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#### MHMR invites public to Christmas-style open house December 18, 2001 Destination Dignity - a Center, which provides their current environment. and we're really excited **HERALD Staff Report**

### WEATHER

TUESDAY





### **HELPING OTHERS**

Each day through the holiday season, the Herald will publish locations where you might help others less fortunate. 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.

#### Kettles

- Big Spring Mall
- Wal-Mart
- Big Spring Post Office • Rip Griffin's
- Truck/Travel Center

#### **American Cancer Society Memorial Tree**

Merle Norman

#### **Humane Society Animal Food Drive**

- KBST • Big Spring Herald

#### **Canned Food Drive**

• Howard County Library

WHAT'S UP... TODAY

The community is invited to West Texas Centers for Mental Health Mental Retardation's Christmas open house from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday at the Corral, 1611 E. Third St.

Refreshments, door prizes and information concerning mental health services will be available.

The Howard County Mental Health Center is conducting the open house recognition in of

Well-known

group plays

for retired

By LYNDEL MOODY

Spring-Howard

Staff Writer

Retired

Monday.

music.'

time set aside each year as a way of promoting dignity and quality of life for people with mental illness and mental retardation.

Events at each of the 15 centers in the 23 counties run under the auspices of West Texas Centers for MHMR are sponsored to increase public awareness and acceptance of people with disabilities.

More than 600 people are served by the Howard County Mental Health

counseling for children, medication-related services, skills training, anger management, supported employment and housing, and Assertive Community Treatment (ACT). ACT is an intensive service for adults who live with severe and persistent mental illness.

"We have respite care for adults and children who need a safe place to stay," said Tim Brower, Children's Service Coordinator. "They may need to get away from It provides a short-term place to stay that is staffed around the clock."

West Texas Centers for MHMR consumers enjoy holiday festivities, Brower said. Hosting a party in which the community and the consumers can enjoy seemed like the perfect fit.

"The consumers thoroughly enjoy going to Christmas parties, so we decided to host an open house with a Christmas theme," he said. "We'll have punch and cake.

about the door prizes. Everyone who attends the party is eligible for a door prize.'

Businesses, which have donated door prizes at press time are Picate, Dunlaps, Bealls, Wal-Mart, Wal-Mart Pharmacy, McMahon Concrete, Southwest Stylin' Station, Jack Kathey Construction, Perrv Producing Company, Taylor Beauty Supply, Suggs

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# Satin Strings swing in Big Spring



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody Permian High School students Haley Hazzard, left, and John Rogers, members of the Satin Strings, perform at the Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association Christmas party. The group performs around the world.

audience to its feet and the for two presidential inaugu- Day invasion and the 1998 "It was wonderful," said group earned a standing rations, including the 2001 inauguration of the gover-Loma Jean Wynn, a retired ovation at the end of the Texas-Wyoming Inaugural nor of Chihuahua, Mexico. teacher. "I like their enthuprogram

Ball for President George When attending the more

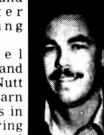
# Local men indicted by federal grand jury

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### By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer Two local businessmen have been indicted by a federal grand jury on conspira-

and cy odometer tampering charges. Daniel Heckler and Jim McNutt of Red Barn Auto Sales in Big Spring were indicted



Dec. 12 in **HECKLER** U.S. District

Court in Abilene on charges of conspiracy involving the interstate transportation of altered securities, odometer tampering and aiding and abetting.

The two men have been summoned to appear before U.S. Magistrate Judge Nancy Koenig in Lubbock Jan. 4, according to the U.S.

□ The Workforce Network of Big Spring, formerly the Texas Workforce Center of Big Spring, will hold an open house today from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at 310 Owens. Apple cider and cookies will be served.

**Big Spring Band** Booster meets at 6 p.m. at the high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.

**D** Big Spring Shrine Club, meets at 6:30 p.m. for dinner with meeting to follow. First and Goliad. All Masons welcome to attend.

Big Spring Art **Association** members will have their Christmas party at the home of Kay Smith. The regular meeting will be held on Jan. 22, in the basement of the Howard County Library at 7 p.m. **Big Spring chapter** 67, Order of the Eastern Star, meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

#### WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. at the Howard College Cactus Room.

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siasm and when they would walk around and play. I can't chew gum and walk around at the same time." "I love all that fiddling

Irish folk songs and even a

little bit of country as they

walked around serenading

the audience at each table.

and walking around," said Mildred Buckaman. The students' version of

Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the USA" brought the

In an effort to cut down on

travel time, the Midland

unit of United Blood

Services will take over pro-

viding services to Howard

County from the San Angelo

"The proximity is closer,"

said Johnny Pevey, commu-

nity relations representa-

tive for UBS-San Angelo.

"They are trying to give our

donor techs a better quality

of life by trying to cut back

By LYNDEL MOODY

unit effective Jan. 1.

Staff Writer

The ensemble travels extensively each year performing world-wide. Monday's concert was the 15th for the high school students since Thanksgiving, said David Golden, director of the Satin Strings. The group has performed

on 12 to 14 hour days."

Howard County is cur-

rently serviced by UBS-San

Angelo but Pevey said the

hour and half drive from

San Angelo verse the 30

minute drive from Midland

is one of the reasons for

Lee Patrick, associate

executive director, said the

move will allow UBS to pro-

vide more blood drives in

be serving Big Spring,"

Patrick said. "Big Spring

'We are very delighted to

prompting the switch.

Howard County.

W. Bush and at the second inauguration festivities for President Bill Clinton. Other notable requests for

the ensemble have come from France which invited the West Texas students to play at the country's 50year remembrance of the D-

has been an incredible

source of support for UBS.

They have a lot of blood

unit will miss Howard

Pevey said the San Angelo

"Some of my fondest have

been from blood drives in

Howard County," Pevey

said. "I appreciate each and

every blood drive coordina-

have two last drives before

UBS of San Angelo will

"It becomes very difficult See UBS, Page 2

tor and individual.'

Midland UBS unit to begin serving Howard County

donors.'

County.

the switch.

than 50 performances during the year, the students consider themselves Goodwill Ambassadors for the Permian Basin. The group does not charge for any performance.

to get the number of donors

needed during the holiday

Morton, UBS community

relations representative.

"Please help us supply our

hospitals at this time by

Rip Griffin's Truck/Travel

Center will hold a blood

drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 28. Lisa

Hernandez is coordinating

the Rip Griffin's blood drive

and can be reached at 264-

said Sherry

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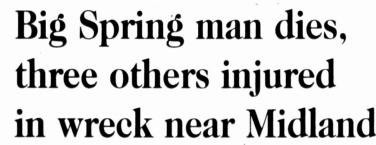
district clerk in Abliene "I wasn't aware of that," Heckler said of the charges this morning, adding he wanted to check on them before commenting.

McNutt was unavailable for comment, as was Rick Hamby, Heckler's attorney in a previous case

In 1997, Heckler was charged with rolling back the odometer of a 1982 Volvo and for improperly printing and distributing paper dealer's license tags. While a judge ruled that there was no basis for the odometer fraud charge, Heckler paid a \$5,000 fine on the other count.

Heckler, who was chairman of the political group "Citizens for Change" in the '80s, was largely responsible for a push in 1984 to make the city police chief job an elected position. He also ran unsuccessfully for

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#### By ROGER CLINE

**Staff Writer** A Big Spring man is dead and three female relatives . are in the hospital following a rollover wreck near Midland.

Maggie Medrano, 35, was reportedly driving a 1996 Chevrolet Suburban on Interstate 20 in Midland County near the Martin County line when a 10-foot by 8-foot wooden crate fell out of the bed of a Chevrolet pickup truck in front of her.

According to **Department of Public Safety** report, Medrano swerved to avoid the crate, overcorrected, and rolled the Suburban two and a guarter times.

Medrano and her three passengers, Jose Medrano, 57; Maria Medrano, 56; and Irma Medrano, 37; were

Midland's to taken Memorial Hospital, where Jose later died from his injuries.

Maria and Irma are both listed in critical condition, while Maggie, the only one of the four who was wearing a safety belt, was released this morning.

"If you buckle up, your chances of survival are five times greater than not.' said DPS Lt. Judy Altom

Altom said Irma suffered multiple fractures and a head injury in the accident, while Maria suffered head and chest injuries.

The DPS has identified the driver of the Chevrolet pickup whose crate allegedly caused the accident as Vernon Calvin Baker of Odessa.

Charges against Baker are pending, Altom said.

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HERALD photos/Marsha Sturdivant

Hundreds of thousands of lights are used to make up the many displays at the Festival of Lights in Comanche Trail Park. The annual event opened Saturday and already more than 3.000 people have taken the free tour. It is open from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. through Dec. 31.

### **O**BITUARIES

### **Joseph Byron** Neel

Joseph Byron Neel, 86, of Big Spring,

d i e d Monday, Dec. 17, 2001, at his residence Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, 19, at Dec. St. the

Mary's Episcopal Church with the Rev. Jim Ligget, officiating. pastor, Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on Jan. 20, 1915, in Big Spring and married Dorothy Driver on Jan. 22, 1966, in Big Spring. She preceded him in death on Nov. 22, 2000. Joe moved to California in 1935 and returned to Big Spring in 1962. He worked as an industrial electrician for 36 years and was involved in ranching for 30 years.

He was a member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church. He served in the United States Navy during World War II as a chief electrician's mate.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Jim Fournier of Anaheim, Calif.; four grandsons; his good friends, Ray and Barbara Kennedy and their children, Stefanie Kennedy and Michael Richardson, all of Big Spring; his sister-in-law, Melba Neel of Big Spring; and numerous nieces and nephews, including Janell Clark and Billie Camp, both of Big Spring.

He was also preceded in death by two brothers, T. Willard Neel and Byron Neel.

The family suggests memo--rials be made to The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, Big Spring 79720. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelch.com

Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Michael Willard, pastor of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park. Mitchell died

Mrs. Monday, Dec. 17, at a local nursing home.

She was born on April 5, 1916, in Mexia and married Huey Mitchell in Big Spring. He preceded her in death in August 1989. She was a beautician. She was a member of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church, a member of Progressive Court 516 and the Heroines of Jericho.

Survivors include her stepson, Huey Mitchell Jr. of Odessa; nine step-grandchildren; and several step-greatgrandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

### Victor Yanez

Funeral service for Victor Yanez, 58, of Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mr. Yanez died Monday, Dec. 17, 2001, at his home.

### **Dorothy Dell** Clayton

Funeral service for Dell Clayton, 57, of Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2001, at Bell-Cypert-Seale Chapel in Snyder with the Rev. Danny Williams, of Lighthouse Assembly of God, officiating. Burial will be at Ackerly Cemetery.

died Mrs. Clayton Monday, Dec. 17, at a Snyder hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was born on March 7, 1944, in Flower Grove and married Billy Clayton on March 16, 1980, in Las Vegas, Nev. She was a longtime Snyder resident and worked for many years as a Licensed Vocational Nurse. She was a member of the Fischer had seen the Assembly of God Church, group perform before and Survivors include her muse was persistent in securing Snyder: her father. Elmer event, she said. Oaks of Flower Grove; three daughters, Teena Clayton of Leesburg, Va., Cindy Jenkins of Katy, and Carlla McCullough of Big Spring; six sons, Carlos White of Houston, Don White of LaGrange, Tracy Burks of Houston, Charlie Burks of Big Spring, Billy Clayton Jr. of Katy and James White of LaGrange; three brothers, Leon Oaks of Water Valley, Rodney Oaks of Flower Grove, and Jerry Oaks of Celina; three sisters, June Ritchie of Big Lake, Patsy Painter of Midland and Naomi Williamson of Westbrook; 15 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

up east, reportedly turned north and hit Wright's car. Wright was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center with minor injuries and was later released. Aguilar was not injured in the accident, but was arrested for failure to yield the right-of-way, no driver's license and driving while intoxicated second \_\_\_\_ offense.

Sgt. Roger Sweatt of the Big Spring Police Department said Wright's patrol unit received about \$3,100 damage in the incident.

### MHMR

Continued from Page 1 Hallmark and Faye's Flowers. Gale's Sweet Shoppe has

donated a cake for refreshments.

"The public, area businesses, consumers, staff, anybody who is interested is invited to the open house," Brower said. "The public needs to come and learn about mental illness. There is a stereotype about mental illness, and this will help increase understanding." West Texas Centers for MHMR serves more than 2,200 consumers with mental illness and mental retar-

### STRINGS

dation a month.

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The students were in the middle of mid-semester exams this week but took some time to perform for the association's annual

Christmas party. Janice Bond of the Big County Spring-Howard Teachers Retired Association may have had a little help in securing the group since her son, Brian Rosson, a Big Spring High School ex, is the principal at Permian High School, but she gives the credit to another member of the association. Craig Fischer.

band, Billy Clayton of the ensemble to play for the

### BIG SPRING A ROUND THE TOWN

date of birth, social security number, UBS assigned donor number or photo identification.

LOCAL

In order to supply the 12 area hospitals, the organization must collect more than 300 units of blood each week. Blood products have a shelf life of five to 42 days. Blood donations take 48 to 72 hours to process after the initial collection.

Although an appointment is not necessary to donate blood, UBS encourages calling ahead to decrease waiting time. Appointments can also be made by calling the local blood drive coordinator or UBS at 1-800-756-0024.

Donors must be 17 years of age, weigh more than 110 pounds, be in good health and know the names of any medication taken in the past 30 days.

### CHARGES\_

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a Big Spring city council seat in 1985.

In 1998 Heckler was severely burned in a fire at his home in the 2900 block of Stonehaven. He reportedly received second- and third-degree burns over 50 percent of his body and was hospitalized for several weeks following the incident.

### BRIEFS

SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday

**REGISTRATION** FOR THE SPRING semester at Howard College continues Jan. 7-8, 2002, is open registration. Classes begin Jan. 14, 2002. Call 264-5083 to receive an assigned time

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.

#### Ріск 3: 1,3,7 **TEXAS LOTTERY**

costs their insurance doesn't cover as well as future travel expenses that will occur.

An account has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank to defray these costs and his family has asked for help and prayers for their son. To make a donation call

Wells Fargo at 267-5513.

THE WIC PROGRAM THROUGH the Texas Department of Health has variable hours to accommodate those who work or go to school during the day. The Women, Infants and Children progam offers food, nutrition and child health services.

WIC is open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. One Saturday each month, the office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Call the office at 263-9777, or go by 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28-B, for more information.

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CASH 5: 2,9,13,21,39 public intoxication.

Tuesday, December 18, 2001

· GARY LEE SMALE, 27, of 1705 Alabama was arrested on charges of driving with an invalid license and no insurance. INTERFERING WITH

**BIG SPRING HERALD** 

**AN EMERGENCY TELE-**PHONE CALL was reported in the 1700 block of Alabama. Damage of \$25 to a telephone at the location was reported.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 500 block of North Lamesa.

 DOMESTIC DISTUR-**BANCE** was reported in . the 1200 block of East 16th, the 100 block of N.E. Ninth, the 500 block of South Nolan and the 1700 block of Alabama

 LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 2100 block of Warren Street and the 3900 block of Hamilton Street.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 300 block of Settles. Someone reportedly entered the home through a rear door and stole two RCA radios worth \$200 and \$50 and a Sanyo radio worth \$70.

### SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

 MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported near mile marker 170 on Interstate 20 and on North Highway 87.

• Deputies responded to **MAJOR ACCIDENTS** in Martin County on FM 2002 and in Glasscock County.

 DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCES were reported in the 8500 block of Interstate 20 North Service Road and in the 100 block of North Fourth St.

### **BIG SPRING** Tuesday, De

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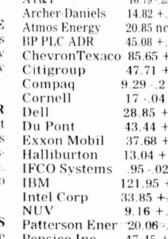
WASHINGT( **President Busl** education plar for final **j** Congress, cul yearlong effo schools more s bility in excha accountability. Senate passa was virtually co omnibus educa House ove

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HOUSTON **Executives** of reportedly plan off 51 percent ( tled energy con ing operation generated mos its. Lawyers for based company the judge presi Chapter 11 ban ceeding to allo an auction Jan a majority stak ness. Sources deal told th Chronicle in T tions that stake to fetch about \$ The auction to salvage th before it loses tomers. Enrol scrambling to p joint venture enable it to re natural gas and ing business f company's fin down.



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### **Lavara** Jones Mitchell

Funeral service for Lavara Jones Mitchell, 85, of Big Spring will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2001, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch

### **MYERS & SMITH** FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Victor Yanez, 58, died Monday. Services are pending.



Joseph Byron Neel died Monday 86. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at St Mary's Episcopal Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Lavara Jones Mitchell, 85. died Monday Services will be 11:00 AM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Jose Medrano, 57, died Sunday. Services are pending.

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The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home in Snyder.

### Jose Medrano

Funeral service for Jose Medrano, 57, of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mr. Medrano died Sunday, Dec. 16, 2001, in a Midland hospital.

### **Police officer** receives minor injuries in accident

#### By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer A Big Spring police officer received minor injuries and his patrol car sustained extensive damage in an accident Wednesday.

Police Corporal Wayne Wright was driving his police car west through the intersection at Second and Gregg streets when Jesse Aguilar, 24, of Big Spring, driving his Ford F-150 pick-

For Velma Ruthe Wood, Monday's concert was a chance to see her greatgrand nephew Jordan Kilani, a member of the Satin Strings, in action.

"I think it symbolizes to me the character of our young people in school and the good education we are giving," said Wood. "I loved how they would walk around and smile.

"I was singing along with a song and that was OK because no one could hear me," Wood said. "A young woman stopped by my table and she was playing the alto part I was singing."

### UBS

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On Saturday, Dec. 29, the UBS Bloodmobile will be at

the Big Spring Mall from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. 'This blood drive is the perfect chance to give the gift of life," said Pevey. "Help us bring in the new year with our shelves stocked and ready.

**UBS asks potential donors** to carry proof of identification containing their name and one of the following:

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Please call these numbers for more information - 267. 7970 or 263-2147.

The lessons are free but, the study guide will have to be purchased.

ELEVEN YEAR OLD ETHAN Strickland has had surgery for a devasting neurological condition with more to come. He is home now and is receiving speech and physical therapy.

His family continues to need help defraying the

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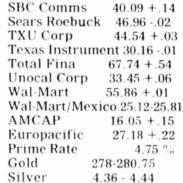
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### POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. today

· ADA MAE HUTCHE-SON, 35, of 504 Aylesford was arrested to hold for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

• DARLENE SHELDON, 43, of 907 Interstate 20 was arrested on a charge of

**Tony Hernande** 

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FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS:

7:34 a.m. - 100 block of . E. 15th, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

8:41 a.m. - 4400 block of Elder, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

### RECORDS

Monday's high 42 Monday's low 32 Record high 80 in 1980 Record low 7 in 1924 Average high 53 Average low 18 Precip. Monday 0.10 Month to date 0.12 Year to date 14.16 Sunrise Wednesday 7:42 a.m.

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#### **BIG SPRING HERALD** Tuesday, December 18, 2001

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### Lawmakers hope to complete \$20 billion anti-terror compromise sometime this week

WASHINGTON (AP) - AHouse-Senate compromise on a \$20 billion anti-terrorism package is near, leaving congressional leaders hoping that this is the week the measure can finally be pushed through Congress.

Bargainers from the two chambers neared agreement on the plan on Monday. It would heed Bush's demand that it not exceed \$20 billion, but provide less than he sought for defense and more than he proposed for domestic security and helping New York and other communities rebuild from the Sept. 11 attacks.

Top lawmakers from the two chambers were tentatively planning to complete the agreement on Tuesday. That would clear the major remaining hurdle to Congress finishing its mustpass spending legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) -

President Bush's sweeping

education plan is heading

for final passage in

Congress, culminating a

yearlong effort to give

schools more spending flexi-

bility in exchange for more

Senate passage Tuesday

was virtually certain for the

omnibus education bill. The

approved the measure last

Bush, who has dubbed

education his top domestic

priority, is expected to the

bill into law early next year.

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"We're a long way down

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said Sen. Edward Kennedy, students and between white

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The anti-terrorism package is attached to a \$318 billion defense bill for the new fiscal year. The two other remaining spending measures are one for health, education and labor programs, and a second for foreign aid.

Bush had repeatedly threatened to veto an antiterrorism measure exceeding \$20 billion. He has said the measure provides enough money now for the war in Afghanistan and the battle against terrorism, and that he will seek more early next year if necessary.

Under heavy White House pressure, the House and Senate blocked Democrats in recent weeks from advancing packages worth at least \$15 billion more.

Yet the mix of spending and adjourning for the year, the bargainers were dis-

lawmakers who has shaped

Foremost among the pro-

visions of the Elementary

and Secondary Education

Act is a requirement that

public schools test every

student in grades three

through eight in reading

and math. Schools with per-

sistently low scores would

have to give some of their

federal aid to students for

tutoring or transportation to

The bill would also

require schools to adopt

plans to close the achieve-

ment gaps between low-

income and middle-class

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the measure.

Education bill heads for final passage in Senate

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D-Mass., one of four key and minority students.

which leaders hope to do by cussing – described by officials familiar with the talks who spoke on condition of anonymity — tilted more toward Democrats.

> It would cut the \$7.3 billion for the military that Bush wanted to roughly \$3.5 billion to \$4 billion, the officials said. The Democraticcontrolled Senate provided \$2 billion for defense.

> In addition, a bit less than \$8.5 billion would be set aside for domestic security programs, and about the same amount would be provided for the New York and Washington areas, where jets smashed into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Western Pennsylvania, where a fourth jetliner crashed, would get a small portion of those rebuilding funds.

The exact defense figure new legislation must be would depend on whether enacted detailing how the money for the National other half will be spent.

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tors. But districts would

also have to submit annual

"report cards" showing a

Guard and rebuilding of the Pentagon were counted as spending for the military, and how much was provided for those efforts, the officials said.

Bush proposed spending \$4.4 billion for domestic security and \$6.3 billion for the affected communities. The Senate approved \$8.5 billion for domestic security and \$9.5 billion for New York and Virginia.

The tentative package would include \$2.5 billion for public health and countering bioterrorism, about \$1 billion more than Bush proposed.

The \$20 billion for anti-terrorism programs is half the \$40 billion that Congress approved just days after the Sept. 11 attacks. Bush controls half the total, but the

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rizes \$26.5 billion in federal

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billion more than in 2001.

It's \$4 billion more than

Bush requested, but nearly

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Democrats wanted.

and statewide.

Scientists develop medicine that provides quicker relief from common cold symptoms

medical first, researchers have developed a drug that speeds recovery from the  $common \ cold \ -a \ signifi$ cant breakthrough for scientists who have been in pursuit of a cure for decades.

Since the medicine doesn't make the sniffles disappear immediately, it is still debatable whether the scientists have discovered the long-sought cure.

But experts have little doubt about its importance.

The drug — which is still months away from drugstores — eases cold symptoms within a day and makes a runny nose completely clear up a day sooner than usual.

Experts say that is a substantial development considering a one-day reduction in a viral disease that lasts only a few days is probably the best that can be hoped for.

The findings were presented Monday by Dr. Frederick Hayden of the University of Virginia at an infectious-disease conference in Chicago sponsored by the American Society for Microbiology. The research was financed by ViroPharma Inc. of Exton, Pa., which is developing the drug.

The company applied in July to the Food and Drug Administration for approval to market the drug. A decision is at least months away.

Experts say they expect

CHICAGO (AP) - In a the agency to be unusually cautious, since any medicine to treat a non-lethal infection in healthy people must be extremely safe.

"The safety issues are dramatic," said Dr. Scott Hammer, a virus expert at Columbia University. "They will be looked at very, very carefully."

Hayden said he has seen no significant side effects from the drug, called pleconaril. Some volunteers have a slight, temporary rise in cholesterol levels, which he said has "no clinical significance."

The company has not said how much it will charge for the medicine, which would be sold by prescription under the brand name Picovir, but officials said it is likely to cost as much as antibiotics, which typically are more than \$40 for a course of treatment.

Unlike many over-thecounter remedies, which ease cold symptoms by drying up plugged noses and soothing aches, pleconaril attacks a large group of viruses known as the picornaviruses. Among these is the rhinovirus, the bug that causes about half of all colds.

"It really represents the first effective treatment for a rhinovirus illness." Hayden said.

The medicine stops the virus by fitting into a groove on its surface. This jams the machinery it needs to enter and infect the body's cells.

### **Report:** Enron wants to auction majority of energy trading operation

HOUSTON (AP) Executives of Enron Corp.

promised to build its future

around energy trading and

pipelines, leaving every-

thing else to be liquidated to

pay down its \$40 billion

Many of Enron's trading

customers have jumped

ship since it closed its

approve any deal.

online trading operation "The sooner the better," shortly before filing for reportedly plan to auction Enron "spokesman Mark bankruptcy. The energy off 51 percent of the embat- Palmer said about striking a trading business once gen-



tied energy company's trading operations that once generated most of its profits. Lawyers for the Houston-

based company have asked the judge presiding over its Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding to allow it to hold an auction Jan. 10 to sell off a majority stake in the business. Sources following the deal told the Houston Chronicle in Tuesday's editions that stake is expected to fetch about \$1 billion.

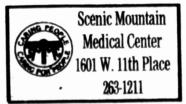
The auction is an attempt to salvage the business before it loses all its customers. Enron has been scrambling to put together a joint venture that will enable it to revive its oil, natural gas and power trading business following the company's financial meltdown.

"It is imperative that the customers of the wholesale business are swiftly provided with the mechanism to continue trading activities and each day that the wholesale business is not acting at full capacity is another day for a competitor to lure customers," Enron attorneys said in a court filing.

Enron's rivals such as El Paso Corp. and Dynegy Inc. say Enron's collapse has not left a large void in the commodities market. But they say they won't attempt to fill Enron's shoes by trying to make markets outside energy.

Enron has reportedly been talking to 14 interested parties about the energy trading business with three banks — J.P. Morgan Chase, Citigroup and Swiss bank UBS - considered the front-runners to form a joint venture to recapitalize the trading | usiness.

But they have chosen the auction to consider as many possible buyers in short order. All bidders must have grade A creditworthi-



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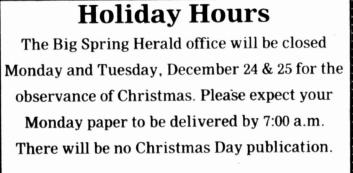
The Intercontinental Exchange, an online trading The auction will be a platform formed by many of strong predictor of Enron's Enron's rivals, has picked survival or demise. The up much of Enron's online embattled company has trading business.

> Sequent Management, a Houstonbased energy trading and marketing arm of Atlanta based AGL Resources, has watched its volumes grow

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by some 300 percent since Enron filed for bankruptcy protection.





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### **OPINION**

**BIG SPRING HERALD** Tuesday, December 18, 2001

# FBI slow on the draw on terrorists

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"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 grievánces."

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### OUR VIEWS

# Congregation brings back old tradition

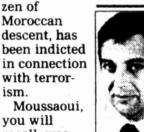
ago, we recalled how in the past many of us would bundle up during the Christmas seaere we go a caroling..." A year son and go door to door to nursing homes, hospitals and the like singing carols. Most often it was as a church group. It was a wonderful time of fun and fellowship for both the carolers and those who were entertained. Afterward, we'd all gather at the fellowship hall for hot chocolate and cookies. We noted that while that custom is not as prevalent as it once was, some churches continue to go out among the public and spread the joy of the season in song.

All of which led us to mention that Baker's Chapel AME had decided to bring that age-old tradition back. Joined by members of other congregations, they were to go caroling at various locations - Comanche Trail Nursing Center, **Big** Spring Care Center, Mountain View Lodge and then on to H-E-B, Wal-Mart and the Big, Spring Mall.

The Rev. Michael King, pastor of Baker's Chapel, said he hoped it would be an annual

#### he Justice Department announced three

months after the Sept. 11 attack that Zacarias Moussaoui, a French citi-



ism.

recall, was arrested last CHARLEY August when REESE a flight instructor in Minnesota

thought it odd that he wanted to learn how to fly a commercial airliner but not how to take off or land one.

It would have been far better for everyone, however, if the FBI had listened to French intelligence. According to a story in Le Monde, French intelligence informed the FBI on Sept. 1 that Moussaoui was a member of al-Qaeda. French intelligence told the FBI again in a meeting in Paris on Sept. 5-6.

At that time, according to foreign press reports, the FBI dismissed the warnings and said Moussaoui was

being held by U.S. immigration on visa violations and was of no interest to them. That was before the attacks on Sept, 11. You will recall that two other terrorists entered the United States and disappeared before the CIA got around to telling the FBI and the FBI got around to asking INS to watch for them. Oops.

When the FBI got around to checking out Moussaoui, phone records and money transfers linked him directly to the Hamburg. Germany, cell where the plot was apparently hatched. It's not certain that if they had followed up immediately on the French warning, the attacks could have been prevented, but it is certainly a possibility.

You have to remember, though, that prior to Sept. 11, the FBI already had a full plate, and counterintelligence and fighting terrorism were not high priorities. They were still trying to figure out how one of their top agents had been a Russian spy for 15 years. It would be a great achievement in this war on terrorism if the CIA, FBI and state and local lawenforcement officers actually did begin to share infor-

mation. They are now sup-

posed to, but I wouldn't hold my breath if I were you. Florida law-enforcement officers have complained publicly about lack of cooperation and sharing of information by the FBI.

The FBI sort of looks down its nose at local cops, though it is the local cops who almost invariably catch the people on the FBI's most wanted list. Furthermore, the FBI was never intended to be an allpurpose federal police force. It's only been in recent years that lousy politicians in Congress have been federalizing crimes. By that I mean they have made acts that were already crimes under state statutes into federal crimes. This allows these buffoons to tell the folks back home they are doing something about crime, but it also means an unnecessary duplication. In the meantime, most FBI offices are understaffed, relative to all they've been given to do. We are imperfect beings

living in an imperfect world, and we should all remember that government is included in that imperfection. We should expect the government to do the right thing, but not have blind faith that it will or is even able to do so.

Politicians often trip over their tongues and pursue hidden agendas. Bureaucracies tend to be paranoid and jealous of their turf. Officialdom is often prone to hubris. And since affirmative action, the best qualified don't always get the jobs or the promotions. At best we can, like our British cousins, hope to muddle through.

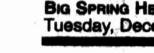
I am increasingly wary of fervor, both on the part of officials and on the part of people. If the terrorists who killed 3,300 innocent men. women and children are evil, what are we? One college professor estimates we have now killed 3,700 innocent men, women and children in Afghanistan. It is not enough to paper them over with clichés and say one group are "victims of terrorist acts" and the other group is just "collateral damage." My father's gun-safety lectures always included a reminder that if you kill somebody, they won't care whether you did it on purpose or by accident. Dead is dead. War is war, and war by any other name smells as odious.

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Well, it is.

This Saturday, beginning at 6:15 p.m., members of the Baker's Chapel choir, joined by others throughout the community, will be going around town caroling. They'll start at Marcy House and end up at Wal-Mart about 9 p.m. In between, they'll stop at Comanche Trail Nursing Home, H-E-B, Big Spring Care Center, Mountain View Nursing Home and the Big Spring Mall.

There's still time to join them. Those who would like to participate can attend a rehearsal at 6 p.m. Thursday at Baker's Chapel, 911 N. Lancaster. It's informal, and they'll be glad to have you.

As we said a year ago, we can think of no better tradition than to spread joy and cheer, the message of peace and sharing – and the story of the birth of Jesus – at this most wonderful time of the year.

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### Army justice for Lincoln assassination plotters

#### By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON

Guest columnist Less than three months after an assassin shot Abraham Lincoln, a military tribunal sentenced three men and one woman to death by hanging and put four other defendants behind bars.

Their 1865 trial before nine senior Army officers is one of several historic precedents relied on by the Bush administration as it considers prosecuting 21st century terrorists before a military commission rather

than a federal court. The death sentences in the Lincoln conspiracy trial were carried out in a heavily guarded prison courtyard at 1:21 p.m. on July 7,

1865, just one day after the defendants learned of them. Frantic bids for presidential clemency were rejected, even in the case of Mary Surratt, the boarding house owner who became the first woman executed by the federal government.

Most of the objections now being raised to the use of military tribunals rather than civilian courts also were registered 136 years ago.

"Such a trial is not only unlawful, but it is a gross blunder in policy," said former Attorney General Edward Bates. "... If the offenders be done to death by that tribunal, however truly guilty, they will pass for martyrs with half the

world." In New York, attorney **George Templeton Strong** noted with approval the vigorous opposition of the city's newspapers to the use of a military court.

... WON'T YOU ACT as ARMED UNDERCOVER SKY MARSHAL ON MY SLEIGH TONIGHT ....?"

"There may be reasons for the course adopted of which we know nothing, but it seems impolitic, and of doubtful legality," Strong wrote in his diary

The trial and the fate of the accused are recounted in a new and handsomely illustrated book, "Lincoln's Assassins: Their Trial and Execution," by James L. Swanson and Daniel R. Weinberg.

The authors note that **Attorney General James** Speed concluded a military trial was fully warranted, reasoning that the assassination of the commander in chief and the attempted murder of Secretary of State William Seward were acts of war committed during an armed rebellion against the lawful government.

One senior officer contended years later that a disciplined military court was the better alternative because the public was so inflamed by Lincoln's murder that asking private citizens to serve on a jury would have thrown the accused "to the mercies of an angry and revengeful mob ..

John Wilkes Booth shot Lincoln at Ford's Theatre on the evening of April 14, 1865. Booth was already dead, mortally wounded by his pursuers, when the trial of his alleged conspirators opened of May 9 at the Old Arsena Prison.

Over the next seven weeks the panel of Army generals and colonels heard 361 witnesses and produced a 4,900-page transcript.

But many thought the procedure was badly flawed.

Defense attorneys had no time for pretrial preparation or consultation with their clients who, when they were not in court, were held in solitary confinement, their legs and hands shackled and their heads covered with canvas hoods.

The defense lawyers, Swanson writes, "had insufficient time to locate, prepare and call the witnesses they wished and little time to investigate the government's witnesses."

Writing years later, Lt. Col. Richard A. Watts, a lawyer who had observed the trial, concluded: "This Tribunal was a law unto itself. It made its own rules of procedure; It was the sole judge of the law as well as the facts.'

History has concluded that three of the executed defendants were guilty as charged: Lewis Powell, who tried to kill Seward; David Herrold, who accompanied Booth on his flight from

Washington; and George Atzerodt, who flunked his assignment to kill Vice **President Andrew Johnson** but told no one of the plot to murder Lincoln.

But debate has never ended over the fates of Mrs. Surratt, who kept the boarding house where the conspiracy was discussed, and Dr. Samuel Mudd, the Maryland country doctor who set Booth's broken leg after the assassination and was sentenced to life in prison.

Some hostile 19th century observers called Mrs. Surratt's execution "judicial murder." They noted that President Johnson, Lincoln's successor, ignored a recommendation for clemency from a majority of the military judges.

Mudd and the other living Lincoln conspirators were pardoned at the end of Johnson's term in 1869.

Mudd's ancestors have struggled ever since to clear his name by getting the conviction overturned. That has stirred a reaction by people determined to prove Mudd's guilt once and for all, an effort made clear in the title of a recent

book on the issue: "His

Name is Still Mudd."

Lawrence L. Knutson has covered the White House. Congress, and Washington's history for more than 30 years.



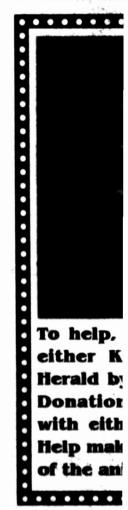
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### GENERAL

#### **BIG SPRING HERALD** Tuesday, December 18, 2001

### America adds more prisoners from Afghanistan, continues search

WASHINGTON (AP) - U.S. officials have taken custody of three al-Qaida fighters from among the hundreds of al-Qaida and Taliban prisoners taken by their allies in Afghanistan and dozens taken by Pakistan.

Their identities are unclear, as are the United States' plans for them. They have joined American -Taliban John Walker and Australian Taliban David Hicks as captives on board the USS Pelileu in the Arabian Sea.

Pentagon officials hope they will provide answers to the burning questions: Where is Osama bin Laden? Where is Taliban leader Mullah Omar? What terrorism is al-Qaida planning on the United States and its allies? How is al-Qaida changing its planning for attacks and methods of communication?

CIA and military personnel are known to be interviewing prisoners of anti-Taliban forces in Afghanistan, and U.S. officials are believed to have access to question Pakistan's prisoners, as well. Many of the prisoners were caught fleeing the U.S. strikes in Afghanistan.

"The search is now on cave to cave to find more and to interrogate more," Rear Adm. John Stufflebeem told a Pentagon press Monday. conference "Now becomes the more difficult and slower process of confirming who is still left to fight, or is this cave now empty and was there evidence that somebody was recently there.'

U.S. forces are attempting to question the prisoners to discover who may have worthwhile information, and who is wanted by the United States.

U.S. officials want terrorist alert to continue WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S., rupted some suspected terrorists talligence and law enforcement but they remain on the loose, the ficials believe the potential officials added. WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. intelligence and law enforcement officials believe the potential remains high for another terror attack although the Muslim holi-day that prompted their most recent warning is passing. Their uncase is keeping the warning the Bush administration issued this month in effect at least through the current Jewish and Christian holiday seasons. The alert remains in effect because the threat still remains." Homeland Security Office spokesman Gordon Johndroe said today.

oday, Law enforcement and intelli-gence officials, who spoke to The Associated Press only on condi-tion of anonymity, said raw intel-

ligence on potential threats has continued to flow into U.S. agen-cles since the Dec. 3 warning. The information is not specific as to timeframe, potential targets or methods of attacks but makes clear terrorists sympathetic to Osama bin Laden are agitating to strike, the officials said. The heightened security across the globe is believed to have dis-

More may be caught soon. Anti-Taliban tribal militiamen and U.S. special forces pursued remnants of al-Qaida in the caves of eastern Afghanistan.

"There are still any number of al-Qaida loose in that country," Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said.

"That is why we are there, that is why we are chasing," he said on U.S. detention facilities were not his plane as he flew to a NATO ready, said one defense official.

There are no immediate plans to issue a new FBI warning. Officials simply plan to get the word out that the most recent warning still applies and Americans on U.S. soll and over-seas need to remain alert to sus-picious activity, the officials said. The message from government over the inflidays is "not to let down your guard one bit. There are terrorists whose plans might have been disrupted who remain at large and are looking for the opportunity," one senior U.S. offi-cial said. nero are no immediate plans cial said.

In its third such warning since Sept. 11, the FBI early in December warned Americans and law enforcement to be at their highest alert through Ramadan, a holy month during which Muslims fast during daytime, and the Christian holidays.

The warning was based on intelligence that attacks were being planned, possibly to coincide with Ramadan, officials have said.

meeting in Brussels, Belgium.

Many were fleeing south and east into Pakistan, which has stationed troops along its border to catch them.

Pakistan had dozens of prisoners it had captured fleeing Afghanistan, officials said, but it couldn't turn them over to American troops because planned

Muslims are currently celebrating Eid al-Fitr, a three-day festi-val that began Sunday and marks the end of the holy lunar month. The officials said the current threat assessment remains high because:

-Information continues to flow in from around the world of potential threats and plots from alleged al-Qaida supporters. --Other sympathetic terrorist

groups are believed to be looking for the chance to strike back for the devastating U.S. attacks that drove the Taliban out of Afghanistan and for the U.S. support of Israel's recent crackdown on Palestinians.

-Some intelligence analysts believe bin Laden already may have set in motion plans for attacks in case he is killed or captured by Americans.

In addition, bin Laden supporters traditionally have viewed the end of Ramadan as a period of maximum opportunity to strike the United States, officials said. The videotape released last week of bin Laden has heightened those concerns.

Americans are building detention centers at the Kandahar airport and at Camp Rhino to the south.

'There'll be more detainees coming," said Stufflebeem.

But perhaps not as many as the Pentagon wanted.

Earlier this month officials said there were some 5,000 to 6,000 prisoners being held by opposition groups throughout Afghanistan. It

was unclear what had become of the thousands, but Stufflebeem acknowledged that some had bribed their way free.

Following surrender talks in the last major Taliban stronghold of Kandahar, for instance, the entire Taliban senior leadership — wanted for harboring the terrorists in Afghanistan — escaped, a defense official said. The two dozen leaders were there during surrender negotiations with Afghan opposition, but gone when the city fell.

"So you can make a pretty good assumption there that there was some coordination done with individuals who would pay for their escape and movement and whatever," Stufflebeem said.

More than 200 foreigners from al-Qaida were killed in the recent battles around Tora Bora that culminated nine weeks of attacks by American warplanes in the air and eastern alliance forces on the ground.

Hundreds more were believed to be on the run.

Asked what the latest thinking was on where bin Laden might be. Stufflebeem said: "Anybody's guess." Other officials say they believe he remains in Tora Bora, or has fled to Pakistan in recent days.

U.S. aircraft reduced bombing in the Tora Bora region so ground forces could move into the cave and tunnel complexes abandoned by the al-Qaida. But warplanes continued to cruise above Afghanistan, poised to strike quickly.

To help provide the planes, the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis arrived in the Arabian Sea and began flight operations, Pentagon officials said.

### Anthrax investigation points to domestic source

WASHINGTON (AP) -The anthrax used in letter attacks appears to have been produced in the United States, the White House says, but who mailed it remains a mystery.

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said Monday the evidence on the anthrax sent to Sens. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., and Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., is increasingly "looking like it was a domestic source."

President Bush emphasized that the case remains

had been irradiated, said Nichols. Lynn Cassel, a department spokeswoman.

Cassel said the letter was addressed in "block letters," but she did not know if the envelope or the writing resembled that found on previous, anthrax-tainted letters.

On Capitol Hill, a military physician told members of Daschle's staff at a briefing that he would recommend they take an anthrax vaccine, which is considered experimental, if Health and

He said a mechanical problem kept the gas from

reaching the saturation point needed to kill the anthrax. Technicians worked from

9 p.m. Sunday to 3 a.m. Monday before they abandoned the effort.

"The goal was to get 500 parts per million. We did not achieve that goal," said Nichols. He said he did not know what caused the problem, which did not show up the first treatment of the

or living, anthrax, despite telling area residents that the lab's research was limited to inactive spores.

Los Alamos, which has been analyzing the genetic content of the anthrax used in the attacks, thought it was receiving dead spores from Northern Arizona University. But after the paperwork was filled out. the university discovered that the spores were alive and able to grow.

An internal Los Alamos report indicated that its lab

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#### **Dr. Clarence Peters**

#### To Jack Harrison:

In reference to your letter to the editor published 12-11-01

You implied, to me, when America did not continue in the secular Christmas pursuits such as buying and partying and etc. the U.S. economy would collapse plus, those of us who question these activities you designated or labeled as un-Christian.

Thank You!

unsolved.

'We're still looking," he said. "We've all got different feelings about it. We're gathering as much information (as possible)." The president promised that when some conclusions are reached, "We'll share it with the American people."

At the State Department, the FBI was called to examine a white powder found in an envelope addressed to Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage. The envelope moved through the regular U.S. mail system

Human Services Tommy Thompson approves its use. Thompson was expected to make his decision this week.

Technicians, meanwhile, ran into more problems trying to sanitize a Senate office building contaminated by lingering anthrax spores from the letter sent to Daschle in mid-October.

Attempts to pump poisonous gas into the Hart Senate Office Building's ventilation system to kill any remaining spores failed early Monday, said Capitol and officials assumed that it Police spokesman Lt. Dan received a sample of viable,

building with gas. know when another attempt

would be made. The Hart building has been closed since Oct. 17, two days after an anthraxfilled letter was opened in Daschle's office. The EPA reported Friday that traces of anthrax remained after the initial fumigation.

In New Mexico, officials at the Los Alamos National Laboratory, who have been conducting research in the investigation, anthrax acknowledged that they

was not certified to handle Nichols said he did not live anthrax, prompting queries from a member of Congress, Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass. In fact, officials said federal Monday, the internal report was wrong, and Los Alamos is certified to handle the live bacteria.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta has confirmed 18 cases of anthrax infection nationwide -11 cases of inhalation anthrax and seven through the skin since the anthrax-by-mail attacks began in October.

Is God dead? As Sojourner Truth replied to orator Douglas during the Civil War.

Our God is not small or in a box! Who do you think created the universe?

The God, some of us worship, is more than able to cope with the U.S. economy.

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The REASON for Christmas is the birth of Jesus Christ. Happy Birthday Jesus!

John 3:16 and 17.

### Fire breaks out at St. John the Divine

this morning at the historic Cathedral of St. John the Divine, with black smoke billowing 40 feet high from the Episcopal church that has been under construction for more than a century.

Part of the roof appeared to have caved in but no injuries were reported. The cause of the fire, seven days before Christmas, was not yet known.

Scores of firefighters were called to the scene at about 7 a.m., about an

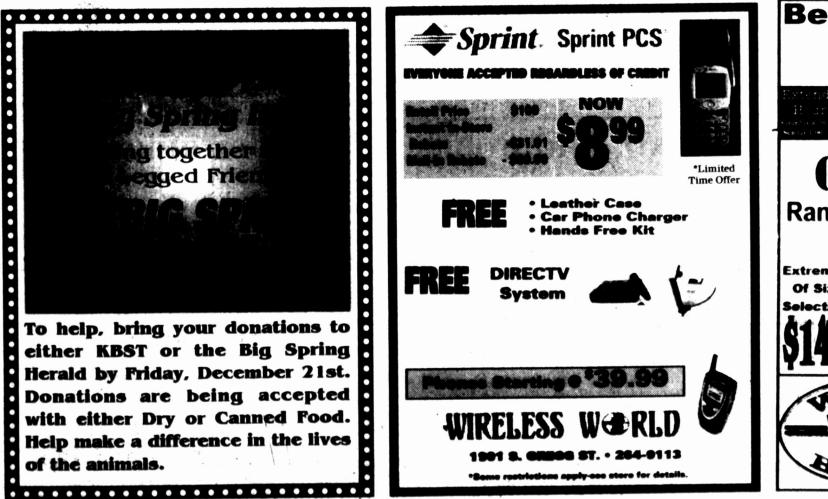
NEW YORK (AP) — Fire broke out hour before the first Mass of the day at what is believed to be the nation's largest church, as smoke poured from a gift shop in the rear of the church and scores of onlookers stood by.

"We were just crying all the way down here," said Margaret Hurwitz, whose son, Nicholas, 12, goes to the nearby Cathedral School.

Hurwitz and her son went to find out whether it would be open; other children were seen leaving the area, crying and carrying book bags. "You know, after the World Trade towers, you want something to be secure," said Hurwitz. "This is where we came that day."

There was no word on the extent of the damage.

Mechanic Juan Cruz, who saw the fire on his way to work at Columbia University, said: "There were clouds of black smoke 40 feet high. The winds were blowing it all over the place.'





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Indiana (6-3) lost at Miami 58-53

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Arizona was their 50th straight at

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was the biggest drop of the week,

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from 13th to 18th after losing 96-80

It was the Orangemen's second

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Jim Boeheim recovers from

surgery. Boeheim is expected to

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Thirteen people were arrested on a variety of charges. Fifteen others were ejected from the Superdome. The victory clinched a playoff spot for the Rams (11-2), and St. Louis is a game ahead of Chicago in the race for home-field advantage in the NFC playoffs. The Saints' loss also clinched a postseason berth for San Francisco. The 49ers, a game behind, still have an outside chance of catching the Rams in the NFC West, but St. Louis' two wins over San Francisco gives them the tiebreaker. The Saints (7-6) remain in contention for a wild card spot, with a key game coming up in Tampa next week against the Bucs, who have the same record. Warner was 23-for-32 for 338 yards. Three of the TD passes went to Isaac Bruce, and the other to Marshall Faulk. "We haven't gotten the ball to Ike enough the last few weeks," Warner said. "We know how explosive he is and what he means to this football team." St. Louis lost two fumbles, increasing their leagueleading giveaway total to 37. One set up a Saints touchdown and the other prevented a score by the Rams.

### IN BRIEF

Sports

#### Bulldogs chalk up overtime victory

Coahoma's 'Bulldogs were pushed to overtime, but chalked up a non-district basketball win Monday night, edging Hamlin's Pied Pipers, 62-59.

Senior post Chase Ward paced the Bulldogs with a game-high 23 points, while Kelby Kemper had 13 points and Chase Davis added another 11.

After getting off to a slow start, Coahoma overcame a 14-7 first-quarter deficit to trail 26-23 at halftime.

A 17-point third quarter burst gave the Bulldogs a 40-36 edge going into the fourth quarter, but the Pipers were able to deadlock the game at 53-all at the end of regulation.

The win improved the Bulldogs' record to 5-2 on the season.

The Bulldogs will travel to Big Lake on Thursday for an 8 p.m. tip against Reagan County's Owls.

#### Buffs roll to big win over Borden County

Forsan's Buffaloes proved to be somewhat ungracious hosts Monday night, as they rolled to a 59-33 win over Borden County's Coyotes in nondistrict basketball action. Zach Johnson led the

way for the Buffs, scoring a game-high 16 points and pulling down 10 rebounds.

Wes Longorio also finished the night in double figures, scoring 15 points for Forsan, while Matt Ellis had nine points to his credit. The win improved

Forsan's record to 10-5 on the season. Forsan also took the

### Duke's run as unanimous No. 1 longest in nine years The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Duke was a unanimous No. 1 in the AP college basketball poll Monday for the third straight week, the longest such stretch since the Blue Devils did it 10 seasons ago.

Florida moved up one place to No. 4, the highest ranking in school history.

The Blue Devils (9-0), who have been No. 1 all season, received all 70 first-place votes and 1,750 points from the national media panel. Maryland (8-1) had 1,655 points and moved up one place to No. 2, the same spot the Terrapins held in the preseason poll.

When Duke was a unanimous No. 1 last week, it matched Kansas in 1996-97 and Stanford last season for the longest run since the 1991-92 season. Those Blue Devils, who like this year's team were defending the national championship, were a Forest. unanimous No. 1 for three weeks on the way to repeating.

The longest stretch before that was the previous year, when UNLV was a unanimous No. 1 for the last six weeks of the season.

Kansas and Florida were third and fourth, while Virginia, Oklahoma State and Kentucky each moved up two places, to fifth through seventh.

Missouri, which fell 83-65 to Iowa on Saturday for its first loss of the season, dropped from second to eighth and was followed in the Top Ten by Illinois and Boston College. Arizona, which lost 74-60 at Michigan State on Saturday, dropped from sixth to 11th to lead the Second Ten and was followed by Iowa, Stanford, Marquette, Saint Joseph's, Georgetown, Michigan State, Syracuse, UCLA and Wake

The last five ranked teams were Ball State, Oklahoma, Alabama, Gonzaga and Cincinnati, the week's only newcomer.

Duke and Kentucky will play Tuesday night in the Jimmy V Classic, one of two Top Ten matchups this week; Illinois plays Missouri on Saturday. There are two other double-ranked games: Virginia at Georgetown on Thursday and Maryland at Oklahoma on Friday.

Cincinnati (7-1) moved in at No. 25 after beating Xavier 75-55 on Friday for its seventh straight victory. The Bearcats' only loss was at Oklahoma State in the season opener.

Cincinnati was ranked for the first nine polls last season before falling out of the Top 25. This marks the 11th straight season the

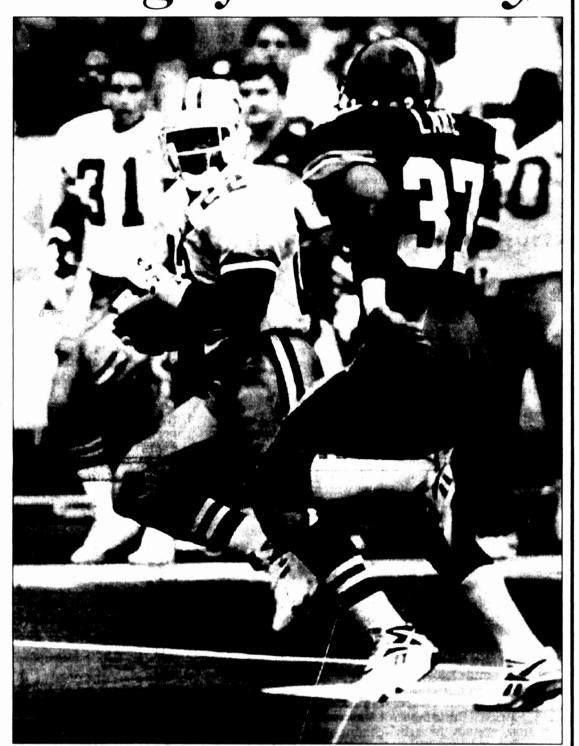
# Emmitt longs for old days

IRVING (AP) – Emmitt Smith's eyes danced and he grew animated as he recalled the Christmas present that made him happiest.

"It was this electric foot-ball game," Smith said Monday, making noises to show reporters in the Dallas Cowboys dressing room the sounds it made.

"Oh, that was the start," Smith said. "That was the start. I think the two teams I had were the Minnesota Vikings and the Steelers. We ran the ball a lot. I don't think you COULD pass in that game.'

that the Cowboys had the same devotion to the running game. After averaging 23 carries in the previous two games — victories over the Washington Redskins and the New York Giants -Smith expected the same against Seattle / 7 Instead, Smith had just 12 carries for 39 yards and fullback Troy Hambrick had one carry for 3 yards in a 29-3 Seattle victory. Quarterback Quincy Carter was the leading rusher with 40 yards on 6 carries. The Cowboys went to the air 33 times and rushed the ball only 21 times. "I don't know why we had to abandon the run right away. The score was 10-3, then 12-3, then 15-3. But, you just try to do the best you can when your number is called, and that's what I'm trying to do. If my number isn't called, there's nothing I can do about it," Smith said. Cowboys coach Dave Campo said he would have liked to have gone with a running strategy of Emmitt, Emmitt, Emmitt at Seattle, "but the circumstances forced us out of it.' "We were just too inconsistent. We just weren't able to move the chain. We had a number of three plays and out, instead of going 4 yards, 3 yards, 3 yards. I bet we were thirdand-7, third-and-8 a bunch," Campo said. "In every area, we lacked focus. Some of our guys were pulling off their blocks early." The Cowboys penetrated Seattle territory only four times — three in the first half and once at the very end with the Cowboys trail-



Rams get last word on Saints NEW ORLEANS (AP) -

Kurt Warner and the St. Louis Rams got the last word.

The New Orleans Saints bragged all week about their improved play after they won three of four games, but Warner put an end to the talk with four touchdown passes Monday night, lifting the Rams to a 34-21 victory.

"You just get tired of all the talk," Rams coach Mike Martz said. "I just think that we all felt that we had something to prove.'

The game, New Orleans' first on a Monday night since 1994, was interrupted briefly when fans threw bottles and debris on the field after a call they disagreed with.

"I think the fans were unacceptable in what they did," Saints coach Jim Haslett said.

"Couldn't get enough,

huh?" someone asked him.

Smith wished out loud

boys' junior varsity victory, as the young Buffs posted a 50-33 win.

The Buffaloes will now take a break for the Christmas holiday before returning to action during the Sterling City Tournament set to begin Dec. 27.

### YMCA expanding gymnastics program

The YMCA gymnastics program has expanded its field of classes to include cheerleading, boys gymnastics and a "Toddler Time." in addition to its traditional gymnastics classes for girls.

For more information, Call Leslie Northrup at 267-8234.

### **ON TAP**

#### TONIGHT H.S. BASKETBALL 6 p.m.

 Big Spring at Snyder, VG-VB.

6:30 p.m. · Sweetwater at Coahoma, VG only.

### **ON THE AIR**

#### Radio H.S. BASKETBALL

5:45 p.m. — Big Spring Lady Steers at Snyder Lady Tigers, KBST-AM 1490. 7:15 p.m. — Big Spring Steers at Snyder Tigers, KBST-AM 1490.

#### **Television** COLLEGE FOOTBALL

7 p.m. - New Orleans Bowl, North Texas vs. Colorado State, ESPN2. COLLEGE FOOTBALL Men

6 p.m. — Jimmy V Classic. Alabama vs. Temple, ESPN. 8 p.m. — Jimmy V Classic, Duke vs. Kentucky, ESPN. NBA 7 p.m. — Dallas

Mavericks at Minnesota limberwolves, FXS. 7 p.m. - Los Angeles Clippers at Phoenix Suns, TBS, Ch. 11..

Dallas Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith, pictured here breaking loose for a big gain during a Super Bowl XXX win over the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1995, says he's wishing the team was running like they used to when he carried the ball 30 or 40 times a game.

ing by 26.

As late as the fourth quarter, Campo said, he thought the Cowboys would pull the game out as they changed to a strategy of trying to throw to wide receivers.

"Part of it is a learning thing for the quarterback. Quincy threw the ball well, and that was a positive. A few times, he was a little bit late getting the ball off, and one time, we almost had what would have been a completion to Rocket for 50 or 60 yards. Quincy was throwing it into the wind and needed to throw it harder. It's a learning thing," Campo said.

"No question we took a step backward with this game. For the second straight week, we had some crucial penalties. I don't question anybody's effort, but we have to play with more focus," Campo said.

Eleven games into the season, Smith has only 690 vards. He must average 104 yards a game over the Cowboys' final three games if he is to achieve his 11th straight 1,000-yard season. He is in a tie with Barry Sanders for the NFL record of 10 in a row.

Not since his rookie season in 1990 has Smith gained fewer than 1,000

yards.

"Sure, getting a thousand means a lot," Smith said. "Getting 100 yards in a game is the mark you strive to get in a game, and 1,000 yards is the mark you strive to get in a season."

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Smith, 32, is within 870 yards of Walter Payton's career rushing record of 16,726 career yards, but if he breaks the record it won't be this season.

"Emmitt is still a quality, quality back, and yes, we would have hoped that he'd have more Ayards. He was out two games because of injury, and that figures into it," Campo said.

### UConn remains No. 1 in women's poll after quiet week

#### The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Connecticut remained No. 1 in The Associated Press women's basketball poll by a wide margin Monday, following a quiet week in which many players concentrated on final exams instead of games. The Huskies are in the

middle of a two-week break but will end the layoff with what could be their most challenging game so far against No. 3 Oklahoma in Hartford, Conn., on Saturday.

Several other members of the Top 25 also have tough games coming up that could

scramble the poll next week. Monday's poll had no newcomers and 14 teams held the same position as last week

Connecticut (10-0)received 41 of the 45 firstplace votes from a national media panel and had 1,121 points to lead a top seven that was unchanged from last week. The Huskies' last game was a 74-50 victory over Louisiana Tech on Dec.

No. 2 Tennessee (7-0) had the four other first-place votes and 1,082 points after its biggest victory to date, a 68-62 win at No. 6 Stanford on Sunday.

Oklahoma (10-0) was third

with 1.026 points and was followed by Vanderbilt (10-1), Iowa State (9-0), Stanford (8-1) and Purdue (8-1).

No. 8 Baylor and No. 9 Duke traded places and Georgia remained 10th. The No. 8 ranking was the highest ever for Baylor (10-0), which beat UCLA 92-59 in its only game last week.

Louisiana Tech remained 11th and Texas Tech held at No. 12. Then it was Michigan, Colorado. Wisconsin and North followed by Carolina, State, North Colorado Carolina State, Texas and Florida.

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Dominion held the final five places.

Top 25 teams were involved in only 22 games last week and the only three who lost were beaten by other ranked teams.

Stanford stayed at No. 6 after its loss to Tennessee, NC State fell two spots to 18th following an overtime loss to Georgia and LSU went from 21st to 24th after losing to Michigan.

LSU's drop was the biggest in the poll. Auburn made the biggest jump. going from 25th to 22nd after improving to 10-0 with a 71-59 win over Florida State.

Among the games this

week are No. 14 Colorado at No. 20 Florida on Friday and No. 23 South Carolina vs. No. 16 North Carolina in Myrtle Beach, S.C., on Thursday.

North Carolina State, which has lost three straight, faces Mississippi State and its high-scoring star, LaToya Thomas, in Cancun, Mexico. Texas meets Penn State, which was ranked earlier this season, and Tulane plays at Drake, which also has been ranked this year.

Stanford opens Pac-10 play on the road against Arizona and Arizona State, and Texas Tech plays at Rutgers.

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#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY for friend or loved one. You've Wednesday, Dec. 19:

impulsiveness Your brings new information forward more often than not. Your gentler ways draw many to you, often with surprising results. Caring multiplies this year as the result of your finely-tuned social skills. You also gain financially and professionally because of a natural talent or skill that comes to the forefront. If you are single, you will have many choices, though you might enjoy the excitement of being single. You will get what you want if you're honest with yourself. If you are attached, plan more fun activities with your sweetheart. Act more like lovers. AQUARIUS surprises 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)\*\*\*\*\* Smile at a surprise this morning. Someone cannot help himself or herself -he or she let the cat out of the bag. Add more happiness wherever you go, whether it is bringing Christmas cookies or smiling at someone who seems a bit glum. Others see you as a winner. Tonight: Where your friends are, again.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)\*\*\*\* Stay on top of a situation. Understand more of what a boss expects by asking poignant questions. A friendship grows because of your support and caring.

got a lot to talk about. Tonight: Out and about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\*\* Excitement surrounds communication. A partner softens up considerably because of news that you share. Greet the unexpected with a smile, and so will others. Do what you can to help people relax and not get into the holiday panic. Do the same for yourself! Tonight: Check out the music store.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)\*\*\*\* Deal with someone directly on a one-on-one level. Support somebody in last-minute changes. Someone's nerves are fried; this person needs your help. Your words of support and your nurturing style can make the difference between success and failure. Tonight: Be a duo.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Others greet you in unexpected and positive ways. A child or new friend shares his or her strong feelings. Don't be surprised by your reaction. You might not have realized how strongly you felt until this very moment. Feelings expound. Tonight: Follow someone's wishes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* You deal with unanticipated curves well. In fact, with your generous nature, you don't take others for granted and you appreciate efforts from those around you. Let a family member or roommate know when you will have time for him Schedule time with a dear or her, rather than keep

### HOROSCOPE putting this person off.

Tonight: Buy something special for dinner. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Someone admires you. If you are open, more could develop with this relationship. Consider alternatives surrounding this person carefully. Increase a child's self-confidence through building his or her ego and plugging self-criticism. Tonight: Be naughty and very, very nice.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)\*\*\* You might be trying to finish off last-minute touches or ideas for the holidays. Don't forget to spend some money on yourself! Why not buy that item that you covet? Laugh with a family member who has an uncanny sense of humor. Tonight: Pass the eggnog. please.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)\*\*\*\*\* Don't count on others coming through as you expected. Though feelings should not be in question, you might feel insecure. Your softer and more affectionate nature emerges with more knowledge and understanding. Be spontaneous, especially with a neighbor or relative. Tonight: Leap and the net will appear.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)\*\*\* Expenses could easily shock you. You're overspending. Perhaps you are going overboard rather than expressing your feelings, and possibly your insecurities. Listen to your sixth sense when dealing with finances. You know

when enough is enough Follow through using selfdiscipline. Tonight: Think before spending.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)\*\*\*\*\* The unexpected does occur. You could surprise yourself by what you do and say. Clear out a problem before it becomes an albatross. Your spontaneity allows someone to express his or her affection. Do something together, even if it's for just a short while. Tonight: Keep smiling.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)\*\*\* Take a deep breath and carefully think through a decision that involves someone whom you put on a pedestal. Let this person know just how important he or she are through words as well as actions. You gain insight about this person, yourself or both. Tonight: Get some extra sleep.

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#### Funeral should not be used to save the souls of living allow participants to select

Dear Ann Landers: My 🎑 grandfather passed away recently at the age of 84 after a long illness. At the funeral service, the ANN minister went LANDERS on and on about how it

was my grandfather's final wish that all his children and grandchildren join the church and

Thank you, Ann. – Resentful in the South Dear Resentful: I can es of the military and send personal greetings. Those understand your resentwho would like a response ment. That tasteless and inopportune attempt to can include their own erecruit new members to the mail address. Just thought church was ham-handed you'd like to know. - CDR Rudolph and an insult to the bereaved. If the minister, USNR, Washington, D.C. Dear out of a sense of religious duty, thought it was imper- Brewington: Thank you so

ative that he try to "save" much for this information. you, he should have I am sure my readers will approached you after the be grateful for the opportu- lover and a comfortable, service and suggested a pri- nity to send e-mail greet-

met a very special man. We from any of the five branchchatted for hours on end and became very close. I soon found myself madly in love. When we met, it was magic. When I asked Jo for a divorce, he was shocked. He never saw it Brewington, coming. His reaction surprised me. I was not aware Commander that he cared so much.

And that's my problem, Ann. I find myself caught between a new, passionate set-in-his-ways husband.

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become "saved." He tried to lay a guilt trip on us by saying if we did not join the church, we would not see our grandfather in heaven.

Ann, I loved my grandfather very much, but I never did share his religious beliefs. Nor do I believe that I am "lost" or in need of being saved. I resent the minister's use of the funeral service to convert people who do not wish to be converted.

Please tell ministers that a funeral service is a time for grieving and saying goodbye to our loved ones. It is not meant to be an opportunity to recruit new members to the church.

vate meeting.

Dear Ann Landers: I know vou informed vour readers that it would not be possible to write to "Any Service Member" this year due to the anthrax scare and other mail problems. However, you might be a way to send virtual holiday greetings to our ser-

seas Please tell your readers to log onto the Navy LIFELines Services Network at www.LIFELines2000.org or directly to go http://AnyServiceMember.N avy.mil. These sites will

ings to our servicemen and women overseas. Bless them all, and bless you for letting me know.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a middle-aged woman with three lovely children and a soon-to-be ex-husband, "Joe." It all began a few interested to know there is years ago when my children went away to college. I was alone all day, every vicemen and women overday, and Joe traveled on business frequently. He taught me how to use the Internet so I could entertain myself. It was fascinating at first, and then I became addicted and was online 24 hours a day. I couldn't get

As the months passed, I DICATE, INC.

enough.

Should I settle for what I have with Joe, or is it time for me to move on? -Needing Romance in Ohio Dear Ohio: Your signa-

ture tells me almost as; much as your letter. You are looking for a little excitement in your staid, comfortable, ho-hum life. Please don't be so quick to dump solid (but not so peppy) Joe for an unknown quantity. Give this matter a great deal of thought before you make a move. With the scant detail you have offered, I vote for staying with solid, steady Joe.

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In 1971, the Rev. Jesse

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Chicago the founding of

**Operation PUSH** (People

In 1972, the United States

began its heaviest bombing

of North Vietnam at that time during the Vietnam

War. The bombardment

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THIS DATE **IN HISTORY** 

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Today is Tuesday, Dec. 18, the 352nd day of 2001. There are 13 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in

History: On Dec. 18, 1865, the 13th Amendment to the Constitution, abolishing slavery, was declared in effect.

On this date: In 1787, New Jersey became the third state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1892, Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker Suite" publicly premiered in St. Petersburg, Russia.

ended 12 days later. In 1915, President Wilson, In 1980, former Soviet the world's largest companv

Today's Birthdays: Actor Ossie Davis is 84. Former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark is 74. Actor Roger Smith is 69. Blues musician Lonnie Brooks is 68. Rock musician Keith Richards 58. is Alan Writer/director Rudolph is 58. Movie producer-director Steven Spielberg is 55. Blues artist Ron Piazza is 54. Movie director Gillian Armstrong is 51. Movie reviewer Leonard Maltin is 51. Actor Ray Liotta is 46. Actor Brad Pitt is 38. Country singer Tracy Byrd is 35.

Answer to previous puzzle DOGINT now Ajab In Knot I Keinthegi 

SWING TIME by Lee Weaver



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### **GASOLINE ALLEY**

OK! Listen up! I want to ... so here he is -our old principal, Mr. Elvis mustive Thank you! troduce a man who needs Thankyou written his Warren Jones! no introduction... very much! speech! Hush! ELAP! TINK



#### **SNUFFY SMITH**



#### **BEETLE BAILY**





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widowed the year before, married Edith Bolling Galt at her Washington home.

In 1940, Adolf Hitler signed a secret directive ordering preparations for a Nazi Union. Barbarossa was launched in sweeping restructuring of

Premier Alexei N. Kosygin died at age 76.

Ten years ago: General Motors announced it would close 21 North American plants over the next four invasion of the Soviet years and slash tens of Operation thousands of jobs in a

20 Legendary

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23 Mexican

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30 Kauai

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33 Robert E.

34 Goalie's

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### Newsday Crossword

ACROSS DOWN 1 Deep gorge 1 Burn slightly 6 "Woe is me!" 2 Man of the **10** Affirmative hour 3 Felipe of vote 13 Cyclist's baseball 4 Self-satisfied protection 15 Learned 5 Interweave completely 6 Surprise 17 Stir to action attack 7 Neighbor of Thailand 18 Plant specialist **19** Disorderly 8 Italian wine center playing 21 Conversational 9 Getz of jazz 10 Onassis' fillers nickname 22 Canyon edge **25** Revolutionary 11 "Permission granted!" War site 12 Summer hrs. 32 Toothpaste for Conn. type 34 Discussion 14 Snicker group sound 16 MIT grad 35 Time off **37 Mistreating** 40 Genealogy 41 Examine 13 minutely 17 42 Citizens of Copenhagen 11 43 Match, as a bet 44 Lettuce course 48 Tooth pro's deg. 24 50 Live and breathe 37 51 Triple-decker 41 lunch 60 '60s French 43 president 63 Scribble idly 64 Watchful one 65 "Down by the Old Mill 66 Actor Gulager 67 Wood cutters 68 Thin coal layers

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