

THURSDAY

October 18, 2001

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT TOMORROW
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St. Joseph fall festival set Saturday

St. Joseph Catholic Church is set to hold its fall festival Saturday with games, food and entertainment planned.

The one-day event begins with a Mexican dinner of "guiso" or stew meat, rice, beans, a drink and salad that runs from noon to 7 p.m. At that time, activity booths open and run until 11 p.m.

The dinner plate will cost \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

Tickets on sale for Hangar 25 Pig Ball event

Tickets are available for the Hangar 25 Air Museum annual Pig Ball fund-raiser set for Saturday night near the air museum.

Seats are priced at \$25, \$50 and \$100.

For more information contact Hangar 25 at 264-1999.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. at the RSVP offices, 501 Rannels.

□ American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call 263-2084.

□ Rackley-Swords chapter 379 Vietnam Vets of America meets at 7 p.m. at 124 Jonesboro Road.

□ Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY
□ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at The Brandin' Iron Inn.

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

SATURDAY
□ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
□ The Potton House, 200 Greg, is open from 1 to 5 p.m.

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Recall petition certified to contain plenty of signatures

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

A petition submitted by the Concerned Citizens of Big Spring to recall Mayor Russ McEwen has been verified and has at least



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enough signatures to force an election on the issue.

City Secretary Tom Ferguson said his office verified the petition Wednesday.

"We didn't count the entire list, we just counted enough to verify that there are at least a sufficient number, at least 443 signatures," he said.

The 443 required signatures is 35 percent of the people that voted in the last mayoral election, Ferguson

said. JoAnn Staulcup, spokesperson for the Concerned Citizens, said they turned in more than 1,000 signatures, 971 verified by the group as being from registered voters.

Members the group received the blank petitions from Ferguson after submitting affidavits requesting them Sept. 28.

According to the affidavits, the citizens believe McEwen should be removed

from office because of his "insensitive refusal to recognize or consider the citizens' adamant opposition to the \$60,000 per year (salary and benefits) position of airport manager."

The budget item creating the manager's position for McMahon-Wrinkle Airport was approved along with the rest of the city's FY 2001-2002 budget in a 4-3 vote Sept. 18.

Ferguson said the petitions would be presented to

the city council at their regular meeting Tuesday evening. After the petitions are presented, McEwen will have five days to resign from office. If he doesn't resign, the council must schedule a recall election to occur within no less than 10 days and no more than 20 days, according to the city charter.

"The five days starts from the time we present it to the

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Not too old for bumper cars

HC students get unique presentation

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Herald Correspondent

Students at Howard College Wednesday learned serious consequences of drinking and driving with a special program, "Bumper Car Challenge" presented by Entertainment Solutions of Dallas.

"We wanted to present something worthwhile and educational as well as informative as part of our alcohol awareness program. This activity was ideal for our students," said Linda Berry, Howard College director of student activities.

Set up in front of the Student Union Building, Bumper Car Challenge featured equipment that allowed students to mimic physical responses of an intoxicated person. Equipment consisted of a small go-cart padded with inflatable sides, computer-enhancing equipment and software, and plastic goggles.

Students took turns wearing a pair of plastic goggles that altered vision such that an individual's sight mimicked intoxicated sight. After attempting the



Courtesy photo

Howard College student Kelli Kemper prepares to drive the Bumper Bandit wearing the special Fatal Vision goggles while D.J. Furlotte of Entertainment Solutions assists.

common field sobriety tests for drunkenness such as walking a straight line, a student was allowed to drive a figure eight in a special miniature vehicle, called a Bumper Bandit.

"This was lots of fun for the students, and it allowed them to see just how dangerous driving while drinking really is, as well as some of the consequences they face. We want them making informed, educated choices about their lives," Berry said.

A special computer program, Fatal Reflections, measured a student's attempt at a figure eight and then compiled a Crash Consequences data sheet, complete with a photograph of facial injuries.

Brandi Coleman of Entertainment Solutions said the program's information is provided by Mother's Against Drunk Drivers. The computer software that generates the Crash Consequences report has six different scenarios

that involve a drunk driver as well as passengers and innocent pedestrians.

"We are doing this presentation for at least 10 colleges this season," Coleman said.

Each student was paced through the "walk the line" test without the goggles first. Then a student attempted to walk the same line while wearing the goggles. If a student missed a step on the line a squealing

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St. Joseph fall festival set for Saturday

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

COAHOMA — St. Joseph Catholic Church is set to hold its fall festival Saturday with a performance by the Sacred Heart Dancers as one of the highlights of the event.

"We will have bingo, an auction, face painting, ring toss, cake walk, food booths with roasted corn and

turkey legs," said Carmen Brooks of the church.

The one-day event begins with a Mexican dinner of "guiso" or stew meat, rice, beans, a drink and salad that will be served from noon to 7 p.m. At that time, activity booths open and run until 11 p.m.

The dinner plate will cost \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

Musical entertainment

will be provided by a disc jockey, Brooks said, and the Sacred Heart Dancers will take the stage at 8 p.m. to perform traditional Mexican dances.

The dance troupe, under the direction of Mary Paredez, consists of about 15 children 13 years old and younger. They perform the dances "La Radpa," "Chapanecas," "Jarabe Tapatio" (or the Mexican

Hat dance) and "Put Your Little Foot," Paredez said.

Money raised from the festival will help to maintain the parish grounds and building.

"We hold the festival to raise money to pay for the upkeep of the church," Brooks said.

Activities will be held both indoors and out on the Parish grounds, located at north Fifth St. in Coahoma.

Kennel club preparing for photo fundraiser

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

Make sure the hair is styled, teeth are gleaming white and paws are polished because is about that time for the Big Spring Kennel Club Pet Photo fundraiser.

Professional photographer Rusty Wells, a member of the Big Spring Kennel Club, will be taking studio photos of dogs at the Big Spring Mall on Nov. 10 and 11 to raise funds for the club.

Last year's event drew from 150 to 200 dogs and their owners through the snow for a glamour shot of the pet.

"In the first day I went through 13 rolls of film that had about 24 exposures," said Rusty Wells. "Even in the snow everyone came out."

Even with a large turn out, photo sessions lasted about 15 minutes, he said, with many pets and their owners finishing the shot in about five minutes.

The secret to a good shot

is patience, ability to work with the animal and being ready when that perfect moment presents itself, he said.

Rusty Wells stands ready with his camera while his mother, Trellis Lucas and his wife, Treasa, both Kennel Club members, work with the dogs to pose for that perfect position.

The event is set for Saturday, Nov. 10 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 11 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The price of the photos are \$9.95 for a 5 by 7, \$14.85 for a 8 by 10 and \$14.95 for 10 4 by 6 Christmas card size photographs, Treasa Wells said.

The photographs will be mailed to customers in about two to three weeks, Rusty Wells said.

Bring even those "unique" dogs for a beauty shot.

"There really is not an ugly dog," Rusty Wells said. "The pictures of them turn out more unique than ugly."

All animals need to be on

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Raid

Authorities search Baluch home, office

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

A prominent Big Spring physician's home and office were raided Tuesday by a task force comprising agents of the Texas Attorney General's Office, the Texas Rangers, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The agents served federal search warrants and searched the Covenant Malone-Hogan Clinic office and the residence of Dr. A.L. Baluch Tuesday afternoon.

In addition to the Midland residence, Baluch, 54, also maintains a Big Spring residence on Coronado Avenue.

"We searched his office space there in Big Spring and his residence here (in Midland)," Supervisor Bill Vanderland of the FBI said, adding that he couldn't reveal many details of the investigation, including what was found in the search.

"I can't disclose that at this time," he said. "All the federal warrants have been sealed."

Baluch told a reporter Wednesday that pornography was the target of the search.

"They were looking for some pornography," he said. "This is just a hassle. They're just bothering me too much. They were here four hours. They found nothing."

Vanderland said Baluch has not yet been arrested. "He is not currently in

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

This marmalade cat puts on the charm as professional photographer Rusty Wells attempts to get that perfect shot. Wells will be taking studio photos of dogs for the Big Spring Kennel Club fund-raiser set for Nov. 10 and 11.

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Court to hear Cornyn's congressional redistricting argument

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Attorney General John Cornyn wants his congressional redistricting map to be the one used as a starting point in a federal trial about to get under way.

So his attorneys were headed to the Texas Supreme Court to make their case today.

Cornyn, a Republican, wants the high court to dump a state district judge's redistricting plan and substitute his as the "state" map because he is the state's lawyer.

He contends Judge Paul

Davis of Austin should have worked from his congressional map or ruled it illegal before continuing with another plan in a state court trial.

The Democratic judge's redistricting decision Oct. 10 angered Republicans, who preferred an earlier redistricting map Davis proposed. But Democrats, including Texas House Speaker Pete Laney, didn't like that first plan and submitted amendments to it before the final ruling.

In his final plan, Davis put back together a Central

Texas district he had first split, restoring all of Fort Hood near Killeen to one district. He also granted the request of Texas House Speaker Pete Laney, a Democrat, by restoring the districts of several Democratic congressmen.

"Our appeal is simply to try to eradicate this invalid plan, which was drawn without due process," said Mark Heckmann, Cornyn's spokesman. He called the judge's change of mind a "stunning reversal."

State Rep. Delwin Jones, a Lubbock Republican but a

Laney loyalist and a veteran of redistricting battles, called Cornyn's argument that his plan should be the state plan a "wild, far-out thing."

"I have confidence in the Supreme Court that they're going to reject that idea," Jones said.

The high court must decide quickly. The federal trial is scheduled to begin Monday in Austin.

The Texas Legislature is supposed to redraw congressional district boundaries every 10 years. But it didn't get the job done this year, so

the matter went directly to the courts — first state, then federal.

Republicans and Democrats are fighting intensely over control of the U.S. House, which is held by the GOP.

In the Texas delegation, Democrats have a 17-13 advantage. The state is getting two additional seats because of population growth.

On Wednesday, a lawyer for Republican officials argued before the Texas Supreme Court that three GOP members of the

Legislative Redistricting Board, including Cornyn, should not have to undergo legal depositions relating to how they came up with their legislative plan.

They are protected by legislative immunity, said attorney Andy Taylor.

But in the congressional case, Taylor said, it is proper to raise questions about how the state trial judge reached his decision.

"The judicial branch of government doesn't have the luxury of rendering a judgment that's unsupported by the evidence," he said.

Lottery Commission quietly lifts its ban on campaign contributions

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Lottery Commission has eliminated a rule prohibiting its main contractor and its lobbyists from making campaign contributions to state politicians.

The ban was quietly lifted in the new nine-year contract signed last week by Gtech Corp., the lottery games operator.

The rule had been in Gtech's contracts since it began doing business with the state a decade ago.

Linda Cloud, executive director of the lottery, made no mention of the change when she invited reporters to lottery offices for the contract signing.

Terms of the contract, expected to be worth at least \$75 million a year to Gtech, were negotiated privately.

Lottery spokesman Keith Elkins said the agency had thought about removing the provision for some time because of concerns raised by lottery contractors. He also said it was difficult to enforce.

"We have had concerns or complaints from prospective vendors, who said this language is way too broad and it affects their ability to do business with other people," Elkins said.

Former state Comptroller John Sharp, who oversaw the games during their first two years, told the Dallas Morning News in its Thursday editions that the change was not good.

"This is just an invitation to scandal," Sharp said. He had demanded that language be included when his office negotiated the first contract with Gtech in 1992.

Oversight of the games was later transferred from the comptroller's office to the three-member Texas Lottery Commission.

Gtech's existing contract prohibits the company, its officers, directors, agents, and lobbyists from knowingly making "a gift, loan or political contribution, either directly or indirectly, to any Texas state officer or a member of the Texas state Legislature."

A violation could result in the immediate termination of the contract or a \$25,000 penalty.

Sharp said he imposed the ban to prevent the politicizing of the lottery and to ensure the integrity of the games.

"If you don't do that, you turn the lottery from a cash cow for taxpayers to a cash cow for politicians," he said.

National Guard unit says hello to active duty, goodbye to families

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Lt. Josh Gohman, an engineering student, became a full-time soldier this month. He's leaving his family for up to a year, but the only date on his mind is Dec. 4 — the day his little boy Bradley turns 3 and won't have Dad there for the party.

Before Sgt. Nathan Degrood kissed his wife Catherine and three children goodbye, he had to tie up some loose ends. Catherine's name was added to the family bank account so she could pay the bills and he bought a digital camcorder "so I don't miss anything."

October has been busy for each man and woman in the 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment of the Texas National Guard, and their families.

The San Antonio-based battalion was deployed under command of the new Office of Homeland Security. Some of its soldiers went to Pine Bluff, Ark., where 12 percent of the nation's chemical weapons stockpile is kept, while others were sent to Denver.

Few in the 1st Battalion are full-time military, so the news of the activation set off a stressful scramble to

put their affairs in order and get used to the idea that they won't be coming home from work every night.

"It's been very tough," said Gohman, an engineering student at the University of Texas at San Antonio. "The only thing keeping me going is that I'm not thinking about it."

Pfc. Albert Melgarejo is 19 and single, so his preparations were relatively easy. The biggest task was moving out of the college dorm he had just moved into a few weeks ago.

"School is still a part of my life," said Melgarejo, a first-year student at Trinity University. "This is just more of a priority."

On top of their military preparations, they had to tell their bosses that they would be gone. Various financial arrangements had to be made. They had to make sure family members had military identity cards for health care and other services. Some rushed to put their belongings into storage, disconnect utilities, store vehicles, board pets.

And then there were the single parents who had to make provisions for their children's care.

"Those are the ones that tend to pull at your heart a little harder," said Sgt. 1st

Class Lisa Long, part of the Texas Guard's family readiness program. "It's extremely difficult for those parents and for a child being put into a new environment — a new place to live, new school, new friends, everything."

It's always hard for active-duty military families when their soldier ships out, Long says, but it's more so for National Guard families.

Many in the Guard are former active-duty soldiers, while others join for the excitement and to pick up some extra cash and benefits — free college tuition, insurance, low-interest housing loans and more.

"In the active-duty Army, you're more prepared — it's always in the back of your mind that you may deploy," she said. "In the Guard, you have a civilian job that you go to every day, you live in the same house 10, 15, 20 years. ... You don't think it's a reality that this could happen."

Reality changed for Genie Colman with news that her husband's unit was being activated.

She's dropping her business courses this semester at Northwest Vista College because she has missed so many classes while plowing through military paper-

work. She also has had to rearrange her waitressing schedule, since husband Josh won't be around on weekends to watch Bradley.

"I'm having the problems of being a single parent, filling the void of the other parent," she said. "Daddy's not there to read to him or play Power Rangers with him. ... He's been asking where his daddy is. My voice reading 'The Three Little Bears' is just not the same."

It's a relief to know that her husband's duty will be close to home, Genie Gohman says, but that doesn't change her daily workload.

"Gone is gone," she said. Sgt. Gilbert Gutierrez tried several times to tell his 2-year-old son Alex that he'll be gone to work for a long time. Alex didn't really understand, he said, but his response was clear and consistent: "No!"

But Gutierrez did leave for Denver, and now wife Maria is alone at home to handle the chores they had shared. It's not the first time — last year her husband was sent to Bosnia for several months.

"It's harder now because (Alex) is a bit older, and he looks for his dad and can't find him," Maria Gutierrez said.

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EDITORIAL

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

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OTHER VIEWS

Farm bill will create new waste

The trumped-up, pumped-up farm bill approved by the U.S. House of Representatives not only would extend all the bad crop subsidies now in existence, but add new ones that are even worse and revive old ones that Congress previously killed as wasteful and counterproductive.

Moreover, it did so even though there is no need to act now. Current farm programs have another year to run, but members of Congress who are in thrall to the powerful farm lobby saw an opportunity in the current spirit of bipartisanship in Congress and hope to use it to not only renew the subsidies for another 10 years, but to expand their scope without reforming any of the abuses inherent in the system.

In brief, the House intends to have the government continue to pay out billions in taxpayer funds on programs that pay out far more to fat-cat operations — including 20 Fortune 500 companies, TV tycoon Ted Turner, the King Ranch and some of the richest members of Congress itself — than to the oft-lamented family farmer that political spinmeisters always point to when justifying agricultural subsidies.

The House approved this monument to corporate welfare over the opposition of the Bush administration, which issued a report showing that federal efforts to prop up farm prices have had devastating consequences. They have driven up commodity prices, making U.S. grains less competitive on world markets. They have rewarded overproduction, causing market gluts and squeezing smaller farmers with their thin profit margins. They have driven up land values and rents, forcing a massive transfer of wealth from working farmers to passive landholders.

The administration wants to shift emphasis to conservation and actual help for the small farmer. It will now have to try to convince the Senate, which is scheduled to begin work on its own version of a farm bill next month, of the merits of that approach.

Fortunately, the Senate, with its razor-thin partisan division, provides far more fertile ground for the administration's ideas to take root. Any farm bill must emerge from the Senate Agriculture Committee, where the ranking Republican member is Richard Lugar of Indiana, a senator who may be from a key farm state, but who puts the nation's best interests above parochial concerns. The committee chairman, Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, has a similar statesmanlike outlook.

Lugar's position is that Congress must address national security issues before it authorizes a huge new farm program, and he further notes that funds which might have been available for agriculture subsidies before the Sept. 11 terrorist atrocities on United States soil are now likely to be needed elsewhere.

Lugar also dismissed as "ridiculous" the argument that was set forth in the House contending that passage of a new farm bill is needed to assure food security for Americans.

"We are producing so much, it is coming up around our ears," he said. "We need to export a substantial amount of it just to be profitable."

In its effort to persuade the House to reconsider its reckless rush to approve its \$170 billion farm package, the Bush administration stopped short of threatening a veto. If Lugar and like thinkers in the Senate run into problems in their efforts to slow the farm lobby's juggernaut, it may have to do just that. This outrageous mess must not be allowed to become law in its present form.

THE ADVOCATE
VICTORIA

Wishing I could put time in a bottle

The bottle tree is growing fast in the back yard. It gets bluer each day with the help of old Milk of Magnesia and new vodka bottles, cobalt vessels that slip on the limbs head-first and shimmer in the fall sunshine.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

The blue is appropriate, given my mood and the mood of the country, embarked on a war with a cumbersome public-relations name against an enemy with no face.

I started the bottle tree shortly before I left for an August trip to Alaska. It was born in a rare mood of optimism, a belief I'd live in this spot a long time, enjoying the bottle tree and the other whimsical touches that mark this bit of workaday Mississippi as mine.

Now, as I add each bottle, I'm torn between deploring

the frivolity of such an enterprise and the need for a routine, any routine. A bottle a day keeps the terrorists away.

The reaction among friends and relatives to this oh-so personal war is diverse, amazing. Some are buying gas masks, others airplane tickets to Paris. Some cling to home, others go about their business. Flags wave from pickup trucks and mailboxes. I even saw a flag painted on a grocery-store pumpkin.

And I, clueless as the rest, empty bottles and decorate a dead tree. I find myself trying to enjoy the small things more, the daily details you'd miss if suddenly life changed forever. I savor the walk to the mailbox, the contrails in the sky above, the red leaf fluttering down to the walkway. I try to concentrate as I feed the cats beneath their fine canvas market umbrella. I stop and pet the dog an extra time or two as I pour his rations into the rain-shielded bowl beneath my old pickup truck.

I marvel at the pink of the sedum, the red still burning in summer's geraniums.

How I would miss all of these things if suddenly they were taken away.

On the night of a recent full moon I camped out on a Pickwick Lake gravel bar, watching as the pines and sycamores were lit from behind. The moonlight made a mockery of my dying campfire, and made shadows on the ground. There were no lights on the lake but my own and the moon's, and the nearby owls screamed back and forth in a war all their own. It was all so comforting that I wanted the moment, or at least October, to last forever.

And yet there was a codicil to contentment, a thorn to this rose. Somewhere, under the same plump moon, boys and girls too young to die were prepared to do just that to preserve my peace.

And stalwart New Yorkers were digging up the dead in a morbid march of days that hasn't stopped or even slowed since the explosions heard 'round the world.

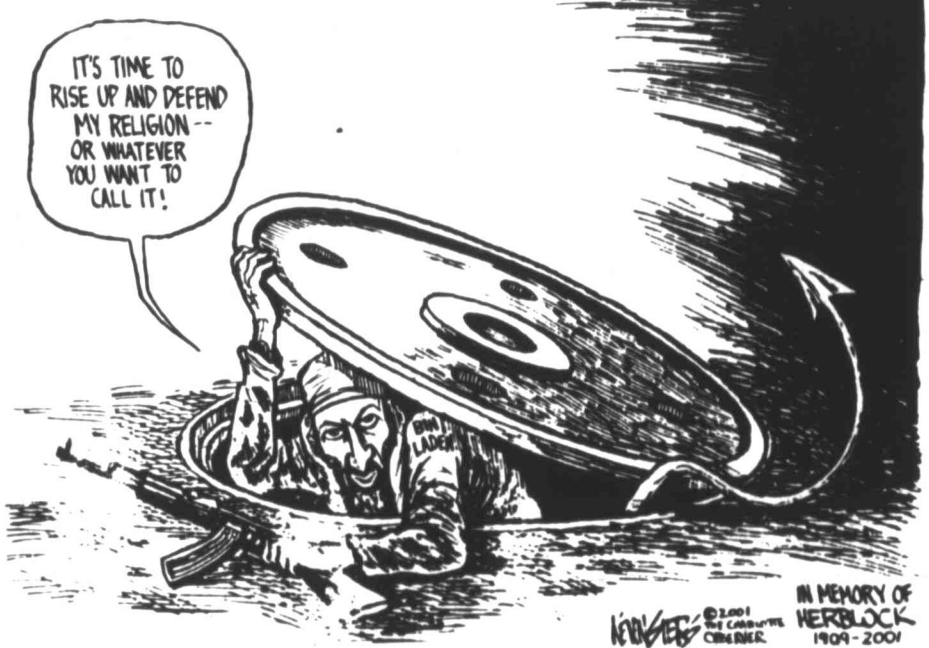
It seemed wrong to be in such a wonderful place, doing nothing, snug in my sleeping bag and familiar

world. At the same time it seemed incumbent upon me to enjoy to the utmost the little pleasures we take for granted. I try.

More than ever, I treasure the tranquility of this place that feels like home. I want it to stay exactly the same, and fear that's an unreasonable, selfish wish. I am loath to watch the small TV screen tucked on a shelf in the back room and hear the noise elsewhere — the bombs in Afghanistan, the riots in Gaza, the burning effigies in Pakistan, the dreadful groan of cranes in New York City. But I sometimes do.

For this fall is like no other in my privileged life. This fall is history writ in the sky, by airplanes of death and missiles on a mission and a full moon. I was born under the Eisenhower stars in a land of plenty at peace; knew no real domestic threat my whole life. That has changed.

And suddenly, as quickly as a person dies, the precious threads in the fabric called life seem prone to unravel and rip. If I could put time in a bottle, I would.



At the risk of offending morons

Was there an alternative to declaring a war on terrorism? Certainly there was. It's called peace and reconciliation. It's what pacifists advocate.



CHARLEY REESE

Some of the TV talkers have suggested that pacifists are traitors. Those who make such suggestions are simply revealing themselves to be morons. Traitors give aid and comfort to the enemy (a la Jane Fonda in the Vietnam War). Pacifists simply believe that war is not a good means of pursuing national political objectives.

Suppose, for example, that President Bush had decided: "Well, let's see what this guy bin Laden is so out of joint about. OK, he wants us out of Saudi Arabia. Thinks that's sacrilegious. He wants us to be fair in settling the Israeli-Palestinian dispute. He objects to the hardships we've subjected the Iraqi people to."

"OK, Mr. bin Laden, we'll pull out of Saudi Arabia. Lots of Americans don't think we have any business keeping 20,000 troops there watching out for their borders when we can't watch our own. So we agree. Saudi Arabia can defend itself without our help, which, it seems, is offen-

sive.

"As for the Palestinians, I admit we have been biased and unfair, and I promise we will do better at being an objective mediator. I agree, too, that we have caused unnecessary hardships on the Iraqi people, and so we will lift the embargo and provide economic aid to help repair the material damage, realizing, of course, we cannot restore the human lives lost. Now, Mr. bin Laden, it's your turn. You can either call off your jihad or admit to the world that you've been lying — that you really don't give a hoot about Palestinians, Iraqis or Islam, but are just using them as an excuse for your own personal vendetta. What's it gonna be, hoss?"

You might be saying to yourself: "Hold on there, Reese. What about the 5,000 Americans that SOB killed in New York?"

Well, we will just have to forgive him and ask the Palestinians and Iraqis to forgive us. It wouldn't hurt to actually apply Christianity at least once in the 2,000 years it's been around. I know that's a novel notion.

"Forgive, hell. They killed a bunch of us, and now we've got to kill a bunch of them."

Well, I can certainly sympathize with that point of view. That's usually the way I react, but it seems to me that in this particular case, killing them isn't going to accomplish anything. It won't bring back any of our dead. And it

won't end terrorism.

In a regular war, one nation against another, you can actually destroy the enemy's government and replace it with another. But this is a war against loose-knit organizations and individuals. Even if we kill bin Laden and everybody associated with him, we won't have killed the organization. Other individuals will just replace them. More importantly, we will not have addressed any of the issues that caused the dispute in the first place.

I fear President Bush, bless his heart, is talking himself and us into a 100 Years' War, and I don't fancy the idea of my grandchildren growing up in the middle of a continuing war. Strange as it might sound, maybe we ought to take Saddam Hussein's advice and rely on common sense instead of cruise missiles for a change.

It's not good enough for the administration to say the war will be over when Americans feel safe again. We all felt safe prior to Sept. 11. If we weren't on one of the four planes or at the World Trade Center or the Pentagon, we were safe. No, what the administration is saying sounds like an open invitation for a continuing war, rather than a definition of victory.

We'd better dampen our emotions and do some hard thinking before we put ourselves in a hard place where there is no exit.

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Inventor of rotary phone speed dialer has prototype added to Smithsonian collection

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The inventor of the world's first rotary telephone speed dialer is finally getting some recognition, 40 years after history pulled the plug on his innovation.

Vincent Iannucci, of Reading, Pa., spent two years designing the rotary dialer, only to be thwarted by the invention of touch-tone service just as the device was about to hit the market.

Now, the only prototype of the invention is being added to a collection in the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History.

"I'm quite surprised," Iannucci said recently. "I thought it was just obsolete junk."

The dialer, developed for Textile Machine Works in 1961, stored numbers using a set of engraved keys. It had a motor that could dial up to 10 digits with the push of a button.

When the dialer was about to go on sale, Bell Telephone Labs announced it had developed a phone that could dial numbers quickly using single tones, rather than a string of pulses.

One thing was certain:

The bell had tolled for rotary phones. Only one of Iannucci's auto dialers was ever made.

"Touch-tone dialing, of course, beat the heck out of the pulse dialing," said Iannucci, 73. "I put that prototype on my desk and I hooked it up to my phone, and I used it for a few years until the company changed over to the tone system."

A few weeks ago, Iannucci decided to throw the dialer out, but a nephew persuaded him to offer it to the Smithsonian.

"It is a great example of ingenuity," said Hal Wallace, a specialist in the museum's electrical division. "Everybody today uses speed dial. This is an early electromechanical device that shows one way of doing it — albeit a way that was never adopted."

Iannucci has developed 23 patented inventions, including machines that textured yarn and loaded shipping containers. His Quick Cafe vending machine for fresh-brewed coffee was widely used in Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey before it was replaced by cheaper machines.

Flu season rears its ugly head once again

It's that time of year again, flu season I mean. For most of us getting the flu is an inconvenience at best and a good reason to call in sick.



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However, for the very old, very young and for those who have a poor immune system, the flu can be potentially life threatening.

Influenza is a contagious lung disease that can be prevented with an annual vaccination.

When it attacks the lungs, the lining of the respiratory tract (where the air we breathe goes into) is damaged.

These tissues become swollen and inflamed, but usually heal within two weeks.

Symptoms include fever, body aches, runny or stuffy nose, sore throat, dry cough, weakness, fatigue, burning

eyes and headaches. Since the late 1940s, the flu vaccine has been the best way to prevent the flu or make it less severe.

Reportedly, the vaccine prevents over 90 percent of the influenza/pneumonia deaths.

Together, influenza and pneumonia, which is the most common complication of influenza, are the fourth leading cause of death among American women, and the fifth leading cause of death among all Americans over the age of 65, according to the American Lung Association of Texas.

People with respiratory problems are especially at risk and should be vaccinated every year preferably between Oct. 1, and Dec. 31.

People who are at the highest risk for getting the disease and it being potentially fatal are those who are 65 years of age or older, health care professionals, young children at high risk who are receiving long term aspirin therapy, nursing home residents and anyone over six months of

age with chronic health conditions such as asthma, emphysema, chronic bronchitis, TB, HIV/AIDS, cystic fibrosis, anemia, organ transplants, chronic lung, heart or kidney disease, diabetes/metabolic diseases, immunosuppressive diseases and long term aspirin therapy.

Pregnant women who will be in their second or third trimesters during the winter months are also considered "high-priority."

Since many doctors prefer to minimize any risks of spontaneous abortion during the first trimester, women who will be in the second or third trimester of pregnancy during the flu season should be vaccinated after the 14th week of pregnancy.

Any pregnant women in a high risk for the flu should be immunized prior to the flu season, regardless of length of pregnancy.

Immunization does not affect the safety of mothers who are breastfeeding or their infants.

People who are high risk but are considered

second priority are anyone 50 years of age or older, and individuals that are in contact with persons at "high-risk" including: health care providers, family members of individuals at high risk, dormitory students and tourist and travel employees.

School children under age 11 can be infectious for a longer period of time.

Almost 54 percent of this age group gets the flu, and they tend to spread it to more people.

One student infects 2-3 children each, who in turn, infect family and friends.

Handwashing will help prevent the spread of disease.

Teaching our children to wash their hands before and after using the bathroom or eating will also be a benefit.

For more information or to find out where to get the flu vaccine call your physician or the Texas Department of Health located at the College Park Shopping Center.

Religious thinkers say Sept. 11 attacks immoral, but questions abound about a just response

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Religious scholars who agree on little else have been virtually unanimous in their reaction to the Sept. 11 attacks: They have denounced them.

Yet Muslim and Christian thinkers — working with centuries of teaching on moral use of force — have found less common ground on the appropriate response to terrorism.

For guidance, Muslim scholars have turned to classical Islamic teaching while Christians have looked to the Just War doctrine, whose venerable precepts have been dusted off in think-tank panel discussions, scholarly articles and

church pronouncements. There is considerable overlap between the two faiths.

Many early Christians were pacifists, and elements of that view survive.

The social-issues board of the United Methodist Church, President Bush's denomination, released a statement Tuesday that terrorists must be brought to justice but "war is not an appropriate means of responding to criminal acts against humanity." The board also asserted that "military actions will not end terrorism."

However, Christianity has a long tradition through the Just War doctrine — of permitting societies to take up arms to establish justice

or protect the innocent.

As formulated by St. Augustine (354-430), Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274) and subsequent theologians, Just War has two aspects.

The first, "jus ad bellum" ("justice concerning war") lists all the tests that must be met for war-making, including proper purposes and motives — for instance, self-defense rather than aggression — and declaration by proper governing authority, not private vigilantes.

Islam enshrines the same criteria.

While the Prophet Muhammad was a military leader at times, a prominent U.S. Muslim scholar, Muzammil H. Siddiqi of

California State University, Fullerton, says passages in the Quran that justify combat involved self-defense for early Muslims.

People in that community "were subject to constant terrorist attacks," Siddiqi explains in a forthcoming article for Islamic Horizons magazine.

Respect for the holy writings requires proper understanding of the context, he writes.

In another similarity between Islam and Christianity, war must be declared by the proper authorities.

Osama bin Laden, the suspected terrorist mastermind who has proclaimed a holy war against Americans, is

neither a recognized ruler nor a religious jurist qualified to do so under Muslim tradition.

One jurist who is, Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi of Qatar, joined four colleagues from Egypt and Syria in issuing a religious ruling, or fatwa, on the United States' military action last week.

It stated that "all Muslims ought to be united against all those who terrorize the innocents, and those who permit the killing of non-combatants without a justifiable reason."

Such thinking among scholars may have influenced the foreign ministers of the 56-nation Organization of the Islamic Conference, who declared

last week that "such shameful terror acts are opposed to the tolerant divine message of Islam, which spurns aggression" and "prohibits killing of the innocent."

Killing the innocent, strictly forbidden in the Hadith — the authoritative traditions from the Prophet Muhammad and his successors — is another reason Muslim traditionalists oppose bin Laden's tactics.

The death of innocents is also addressed in the second part of the Just War doctrine, "jus in bello" ("justice in war"), which sets out rules for conduct of war, such as avoiding direct harm to innocent civilians and limiting destructive tactics.

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Prominent figure in al-Qaida organization reported killed in bombing

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — U.S. jets attacked targets in the heart of Afghanistan's capital today. Residents said at least five civilians — including four members of one family — were killed when bombs crashed into residential areas in Kabul.

With the air campaign in its 12th day came the first report that the bombing had killed a prominent figure in Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network. A London-based Islamic group said an Egyptian who was a veteran al-Qaida fighter died in a U.S. strike on Sunday.

In Washington, defense sources said U.S. special forces were now in place aboard the USS Kitty Hawk in the Indian Ocean — ready for any search-and-destroy missions ordered against bin Laden and his Taliban allies.

Two houses were destroyed in Kabul's Quilazaman Khan neighborhood, located near a Taliban tank unit. Neighbors said the four family members were killed when a bomb hit the area. Rescuers were digging through the rubble looking for a fifth family member. A 16-year-old girl was also killed in a nearby housing complex.

The number of casualties could not be immediately confirmed. The United States has said it is only targeting Taliban and al-Qaida installations and has expressed regret for any unintended casualties.

The London-based Islamic Observation Center said an Egyptian known by the nom de guerre Abu Baseer al-Masri was killed by a U.S. strike near the northeastern city of Jalalabad. Al-Masri, a member of the Egyptian

radical group al-Gamaa al-Islamiya, had been in Afghanistan for 10 years with al-Qaida and was close to bin Laden's top lieutenant, Ayman al-Zawahri, say former fighters in Afghanistan.

The center said two of al-Masri's comrades, a Chinese Muslim and a Yemeni, were injured in the attack. The report could not be independently confirmed.

Attacks on the capital began before dawn Thursday when U.S. warplanes pounded areas around the presidential palace and beyond, drawing heavy anti-aircraft barrages. Flames rose from the airport north of the city.

Taliban Information Ministry officials said the city's Shash Tarak district — not far from

Quilazaman Khan — an area where the Taliban Defense Ministry, a garrison and a tank unit are located, as well as the long-abandoned U.S. Embassy.

In Kandahar, the Taliban's headquarters in southern Afghanistan, U.S. jets struck military targets throughout the city, Taliban officials reported. Residents said by telephone Wednesday that Taliban fighters in the city were handing out weapons to civilians. New strikes were also reported in Jalalabad, targeting the airport.

President Bush told a flag-waving crowd Wednesday that American airstrikes were "paving the way for friendly troops on the ground," his clearest suggestion yet that U.S. military officials were taking Afghanistan's northern-based opposition alliance

into account in their campaign. Bush ordered the bombing starting Oct. 7 to root out bin Laden, chief suspect in last month's terrorist attacks in the United States.

Opposition forces have been locked in combat for days in what U.S. defense officials described as a see-saw battle for Mazar-e-Sharif, the major city of the north.

A Taliban Information Ministry official in Kabul, Abdul Hanan Himat, acknowledged the Taliban had lost control of some areas around Mazar-e-Sharif but insisted the Islamic regime's forces had pushed its enemy back during one battle to the south.

Afghanistan's opposition forces are an alliance made up largely of minority ethnic Uzbeks and Tajiks. Control of Mazar-e-Sharif

would allow them to consolidate supply lines along the borders with Tajikistan and Uzbekistan, from which they obtain weapons.

In Washington, defense officials said U.S. special forces units themselves were now poised to join the battle on the ground, if called for.

Speaking on condition of anonymity, the officials said heicopter-borne special operations forces were put aboard the USS Kitty Hawk several days ago. The officials stressed that did not necessarily mean the troops were about to enter combat.

In northwestern Pakistan, a militant Muslim leader said Thursday that pro-Taliban groups there were ready to offer tens of thousands of volunteers to help the Taliban if U.S. ground troops joined the fight.

Israeli Cabinet minister assassinated; West Bank restrictions reimposed

JERUSALEM (AP) — One or more gunmen, lurking in a hotel hallway, shot and killed an Israeli Cabinet minister Wednesday with three bullets to the head and neck. A radical Palestinian faction said it carried out the assassination to avenge the killing of its leader by Israel two months ago.

The killing of Tourism Minister Rehavam Zeevi, 75, who advocated the ouster of all Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza Strip, was the first ever assassination of a serving Cabinet minister by Palestinians.

The attack threatened to re-ignite the cycle of violence that has wracked the Holy Land for the last year and was expected to trigger a sweeping Israeli retaliation. Prime Minister Ariel Sharon he would wage a "war to the finish against the terrorist, their helpers and those who sent them."

In a first response, Israel reimposed some travel restrictions in the West Bank it had lifted earlier this week as part of a Sept. 26 truce deal that had appeared to be taking hold in many areas.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's government said in a statement that it condemned the killing and remained committed to a truce with Israel. Palestinian security officials said Arafat has ordered the arrests of the suspected assailants.

The Palestinian Authority said it had warned in the past against the dangers of assassination, suggesting Israel's targeted killings of Palestinian militants accused of attacks on Israelis could lead to escalation.

In the past year of fighting, Israel has killed more than 50 Palestinians, including several bystanders, in such attacks.

The highest-ranking target so far has been Mustafa Zibri, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, who was killed in a targeted Israeli rocket attack Aug. 27 while sitting in his office in the West Bank town of Ramallah.

The PFLP on Wednesday claimed responsibility for the killing of Zeevi, saying it came as revenge for the death of its leader, widely known as Abu Ali Mustafa. "Sharon has to know that Palestinian blood is not cheap," the PFLP said in a leaflet sent to news agencies.

The faction released a video showing three masked gunmen standing next to a large poster of Zibri. Reading a statement, one of the gunmen said, "Rehavam Zeevi will only be the first" and suggested that two more killings would follow.

Sharon said earlier this week that he would not abandon the targeted killings, despite the truce and sharp U.S. condemnation of the practice. Three members of the militant Hamas group were killed this week, and Israel claimed the first, saying the target had planned an attack at a Tel Aviv disco

that killed 22 Israeli Defense Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer demanded that Arafat extradite the leaders of the PFLP to Israel. "In this situation, one man is responsible, and that is Arafat because of his soft hand on terror," Ben-Eliezer said.

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Zeevi, who lives in Ramat Hasharon, a Tel Aviv suburb, was staying with his wife at the Hyatt Hotel in Jerusalem on Wednesday. At about 7 a.m., he was returning from the hotel restaurant to the eighth

floor when he was attacked outside his room, police said. He was shot three times in the head and face. There was speculation the assailants used a silencer, and witnesses said they heard muffled sounds. Zeevi's wife, Yael, found him in the hallway, lying on his back in a pool of blood, witnesses said.

A fellow hotel guest, Rev. David Hocking, said he rushed into the hall after hearing Mrs. Zeevi's screams. "I saw her kneeling over him ... The blood was everywhere," said Hocking, who is leading a Christian tour group from Orange County, Calif.

Zeevi had been a target of many verbal threats and was entitled to a bodyguard. He rejected protection as a matter of principle, fellow ministers said. While parliament was in session, Zeevi stayed at the Hyatt Hotel in traditionally Arab east Jerusalem to underscore Israel's claim to all of the disputed city. Zeevi resisted suggestions to change his hotel room from time to time, fellow ministers said.

In a Lebanese refugee camp, PFLP supporters cheered and celebrated the killing.

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Big Spring CC set for golf tournament

The Big Spring Country Club will hold a two-person scramble Saturday and Sunday.

The tournament is an age qualifier with the combined ages of the participants needing to be 80 or over. Fees are \$60 per player, plus cart. The tournament is slated for a 1 p.m. shotgun start.

For more information, call the pro shop at 267-5354.

International LL sets ragball tournament

The International Little League has scheduled a coed ragball tournament for Nov. 3.

Tournament play will begin at 8 a.m.

Players must be at least 13 years old and entry fees are \$10 per player. All teams will consist of six male and six female players.

For more information, call Denise at 756-2841, Raymond at 263-0381 or Delbert at 263-2631.

Cowboys player escorted to hospital

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Cowboys defensive tackle Dimitrius Underwood's future with the team is uncertain after a string of incidents related to his bipolar disorder, team owner Jerry Jones says.

Underwood did not play Monday against Washington and has not practiced in more than a week.

"Even if he's not playing for us we'll continue to help him and his family in any way that we can, so he can address his problem," Jones said Wednesday. "It's unlikely he'll play against Arizona Oct. 28. We're continuing to look at the situation and see how it might affect the rest of the year as far as he is concerned."

Underwood left a psychiatric facility where he had been receiving treatment on Saturday. Team officials did not know his whereabouts until he phoned Jones on Tuesday afternoon, requesting a meeting at the Cowboys' Valley Ranch training complex.

During a meeting, Jones said he demanded that Underwood return to the treatment facility.

Several police officers were called to the complex in case they were needed to subdue the 6-6, 275-pound Underwood. But Jones said Underwood agreed to return to the treatment facility and the officers accompanied him there without incident.

"Our deal is that we're with him all of the way, but he has to do what the advisers and counselors say he needs to do," Jones said. "This is a case where a good, firm position on our part helped him."

Several sources told The Dallas Morning News that most of Underwood's problems stem from his refusal to take his medication.

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Jones: Smith expected to get rushing record, retire a Cowboy



AP file photo
Emmitt Smith, pictured here breaking loose for a touchdown in a 1993 game, figures to break the NFL career rushing record, as well as finish his career as a member of the Dallas Cowboys, according to owner Jerry Jones.

IRVING (AP) — Running back Emmitt Smith, the NFL's second all-time leading rusher, should break the record and play out his contract as a Dallas Cowboy, team owner Jerry Jones says.

Smith, whose current pact with the team ends after the 2005 season, played on three Super Bowl winners in Dallas in the mid-1990s.

"I just don't see anything, absent injuries that would cause him to go to another team," Jones told The Dallas Morning News in Thursday's editions.

Smith set up the game-winning kick in the Cowboys' 9-7 victory over Washington Monday with a 13-yard run that put him over 100 yards for the first time in seven games. Smith had 107 yards on 25 carries.

"I like the way Emmitt is playing," Jones said. "He was a significant factor the other night in that ballgame, and I can't see that not being the case next year. We both want him to finish his career with the Dallas Cowboys."

Smith says he doesn't envision a scenario in which he has to compete for carries with second-year running back Troy Hambrick, who will now be starting in the backfield with him in place of injured fullback Robert Thomas.

Coach Dave Campo's notion of

having Smith share a few of his carries with Hambrick raises some eyebrows.

"It works out fine when you get the amount of plays that we had," Smith said of the Cowboys' 74 offensive plays against the Redskins. "When you have that many plays, it's easy to rotate people in and out and give a player a breather here and there. I don't want to put a lot of stock into it that it will just work out fine. It worked out fine this particular game."

The Cowboys coach said he wanted Hambrick to get a few more carries per game. Hambrick's average per carry after five games was a stunning 8.3 yards on 26 carries. By contrast, Smith's average is 3.7 yards on 86 carries.

Smith said he was pleased to finally get 25 carries against Washington on Monday after not reaching 20 carries in any of the Cowboys' first four games. Hambrick is averaging just five carries per game. Smith doesn't see Hambrick as competition, but rather as a possible successor, down the road.

"I've been watching the man grow and mature over the past year," said Smith. "That's what you want to see in young players. You want to see them develop into great football players, and I think he is on his way."

Steers gearing for Plainview

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

Riding high after last week's 35-28 homecoming win over Levelland, Big Spring's Steers will now play host to the 3-3 Plainview Bulldogs Friday in Memorial Stadium.

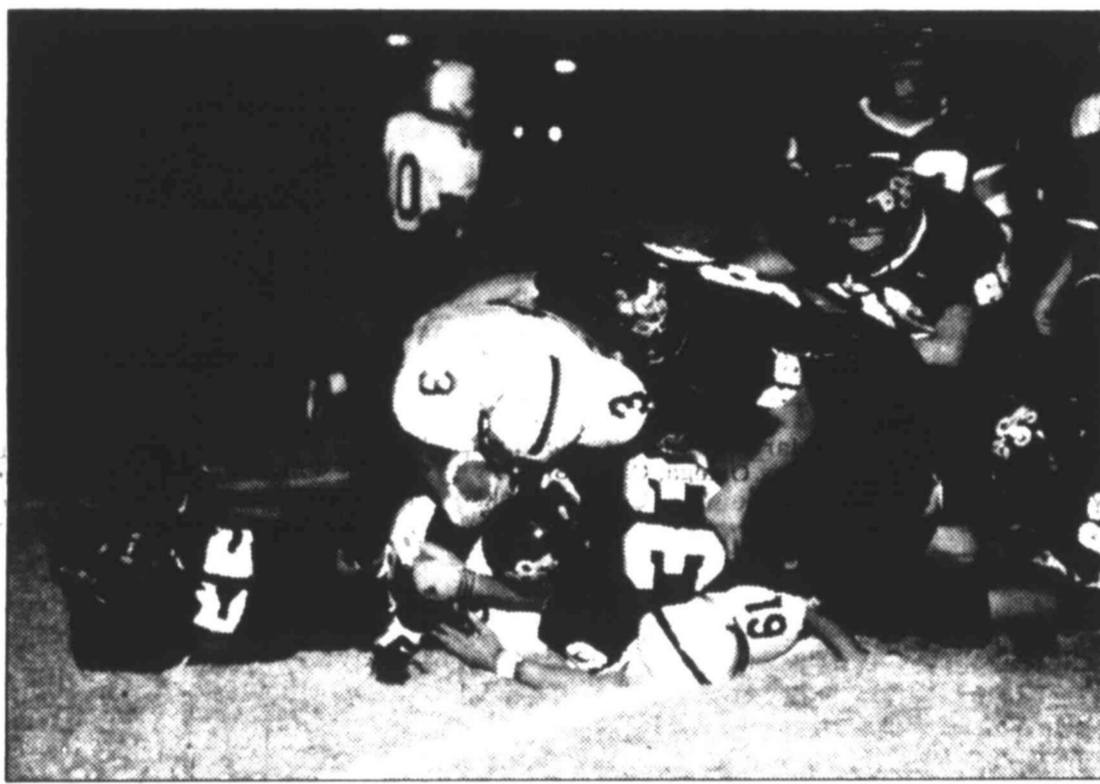
The 1-5 Steers have had close games all year, but finally managed to put together a winning combination Friday night, sparked by junior tailback Josh Matthews in his first stint at tailback.

Big Spring head coach Dwight Butler said the win has been good for the Steers.

"They have a little spring in their step, sure," he said Wednesday afternoon. "It's been real good. We had a real good practice (Tuesday) and we hope to have another good one (Wednesday)."

Despite a couple of drive-ending fumbles, Matthews' performance Friday night earned him a starting spot against the 'Dogs.

"It just takes you a little while to get used to running with the football while guys are trying to tear your head off," Butler said. He added that the Steers' regular first-string tailback Ramone Ford hasn't completely recovered from a case of turf-toe which sidelined him during the home-



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooter
Big Spring Steers defenders swarm a Levelland runner during last week's 35-28 win over the Lobos. The Steers will face a tough challenge from a powerful running team Friday night when they take on Plainview's Bulldogs at Memorial Stadium.

coming game.

Butler said Friday's game with Plainview will require a bit of strategy on the part of the Steers.

"I think for us, one of the key factors is if we can move the ball offensively and get the ball down the field, but also let the clock run," he said. "They have some fine weapons offensively. The key for us is not to make mistakes. We can't

have any turnovers."

The play of both offensive and defensive lines will be critical, he said, noting that sustained drives by the Steers would limit the amount of time the Bulldogs have possession.

"I think our offensive and defensive lines are both going to be big keys to our success," Butler said. "They have such a strong running game that our

defensive line is really going to have to step up and make them pass the ball."

Butler added that the offensive line has to be able to give quarterback Tye Butler the protection he needs in passing situations.

Kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Stadium and the game will be broadcast live on both KBST-AM 1490 and on KBST-FM 95.7.

Braves even NLCS with 8-1 victory

PHOENIX (AP) — Javy Lopez was not supposed to be here, not after a nasty collision at home plate last month.

Yet he arrived in the nick of time to breathe life into the Atlanta Braves.

"He's one of those guys who can turn a game around with one swing," the Braves' Brian Jordan said.

That swing sent the ball off the right-field foul pole for a two-run homer that broke a tie in the seventh inning and sent Atlanta on its way to an 8-1 victory over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Wednesday night.

The best-of-seven NL championship series shifts to Atlanta for Game 3 Friday night.

It was Lopez's first start since he sprained his left ankle Sept. 30 in a collision with Robin Ventura.

"With a high ankle sprain, it generally takes 6- to 8 weeks," manager Bobby Cox said. "The best we could get from the doctor was a chance for the World Series, and that was probably less than 50-50. They got

him ready somehow. It's kind of amazing."

Cox said before the game that he put Lopez into the lineup in hopes that he could provide some home-run support for Tom Glavine. The Atlanta manager came away looking like a prophet.

The Braves dreaded the thought of going home for Game 3 Friday night down 2-0 and facing Curt Schilling, Mr. Unbeatable so far in the playoffs.

"I always feel like Game 2 is an urgent game in any series. To me, it's a huge swing game," Glavine said. "You can either go up two, down two or tie things up. Any of those is vastly different than the other. In this instance, it's probably magnified. We certainly didn't want to go home down 2-0 with the prospect of facing Curt."

After Glavine shut down Arizona for seven innings, the Braves turned the game into a rout with five runs off of a parade of old-timers out of the Diamondbacks' shaky bullpen.

Jordan doubled in two runs off 42-year-old Mike

Morgan, B.J. Surhoff hit a two-run homer off 36-year-old Greg Swindell and Rey Sanchez singled in a run off 37-year-old Bobby Witt.

"Our guys down there obviously are not power pitchers," Arizona manager Bob Brenly said. "They rely on movement and location. Certainly the location wasn't there."

Glavine allowed one run and five hits to improve to 2-0 in this year's playoffs. He struck out two and walked two before giving way to Steve Karsay.

As usual, Glavine's biggest weapon was his control. He baffled the Diamondbacks into harmless groundouts and fly balls.

Brenly marveled at the way Glavine was able to tailor his pitches so the batters would be likely to hit where the defense was playing.

"Tom Glavine was every bit as spectacular in his own right as Randy Johnson was, if you ask me," Brenly said. "He pitched right to the strength of his defense. That's pretty crafty."

Glavine tied teammate

John Smoltz's major league record with his 12th postseason victory. Glavine also has 12 postseason losses, tied with teammate Greg Maddux for the most ever.

Arizona starter Miguel Batista allowed only two hits in seven innings, but both were homers and that was all the support Glavine needed in his 29th postseason start.

Marcus Giles, who came within a foot or less of hitting two homers against Johnson in Game 1 Tuesday, homered on the game's first pitch to give Atlanta the quickest 1-0 lead possible.

Batista retired 13 in a row in one stretch and didn't allow another hit until Lopez's first-pitch homer off the right-field foul pole in the seventh put the Braves up 3-1. Batista walked Andruw Jones on four pitches right before allowing the homer.

"As soon as I stepped into the batter's box, I was shooting for right field all the way," Lopez said. "The first pitch around the plate, I was going to swing as hard as I can."

Yankees knock off Mariners

SEATTLE (AP) — Dining at one of the city's best restaurants the night before Game 1, Paul O'Neill and Andy Pettitte looked over the menu and liked what they saw.

Salad, steak and a victory for the New York Yankees.

"We just talked about how I think we are both able to take it — I think our whole team — just take it to a different level once we get to the postseason," Pettitte said.

Said O'Neill: "He was ready."

Pettitte pitched eight sharp innings, O'Neill homered and the Yankees played like the team that won three straight World Series titles, beating the Seattle Mariners 4-2 Wednesday in the AL championship series opener.

Playing with the poise and patience that have become staples of their October success, the Yankees improved to an astounding 50-17 since 1996 in postseason games.

"We've got jitters and nerves like everybody else," O'Neill said. "Everybody wants to come out and play well every game in the playoffs, but it just doesn't happen."

"Throughout the course of the year, you go through a bad week, and the next week you get them. But you do that in the playoffs, and they write about how bad you are."

And now, after appearing to be in big trouble less than a week ago against Oakland, there seems to be little doubt: These Yankees are big favorites to make it four straight titles.

Facing a team that broke the Yankees' AL record for wins in a season and tied the major league mark with 116 victories, New York was ready from the first pitch.

Even before it, actually. While the Mariners were still in the dugout preparing to take the field, Chuck Knoblauch and Derek Jeter were already on the on-deck circle. Swinging their bats and studying Seattle starter Aaron Sele, they nodded at each other, confident.

Knoblauch singled on the first pitch, and Jeter followed with a long fly that had the sellout crowd of 47,644 at Safeco Field groaning. The ball was caught, but it was clear — the Yankees were on their way.

"We try to force you to make a play," said Knoblauch, who had three hits. "Today, it worked for us."

Said Jeter: "You want to be aggressive and put pressure on the defense."

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FISHING REPORT

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CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water degrees/3.6 low; Black bass are slow on silver, jerkbaits with white skirt feet. Striped bass to 20 slow on white Rat-L-Trap feet. White bass to 13 slow on white Rat-L-Trap feet. Crappie to 12 inch on live minnows in 2 Channel and blue catfish nightcrawlers and shrike catfish are slow on live shad.

BUCHANAN: Water degrees; 1013.65; Black bass are good on dance buzzbaits, Rat-L-Trap waters on points. Striped bass are very good on live perch, trolling Curb's and vertically jigging Pink 24 feet with good top on SnapStik and white C tails with trailers. White good on Rat-L-Tops Terminator In-Line spinner Tiny Traps on the surface points. Crappie are fair on blue/white Maxi-Tails white Curb's crappie jigs piles in 12-16 feet. Cha are fair on liver and Flaxhead and blue catfish trotlines.

PROCTOR: Water degrees; 3 low; Black bass are slow on plastic worms and bass are slow on shad. Blue catfish are slow on baited with shad. Yellow perch are slow on shad.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water degrees; 74 degrees; 52 low; Black bass are good on Rat-L-Traps, top water, spinner, seed or Carolina-jugged soft plastic grass off points. Striped bass are good on slabs and snappers and Rio Grande bass are good on slabs Grande under birds. Crappie are good on live minnows up above Rough Canyon and channel and blue catfish on cheesebait up the Rio Grande to 20 pounds nightcrawlers.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water degrees; Black bass are slow on brown sculpins, blue snappers and 1/8-1/4 oz. green perch around the brush in the Crappie are good on minnows.

ARROWHEAD: Water degrees; 8 low; Black bass are slow on crankbaits and Crappie are good on chrome Rat-L-Traps near Catfish to 20 pounds stinkbait.

COLORADO CITY: Water degrees; Black bass are slow on white worms, later switch to red shad plastic worms and crankbaits. Crappie are good on minnows and bass are good on minnows. Catfish are good on minnows and shad.

FT PHANTOM HILL: Water degrees; 72 degrees; Black bass are slow on crankbaits and Crappie are good on minnows. White bass are fair on Rat-L-Traps and minnows are good on goldfish.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water degrees; 73 degrees; 16.5 low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits and red shad soft plastic. Crappie are slow on striped bass are slow on doughbait and minnows.

NASWORTHY: Water degrees; Black bass are fair on red shad soft plastic and crankbaits. Crappie along main lake are good on minnows. Redfish are being caught below 1 white bass and striped bass on minnows. Catfish are good on minnows and jugs using trotlines and jugs using Lake is being dredged.

NOCONA: No report.
OAK CREEK: Water degrees; 74 degrees; Black bass are slow on crankbaits near top and Crappie are fair on jig baited with minnows and shad.

OH. IVIE: Water degrees; 18.5 low; Black bass are slow on minnows and Crappie are good on slabs and minnows. Smallmouth bass are good on minnows. Construction to Conch been completed.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water degrees; 73 degrees; Black bass are slow on minnows. Catfish are slow. Crappie are slow on minnows and perch.

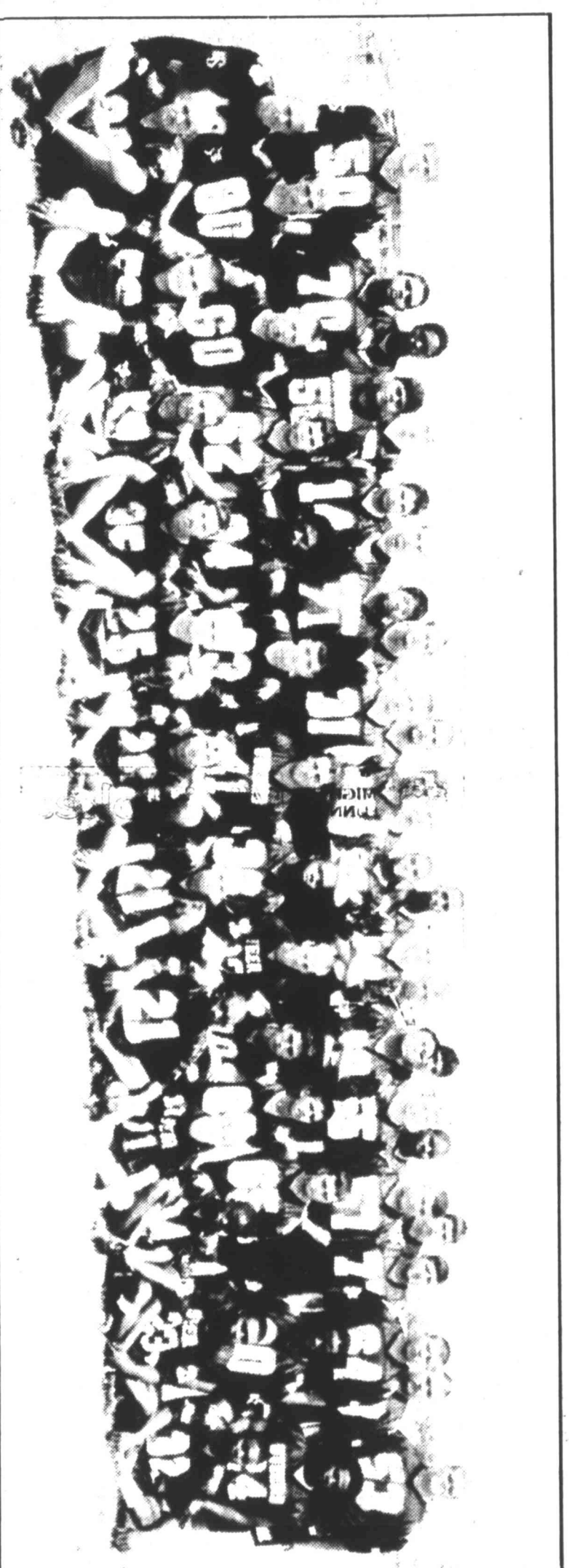
SPENCE: Water degrees; 10 low; Black bass are good on red shad soft plastic and crankbaits or along south main lake. Crappie are slow on minnows and striped bass are good on shad. Catfish are good on minnows and jugs.

STAMFORD: Water degrees; 73 degrees; 9 low; Black bass are good on minnows and jugs near the dam are good on minnows. Crappie are good on trotlines baited with shad.

SWEETWATER: Water degrees; 75 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows. Striped bass are fair. White bass are good on minnows and shad. Smallmouth bass are good on minnows and jugs. Catfish are good on minnows and jugs. Walleys are slow. Catfish are good on shrimp.

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CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water clear; 72 degrees; 3.6 low; Black bass to 17 inches are slow on silver & gold spinnerbaits with white skirts in 2 - 6 feet. Striped bass to 20 inches are slow on white Rat-L-Traps in 10 - 30 feet. White bass to 13 inches are slow on white Rat-L-Traps in 2 - 10 feet. Crappie to 12 inches are slow on live minnows in 2 - 8 feet. Channel and blue catfish are slow on nightcrawlers and shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow on live perch and shad.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 77 degrees; 1013.65'; Black bass to 5.5 pounds are good on 3/8 oz. Bill Dance buzzbaits, Rat-L-Traps and topwaters on points and flats. Striped bass are very good drifting live perch, trolling Curb's stripers and vertically jigging Pink Minnows in 24 feet with good topwater activity on SlapStik and white Curb's bucktails with trailers. White bass are good on Rat-L-Tops, No. 3 Terminator In-Line spinnerbaits and Tiny Traps on the surface on creek points. Crappie are fair on minnows, blue/white Maxi-Tails tubes and white Curb's crappie jigs over brushpiles in 12-16 feet. Channel catfish are fair on liver and minnows. Flathead and blue catfish are fair on trotlines.

PROCTOR: Water murky; 80 degrees; 3 low; Black bass are slow on red shad plastic worms. Striped bass are slow on shad. Crappie are slow on jigs in 10 feet. Channel and blue catfish are slow on trotlines baited with shad. Yellow catfish are slow on perch and shad.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water lightly stained; 74 degrees; 52 low; Black bass are good on Rat-L-Traps, topwaters and spinnerbaits, seed or sour grape Carolina-rigged soft plastics around grass off points. Striped bass are good on slabs and stinger jigs up the Devils and Rio Grande rivers. White bass are good on slabs up the Rio Grande under birds. Crappie are fair on live minnows up Devils River above Rough Canyon around brush. Channel and blue catfish are good on livebeats up the Rio Grande in 55 feet. Yellow catfish are slow on nightcrawlers.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 68 degrees; Black bass are fair on brown sculpins, blue soft jerkbaits and 1/8-1/4 oz. green pumpkin jigs around the brush in the afternoons. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs.

ARROWHEAD: Water murky; 68 degrees; 8 low; Black bass to 5 pounds are slow on crankbaits near rocky points. Crappie are fair on jigs around derricks in 20 feet. White bass to 2 pounds are good on chrome Rat-L-Traps near sandbars. Catfish to 20 pounds are fair on stinkbait.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 78 degrees. Black bass are fair on topwaters early, later switching to spinnerbaits and crankbaits. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on Rat-L-Traps. Redfish are good on cut shad. Catfish are good on minnows and cutbait.

FT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 72 degrees; Black bass are fair on crankbaits and spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. White bass are fair or chrome Rat-L-Traps and minnows. Catfish are good on goldfish.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water murky; 73 degrees; 16.5 low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits near points and red shad soft plastics around trees. Crappie are slow. White and striped bass are slow. Catfish are fair on doughbait and perch.

NASWORTHY: Water stained; 69 degrees; Black bass to 8 pounds are fair on red shad soft plastics in the reeds and crankbaits and spinnerbaits along main lake points. Crappie are good on jigs tipped with minnows. Redfish are fair and are being caught below the crappie. White bass and striped bass are fair on trotlines and jugs using stink bait. Lake is being dredged of 2-feet of silt.

NOCONA: No report available.
OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 74 degrees; No boat ramps open. Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair around docks on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on jug or trotlines baited with minnows and doughbait.

OH. IVE: Water stained; 73 degrees; 18.5 low; Black bass are fair; spinnerbaits near the grass beds and crankbaits near points. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on slabs and schooling near points and grassbeds. Smallmouth bass are slow. Catfish are good on minnows. The new road construction to Concho Park has been completed.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water lightly stained; 73 degrees; 6.75 low; Black bass are slow. Striped bass are slow. Catfish are slow.
SPENCE: Water stained; 74 degrees; 10 low; Black bass are good on red shad soft plastics near reeds and crankbaits or spinnerbaits along south main lake points. Crappie are slow on minnows. White and striped bass are good on cutbaits and shad. Catfish are good on trotlines and jugs baited with minnows and perch.

STAMFORD: Water lightly stained; 73 degrees; 9 low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs near the dam. White bass are good on minnows. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with shad and perch.

SWEETWATER: Water lightly stained; 75 degrees; 19.75 low; Black bass are fair on topwaters and minnows; later switching to spinnerbaits and crankbaits. Crappie are fair. White bass are good on minnows and inline spinners. Catfish are good on shrimp and minnows.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained; 70 degrees; 21.5 low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs in 12 - 18 feet. Walleye are slow. Catfish are good on shrimp.

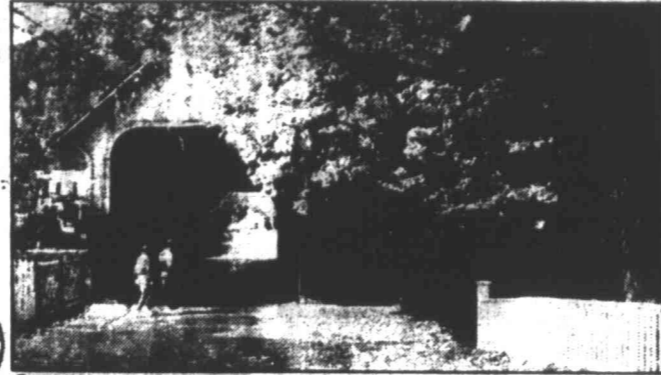
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Vermont From A to Z



One of Vermont's many covered bridges.

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"Vermont" comes from the French words "vert," meaning green, and "mont," meaning mountain.

The first European to explore the state was French explorer Samuel de Champlain in 1609. England took control after the French and Indian War ended in 1763.

Vermont, a New England state, has long been famous for its independent spirit. It was the site of important Revolutionary War battles. It did not become a state until 1791. Instead, it stayed an independent republic for about 10 years after the war. It was the first state to outlaw slavery, in 1777.

Vermont has the smallest percent of people living in cities of all the states. Only about one-third of the population lives in urban areas. It is 49th in population, with about 600,000 people.

The American Museum of Fly Fishing is in Manchester. Vermont is famous for its cold-water fishing in the icy waters flowing from the Green and Taconic mountains.

Burlington is the biggest city, with about 39,000 people.

The Connecticut River forms the eastern border. The state is also bordered by Canada, New York, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

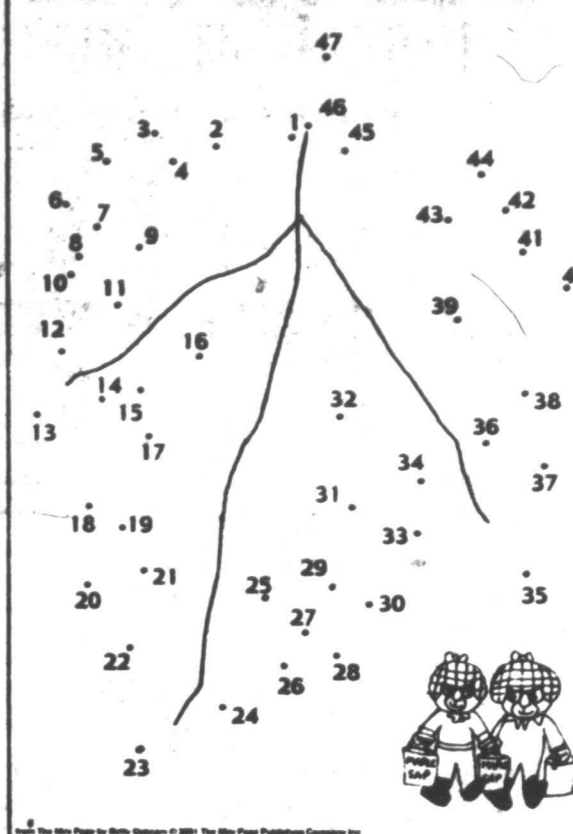
More than 100 Covered bridges, ranging from 20 feet to 465 feet long, appear throughout the state.

Dairy farming is the top agricultural industry, and Vermont produces about half of the milk used in New England.

The Ethan Allen Homestead near Burlington honors the leader of the Green Mountain Boys. During the Revolutionary War, this group took Fort Ticonderoga in upstate New York from the British.

Fall foliage is especially colorful there. The peak viewing season is from the last week in September in the north through mid-October in the south.

Go dot to dot and color the leaf from this Vermont tree.



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Rookie Cookie's Recipe
Maple Beans

Vermont is known for its maple syrup. You'll need: 1/2 cup onion, chopped; 1/4 cup butter or margarine; 2 (16-ounce) cans baked beans; 1/3 cup maple syrup; 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce; 1 teaspoon mustard. What to do: 1. Cook onion pieces and butter or margarine in a medium pot over medium heat for 5 minutes. Stir frequently. 2. Add remaining ingredients. Cook 20 minutes or until warm. Stir frequently. Serves 6.



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Supersport: Kurt Warner

Height: 6-2 Weight: 220 Birthdate: 6-22-71 College: Northern Iowa. The goal of every football quarterback is to lead his team to the Super Bowl. St. Louis Rams quarterback Kurt Warner did just that in 2000. He is now in his fourth year with the team. He has played football in Europe and in the United States with the Arena Football League. Last year he threw for 3,429 yards and 21 touchdowns. His longest was an 85-yard touchdown pass. His best year was 1999 when he threw for 4,353 yards and 41 touchdowns. He also ran for one touchdown. Kurt was born in Burlington, Iowa. He lives with his wife, Brenda, sons, Zachary and Cade, and daughters, Jesse and Jada Jo, in St. Louis.

Meet Alison Pill

Alison Pill, 16, has been a busy actress for much of her life. She got her first part when she was 10. She played the part of Alanna Browning in the Disney movie "The Other Me." She was also in the movie "The Dinosaur Hunter" and has appeared in many other TV shows, movies and plays. Alison grew up in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, with an older sister. At the age of 5 she began studying ballet at the National Ballet School. In her free time she likes reading. She also sings, dances and rides horses. She hopes to study English literature in college.

MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

The following jokes all have something in common. Can you find the common theme or category? Jim: When I bought this car from you, you said it was rust-free, but underneath it's covered with it! Laura: Yes, the car is rust-free, and I didn't charge you for it! Eric: What family car doesn't move at all? Trisha: A stationary wagon! Ken: What type of car runs on electricity? Sherry: A Volkswagen!

VERMONT TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of Vermont are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. Can you find VERMONT, MOUNTAINS, STATE, CHAMPLAIN, DAIRY, REPUBLIC, FOREST, GRANITE, MANCHESTER, HILLS, BURLINGTON, FALL, GREEN, HIKING, MAPLE, GORGE.

Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are visiting one of Vermont's many covered bridges. See if you can find: snake, word MINI, number 8, cat, pencil, caterpillar, safety pin, ladder, ruler, letter A, muffin, letter E.

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The Green Mountains, some of the oldest mountains in the world, run through the middle of the state, dividing the east and west. The Taconic Mountains are in the southwest. Nature tours might reveal black bears, red foxes, loons, falcons and moose. Outdoor sports include cross-country and downhill skiing, hiking, snowboarding, snowshoeing, rock climbing, canoeing and rafting. Peregrine falcons, an endangered species, nest in Smugglers' Notch State Park on Mount Mansfield. Quechee Gorge, stretching more than 160 feet above the Ottauquechee River, offers hiking trails with a bird's-eye view of the scenery. The Red clover is the state flower. The Rock of Ages Quarry in Granitesville is the world's biggest quarry for granite to make monuments. Granite, marble and tool making, publishing and manufacturing of computer parts and electrical equipment are important to the economy. The Shelburne Museum features American arts and crafts, circus memorabilia, antique toys, historic buildings and a restored steamboat. The Hermit Thrush is the state bird.

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OCT. 18

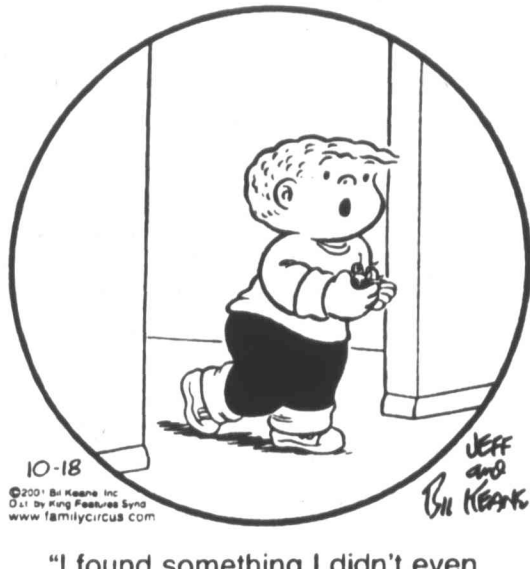
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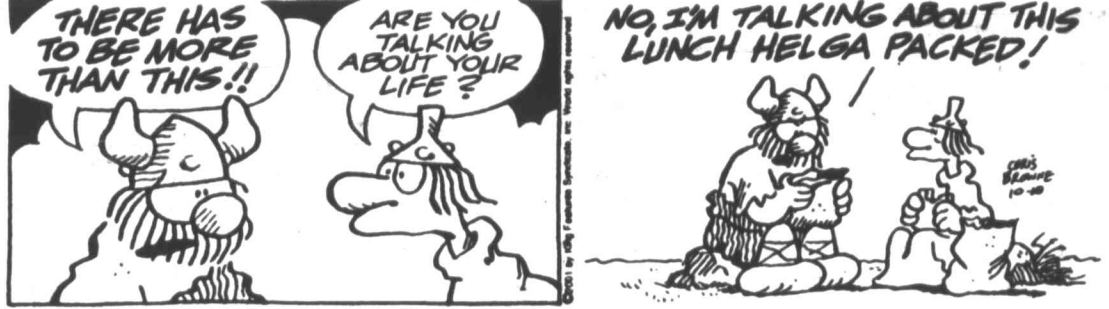
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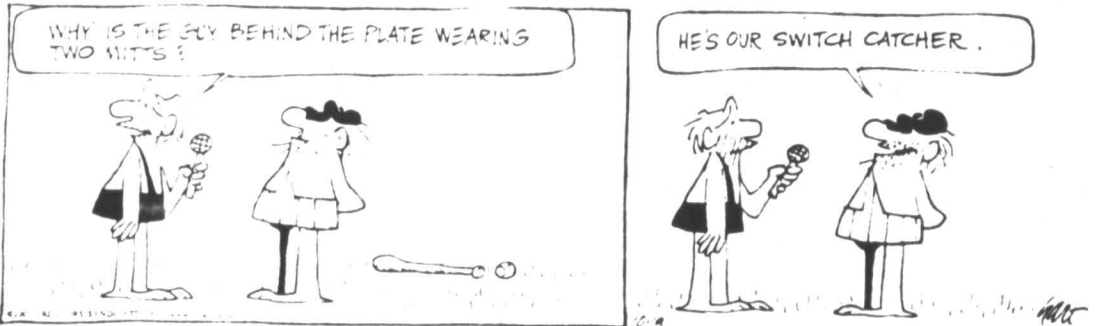
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Thursday, Oct. 18, the 291st day of 2001. There are 74 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 18, 1767, the boundary between Maryland and Pennsylvania, the Mason-Dixon line, was agreed upon.

On this date:

In 1867, the United States took formal possession of Alaska from Russia.

In 1892, the first long-distance telephone line between Chicago and New York was formally opened.

In 1898, the American flag was raised in Puerto Rico shortly before Spain formally relinquished control of the island to the United States.

In 1931, inventor Thomas Alva Edison died in West Orange, N.J., at age 84.

In 1944, Soviet troops invaded Czechoslovakia during World War II.

In 1950, Connie Mack, the "Grand Old Man" of major league baseball, announced he was retiring as manager of the Philadelphia Athletics.

In 1968, the U.S. Olympic Committee suspended Tommie Smith and John Carlos for giving a "black power" salute as a protest during a victory ceremony in Mexico City.

In 1969, the federal government banned artificial sweeteners known as cyclamates because of evidence they caused cancer in laboratory rats.

In 1982, former first lady Bess Truman died at her home in Independence, Mo., at age 97.

In 1989, after 18 years in power, Erich Honecker was ousted as leader of East Germany; he was succeeded by Egon Krenz.

Ten years ago: Confirmed Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas swore to uphold the Constitution

during an oath-taking ceremony at the White House.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Anita O'Day is 82. Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., is 80. Rock-and-roll performer Chuck Berry is 75. Sportscaster Keith Jackson is 73. Actor Peter Boyle is 68. Football coach Mike Ditka is 62. Actor Joe Morton is 54. Playwright Wendy Wasserstein is 51. Actress Pam Dawber is 50. Author Terry McMillan is 50. Tennis player Martina Navratilova is 45. Actor Jean-Claude Van Damme is 41. Jazz musician Wynton Marsalis is 40.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

AS THINGS STAND by Patrick Jordan Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS: 1 Flat hills, 6 Freshwater fish, 10 Shaping tool, 14 Hold dear, 15 Time past, 16 U.S. Open stadium, 17 Having peak collectible value, 20 Writer Rita Brown, 21 Birdbrains, 22 Singer Ross, 23 Easily offended sort, 25 Brother of Ethel and John, 26 Car racer's advantage, 30 Linda of Dynasty, 31 Seagoing sort, 32 No gentleman, 35 Quakers, e.g., 36 Loan shark's practice, 38 Head for the hills, 39 Metal in the raw, 40 Complete range, 41 Gene Tierney film, 42 Social climber's showpiece, 45 Tawdry, 48 Triangular-bladed weapons, 49 Tiny type size, 50 Secret agents, 52 Slot insert, 55 Prime-time mainstay, 58 Spill liquid on, 59 Eye amorously, 60 Bowl over, 61 Longings, 62 "That Girl?" (Madonna tune), 63 Toll roads, 10 Allotted amount, 11 Thai or Nepali, 12 Radiated, 13 colony, 18 Fuss, 19 box (television), 24 Get a lease on, 25 Easter bloom, 26 Colombian coin, 27 Concluded, 28 Automaker, 29 Seagoing sort, 32 Loin cut, 33 Nautical prefix, 34 Start a hand, 36 Bryce Canyon state, 37 Foster Brooks persona, 38 Starlet's aspiration, 40 En route, perhaps, 41 Homemade bath bar, 42 Abs builders, 43 Fishing nets, 44 On (without a contract), 45 Too talkative, 46 Nimble of foot, 47 Boca, FL, 50 Sorrowful exhalation, 51 Pastime for Prince Charles, 53 Wood-shaping tool, 54 Seeded players' perks, 56 Haul to a garage, 57 This year, in movie credits

