and lawyers at the temporary courtroom site — the Union Rescue Mission, where they worked to knock down legal hurdles for those trying to turn their lives around.

"The Superior Court isn't just here to pound people," Tynan said Monday before the county's first homeless court session. "We're also

here to help people out, especially because they are already helping themselves."

The homeless court, which cleared 37 cases involving 24 defendants Monday, handles only infractions that have occurred in the city.

Participants must be enrolled in a rehabilitation program for at least six months before they can apply to the city attorney to have their charges cleared.

"It is really a blessing in my life," said Johnnie Briggs, 43, after Tynan cleared seven traffic violations from his record. "It's removed an obstacle that's

been holding me back."

Briggs said he was homeless for six years and an alcohol and drug abuser before joining New Directions, a nonprofit organization that provides services for homeless veterans. He's now looking forward to applying for a driver's license.

Ted Schirmer, an attorney for New Directions, said Briggs, who works as a hotel handyman, would have faced traffic fines of about \$2,000 in regular court.

"This gives them a real boost and lets them know they're on the right path," Schirmer said.

Officials in San Diego have been holding a monthly, mobile homeless court since October 1999. It grew from a program for military veterans and has served more than 200 people and cleared more than 500 cases, said Steve Binder, a deputy public defender who founded the court.

"By going to the people who are in the shelter, you're serving a stronger sense of justice and bringing order to society," Binder said.

"Instead of pushing the homeless further outside of society, we're fostering their reintegration back into society."

### Reader's Corner

#### Thanksgiving

I thank God every day  
For each precious breath.  
Only God can give it,  
So I know I am blest.

It's by His sweet spirit  
That I'm a living soul.  
He gives me His life  
More precious than gold.

By God we are created  
For Him all alone.  
He has a purpose  
For each precious one.

He watches over us  
Down here from above.  
The smallest of details  
Is solved by His love.

Nothing comes by mistake  
But by God's design.  
I'm thankful, so thankful  
That His hand's holding mine.

#### An Old Christmas Tree

Long ago  
and far away  
back in my memories

There was an old  
time Christmas tree  
with candle

lights that gleamed

Silver star a shining  
on top of that old tree  
In that old country  
school house  
with presents  
on the tree.

I'd like to see it  
all again  
if only in my dreams  
with candle lights  
a shining  
a miracle for me.

Oh, I wish I had  
a miracle  
to send to all  
my friends  
all wrapped in  
pretty paper  
touched by  
an angels hand.

And then on  
Christmas morning  
I hope that I  
will see,  
a miracle from  
Heaven  
someone has  
sent to me.

There on that old  
Christmas tree  
just like it use  
to be,  
all wrapped in  
pretty paper  
a miracle for me.

— Bernice Reed Jones

### Life moves at its own leisurely pace out in Turkey, Texas

TURKEY, Texas — The wind blows forever across the rolling plains that break off the Caprock in the eastern Panhandle.

Cotton fields sweep to the unyielding horizon, marked by irrigation rollers and lone farmhouses. On compass-straight farm-to-market roads, drivers wave and kick up dust among yesterday's rubble: abandoned homes, junked cars, weed-choked gas stations, rusty tractors.

This is Texas' outback, so demanding, so beautiful and expansive, where the sky begins and ends.

The towns, such as they remain, announce themselves by a water tower and welcome you with churches. Some are reasonably well-preserved; others are crumbling away.

At the confluence of state highways 70 and 86 lies Turkey, home of Western swing pioneer Bob Wills. Population: 507 and dwindling.

It was established in 1893 as Turkey Roost, named for the wild turkeys residing in the nearby cottonwoods. Rail advanced it as a cotton and cattle center. Peanuts, sweet potatoes and watermelons followed.

At Price's on Main Street, a box of yams costs \$13. The warehouse is among few remaining businesses in a frontierlike downtown where the only "pedestrians" are cowboy and cowgirl plywood cutouts idling as if props in a play.

Mornings, the ladies are at the beauty shop, and the boys are stretching stories over coffee at Allsups. It's quiet but for the dogs, the crop-duster and the highway whoosh of passing traffic.

Tradition struggles here. The Turkey Turks and the Quitaque Panthers consolidated in 1972 to form a regional high school, the Valley Patriots, five miles from either town. The Quitaque Tribune took over

the Turkey News in 1968 to become the Valley Tribune, Voice of the Caprock Canyons.

"It's a wonderful place to live," Tribune editor Eunice McFall says. "If you can just make a living."

A song in their hearts  
Despite its name, Turkey observes a low-key Thanksgiving. There are no parades, no contests or organized turkey shoots. On the Sunday prior, Turkey Proud sponsors a community dinner at the Bob Wills Center, enlisting individuals, organizations and churches.

The Tribune has been known to print children's thank-you lists. Cassandra Ortiz was noted to be thankful for "my dog, frogs, chocolate cake."

Rosalie Villarreal: "Lady bugs, salad with dressing."  
Louis Valdez: "Apples, my mama, dirt."  
Randy Farley: "Wild pigs to hunt, mashed potatoes."

Last fall, Biff Henderson

arrived to film an American segment for The Late Show With David Letterman. His fancy bus pulled into town, rounded a corner and promptly dented its side.

Four days later, his East Coast attitude had softened. "It was a great little town," Henderson said in his piece, which aired Oct. 4. "I learned to keep a song in my heart. I learned that the children really are our future."

The New Yorkers were simply charmed, artist Larry Denton says. "I think they underestimated the town. It's like they wanted to come and poke fun at it. But everybody was so kind and so excited, they got swamped."

"Well, not everybody. There were people that just did not talk to them," Mayor Suzie Johnson says. "They view Dave as making fun of everything."

The townspeople commemorated the visit by

compiling their Top 10 reasons why Letterman would want to visit Turkey, painting them on the windows of a downtown building.

No. 10: See if he could sneak in and out of Texas without being sued.

9: Everybody watches Letterman, it's the only station we get.

8: He thinks Bob Wills still lives here fiddlin' around.

7: Tired of Butterball fare, he wants to eat the real thing.

6: He heard the world's finest hairpieces are made of turkey feathers.

5: He hopes the Wild Turkey distillery is located here.

4: Because it's only 10 miles to Quitaque.

3: It's the only place you can see the mayor in a turkey suit.

2: He wants his mother to learn to shoot and dress a wild turkey for Thanksgiving.

1: There wouldn't be

enough turkeys in Texas without him.

#### A good, difficult life

At the end of Johnson Street, Dessie Mae Robertson lives with her dog, Heidi, her Eddy Arnold records and her memories.

"Cranky and hot-tempered," long active in Republican politics, she has corresponded with presidents and governors, got named to too many honorary rolls to remember and received a private audience with Gov. George W. Bush when he stopped in Turkey in 1997.

After she fired off a letter to President Bill Clinton in 1993 — "I told him what I thought of him in no uncertain words" — Clinton replied, "Though we may differ about some issues... I appreciate your sincerity and candor."

At 88, Robertson has arthritis and macular

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#### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Carroll O'Connor, TV's Archie Bunker, has been released from the hospital after having a toe on his left foot amputated because of a diabetes-related circulatory problem.

The 76-year-old former "All in the Family" star left the UCLA Medical Center on Thursday. He slipped off a white sneaker so TV crews could get a shot of his bandaged foot, and held up a plastic urine bottle that he needs to carry because of his diabetes.

"You've got to have one of these with you all the time," O'Connor said. "This bottle has to be taken to any interviews that I do on television, any talk shows. I might at any moment say to Letterman, 'Just a minute, Dave.'"

O'Connor was also hospitalized a year ago to repair scar tissue from a gall bladder operation.

NEW YORK (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno said she is still not sure if she did the right thing in the 1993 siege at Waco.

"Harry Truman said that doing the right thing is a lot easier than knowing what it is," she said in Sunday's Parade magazine. "And I've tried to prepare myself to do the right things. I will let others judge as to whether I have succeeded as time goes by and there's a more objective view."

Reno, who has Parkinson's disease and is the first female attorney general, said she will probably write a book when she leaves office.

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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 educational promotion is also aimed at promoting responsible pet ownership, and encourages families to consider their pet adoption as a life-long commitment.

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

### TURKEY

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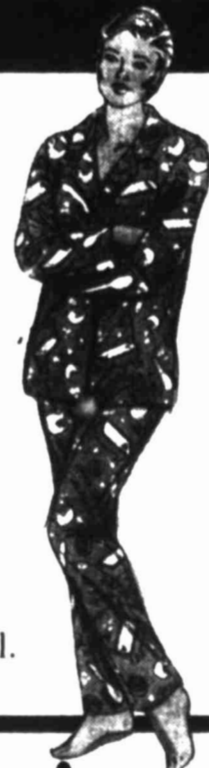
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### IN BRIEF

#### Bufs' Jeremy Hull player of year finalist

Stanton running back Jeremy Hull, who has racked up more than 1,700 yards going into the Bufs' area playoff game against Ozona, has been named one of five finalists for 2000 Class 2A Player of the Year honors.

Joining Hull as 2A finalists are Celina quarterback Adam Herrin, Hemphill lineman Ben Wilkerson, Mart quarterback Quan Cosby and Refugio quarterback Alex Boyd.

Other finalists in other classes include Midland Lee's Cedric Benson in Class 5A; Andrews' Jamie Bueno, Hereford's Cody Hodges and Frenship's Kendal Briles in Class 4A; Iraan's J.B. Stone in Class A; and Grandfalls' James Stocks in six-man.

#### 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).

#### Pep rally in Steer Gym scheduled for Friday

A community pep rally has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday at Steer Gym.

All those wishing to show their support for the Steers going into Saturday's Class 4A, Division II area football playoff game against El Paso Riverside's Rangers are urged to attend.

#### 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.

#### BSYBA extends registration period

The Big Spring Youth Basketball Association will conduct sign-ups for the upcoming 2001 basketball season at All Star Sports, 1901 Gregg St., and the Big Spring Mall through Saturday, Dec. 9.

Registration at All Star Sports will be during business hours Monday through Saturday. Big Spring Mall registration will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Dec. 4-7, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 9.

The teams will draft players on Saturday, Dec. 16, at Trinity Baptist Church. The season begins after Jan. 1.

The program is open to girls and boys in first through sixth grades.

Cost is \$20 per player. For more information, call Rick Watkins at 267-2358 or Charlie Hall at 263-0159.

#### ON THE AIR

##### Television COLLEGE FOOTBALL

7 p.m. — Mississippi St. at Ole Miss, ESPN, Ch. 30.

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3 p.m. — Minnesota Vikings at Dallas Cowboys, FOX, Ch. 3.

GOLF 3:30 p.m. — Hall of Fame Challenge, FXS, Ch. 29.

## Forth, Wrightsil top Lady Steers' volleyball honorees

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Managing Editor

Big Spring's Lady Steers were well represented Tuesday afternoon when District 4-4A volleyball coaches met to select their all-district teams.

The Lady Steers, who narrowly missed out on a berth in the playoffs, one spot on the first team, two on the second unit and had one player listed among the district's superlatives. Big Spring also had two players earn honorable mention honors.

Not surprisingly, San Angelo Lake View earned the lion's share of honors after claiming the 4-4A championship, going unbeaten in district play.

The Maidens' Jennifer Hill, a junior middle hitter, was named the league's most valuable player, while teammates Kristi Caples and Laci Leifeste were selected for the district's outstanding hitter and outstanding setter accolades.

That's good news for Lake View coach Connie Bozarth, who was selected by her peers as the district's coach of the year, because Caples and Leifeste will both be back next season along with Hill.

Of course, so will the remainder of those on the superlatives list.

Lady Steers freshman Kim Wrightsil, who like Lake View's Hill and Caples is a middle hitter, was selected the district's newcomer of the year — snapping a lengthy string of seasons in which that

award has belonged to the Maidens.

Defensive specialist honors went to Andrews sophomore Lindsey Reid.

The recognition Big Spring players received was impressive, since only one of those earning spots on the honor team was a senior.

That upperclassman, Melissa Forth, received first-team all-district honors as an outside hitter.

Other outside hitters named to the first-team unit were San Angelo Lake View's Courtney Burris, Plainview's Tojanay Thompson and the Snyder duo of Kameron Kallemyn and Ashley Delce.

Rounding out the first team were Lake View setter Carnotta Baker, Levelland middle blocker Mica Robertson, Plainview setter Alicia

Robertson and the Andrews duo of setter/hitter Karli Bane and middle blocker Liz Kessler.

Big Spring's second-team honorees were juniors Meghan Publner, a back-line hitter, and LaTrisha Rollins, a middle blocker.

Joining those two on the second team were Levelland's Christina Bencomo, Plainview's Kandice Williams and Joda Tefatiller, Andrews' Katie Fariss and Jamey Rhodes, Snyder's T'Leah Eicke and Rena Geiger, Frenship's Dana McCrary, Lubbock Estacado's Dana Davis and Lake View's Heather Freeman.

The two Lady Steers earning honorable mention were junior setter Brittany Bryant and back-line hitter Krystle Long.

## Johnson happily reclusive

MIAMI (AP) — He spends weekends at home in the Florida Keys, watching three TVs at once and rooting for his favorite teams — the Miami Dolphins, Miami Hurricanes, Washington Redskins and even the Dallas Cowboys.

In his first year of retirement, Jimmy Johnson enjoys life as a fan.

"I'm having a great season," he said. "I'm able to get all the games on TV, and I have a ball on Saturdays and Sundays."

That familiar Texas drawl on the other end of the telephone line has been strangely absent this season. Johnson has done few interviews, made few public appearances and attended no games since retiring in January as coach of the Dolphins.

But a good day in the stock market Tuesday put him in a chatty mood, he joked.

"I'm not boycotting the press," he said from his home in Islamorada. "I just kind of pick and choose — whenever the time hits me right."

The sting of last season's disappointment has faded, and Johnson can rightfully claim a share of the credit for the Dolphins' surprising 8-2 record, which matches the best in the NFL. Close friend Dave Wannstedt deserves praise for his work as Miami's first-year coach, but the team was largely built by Johnson.

"If you'll check the teams I've coached, I leave them in pretty good shape," Johnson said. "But I don't want to take anything away from the job Dave has done. He's done a great job of assembling a coaching staff and incorporating the people we had before."

"I'm happy for everybody involved. There's no bigger Dolphins fan in the world than me, and no bigger Hurricanes fan."

Johnson notes that the University of Miami, where he coached from 1984 to 1988, is in contention for the national championship. He also roots for the



Jimmy Johnson (right), pictured here with Dallas owner Jerry Jones prior to his final season as the Cowboys' head coach, says he's enjoying his retirement after stepping down as the Miami Dolphins' head coach last season.

Redskins — where good friend Norv Turner is the coach — and for the Cowboys, the team Johnson led to two Super Bowl titles before an acrimonious parting with owner Jerry Jones.

In Miami it was Johnson's relationship with Dan Marino that went sour, particularly after the coach criticized his quarterback's play early last season. The Dolphins went into a tailspin after a 7-1 start as Johnson and Marino feuded.

"I really hate that it got to where it was," Johnson said. "With the stress of the season, things get out of kilter, and I wish they hadn't."

"Dan was a great, great player, an automatic Hall of Fame player. I regret we

didn't win a Super Bowl for Dan."

Two celebrated careers came to an ugly end with the Dolphins' 62-7 playoff loss at Jacksonville. Johnson quit the next day; Marino retired in March.

"The success I had in Dallas spoiled me a little bit in that winning 10 or 11 games wasn't enough," Johnson said. "Over the years the losses hurt more and more, and I didn't enjoy the wins so much. It affected how I dealt with people. Normally I'm a decent guy to be around, but I think it was wearing on me."

So the coach who relished the spotlight became a reclusive retiree, his privacy protected by a gate in front of his 6-acre water-

front property. He turned down network TV offers, and he has turned down invitations from Wannstedt to attend Dolphins games.

"I don't like leaving the Keys very often," Johnson said.

He has made a handful of speaking appearances before business groups and traveled with his wife to Las Vegas and San Francisco. His dad and both of his sons have paid visits to Islamorada. The rest of the time he plays the stock market, fishes and follows football.

Johnson, who worked as a TV analyst for Fox between his coaching stints with the Cowboys and Dolphins, said he may

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## Rivalry

It's really back with big Aggie, 'Horn boasts

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — So much for a friendlier, kinder Texas A&M-Texas rivalry.

After a year of softened opposition caused by the bonfire tragedy at Texas A&M that killed 12 and injured 27, Longhorn linebacker D.D. Lewis got things back on track when he observed that the best way to stop jumbo A&M fullback Ja'Mar Toombs was to hit him in the mouth.

Tuesday, it was the Aggies' turn.

"Right back at him, let's go get hit in the mouth a few times," Toombs said. "I laughed at it. It's sort of like he's issuing a challenge and I gladly accept. I plan to get hit in the mouth but I don't think I'll fold."

Toombs came up big for the Aggies in last year's emotion-tinged game, rushing for 126 yards and scoring two touchdowns in a 20-16 victory for A&M. That was a year ago when Toombs weighed 265 pounds.

At a slimmed-down, more agile 255, he rushed for 72 yards against No. 1 ranked Oklahoma last week and scored on a thrilling 27-yard run, carrying three Sooners into the end zone with him.

"He's (Lewis) trying to say last year was a fluke and it really wasn't," Toombs said. "I played a good game last year. I carried 37 times and I didn't fold."

Toombs' teammates thought it unwise to rattle their big fullback.

"I wouldn't be calling Ja'Mar out," injured cornerback Jason Glenn said. "He almost ran over me and I'm on crutches. You place your bets. There isn't anybody who can stop Ja'Mar right now. He's been on a rampage lately."

Added offensive lineman Chris Valletta:

"He'll (Lewis) get his

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## Cunningham happy in Dallas as Culpepper grows with Vikes

IRVING (AP) — Randall Cunningham will be watching from the other side while his protegee throws passes for a Super Bowl contender.

Second-year quarterback Daunte Culpepper is blossoming in Minnesota, where just two years ago Cunningham had the best season of his NFL career. Now Cunningham is the backup for struggling Dallas.

"You don't need to throw the whole playbook at him, you need to condense it to the things he does best and use the ability of the other players. And that's what they are doing," Cunningham said. "I've seen a lot of growth in Daunte. Even last year, he began to grow rapidly."

While the development of Culpepper pretty much left no need for Cunningham in Minnesota, he harbors no resentment for the Vikings or their young quarterback.

Cunningham will get an up-close look at Culpepper in action Thursday when the Vikings (9-2) travel to Dallas (4-7) as the opponent for the Cowboys' traditional Thanksgiving Day game.

"They are probably the best team

in the NFL right now. They're gelling together at the right time," Cunningham said. "And Daunte is getting better and better each week."

When the Vikings drafted Culpepper in 1999, they considered him the top player available. They gave him that season to adjust while Cunningham started the first six games before being replaced by Jeff George.

After last season, both Cunningham and George left Minnesota.

"Now we feel we have one guy to put our fortunes in," Vikings coach Dennis Green said. "We think he's the right guy and we are hopeful that over the next 10 years we won't have anybody playing quarterback but Daunte."

Cunningham signed with Dallas, content with being Troy Aikman's backup, after being released by the Vikings last summer.

Culpepper has responded as the Minnesota starter with 2,919 yards to complement the NFL's best running game with Robert Smith (1,128 yards).

And he says his season alongside

Cunningham was valuable. The two still talk by phone periodically.

"Randall is definitely a mentor for me, and a role model at the same time," Culpepper said. "He was a good person to be around for a young guy like myself coming into the league, and just a good person to be around."

The Vikings, who lead the league with 143.4 yards per game rushing, are preparing to go against the NFL's worst rushing defense. Dallas is allowing 171.1 yards per game, including two 200-yard rushers and 187 yards to Jamal Lewis in last week's 27-0 loss at Baltimore — the Cowboys' first shutout loss since 1991.

When Smith isn't running the ball, Culpepper is throwing to Randy Moss and Cris Carter, who is just seven catches away from joining Jerry Rice as the only players with 1,000 career receptions. In the past two games, Smith has had 100-yard rushing games while Moss and Carter both had more than 100 yards receiving.

Two years ago, when the Vikings won 46-36 on Thanksgiving Day at Dallas, Aikman threw for a career-

high 455 yards while Cunningham was on the other side throwing for 359 yards and four touchdowns, mostly to Moss and Carter.

That was part an All-Pro season for Cunningham, who was 13-1 as a starter with 3,704 passing yards and 34 touchdowns as the Vikings advanced to the NFC championship game. He was replaced by George as the starter after Minnesota started 2-4 in 1999.

In that 1998 Thanksgiving shootout, all three of Moss' catches were for touchdowns — the first for 51 yards and the other two for 56 yards. Carter had seven catches for 135 yards, including a 54-yard TD.

"Yeah, just throw it up there, that's what people used to say," Cunningham said. "I flashback and look at it, it was a lot of fun. To be able to come down here and play the Cowboys and do what we were able to do that, that was just God's grace on us."

"I'm praying that it will be reversed this time when they come in here."

The Cowboys, who will be without eight starters because of injury, can use all of the help they can get.

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SPORTS EXTRA

TOP 25 - FOOTBALL

Table listing top 25 football teams with columns for rank, team name, and record.

TOP 25 - MEN

Table listing top 25 men's basketball teams with columns for rank, team name, and record.

TOP 25 - WOMEN

Table listing top 25 women's basketball teams with columns for rank, team name, and record.

NFL STANDINGS

Table showing NFL standings for the American Conference (East, North, South, West) and National Conference (East, North, South, West).

RODEO LEADERS

Table listing rodeo leaders in various events including All-Around, Bareback Riding, and Steer Wrestling.

Sonics suspend Payton for blowup

SEATTLE (AP) — The Seattle SuperSonics on Wednesday suspended All-Star point guard Gary Payton for at least one game for a blowup with coach Paul Westphal during Tuesday night's game in Dallas.

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chance. It's just trash talk. There will be a lot more said on Friday. Ja'Mar is probably the last player you'd say anything about.

"Ja'Mar was geeked up for that game last year and I'm sure he will be again this year." Toombs admits he probably couldn't have made the touchdown run against Oklahoma in his 1999 playing condition.

my career." Westphal offered to resign four games into the Sonics' disappointing season. He refused to discuss Payton's blowup.

The confrontation came with 8:31 left after Westphal said something that set Payton off. Pervis Ellison and others held him back.

After the game, Payton said Westphal showed him a lack of respect.

"During game, he's so concerned about doing his job he doesn't have time to talk. After the game he doesn't have to talk because he's won the game."

Brooks, whose season ended with a knee injury against the Sooners, doesn't expect Lewis' comment to carry much weight by game day.

"Oh yeah, there will be a little chatter going on (this week) for sure," Brooks said. "It will pick you up for a day or two. But when it gets down to game day, it's not going to matter after the first play."

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return to television in a year or two. But he ruled out coaching again. "The biggest thing is I wouldn't move away from here," he said. "I had my run. I had my day in the sunshine. I enjoyed it. I'm proud of what I was able to do every place I ever coached. We didn't win a championship every place, but we won games everywhere I was at, and I think the team was always better when I left than when I took over."

"I loved it," he said, and then he laughed. "Well, I loved it 90 percent of the time."

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## Our Top Technology The Century's Big Changes

It's hard to imagine what life would be like without such things as cars, planes, radios and computers. What would it be like without

technology or inventions that have made our lives so much safer, healthier, more convenient and fun? What are the top inventions that have brought great changes?

Engineers are the people behind these inventions. Leading engineers from across the country made up a list of what they think are the great engineering achievements during the 20th century, from 1900 to 2000.

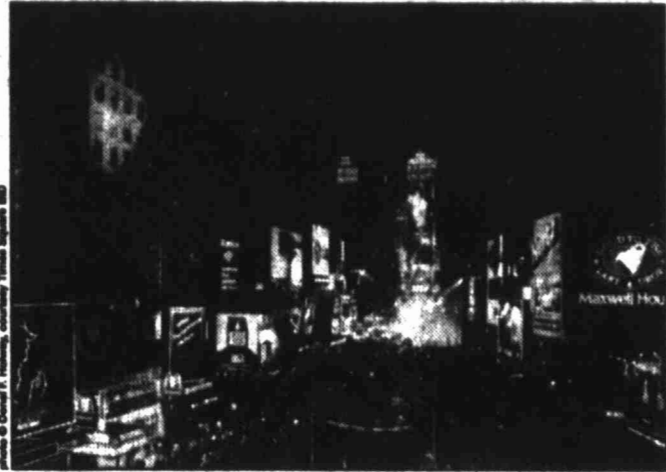
The changes are listed in the order of their importance.

With the help of an expert, Dr. Henry Petroski, we added a little something about what life was like:

- before these changes took place (before 1900);
- and what we might expect in the future.



Thomas Edison invented the first practical electrical lightbulb in 1879. Later he invented the first electric power plant, electrical wiring, fuses, meters and lightbulb sockets. Here he is in his Menlo Park, N.J., research lab in 1929.



Without electricity there would be no modern cities. Here Times Square in New York City is lit for a New Year's Eve celebration.

This issue is based on the project, "Greatest Engineering Achievements of the 20th Century," by the National Academy of Engineering, with the American Association of Engineering Societies, National Engineers Week, and other engineering groups.

### 1. The spread of electricity

#### Before 1900

In the city, well-to-do people might have been connected to electric power sources, but most people still used gas lighting. In rural areas, most people used candles, kerosene or whale-oil lamps.

#### The 20th century

Connecting the world with electricity was the top change of the last 100 years. Without electrical power, much of our modern life would not be possible.

**The future**  
Better batteries will enable our cars to travel long distances and our computers to work for long periods.

### 2. The automobile

#### Before 1900

Most people used horses and buggies or they walked. The automobile, or "horseless carriage," was usually thought of as a toy for the wealthy.

Travelers took the train or boats for longer distances. The average person did not travel far from home.

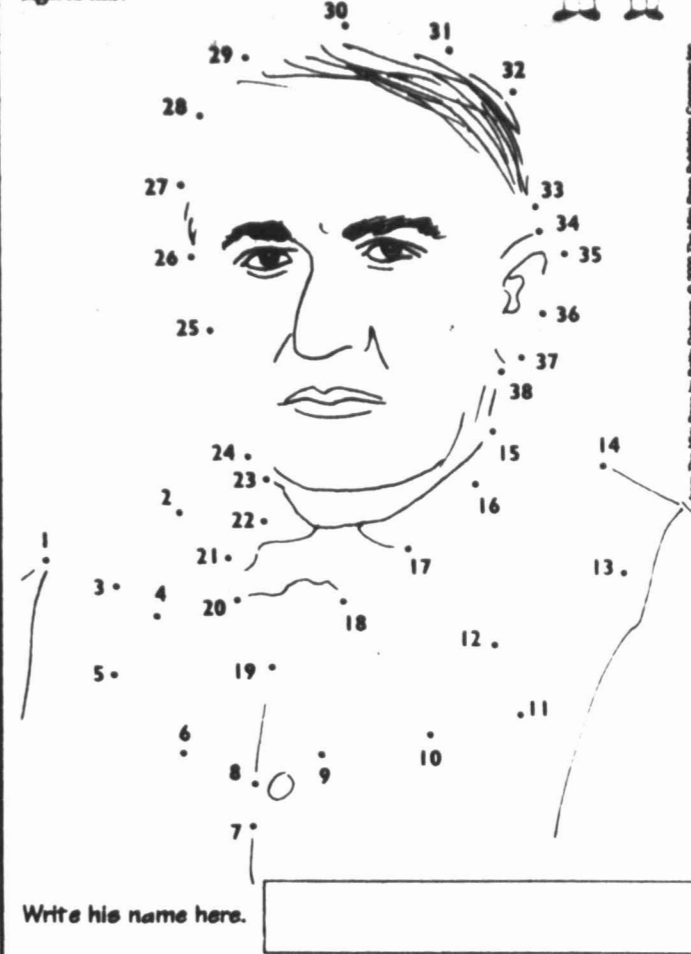
#### The 20th century

Cars have given us the freedom to move from place to place. Today the average adult travels by car about 10,000 miles each year.

**The future**  
Cars will be much safer. The entire car will protect the driver as if it were a giant air bag.

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### MIGHTY FUNNY'S Funny Phonics

It's fun to learn phonics, or the way letters sound. This week's target sound is the one made by the **ST** blend, as in **stick**.

**Q:** What is a mountain range?  
**A:** A cooking **stove** for use at high altitudes!

**Mom:** What does this **O** on your paper mean?  
**Bob:** It think it's a moon. The teacher must have run out of **stars**!

**Q:** What is the difference between a postage **stamp** and a woman?  
**A:** One is a mail fee and the other is a female!

Go on an **ST** word hunt. What other words can you find that use the **ST** blend? What sound do your hear?

### Rookie Cookies Recipe

#### Nutty Wild Rice

You'll need:

- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 carrot, diced
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup wild rice, uncooked
- 1 bouillon cube
- 1/4 cups water
- 1/3 cup peanuts

What to do:

1. Cook oil, carrot and onion in a medium saucepan over medium-high heat for 5 minutes or until vegetables are soft. Stir often.
2. Add wild rice. Cook 1 minute, stirring constantly.
3. Add water and bouillon cube. Bring to a boil. Stir often. Add more water if necessary.
4. Cover and reduce heat to low. Simmer 45 to 55 minutes or until water is absorbed.
5. Stir in peanuts. Mix well. Serves 2.



### ENGINEERING TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of engineering accomplishments are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: ELECTRICITY, AUTOMOBILE, AIRPLANE, CHANGE, COMPUTERS, WATER, RADIO, TELEVISION, FARMS, SPACE, MACHINES, TELEPHONE, TRAVEL, SAFE, ELECTRONICS.

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- pencil
- lima bean
- letter E
- letter H

• man in the moon

## More Big Changes of the 1900s

### 3. The airplane

#### Before 1900

A few people traveled by hot-air balloons but had to go the way the wind blew.

#### The 20th century

In 1903, Wilbur and Orville Wright made their historic flight and changed travel forever.

Today we can fly anywhere in the world, and receive goods from all over.

#### The future

Air travel will be so fast and cheap that many of us will be able to afford to hop to another continent for a weekend.

### 4. Safe and abundant water

#### Before 1900

Water-caused diseases such as typhoid fever and diarrhea were the third-biggest cause of death in the U.S.

#### The 20th century

Today we can turn on the faucet and get safe drinking water. However, about one-sixth of the world's people still do not have a safe water supply.

#### The future

Many experts worry that there will not be enough safe water for everyone as the world's population keeps growing.

The Mini Page thanks Dr. Henry Petroski, civil engineering professor, Duke University, for help with this series. We also thank Chuck Blue, American Association of Engineering Societies.

Look through your newspaper for ads about three things invented after 1900.

Site to see:

[www.greatachievements.org](http://www.greatachievements.org)

Next week The Mini Page is about more top engineering achievements.

### 5. Electronics

Electronics are the equipment or parts that make electrical products work, such as vacuum tubes, transistors and microchips.

#### Before 1900

Electronics did not even exist. Human, horse or water power operated many machines. For example, adding machines had to be cranked by hand.

#### The 20th century

Today microchips operate clocks, calculators, CD players and hundreds of other products.

#### The future

Machines will get smaller and faster.

### 6. Radio and television

#### Before 1900

A few people had gramophones, which would play music when they were cranked.

#### The 20th century

We can watch events as they happen thousands of miles away. We can hear music or watch shows with the click of a button.

#### The future

TV pictures will be very sharp and there will be many more choices of shows.

### 7. Farm machinery

#### Before 1900

Horses and mules were used to plow fields. It took four farmers to feed about 10 people.

#### The 20th century

Today a single farmer can feed about 130 people!

#### The future

There will be better control of the climate. Big domes over fields might let farmers control the weather.

### 8. The computer

#### Before 1900

A "computer" was a word used to describe a person who solved math problems using a pencil and paper.

#### The 20th century

In the last 50 years, computers have changed our lives. Today, thanks to the computer, we can solve math problems very quickly and can communicate quickly and cheaply.

#### The future

Computers will be so small we will wear them. Information and commands will be given by voice.

### 9. The telephone

#### Before 1900

Only about 1 in 13 homes in the United States had a phone. Calls were often hard to hear. To contact others far away, people wrote letters or sent telegrams.

#### The 20th century

We can talk to someone clear across the world as easily as we can talk to our neighbors.

#### The future

Phones will be even smaller and clearer.

### 10. Air conditioning and refrigeration

#### Before 1900

People put blocks of ice in ice boxes to keep food fresh. They often carved these blocks of ice out of frozen lakes.

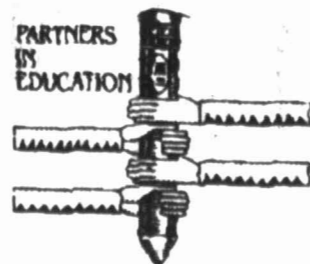
#### The 20th century

Today, fresh food, cool rooms, computer manufacturing, space travel and a lot of medical research would not be possible without proper cooling.

#### The future

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# Time to give thanks, and time to remember others

DEAR ABBY: A year ago, you printed a beautiful Thanksgiving prayer that I used as the grace before our meal. Unfortunately, I didn't save the clipping. Could you please run it again? — ELEANOR ALARCON, UNION, N.J.

DEAR ELEANOR: With pleasure!  
O heavenly Father: We thank thee for food and remember the hungry. We thank thee for health and remember the friendless. We thank thee for friends and remember the friendless.



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved. May these remembrances stir us to service that thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.

Since today is Thanksgiving, take just a moment to reflect upon all of the things for which you are thankful. How's your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you've lived this long. A lot of people haven't. You're hurting? Thousands — maybe millions — are hurting even more. (Have you ever visited a veterans hospital? A rehabilitation clinic for crippled children?)

If you awakened this morning able to hear the birds sing, use your vocal cords to utter human sounds, walk to the breakfast table on two good legs, and read the newspaper with two good eyes, praise the Lord! A lot of people couldn't.

How's your pocketbook? Thin? Well, most of the world is a lot poorer. No pensions, no welfare. No food stamps, no Social Security. In fact, one-third of the people in the world will go to bed hungry tonight.

Are you lonely? The way to have a friend is to be one. If nobody calls you, pick up the phone and call someone.

Are you concerned about our country's future? Hooray! Our system has been saved by such concern. Our country may not be a rose garden, but neither is it a patch of weeds.

Freedom rings! Look and listen. You can worship at the church of your choice, cast a secret ballot, and you can even criticize your government without fearing a knock on the head or a knock on the door at midnight. And if you want to live under a different system, you are free to go. There are no walls or fences — nothing to keep you here.

A final thought: Want an instant high? The surest cure for the holiday blues is doing something nice for someone. Why not call a person who lives alone and invite him or her to share dinner?

Better yet, call and say, "I'm coming to get you, and I'll see that you get home." (Some older people don't drive, and those who do may not like to be behind the wheel after dark.)

Try it. And let me know the results. P.S. Special greetings to those of you in the military who wrote from remote corners of the world to tell me that you are using my prayer on this Thanksgiving Day.

Happy Thanksgiving, everyone! — LOVE, ABBY

DEAR ABBY: Twenty-eight years ago, my husband was diagnosed with cancer and treated with cobalt radiation. He was cured. Two years ago, he was diagnosed with cancer again. His doctors agreed it was a radiation-induced cancer.

There were no symptoms other than "indigestion," for which our family doctor prescribed antacids. All the while, the cancer was getting larger. My beloved husband died three months ago.

If we had only been warned of the risks of radiation therapy in later years, we would have insisted on yearly screenings. Abby, please urge your readers to see their doctor if they received radiation treatment years ago. It could save their lives. — CHARLIE'S WIFE

DEAR CHARLIE'S WIFE: Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your husband. I am printing your letter with this advice: People who have ever had cancer should have routine check-ups for the rest of their lives.



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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF TEXAS. HOWARD COUNTY. BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE**  
DATED OCTOBER 30, 2000 and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, in the hereinmatter numbered and styled suits (and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County) I have, on October 30, 2000, seized, levied upon and will, on the first Tuesday in December, 2000, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the North Door of the Courthouse of said County, in the City of Big Spring, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on said day beginning at 10:00 A.M. proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suits) in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Howard and the State of Texas, to-wit:

**SUIT NO. 93-12-04173, Tract 6**  
**STYLE OF SUIT AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**  
Coahoma Independent School District vs. Wendell Shive Gm Company, Inc. et al.  
Lots 18, 19, 20 and 21, Block 2, Original Town of Coahoma, as described in Volume 504, Page 418, Deed Records of Howard County, Texas (Acct #C4860-0028-00)

**SUIT NO. 93-12-04173, Tract 6**  
**STYLE OF SUIT AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**  
Coahoma Independent School District vs. Wendell Shive Gm Company, Inc. et al.  
One half Acre, more or less, part of Section 37, Block 31, Township #1, more particularly described in Volume 308, Page 153, Deed Records of Howard County, Texas (Acct #C5310-0049-00)

**SUIT NO. 97-04-0418**  
**STYLE OF SUIT AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION**  
Coahoma Independent School District vs. Jerry D. Period  
62 Acres, more or less, situated in the Northwest 1/4 of Section 45, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, being more particularly described by metes and bounds in Volume 636, Page 468, Deed Records of Howard County, Texas (Acct #5104500800) (any volume and page references, unless otherwise indicated, being to the Deed Records, Howard County, Texas, to which instruments reference may be made for a more complete description of each respective tract) or, upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion of the property described above shall be sold to satisfy said judgment(s), interest, penalties, and cost; and any property sold shall be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the time and in the manner provided by law, and shall be subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered in the above styled and numbered cause(s), together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

2991 November 9, 16, & 23, 2000

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THURSDAY											NOV. 23										
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6:30	News (CC)	Home Imp. Spin City (CC)	Washbone Zoboomatoo	Movie: Annie	News Ent. Tonight	News (CC) Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Movie: Ni de Agul Ni de	Movie: Ni de Agul Ni de	Movie: A Walk	Movie: A Walk	(15) Movie: Election (CC)	Movie: Election (CC)	Movie: Election (CC)	News John Hedges	Wild Discovery (CC)	Wild Discovery (CC)	Wild Discovery (CC)	Secret of Stonehenge		
7:30	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery (CC)	Life of Birds (CC)	Movie: Annie	Faith (CC)	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Friends (CC) Just Shoot Me	Movie: Die Hard 2	Movie: Die Hard 2	Movie: The Other Life	Movie: The Other Life	Movie: The Other Life	Movie: The Other Life	Movie: The Other Life	Light of the Southwest	Biography (CC)	On the Inside	NBA Basketball: Toronto Raptors at Indiana Pacers	Atlanta Uncovered		
8:30	Be a Millionaire	Arrest & Trial Nanny (CC)	Mystery! (CC) (DVS)	Grand Ole Opry 75th - Be a Millionaire	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: The Jack Bull	Murder One	Hospital	Raptors at Indiana Pacers	In Pursuit of the Stroud			
9:30	PrimeTime Thursday	Arrest & Trial Nanny (CC)	Jonathan Winters	Early Edition (CC) (DVS)	A Celebration (CC)	PrimeTime Thursday	ER (CC)	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Hour of Healing	Investigative Reports (CC)	Secrets of Levitation	Secrets of Levitation	How Jesus Quasi: Bigfoot			
10:30	News (CC) Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	News-Lahrer (CC)	700 Club (CC)	News (35) Late	News (CC) Nightline	News (35) Tonight	of Thunder	P. Impacto Noticias Univ.	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	G-String Diner	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files	Movie: Teen Wolf	Secret of Stonehenge			
11:30	Politically Inc. Cheers	Blind Date Soderly	Battlefield (CC)	Who's Boss? Who's Boss?	Show (CC) (37) Late Late	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Show (CC) (37) Late	Movie: Days	Viviana a la Medianoche	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: Days	Movie: The Second	Promise Church	On the Inside	Movie: Back to the Future	Atlanta Uncovered			
12:30	AM Paid Program	Judge-Brown Cops (CC)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Show (CC) Street Smarts	(12:06) Oprah Winfrey (CC)	Night (CC) Frasier	Movie: Un Corazon Para	Movie: Un Corazon Para	Movie: Un Corazon Para	Movie: Un Corazon Para	Movie: Un Corazon Para	Movie: Un Corazon Para	Movie: The Second	Faith Pleases God	Murder One (CC)	Hospital	Movie: Back to the Future	In Pursuit of the Stroud		

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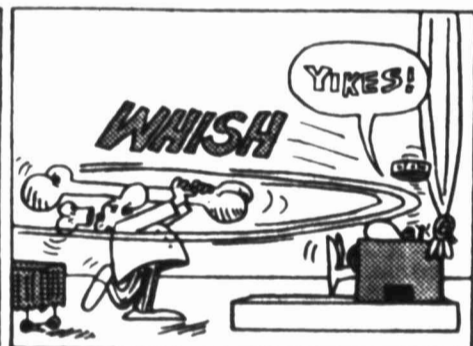
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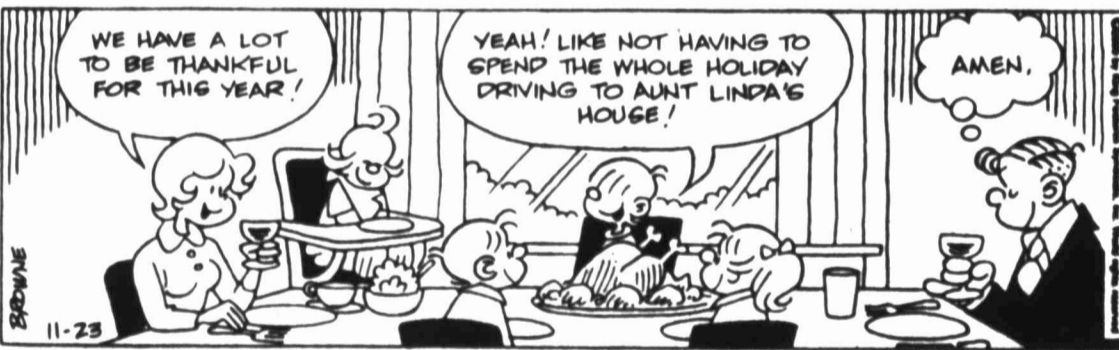
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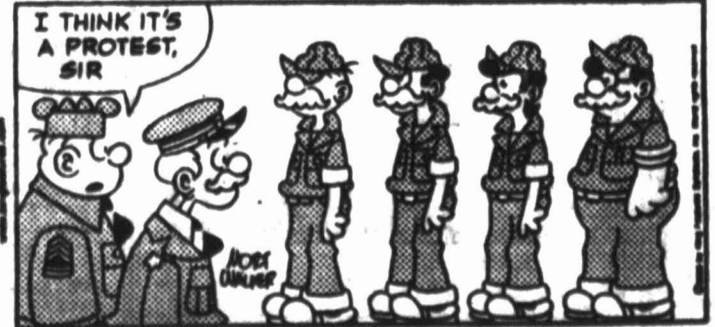
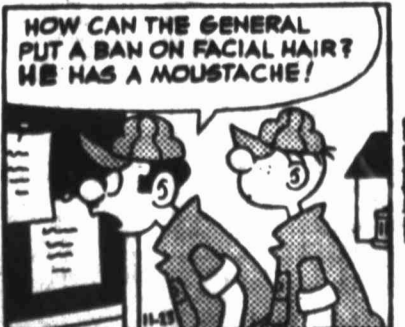
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

**The ASSOCIATED PRESS**  
Today is Thursday, Nov. 23, the 328th day of 2000. There are 38 days left in the year. This is Thanksgiving Day.  
Today's Highlight in History:  
On Nov. 23, 1903, singer Enrico Caruso made his American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, appearing in "Rigoletto."  
On this date:  
In 1765, Frederick County, in Maryland, repudiated the British Stamp Act.  
In 1804, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce, was born in Hillsboro, N.H.  
In 1889, the first jukebox made its debut in San

Francisco, at the Palais Royale Saloon.  
In 1936, "Life," the magazine created by Henry R. Luce, was first published.  
In 1943, during World War II, U.S. forces seized control of Tarawa and Makin atolls from the Japanese.  
In 1945, most U.S. wartime rationing of foods, including meat and butter, ended.  
In 1959, the musical "Fiorello!" with music by Jerry Bock and lyrics by Sheldon Harnick, opened on Broadway.  
In 1971, the People's Republic of China was seated in the U.N. Security Council.  
In 1980, some 4,800 people were killed by a series of earthquakes that devastated southern Italy.  
In 1996, a hijacked Ethiopian Airlines Boeing 767 crashed into the waves off Comoros Islands, killing 125 of the 175 people on board.  
Ten years ago: President Bush conferred separately with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo and Syrian President Hafez Assad in Geneva, seeking Arab support for his drive to expel Iraqi troops from Kuwait.  
Today's Birthdays: Actor Michael Gough is 83. Broadway composer Jerry Bock is 72. Former Labor Secretary William E. Brock is 70. Singer Betty Everett is 61. Actor Franco Nero is 59. Screenwriter Joe Eszterhas is 56. Actress Susan Anspach is 55. Actor Steve Landesberg is 55. Singer Bruce Hornsby is 46. Actor Maxwell Caulfield is 41. Actor John Henton is 40. Rock singer-musician Ken Block (Sister Hazel) is 34.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- Mingo on "Daniel Boone"
- Turkey-label letters
- Map book
- Light, happy tune
- Macy's Parade spoiler
- Semiconductor
- Small combo
- Blood formation
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- With 38A, route to grandma's house
- Disfigure
- Gay '90s, e.g.
- Create lace
- Catch
- Dallas sch.
- Cake coverage
- Ship letters
- Applaud
- See 20A
- Look lasciviously
- Break fast?
- Hold dear
- 19th letter
- Aphid eater
- Preferred one
- Musical gift
- Melville's sequel to "Typee"
- Time to talk turkey?
- Waste maker?
- Largest landmass
- Bea town?
- Change
- Submerged
- Bad to the bone
- Rips
- Garden tools
- Miami's county

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- Kind of ICBM
- Nobelist Wiesel
- Sportscaster Hannah
- Needy youngster
- Stephen King novel, "Lot"
- Fashionable Christian
- One opposed
- Stick
- Queenly headgear
- The Kinks 1970 hit
- Middle Eastern gulf
- Transmit
- South Korean city
- Poem
- Sir or lord, e.g.
- Dull pains
- Wearies
- Bonkers
- Light gray
- Beach Boys hit, "John B"
- Sierra
- Mountains
- Unlikely win
- ... a lender
- be
- 37 Be as it may...
- Cogwheels

By Gregory E. Paul  
Scottsdale, PA

11/23/00

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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46 NEA team  
47 Thickheaded  
48 Eskimo boats  
50 Join in  
52 Gave the eye  
53 Be as it may...  
54 Healthy  
55 Nick and Nora's pooch  
56 Deep cut  
57 Japanese golfer Aoki  
58 Opera star  
59 Surrounded by  
60 Lock maker