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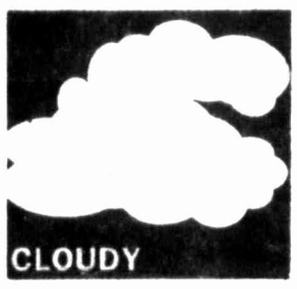

TONIGHT	TUESDAY
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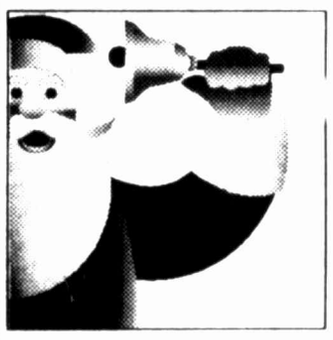
HELPING OTHERS:

Each day through the holiday season, the *Herald* will publish locations where you might help others less fortunate, including the Salvation Army Angel Trees and Salvation Army Kettles. If your organization has an established program to help others and would like to be included in this list, call Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234.



Angel Tree locations:

- *Big Spring Herald* (seniors)
- Gale's Sweet Shop
- Big Spring Mall
- Wal-Mart
- Scenic Mountain Medical Center
- Community Care Hospice.

Salvation Army Kettles:

- Big Spring Post Office
- Wal-Mart
- Big Spring Mall

Giving Tree

- Wells Fargo

Coats For Kids

- Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce

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Doll auction set; Angel Tree presents are due in Tuesday

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

ALEXANDER

Tuesday is a big day for the Salvation Army, but if citizens don't respond, it will be a big disappointment for hundreds of children and senior citizens.

"We have the doll auction... and it's the deadline for our Angel Trees," said Salvation Army Maj. Jo Alexander.

Some 70 dolls will be auctioned at noon Tuesday in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum East Room. These are dolls that volunteers have taken and dressed in various attire — from bridal to beach. Many of the outfits and accessories were made by the volunteers themselves.

The event includes a luncheon. Tickets are $6.50 each at the door.

Funds raised through the event go to purchase gifts for needy children in Howard County.

Tuesday is also the deadline to for the Angel Trees — Christmas trees in several locations around Big Spring that contain the names of children and seniors who are needy. Citizens and organizations "adopt" the Angels by purchasing a gift or gifts and returning them to the tree.

"We put over 1,000 names on the trees, including our senior Angels, and only about a third of them have come back in," said Maj. Alexander. "So I'm pretty concerned about that. The deadline is almost here.

"We know a lot of the names have been taken from the trees but the gifts haven't been returned. Sometimes people take the names with good intentions and just forget they have them," she said. "We want to encourage everyone to return those as soon as possible. They need to bring the gifts to the place where they got the name. If they can't do that, they can bring them to the Salvation Army."

There are a number of Angel Trees which still have names on them. Angel Tree locations with children's names are Gale's Sweet Shop, the Big Spring Mall, Wal-Mart, Scenic Mountain Medical Center and Community Care

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Volunteering keeps Lou Vincent busy

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

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

VOLUNTEERS OF THE CROSSROADS

Trying to stay busy and help the community at the same time, Big Spring State Hospital volunteer Lou Vincent gives of her time at the Chalet to make a little money for the BSSH patients.

"I moved here in 1985 from Fort Worth," said Vincent. "I needed to keep busy and wanted to meet people."

Vincent began volunteering at the state hospital on the recommendation of a neighbor and immediately starting helping with the Chalet.

The Chalet is a resale store at 1007 11th Place that sells donated used items to the public.

The shop sells everything from used clothes to books, electric razors and purses.

"This is a money maker for the patients," she said. "The proceeds from the shop are donated to help with the patients."

Prices at the Chalet include blouses for a $1, belts and ties for 25 cents and a coat is $5.

Vincent said the 12 volunteers at the Chalet help to separate the items donated, merchandise the store and manage the store during the working hours.

"If we cannot use an item donated, we find someone who can," Vincent said. "Nothing goes to waste."

All the proceeds from the shop are used to help the patients such as buying toilet items and Christmas presents, she said.

"The community has been real supportive of the Chalet," she said. "Our store is packed full of donated items."

For the past five years, Vincent has been the chairman for the store and donates three days a week to work there.

She also volunteers at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, greeting people at the front reception desk.

"Volunteering is a way to keep busy," she said.

"It is worthwhile, and I feel like I am helping someone."

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Big Spring State Hospital volunteer Lou Vincent folds donated sweaters at the Chalet, a resale store located at 1007 11th Place that sells donated used items to the public. The proceeds from the shop are used to help the state hospital's patients.

Stress, depression enemies of holiday season

It's important to take care of yourself, local experts advise

By VALERIE AVERY
Herald Correspondent

Social obligations, activities and daily chores can sap the strength many people need to make the marathon stretch between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

The compulsion to fill those four-plus weeks with events that we believe will recreate a Christmas of our past creates unnecessary stress. Stress steals necessary resources we need to replenish our soul during this month-long journey and can trigger depression — a more serious illness.

But following a few guidelines, according to Gail Zilai, a licensed therapist and Big Spring State Hospital director of the Activities Therapy Department, can alleviate the deafening emotions that accompany the holidays.

- Busy schedules don't allow for adequate downtime. Remember to get the rest necessary to maintain the energy needed for shopping, cooking, traveling, decorating and entertaining in addition to your daily schedule.
- Don't sabotage your diet of healthy and nutritious foods. Rich, sugary foods add pounds and play havoc with your digestive system. In addition, the guilt of overeating fuels depression. If you plan on attending a party, think ahead of time how you will handle the buffet line.
- Be aware that holidays trigger memories of enjoyable or traumatic times in your life. These memories may make you feel lonely. If you have no way of counteracting these memories; be aware that they are natural feelings, so if, and when, they occur you won't be caught off guard.
- Don't overextend finances to fulfill everyone's Christmas wish list. Set a budget, and stick to it. Involve your family in making homemade gifts and decorations this year.
- Avoid hosting a large get-together. The party can be a heavy burden in addition to an already loaded schedule. If a celebration can't be avoided, enlist some help or plan a potluck supper. Don't be a martyr and carry the burden yourself.
- If you regularly exercise, don't postpone your workouts until after the holiday, said Renae Porch, Big Spring State Hospital patient educator. You'll feel guilty for letting go of something you do for yourself. If time becomes an issue, decrease the number of

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Votes

Election's outcome lies on decision of high court

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawyers for George W. Bush and Al Gore argued their cases in the solemnity of the Supreme Court today, urgently pressing rival claims about the suspended manual recount in Florida and the nation's overtime presidential election.

"I am keeping my emotions in check," Bush said in Texas a short while before his attorney, Ted Olson, stepped before the nine justices to argue the recount should be shut down — and Bush's certified victory allowed to stand.

Gore was in Washington, pinning his hopes on attorney David Boies and his ability to persuade a majority of the court to resume the recount.

The court allotted 90 minutes for the oral arguments, which unfolded only two days after a 5-4 majority voted to stop the recount at least temporarily.

Justice Antonin Scalia, in a concurring opinion, said at the time it "suffices to say...that a majority of the court" believes that Bush had a substantial probability of success on the final ruling.

That meant that Gore faced an uphill struggle as the black-robed justices settled in their seats for the formal arguments. Boies said on Sunday that defeat at the high court could mean the end of the road for the vice president's 2000 quest for the White House.

The atmosphere inside the courtroom stood in contrast to the noisy scene outside the building — where demonstrators protested beneath the chiseled marble inscription "Equal Justice Under Law."

Andrew Alexander, 19, of Harrisonburg, Va., dressed as Santa, held up a sign that read, "Ho, ho, ho, Gore's got to go." His brother Stephen, 11, came along with his poster: "All I want for Christmas is Bush for pres-

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Winter weather expected to hit area today

HERALD Staff Report

After enjoying temperatures near 70 over the weekend, Howard County citizens will have to bundle up for the next few days. Some of the coldest weather in years is in the forecast.

Today's high was forecast to be around 50, but not for long.

The temperature was expected to plunge into the 30s this afternoon, and tumble into the mid-teens tonight.

A northeast wind of 20 to 30 miles per hour could produce windchills below zero.

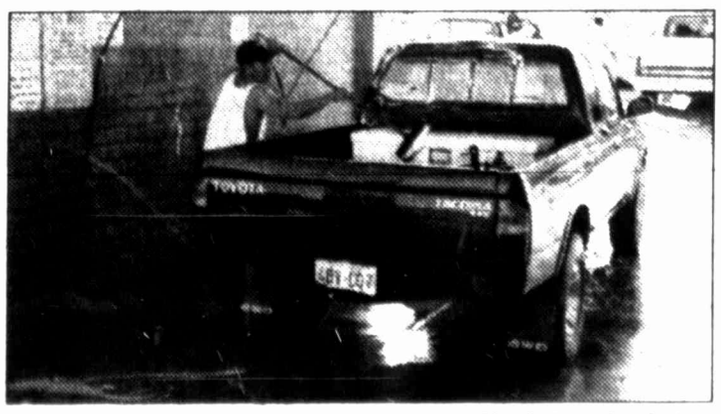
Along with it, according to the National Weather Service in Midland, is a good chance of snow, beginning tonight and remaining in the forecast for the next couple of days.

There is a 30 percent chance of snow tonight and a 60 percent chance Tuesday.

Parts of Howard County have already incurred three snowfalls this year.

Tuesday's high is expected to get up only into the lower 20s.

Temperatures are expected to creep up into the 30s on Wednesday and into the 40s or 50s by Saturday.



HERALD photo/Carl Graham

Freddie Ocasio gets his truck cleaned at Spotless Carwash at Goliad and FM 700. With temperatures in the mid-60s, Saturday was a good time to get the car washed. Warm, sunny skies will be replaced with cold winds and possible snow over the next few days.

Sexual assault trial begins in district court

HERALD Staff Report

Jury selection began today in 118th District Court for a 50-year-old male charged on two counts of sexual assault.

Abel Trevino has been charge with two counts of sexual assault to a 43-year-old female victim, according to the district attorney's office.

Trevino is represented by attorney Don Richard.

Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr is prosecuting.

OBITUARIES

Bertina Deleon

Bertina DeLeon, 42, of Big Spring, died Sunday morning, Dec. 10 , 2000, at her residence, following a long illness. A vigil for the deceased will be 7 tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel.

Funeral mass will be 3 p.m. Tuesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with the Rev. James Plagens, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Bertina was born Sept. 8, 1958, in Big Spring and was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She graduated from Big Spring High School and received her associate degree from Howard College. She was employed at the Veterans Administration Medical Center and was secretary to the director. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Survivors include two daughters and a son-in-law, Stacie Deleon and her husband, Robert Evans, and Alicia Moreno, all of Big Spring; her mother, Mary Paredez of Big Spring; two brothers, Pedro Paredez Jr. and Paul Paredez, both of Grapevine; two sisters, Nell Tichavsky of Houston and Mary Ann Paredez of San Antonio; one granddaughter, Sydnie Evans of Big Spring; and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Pedro C. Paredez Sr. and one sister, Jolinda Sue Paredez.

Pallbearers will be Pedro Paredez Jr., Paul Paredez, Peter Paredez, Robert Evans, David Tichavsky and Augustine Paredez.

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

Paid obituary

F.D. "Don" Averitt

Funeral service for F.D. "Don" Averitt, 55, of Lufkin, will be held Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2000, in the Gipson-Metcalf Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Frank Starr officiating. Burial will follow in the Garden of Memories Memorial Park.

Mr. Averitt died Saturday, Dec. 9, 2000, at a hospital in Houston following a lengthy illness.

He was born Jan. 31, 1945, in Colorado City. He served in the U.S. Army, was of the Baptist faith and was employed by Union Pacific Railroad for almost 22 years.

Survivors include his wife, Billie Averitt of Lufkin; one sister, Alma Claire of Odessa; one brother, James Averitt of Coahoma; two nephews; and two nieces.

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Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St.
(915) 267-6331

Wilfred L. White, 85, died Friday. Services were 2:00 PM Monday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park.

MYERS & SMITH
FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288

Louise Porter, 91, died Thursday. Services will be 11:00 AM, Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive.

Bertina DeLeon, 42, died Sunday. Vigil for the deceased will be 7:00 PM, Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be 3:00 PM, Tuesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with burial at Mount Olive.

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Hospice. The tree at the *Big Spring Herald* contains the names of senior citizens.

"We need people to get their gifts in so we can get the family gifts together. We are looking forward to a good Christmas for everyone in Big Spring," said Maj. Alexander.

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workouts, but increase the intensity of each one to get the most bang for the buck.

•I know time is in short supply, but 30 minutes every other day will make you feel fit and better about yourself," Porch said. "When you have a positive self-image, the everyday stresses won't bother you as much."

• Accommodating visiting relatives or friends can be a real back-breaker when you're already stressed. Be up-front with houseguests about what you need to help your household run efficiently.

• Planning long-distance trips to visit friends or relatives may be difficult, especially for parents of young children. Take along books, puzzles and games to keep them entertained. Try to be organized, and remember that it is better to get somewhere late than not to get there at all.

• When times become tense, play a CD or tape to lighten the mood, suggests Dana Boes, Director of Music Therapy at Big Spring State Hospital. Sing out loud, sway to the music, and release some of that pent-up tension. Music can be used to create memories with your own children.

The holidays will arrive and depart; how you handle this special time will make a difference in whether you enjoy yourself or make yourself and your loved ones miserable.

VOTES

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ident."

Nearby, a Gore supporter shouting "Who's afraid of the Florida vote?" stood on the sidewalk with a dark brown mule. About 200 Gore supporters marched with printed signs reading, "This is America. Count every vote."

The court set no timetable for a ruling, but its decision to set oral arguments on such a quick timetable signaled its understanding of the importance of speed. Bush is the certified winner in Florida, by 537 votes, but the recount ordered by the state Supreme Court last Friday presented Gore with an opportunity to overtake his rival.

Failure to settle the issue by Tuesday would expose the state's 25 electors to greater risk of challenge. And finally, the state Legislature is poised to name its own slate — loyal to Bush.

Hovering in the background are inevitable questions about the ability of the winner — either Bush or Gore — to claim legitimacy after an election so close and contested.

Montana Gov. Marc Racicot, a Bush backer, dismissed the idea that winning a narrowly divided court decision on the votes of five conservative justices would cost Bush legitimacy as president.

"That's something that's bestowed by the American people," Racicot told CNN.

The Bush campaign is arguing that a recount won't be fair because Florida counties use varying standards to determine a voter's intent.

The "crazy-quilt ruling" is a "recipe for electoral chaos," Bush's lawyers said in court briefs filed Sunday. "It has created a regime virtually guaranteed to incite controversy, suspicion and lack of confidence, not only in the process but in the result that such a process would produce."

Attorneys for Gore argued in court papers that the Florida court simply placed "the voters whose votes were not tabulated by the machine on the same footing as those whose votes were so tabulated. In the end, all voters are treated equally: Ballots that reflect their intent are counted."

If Gore prevails, the hand counting could continue and possibly help him overtake Bush, who leads by fewer than 200 votes. A ruling for the Texas governor would shut down the recounts.

A CNN/USA Today Gallup Poll conducted Sunday found a nearly even split over whether the court should allow the recount to continue — 47 percent for a recount and 49 percent against, with a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

The survey of 735 adults also found 72 percent believe the Supreme Court will rule fairly in the case. However, among people who identified themselves as Bush supporters the figure was 87 percent, while among Gore supporters it was 54 percent.

The court again agreed to release a full audiotape of Monday's argument for broadcast shortly after its conclusion. But the justices stuck to their long-standing ban on television and still cameras inside the courtroom.

Neither side committed to giving up if the Supreme Court issues an adverse decision, but even Gore's advisers conceded he has fewer options than Bush beyond the high court.

"If no votes are counted, then I think that's the end of the road," said attorney David Boies, who was arguing the case for Gore. But Boies stopped short of saying his client would bow out if the Supreme Court ruled against him, suggesting Gore might await appeals of failed Democratic lawsuits seeking to throw out as many as 25,000 Florida absentee ballots.

The U.S. Supreme Court first heard arguments in the case on Dec. 1. Justices unanimously set aside the Florida court ruling and sent the case back for clarification of why it allowed ballots to be recounted after the Nov. 14 deadline set by the Florida secretary of state.

In response, the Florida Supreme Court issued a 4-3 decision Friday ordering a hand recount of all undervotes statewide. Hours after the tally began Saturday, the U.S. Supreme Court voted 5-4 to grant Bush's request to halt the recount until the court determines its legality. When the counting stopped Saturday, an unofficial Associated Press survey put Bush's lead over Gore at 177 votes.

The high court split along philosophical lines.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices Scalia, Sandra Day O'Connor, Anthony M. Kennedy and Clarence Thomas voted to grant review. Scalia wrote that the action suggested most justices believed Bush "has a substantial probability of success."

Justices John Paul Stevens, David H. Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen G. Breyer opposed halting the recount. Writing for the four, Stevens said the majority "acted unwisely" in stopping the count.

Bush's lawyers said the state court violated the Constitution and federal law when it ordered the hand recount of ballots. The court changed the rules after the election, allowed votes to be hand-counted by widely varying standards and trounced on the state Legislature's authority to decide how presidential electors are to be chosen, they contended. They also said the Florida Supreme Court lacked authority to act in the case at all.

Gore's lawyers said the Florida court did not violate the Constitution or federal law, nor did it create new law that would conflict with standards set by the state Legislature.

Tuesday is the date for choosing presidential electors under a provision of federal law that shields them from challenge in Congress. Members of the Electoral College will cast their votes for president on Dec. 18.

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• *Big Spring Herald*
• Comet Cleaners on FM 700
• Klassic Kleaners on Gregg Street

American Cancer Society Memorial Tree:

• Merle Norman, Big Spring Mall

For more information, call (915) 683-6374.

Prison Fellowship Angel Tree

Providing Christmas presents for children of inmates

• Cookie Elliot, 263-3326

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

BRIEFS

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

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

Scenic Mountain Medical Center
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263-1211

Penny Phillips Is 40 Years Old Today

SENIOR CITIZENS WHO HAVE witnessed the effects of childhood diseases are needed to staff a new volunteer program that will promote immunizations.

Volunteers 55 and older are sought for the effort, to be known as the Seniors for Childhood Immunization Program. RSVP volunteers will visit new mothers at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and remind them of the importance of the immunizations.

To find out more about the program or to volunteer, call 264-2397.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TODAY

TOPS Club (take off pounds sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian Church, 21st and Goliad.

Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

FIRE/EMS

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

9:38 a.m. — 500 block of Westover, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

10:06 a.m. — 900 block of Highland, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

11:04 a.m. — 700 block E. I 20, trauma call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

11:25 a.m. — 3200 block of Parkway, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

4:25 p.m. — 3200 block of Collins, trauma call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities from noon Saturday to 8 a.m. today:

• **GERALD STEPHENS**, 18, 1001 Birdwell, was arrested on a charge of no insurance.

• **ANNA CUELLAR**, 32, 446A Armstrong, was arrested on a charge of Disorderly conduct-language.

• **MANUEL CUELLAR**, 27, 446A Armstrong, was arrested on a charge of Class C Assault.

• **ADOLFO LOPEZ**, 28, 628 Caylor, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct-language.

• **ANTONIO FLORES**, 20, 304 NE Eight, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended.

• **RONNIE FREEMAN**, 43, 1300 Tucson, was arrested on a charge of Theft.

• **RICHARDO GONZALES**, 52, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• **DAVID FIERRO**, 28, 1210 Mulberry, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

• **JESSE FIERRO**, 30, 1210 Mulberry, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

• **PAUL WHITE**, 51, 311 W. Fourth, was arrested on local warrants.

• **RAYMOND ANGLIN**, 17, 507 W. Fifth, was arrested on a charge of minor in possession of alcohol and evading arrests.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1200 block of E. 11th, the 2300 block of Wasson, in the area of 18th and Gregg, the 200 block of Morrison and the 400 block of Birdwell.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1000 block of Main.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 3100 block of Parkway, the 1800 block of Thorp, the 4200 block of Dixon and the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard.

• **RUNAWAY** was reported in the 1600 block of

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MARKETS

March cotton 67.20 down 14 points; January crude 29.30, down 55points; cash hogs $1 lower at 42 even; slaughter steers $1 higher at 74 even; December lean hog futures 55.90, down 12 points; December live cattle futures 75.52 up 45 points.

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Archer-Daniels	13 +⅜
Atmos Energy	23⅝ +⅛
BP AMOCO	48⅛ -⅛
Chevron Corp	81 15/16 +5/8
Compaq	20.22 +.72
Cornell	3⅞ -1/16
Dell	18⅞ +5/16
Du Pont	42¼ - 1
Exxon Mobil	88⅛ -⅜
Halliburton	38⅜ + 1⅛
IFCO Systems	4 11/16 +3/8
IBM	96½ -½
Intel Corp	35⅝ + 1⅛
NUV	8 7/16 nc
Patterson Ener	29⅛ + 1⅛
Pepsico Inc	47⅜ -1/16
Phillips Petro	53½ -½
SBC Comms	51¼ -7/16
Sears Roebuck	34.39 - .72
Texaco Inc	59 +¼
Texas Instrument	51 7/16 + 1 15/16
TXU	39¼ -3/16
Total Fina	64⅜ - 1 15/16
Unocal Corp	35 15/16 +½
Wal-Mart	53½ -15/16
Wal-Mart/Mexico	23⅞ - 24¼
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Europacific	31.98 + .01
Prime Rate	9.50 %
Gold	269.90-271.90
Silver	4.63-4.68

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DNA evidence clears man of rape conviction

HOUSTON (AP) — For the first Christmas in a decade, Anthony Todd Robinson won't bear the stigma of a crime he didn't commit.

Gov. George W. Bush pardoned the Houston man after DNA evidence showed he was innocent of a 1986 sexual assault on the campus of the University of Houston, for which he served 10 years of a 27-year sentence.

Robinson said his conviction was based entirely on testimony from the victim, a 23-year-old female student.

"Everything that I had lived for, everything that I had done, had been boiled down to: 'We think you're a rapist with no evidence whatsoever other than your skin and someone saying you did this,' " Robinson said in Sunday's editions of the Houston Chronicle.

While in jail, Robinson offered to provide DNA samples, but the state wouldn't carry out the expensive tests, and his family couldn't afford them.

"The country that I had prepared to give my life for had done this to me, had taken away everything I ever thought was worthwhile — my name, my freedom and, to a certain extent, my own self-respect," said Robinson, 39, a former Army officer with a sociology degree.

After his 1996 parole, he saved $1,800 from a series of low-paying jobs for the test that would prove his innocence.

On Nov. 14, Bush issued a pardon based on the test results.

Robinson was a Houston auto parts store manager when he was arrested Jan. 6, 1986 after his girlfriend asked him to pick up her car at the University of Houston and take it to a repair shop.

As he was driving out of the parking lot a University of Houston Police officer stopped him, searched him and arrested him.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2000: You make major changes this year. Adjustments reflect many of the internal changes you have gone through. Trust yourself and create more of what you want. You develop an unusual and ephemeral style of communication that draws others. If you are single, you meet people easily. What pleases you today might not tomorrow. If you are attached, treat your partner with that unusual sensitivity and caring. Your relationship grows. CANCER understands you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
**** Encourage yourself to rethink a project or trip. By a change in plans, you aren't saying you made a mistake; rather, you are tightening up the idea. Create stronger connections with those around you, especially a dear friend. Brainstorm with this person. Ideas spew forth. Tonight: Put on some holiday music.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
***** Sensitivity toward an associate will ultimately make a big difference. You might not always agree, but understand the stress your ways might cause. Lighten up about your work. See how you could add more cheer to a project. A co-worker or boss lets you know that you are the cat's meow. Tonight: Out and about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** Evaluate finances most carefully. A decision you make could change dramatically. Listen to others and their opinions, even if you aren't always comfortable with what comes up. Maintain your sense of humor with a loved one at a distance. Tonight: Your treat.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)***** Your smile wins friends and makes a difference. Listen to your sixth sense with a partner. What this person offers you is for real, in his mind. Your perspective and his are quite different. Understand the good will behind the offer. Stress efficiency at work. Tonight: Go for what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
*** Mull over feelings and ideas until you are sure about what you want to say and do. Though you're generally impulsive right now, hold yourself back. A child or loved one needs your attention. Creativity finds solutions. If single, an encounter could leave you starry-eyed. Tonight: Spice up your love life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** Know that you don't need to answer to anyone. Your time has come to manifest a long-term desire. Someone close to you stirs strong but wonderful feelings. Be decisive with bosses and co-workers. Revamp a plan until it is workable. Others find you strong but intense. Tonight: In the limelight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Take charge. Others might be iffy, but you are clear. Creativity and imagination mix. Your vision might not be 100 percent clear, but you are inspired. Carefully check out a child's or loved one's story. You might need to approach a situation totally differently. Tonight: Work late.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** Make calls. Surf the Net. Find an expert. Do whatever you need to do to get the information you need. Be stern with yourself about a financial matter. Know when enough is enough. A family member gives you testimony as to what he feels. Talk about recent developments. Tonight: Think winter vacation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
***** Build on clear facts. Once you see the big picture, you could reverse direction. Do what you need to do. Honor a strong sense of what is needed. Another touches you on a level that might surprise you. Express your feelings. Drop your defenses. Tonight: One on one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
**** You might not always be sure of yourself and what you need to do. Maintain a sense of humor about your strong feelings. Check out what is going on with you before saying anything or making a decision. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** Your sense of humor makes a big difference at work. Allow others to see the many different ways you look at a problem. Others might be surprised by how one set of facts could be construed in many ways. Tonight: Another clearly cares.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** Take a spin, and allow others to see your imagination and creativity. You make an important professional decision. A change with your work might be appropriate. Sign up for a course or seminar. Your feelings about a romance are right. Tonight: Play the night away.

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Our Views

Doll auction makes little eyes brighter

Tuesday brings an opportunity to purchase some unique gifts and help a charitable cause at the same time — all while having some fun and enjoying a good meal.

It's the annual Salvation Army doll festival auction, scheduled for noon in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum East Room. About 70 dolls will be auctioned.

If you haven't seen any of these dolls, we guarantee you'll be impressed. Each year, individuals and groups volunteer to take one or more dolls and dress them up in various costumes at their own time and expense.

The creativity shown by those dressing the dolls is amazing. There are brides, clowns, Indians, beach combers, hikers, angels — even a set of twins. Many costumes are intricate, with accessories down to the final detail.

Funds raised from the auction go to purchase gifts for needy children at Christmastime.

"We try to see that every child has something special for Christmas," says Salvation Army Maj. Jo Alexander. And you can help in that worthwhile endeavor by participating in the auction.

The luncheon is $6.50. Advance tickets are not necessary.

We hope you will take time to attend Tuesday's auction. It's set during most peoples' lunch hour to make it more convenient.

Come and enjoy the fun and help brighten the eyes and smiles of some of our community's children this Christmas season.

Your Views

To the Editor:

I was raised with the understanding that the social contract provided for certain protections of the individual by the state, and that part of the reciprocal responsibility of citizens was to pay taxes, obey laws and contribute to the protection of the community. I have concluded that the social contract is a myth in Howard County.

Due to a failed pressure gauge on my propane tank, I was unaware that I was running out of propane one Friday afternoon. I ran out of propane and the temperature was in the 20s.

There's no emergency phone number listed for propane. No propane company that had the ability to deliver 500 gallons of propane would answer the phone. And incomprehensibly, the sheriff's office had no emergency phone number for propane delivery.

I asked six life-long residents of Howard County who to call to get emergency propane and none of them knew.

Licensed providers of health and safety related services are provided licenses by the state, in part, on the basis that they provide certain minimal levels of service to the community which include emergency restoration of essential services. I will inquire of the Public Utilities Commission as to why a situation is allowed to exist in Howard County.

Emergency management is broken in Howard County and somebody needs to fix it. But then Howard County can't even run basic emergency medical services without teetering on bankruptcy and open warfare.

I have spoken to Sheriff-elect Walker about my desire to contribute to emergency management preparation and planning in Howard County. He was much more receptive to my suggestions than an administrator with the emergency management director's office.

Jim Harrison
Big Spring

Cheney would rewrite the No. 2 position

By WALTER R. MEARS
Guest Columnist

Dick Cheney could wind up rewriting the job description for being No. 2.

But his vice presidential prospects were left in doubt Friday when the Florida Supreme Court ordered ballot recounts and then on Saturday when the U.S. Supreme Court ordered them halted again.

Depending on what happens, that could undo George W. Bush's certified edge for the electoral votes to win the White House.

Still, Bush is already planning a new Republican administration.

He said Cheney would be an integral part of it. That was evident in the fact that Cheney already is central to the process of planning it.

In this case, the promise of a significant role is more than the standard political nicety. Under the stress of the election challenge, Cheney emerged as a major player in the Bush lineup.

Beyond that, a new Republican vice president would be on call at the Capitol to break ties in the evenly divided Senate.

The vice presidency has evolved from standby equipment, as one former No. 2 described it, to a sort of deputy's position, a day job as adviser and special assignments man for the president.

President Clinton said Al Gore was the most effective and involved vice president in history. A Cheney vice presidency could eclipse that.

In the long-ago musical "Of Thee I Sing," Vice President Alexander Throttlebottom had to take a guided tour to get into the White House.

"I do not propose to be buried until I am really dead," Daniel Webster said when he was suggested for vice president.

When he held the job as Woodrow Wilson's vice president, Thomas Marshall joked of two brothers, one who ran away to sea, the other who became vice president, neither of them ever heard from again.

Those gibes and complaints of insignificance are distant echoes now that vice presidents share the stage with their bosses — carefully, though. Their only powers, except voting to break Senate ties, are reflected and delegated.

Bush has not said exactly what he would ask Cheney to do. But the former defense secretary could be expected to have a major hand in defense and foreign policy matters and in relations with Congress. Cheney served five House terms before heading the Pentagon in 1989, in the administration of Bush's father.

Directing the transition in the uncertainty of the disputed election, Cheney has been the face of the administration-in-waiting more often than the Texas governor. But he acts, his aides say, only on instructions from Bush, the boss.

That is the fact of life as No. 2, and Cheney is said to be observing it strictly. "The secretary literally makes no decision or any sort without conferring with the governor," said Juleanna Glover Weiss, spokeswoman at the transition office in suburban McLean, Va.

While Cheney's has been the higher profile in the four-plus weeks since the election, he scoffs at talk that he is becoming senior partner, never mind the television wisecrack that Bush is only a heartbeat away from the presidency.

That had an extra edge because Cheney suffered a heart attack, minor but still his fourth in 22 years, on Nov. 22. He spent two days in the hospital, took Thanksgiving weekend off, and was back at transition work the next week.

While Clinton always praised Gore's work and impact, the vice president always appeared a step or two behind Clinton until he began campaigning for the White House himself.

"I think Gore was more influential than any other vice president," said Joel Goldstein of St. Louis University, an expert on the office. "It seems to me by all signs that Cheney is destined to be the most important vice president in history."

But Goldstein, author of "The Modern Vice Presidency," said Cheney cannot call the shots and will try to dispel any impression that he does.

Once a president has been inaugurated and the uncertainty is gone, Goldstein said, the power of the office will take care of that.

"Vice president-to-be Cheney's doing exactly what I've asked him to do," Bush said in a CBS interview when he was asked who is in charge. "When he speaks, he's speaking on my behalf."

The vice president's position has been transformed over the five decades since Harry S. Truman succeeded to the presidency unaware that the United States was developing the atomic bombs he later ordered dropped on Japan.

Walter F. Mondale was a key player, but not the head man, in Jimmy Carter's transition to office after the 1976 election. Gore played a similar role for Clinton.

Bush's father was a low-profile vice president; Ronald Reagan put him in charge of regulatory reform and federal crisis management and sent him on more than 20 missions abroad. Bush joked that going to funerals was a standing assignment.

Perhaps not for a new Republican vice president. The only constitutional duty of the vice president beyond the primary one, succeeding to office should it come to that, is to serve as president of the Senate and vote in case of ties.

Vice President Gore used to say that "every time I vote, we win." But ties were infrequent. That might may not be the case for a Republican vice president in 2001. Should the GOP claim on the White House stand up, the Senate would be split, 50-50.

Walter R. Mears has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 35 years.

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"DAN, IN A NEW DEVELOPMENT, VICE PRESIDENT GORE ANNOUNCED TODAY HE'S GOING TO HOLD HIS BREATH UNTIL THE ELECTION IS OVERTURNED."

Bipartisan efforts frankly are unlikely

Jack Anderson

The election is not yet over, so the Washington political maneuvering is heating up in some strange ways. The prospect of a Bush presidency together with a Republican-led Congress offers both peril and opportunity for the Grand Old Party. George W. Bush campaigned as a "compassionate conservative," dedicated to restoring the GOP's centrist credentials and rescuing it from the grip of the far right. Yet in the party's congressional leadership elections, conservative activists with roots in the Gingrich Revolution were re-elected, while bids from more moderate members in the Senate were turned back.

"I've been waiting all my life to have a Republican president and a Republican Congress," exulted Texas Sen. Phil Gramm. Never mind that the feisty Gramm was first elected to Congress as a Democrat. With control of both branches of government, however shaky, he and other conservative stalwarts believe that cherished Republican goals can be accomplished.

The first casualty could be the costly clean-up of New York's Hudson River, proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency. Lobbyists in Washington hail the Republican restoration as likely to bring relief from governmental regulation.

All that sunny talk about bipartisanship falls on deaf ears among House conservatives. Majority Whip Tom DeLay doesn't think the presidential election was a tie. He says the Republicans established themselves as the majority party, and he'll act on that mandate. Known as "The Hammer," DeLay doesn't seem chastened by the closeness of the election. "We'll write conservative bills and ask the Democrats to participate," he said.

With friends like these, Bush could have a tough time delivering on his promise to be "a uniter, not a divider." Bush's best course might be to marginalize DeLay and cultivate moderates.

Democrats John Breaux and Charles Stenholm are not household names, but they would be in a Bush administration. Centrist Democrats, they hold the keys to victory for Bush in terms of reaching out and building coalitions.

Louisiana Sen. Breaux is famous for once saying, "I can't be bought, but I can be rented."

Texas Rep. Stenholm was one of a handful of Democrats who voted to impeach President Clinton. The two lawmakers together could be a bridge to Democrats in a Bush administration.

Conversely, if Vice President Gore were to win, they could serve as his emissaries to the Republican opposition.

Traditionally, the Senate acts as a brake on the more impulsive House. If Bush wins, the Senate will be divided exactly in half, with 50 Republicans and 50 Democrats, and gridlock is likely.

The Republicans, angling for some slight advantage, have speculated that Breaux could join a Bush administration as Energy Secretary. Underlying this bipartisan generosity is the knowledge that Louisiana's Republican governor would appoint a Republican to replace Breaux and give the GOP a 51-seat edge.

In an election this closely contested, a coalition government sounds appealing. But Republicans who have been frozen out of the White House for eight years will find it hard to share power with Democrats.

And Democrats will be reluctant to take appointments in a Bush administration.

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Mallard Fillmore by Bruce Tinsley

IN BRIEF

Buffaloes will face Celina in Abilene

The Stanton Buffaloes will take on Celina's Bobcats in a Class 2A, Division II semifinal playoff game at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

Stanton will bring a 12-2 record into the game following its 31-13 win over Albany, while Celina boasts a perfect 14-0 record after its 31-14 defeat of Whitewright.

It will be the second semifinals showdown between the two schools in the last three years. The Bobcats took a 9-0 win in 1998 on its way to the first of two straight state championships.

Coahoma teams play in third-place games

Coahoma's Bulldogs and Bulldogettes played in third-place games at basketball tournaments on Saturday with mixed results.

The Bulldogettes took third place at the Abilene Wylie Catclaw Classic with a 68-38 win over Stamford.

Karen Sterling paced the Bulldogettes with 13 points and earned all-tournament honors. Kortney Kemper added 12 more for Coahoma.

The Bulldogs, on the other hand, suffered a 70-54 loss to Kermit in the Hooptown Classic tournament at Midland Christian despite a 13-point performance by Chase Davis.

Quarterback club schedules banquet

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will hold its annual football banquet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 18, in the Big Spring Junior High School Cafeteria.

Tickets are $10 per person. Following the meal, attendees will view a highlight video of the season.

Copies of the video may be ordered at the banquet. Payment must be made at the time of order.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call Darrell or Sheri Nichols at 263-2917 after 5 p.m.

Jackalopes to observe Howard County Night

The Odessa Jackalopes will observe Howard County Night on Friday when they host the El Paso Buzzards at the Ector County Coliseum.

Game time will be 7 p.m.

Proceeds from the "500 to the Ice' promotion will benefit the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

Tickets are priced at $6, $8 and $10 and can be purchased at the United Way office at 808 Scurry.

For more information, call Carrol Jennings at 267-5201.

Sign-ups continuing for YMCA basketball

Registration is now under way for the youth basketball program at the Big Spring Family YMCA.

Boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 12 are eligible to play. Fees are $20 for non-members and $15 for members.

The deadline to register is Friday, Dec. 22.

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

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Steers take second place at Seminole swim meet

HERALD Staff Report

SEMINOLE — Big Spring's Steers were a force to be reckoned with Saturday, piling up 87 points to finish second in the boys' team standings at the Seminole Aqua-Tribe Invitational swimming and diving meet.

"We did pretty well," Steers coach Harlan Smith said after seeing his boys finish behind overwhelming favorite Pecos. "Our times don't look that good, but we were swimming metric distances, not yards. Our guys swam very well."

While Pecos' Eagles easily ran away with the championship, piling up 163 points, the Steers finished 10 points ahead of Carlsbad (N.M.) in the team standings.

The Lady Steers did not fare so well, finishing with just 13 points and a ninth-place finish in a field of 10 teams.

Senior Doug Willberg led the way for the Steers, winning the 100 freestyle with a 58.48-second clocking and adding a second-place finish in the 200 freestyle.

He also teamed with Will Liggett, Josh Pike and Michael Carrasco for a second-place finish in the 400 freestyle relay. In addition, Willberg, Pike and Carrasco joined Mark Sheedy in swimming to a fifth-place finish in the 200 freestyle relay.

The Steers also finished sixth in the 200 medley relay.

Pike, Carrasco, Sheedy and Liggett also earned important points in individual efforts, as well.

Pike finished third in the 200 individual medley, while Sheedy was sixth and Liggett seventh in that event.

Sheedy added a fourth-place finish in the 100 backstroke, while Pike was seventh.

Liggett's best individual finish came in the 100 breaststroke where he was third.

Carrasco added a third-place finish in the 100 butterfly and swam to a fifth-place clocking in the 50 freestyle.

Cody Clark chipped in with a fifth-place finish in the 100 breaststroke and was seventh in the 100 butterfly.

Chris Stokes rounded out the Steers' point production with a sixth-place finish in the 100 backstroke.

Senior Nadia Torres turned in Big Spring's best showing in the girls' division, finishing fourth in the 100 backstroke and sixth in the 200 individual medley.

Heidi Robinson was the only other Lady Steers swimmer to place in individual events, finishing seventh in the 500 freestyle and eighth in the 200 freestyle.

Torres and Robinson teamed with Amanda Chapman and Stefanie Pointon to finish eighth in the 400 freestyle relay, rounding out the Lady Steers' point production.

Dallas KOs reeling 'Skins

IRVING (AP) — The bad blood returned to the Dallas-Washington rivalry, and LaVar Arrington's knockout blow on Troy Aikman was only a small part of the rekindling.

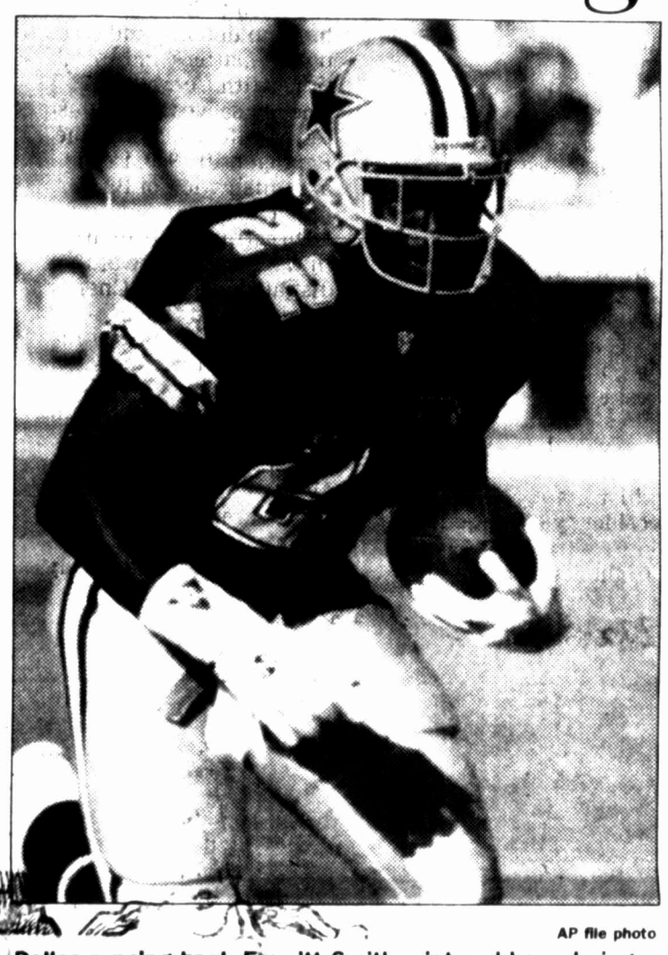
The Cowboys' defense threw down, dragged, punched and even spanked the Redskins in a 32-13 victory Sunday that put the most expensive payroll in NFL history on the brink of playoff elimination.

Arrington, though, had the biggest hit as his violent collision put the Dallas quarterback out of the game with his 10th career concussion and fourth in 20 starts. Aikman is probably done for the season, and possibly for his career.

"We really will be very measured. It just isn't necessary to incur any risk at all," said Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, who must decide by March 8 whether to pay Aikman a $7 million bonus or release him before then and pay nothing. "Those are going to be issues we really dwell on and contemplate with the benefit of a lot of talk with Troy after the season."

Arrington's hit — which was swift, strong and legal — wasn't what brought out the nastiness in the Dallas defense. Their inspiration was to support embattled coordinator Mike Zimmer.

"All week we were planning to come out like we had nothing to lose," said end Ebenezer Ekuban, who had two of the Cowboys' season-high five sacks. "There is no better feeling, though, knocking them out of the playoffs, playing the spoiler."



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Dallas running back Emmitt Smith, pictured here during a 1993 game, became only the third man to rush for more than 15,000 yards in an NFL career Sunday. Smith had 150 yards in leading the Cowboys to a win over the Washington Redskins.

Washington (7-7) changed coaches and quarterbacks last week in hopes of kick-starting a playoff run. A second straight loss leaves little room for error the final two weeks.

"I thought we had an excellent week of work," interim coach Terry Robiskie said. "For some reason, our excellent work this week didn't carry over. We didn't have that pride that we needed."

There were plenty of examples of that.

Dimitrius Underwood stuffed Stephen Davis on a run, drove him back several yards, then threw him down.

Ekuban sacked Jeff George, stood over him, grabbed his jersey with both hands and dragged him several yards.

After stopping friend and former teammate Deion Sanders on a punt return, Dallas' Charlie Williams popped him on the rear. Four times. Hard.

Then, in the fourth quarter with the game all but over, Alonzo Spellman and Washington's Jay Leeuwenburg were ejected for a fight. The Dallas lineman connected on four uppercuts under Leeuwenburg's helmet.

"We get them twice next year," George said. "We'll remember."

The Cowboys, who had lost three straight and five of six, beat the Redskins for a seventh straight time.

That's the longest streak for either team in the 83-game history of the heated rivalry.

Emmitt Smith has been a big reason for Dallas' success against Washington. He had his ninth 100-yard game against the Redskins and the 70th of his career.

But those weren't the biggest numbers he posted. In gaining 150 yards, his most since November 1998, Smith also went over 1,000 for a record-tying 10th straight season and became the third player in NFL history with 15,000 career yards.

"I guess I stepped back into the zone again," he said. "I can't give an answer why tacklers were falling off me, but I just kept running."

Tiger heads into holiday rich, weary

BELLA VISTA, Argentina (AP) — Tiger Woods capped his record-shattering year with yet another title. Now, it's home for the holidays.

The list of Woods' accomplishments in 2000 read like a Hall of Fame career. He wrapped it up Sunday by teaming with David Duval to win the World Cup of Golf.

"This is my eighth tournament in a row, eight weeks in a row, and that's a lot. It's been all around the world and it's taken its toll," Woods said of his season-ending sojourn that included tournaments in the California, Hawaii, Georgia, Spain, Thailand and Argentina. "I'm a little worn out, and I'm looking forward to enjoying Christmas and the holidays."

There shouldn't be much of a problem with Woods buying presents.

He and Duval split $1 million for their three-stroke victory over Argentina in the event that had 24 two-man teams competing in a better-ball and alternate-shot format for 72 holes.

Woods, 24, won nine PGA Tour events, the most since Sam Snead won 11 times in 1950, and earned a record $9,188,321 for his third money title in only his fourth full season on tour.

He also shattered Byron Nelson's scoring average with 68.17, and won the tour's Byron Nelson Award with an adjusted scoring average of 67.79.

Woods became only the fifth player, and the youngest, to complete the career Grand Slam when he won the British Open at St. Andrews. He also joined Ben Hogan as the only players to win three consecutive professional majors with his PGA playoff victory over Bob May.

Asked how he will top one of the biggest years in the history of golf, Woods said he hasn't even had time to think about it yet.

"As far as next year goes, I'm looking forward to hopefully improving and getting better, and hopefully I can put myself in contention to win some tournaments," he said.

Woods and Duval shot a final-round 68 Sunday at the par-72, 6,939-yard Buenos Aires Golf Club course and finished at 34-under 254.

Titans, Raiders, Eagles and Ravens lock playoff spots

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Titans and Raiders are in the playoffs. No surprise there.

The Eagles and Ravens also are in the playoffs. Say what?

Tennessee, Oakland, Philadelphia and Baltimore all had convincing victories Sunday to secure postseason spots.

The Titans routed Cincinnati 35-3. The Raiders ripped the New York Jets 31-7. Philadelphia beat Cleveland 35-24. Baltimore took San Diego 24-3.

Also, it was St. Louis 40, Minnesota 29; Tampa Bay 16, Miami 13; the New York Giants 30, Pittsburgh 10; Denver 31, Seattle 24; New Orleans 31, San Francisco 27; Green Bay 26, Detroit 13; Chicago 24, New England 17; Kansas City 15, Carolina 14; and Jacksonville 44, Arizona 10.

Titans 35, Bengals 3

Steve McNair, took off a sprained knee that sidelined him for most of the week's practices and threw three touchdown passes as the defending AFC champions qualified for the playoffs. Tennessee (11-3) has the inside track to a first-round bye.

Eddie George caught a pair of TD passes and ran for another score as the Titans ended a seven-quarter TD drought.

Eagles 35, Browns 24

Philadelphia improved to 10-5 with a bye upcoming. Donovan McNabb passed for a career-high 390 yards and four touchdowns as Philadelphia clinched a playoff spot for the first time since 1996.

McNabb threw two TD passes to Torrance Small in the first half and added two more to Charles Johnson.

Ravens 24, Chargers 3

For the first time since the Colts in 1977, Baltimore has a playoff team. The Ravens (10-4) won their team-record fifth straight as Trent Dilfer threw two touchdown passes.

Before the game, Art Modell was honored for his 40 years as an NFL owner.

Raiders 31, Jets 7

The Raiders (11-3) earned their first playoff berth since 1993, and first in Oakland since 1980 with a lopsided victory.

Rich Gannon threw for two touchdowns and Eric Allen had a 50-yard return of an interception to open the scoring.

New York had a three-game win streak snapped.

Duke, Michigan State stay No. 1 and No. 2 in AP poll

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Duke, which won its two games last week by a total of 85 points, was No. 1 in The Associated Press' college basketball poll for the third straight week Monday, while three teams made their first appearance in the Top 25 this season.

The Blue Devils (9-0), who beat Davidson 102-60 and Michigan 104-61 in their final games before breaking for exams, received 60 first-place votes and 1,716 points from the national media panel.

Defending national champion Michigan State (7-0) stayed No. 2 after victories over Florida and Loyola, Illinois, and was No. 1 on nine ballots with 1,653 points.

The newcomers to the rankings were Iowa, Mississippi and Georgetown at Nos. 22-24.

Stanford (6-0), which was off last week, moved up one place to No. 3, while Tennessee (8-0) used wins over Memphis and Southern Methodist to jump from sixth to fourth.

Illinois (7-2), the only team in the top six to lose this season, moved from ninth to fifth after rallying from 21 points down to hand Seton Hall its first loss of the season.

Wake Forest (7-0), which beat then-No. 3 Kansas 84-53 Tuesday, had the week's biggest jump, going from 11th to No. 6. The ranking is the highest for the Demon Deacons since they were No. 4 on Feb. 24, 1997, during Tim Duncan's senior season.

Arizona, which lost two spots, was seventh and was followed in the Top Ten by Florida, Seton Hall and Kansas.

Connecticut moved up four spots to lead the Second Ten and was followed by Syracuse, Southern California, Virginia, North Carolina, Wisconsin, Cincinnati, Oklahoma, Alabama and Maryland.

The final five ranked teams were Notre Dame, Iowa, Mississippi, Georgetown and Arkansas.

Notre Dame, which lost at home to Indiana and Miami of Ohio last week, had the biggest drop in falling from 10th to No. 21. The Top Ten ranking was the Fighting Irish's first since the 1985-86 season.

The teams that fell out from last week were Utah, St. John's and Iowa State.

The three newcomers all have 7-0 records.

Iowa was ranked for two weeks early last season after an impressive showing in the Coaches Vs. Cancer Classic.

Mississippi was in the Top 25 the entire 1997-98 season, getting as high as No. 10.

Georgetown was last ranked in 1995-96. The Hoyas were in the Top 25 that whole season, getting as high as No. 4.

Utah (4-4) lost to Utah State and Weber State last week to extend its losing streak to three games and dropped out from 22nd. The los. to Weber State snapped the Utes' 54-game home winning streak, what had been the longest in the nation.

St. John's (4-3) fell from 24th after losing to Fordham in its only game last week, while Iowa (6-1) dropped from No. 25 after the loss to Iowa.

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Do you think he could possibly be a child molester, too? All the signs are there, and I just can't stand the thought of him touching me if he has hurt a child like that. Please help me. I am so afraid. We have been married 12 years. How could I not have seen this before? — TERRIFIED IN THE SOUTH

DEAR TERRIFIED: Please don't blame yourself for not having "seen this before." Child molesters are very clever about hiding their preferences, because they have to be. Your husband is sick — a predator — and if he would post pictures of his own child on the Internet, he wouldn't hesitate to do the same with a grandchild.

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OIL AND GAS DOCKET NO. 08-0226741
IN RE:
CONSERVATION AND PREVENTION OF WASTE OF CRUDE PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS
Austin, Texas
November 21, 2000

NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE APPLICATION OF BETTIS, BOYLE & STOVALL TO CONSIDER UNITIZATION AND SECONDARY RECOVERY AUTHORITY, AN ENTITY FOR DENSITY AUTHORITY AND OTHER MATTERS FOR THE WINTERS-WOLF UNIT SARA-MAG (CANYON REEF) FIELD
HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public and to all interested persons that under the legal authority and jurisdiction of Title 3, Oil and Gas, Subtitles A, B, and C of the Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 26, 27 and 29 of the Texas Water Code, and TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. art. §§ 2001 et seq. (2000), the RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS will hold a hearing on **DECEMBER 21, 2000, at 9:00 a.m.** at the William B. Travis State Office Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas. This hearing will be conducted in conformity with the TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. art. §§ 2001 et seq. (2000). For room assignment, on the date of the hearing please check the bulletin board in the 1st Floor lobby. Persons planning to attend this hearing are urged to contact the applicant (see service list) immediately prior to the hearing date to be sure that the hearing will proceed on the scheduled date.

This hearing will be held to consider the application of Bettis, Boyle & Stovall for unitization and secondary recovery authority for the Winters-Wolf Unit, Sara-Mag (Canyon Reef) Field, Howard County, Texas. Applicant has 100% working interest and at least 68% royalty interest sign-up. Applicant also seeks approval of an entity for density authority, capacity exempt allowable pursuant to 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §3.48, cancellation of the overproduction attributable to the Wolf Lease, Well No. 1, approval of Form H-12 and approval of injection authority pursuant to Forms H-1 and H-1A.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Brian Sullivan, at (512) 327-8111. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Railroad Commission, Office of General Counsel, at (512) 463-6848.

IF A CONTINUATION IS NECESSARY, this hearing will proceed at the William B. Travis State Office Building, Austin, Texas, and, to the extent possible, on subsequent working days. The room number and exact time of the continuation will be announced on the record in this proceeding and recorded with Docket Services, Office of General Counsel, Railroad Commission of Texas.

PURSUANT TO SAID HEARING, the Commission will enter such rules, regulations and orders as in its judgment the evidence presented may justify.

ANY REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT of this hearing must be received no later than five (5) working days prior to the scheduled date shown above. Copies of such request must be forwarded to all parties shown on the service list.

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THIS HEARING REQUIRES NOTICE BY PUBLICATION.
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8 PM :30	NFL Football: Buffalo Bills	Ally McBeal (CC)	in Concert Hearts of	Providence (CC)	Raymond Becker (CC)	NFL Football: Buffalo Bills	Dateline (CC)	Tides	Laberintos de Pasion	Upon a Christmas	WWF Raw	Movie: Tea With	Barrio Boy Extras-What	Movie: Introducing Dorothy			Dangers of the Ice Age	(CC)	Paramedics
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10 PM :30	Colts (CC)	Jerry Springer (CC)		700 Club (CC)	News (:35) Late	Colts (CC)	News (:35) Tonight	(9:55) Movie: A Christmas	P. Impacto Noticiero Univ.	(CC) Music Videos	(:07) Martial Law (CC)	Movie: Desert Hearts	Movie: Plunkett & Ma-	Blaze Battle	News Life in Word		Justice Files	(CC)	Code Blue: Medicine
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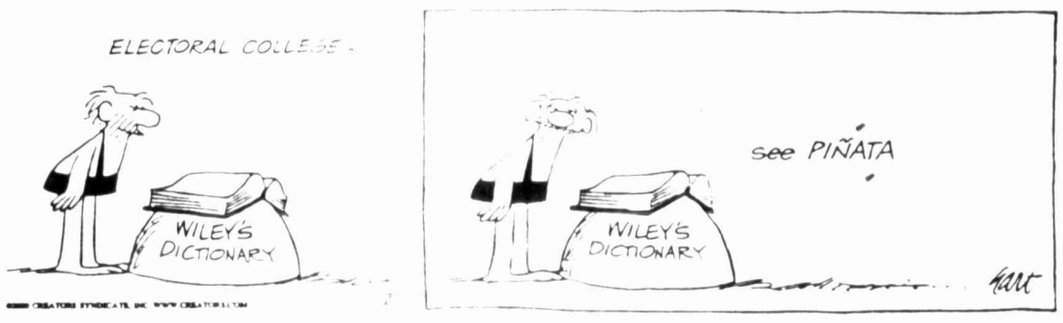

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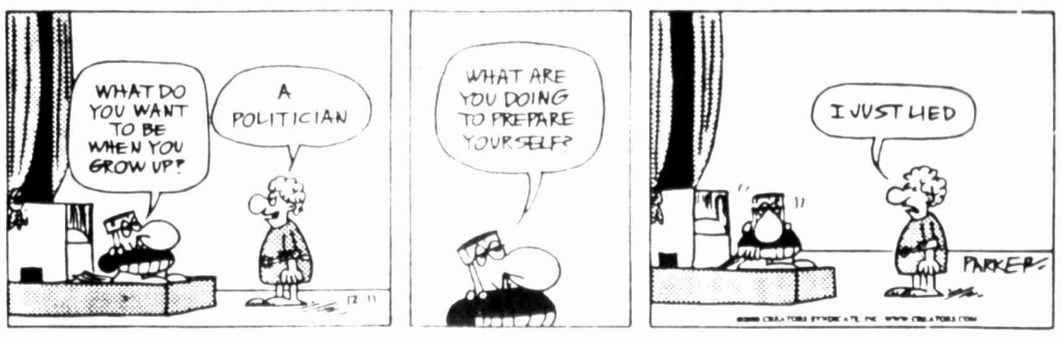

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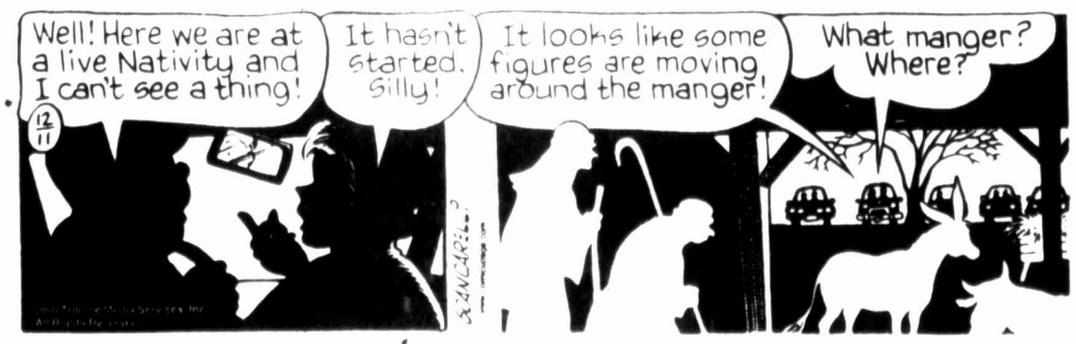

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Monday, Dec. 11, the 346th day of 2000. There are 20 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 11, 1936, Britain's King Edward VIII abdicated the throne in order to marry American divorcee Wallis Warfield Simpson.

On this date:

In 1719, the first recorded sighting of the Aurora Borealis took place in New England.

In 1792, France's King Louis XVI went before the Convention to face charges of treason. (Louis was convicted, and executed the following month.)

In 1816, Indiana became the 19th state.

In 1872, America's first black governor took office as Pinckney Benton Stewart Pinchback became acting governor of Louisiana.

In 1928, police in Buenos Aires, Argentina thwarted an attempt on the life of U.S. President-elect Herbert Hoover.

In 1937, Italy withdrew from the League of Nations.

In 1941, Germany and Italy declared war on the United States, which responded in kind.

In 1946, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) was established.

In 1961, a U.S. aircraft carrier carrying Army helicopters arrived in Saigon — the first direct American military support for South Vietnam's battle against communist guerrillas.

In 1980, President Jimmy Carter signed into law legislation creating a $1.6 billion environmental "superfund" to pay for cleaning up chemical spills and toxic waste dumps.

Ten years ago: Hundreds of foreigners flew out of Iraq and Iraqi-occupied Kuwait, ending four months of captivity following Iraq's invasion of its oil-rich neighbor. Ivana Trump was divorced from real estate mogul Donald Trump after 12 years of marriage.

Today's Birthdays: Nobel Prize-winning author Alexander Solzhenitsyn is 82. Actor Jean-Louis Trintignant is 70. Actress Rita Moreno is 69. Actor Ron Carey is 65. California state Sen. Tom Hayden is 61. Pop singer David Gates (Bread) is 60. Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., is 59. Actress Donna Mills is 57. Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., is 57. Singer Brenda Lee is 56. Actress Lynda Day George is 54.

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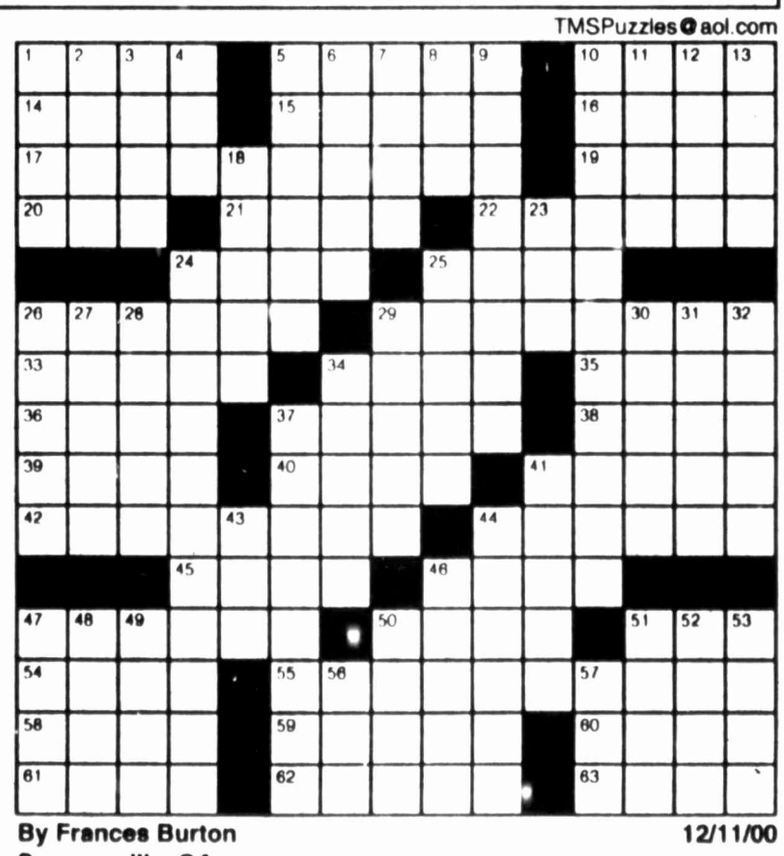

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1 Belfry tenants?
5 Obstructs
10 Autumn
14 NYC theatrical award
15 Metal bolt
16 Neighborhood
17 Comden/Green musical
19 Dye
20 __ Anne des Monts, Que.
21 Streamlined swimmer
22 Discuss again
24 Gibson and Ferrer
25 Last of the Stuarts
26 Accolades
29 Frozen dessert
33 Speak spectacularly
34 Goofs up
35 Morose
36 Sumptuous
37 Fall as ice
38 Extreme anger
39 Peeved
40 Some containers
41 Sacred song sung a capella
42 Sap of energy
44 Cringes
45 Clinton's veep
46 Cut, like lumber
47 Runner-up
50 Vague amount
51 Ostrich kin
54 Margarine
55 Joel Chandler Harris character
58 Flippers
59 Exemplar of slowness
60 Milano moolah
61 London gallery
62 Watches over
63 Irritates

DOWN
1 Feathery scarves
2 Adjoin
3 Pitchfork element
4 Gel
5 Angler's baskets
6 Cities in Peru and Ohio
7 Track shape
8 Ritzy rock
9 Superlatively strict
10 Chesterton's sleuth
11 Opera highlight
12 Camera element
13 Plaster support
18 Val d'__, France
23 Business letter abbr.
24 Ravel ballet
25 Plots of land
26 Mustang, e.g.
27 Hunter in the sky
28 Mother-of-pearl
29 Goddess of peace
30 Delight
31 Boring tool
32 Track contests
34 Select few
37 One of Hoagy Carmichael's best
41 Lawn leveler
43 Harry __ Zell
44 Bactrian and dromedary
46 Unbroken
47 Gentle
48 Author/director Kazan
49 Penny
50 Peruse
51 Bahrain leader
52 Gloom
53 Manipulates
56 Compass pt.
57 Lilly or Wallach

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Sunday's Puzzle

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