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A Quick read of the news

Zapped by a hair dryer
Dale Rooks did - waving, signaling,
even screaming - made speeders slow
., elementary school. 47 , wrapped the hair dryer with electriat them they hit the brakes, thinking it's


Parody's a big hit
witten by a Las Vegas radio team is
getting air time on more than 100 US .
"The Bin Laden Bomb Song," sung to the tune of Harry Belafonte's ca Song." was writen by KOMP-FM's
morming-stiow crew batuans.
the Sept. 11 terrorist attack.
Now, cartoon versions of a gun-tot
ing Bin Laden are running and ducking
for cover as an animated version of
Sccrctary of State Colin Powell sings Come Mr. Taliban, hand over Bin

Principal jumps, for joy
a.) Elementary School principal
of an airplane at 10,000 feet
It was the first jump for Self, who
plummeted in a free-fall for 45 seconds
before the skydiving instructorto whom
she was buckled pulled the parachute
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Drawing date: Saturday, Nov. 17 Winning numbers: $3-5-7-21-28-2$ Estimated jackpot:
Winners:
Next drawing: Wednesday, Nov Estimated jackpot: \$4 million

Nov. 17 - The Texas colonists' garrison Anahuac receives a new commander, Jua Nov. 22 - U.S. President John
Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas (1963 and Texas Gov. John Connally is injured in an ial theories almost 40 years later)

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As of press time Monday night, the National Weather Service was predicting fairly mild weather, with lows of about 40 Thursday morning, 36 Friday, 40 Saturday, 38 Sunday and 34 Monday. Partly cloudy skies are expected throughout the period, with daytime highs in the 60 s until Monday, when the temperature should reach about 51 .

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Mules on another magical playoff odyssey By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter

The Mule coaches are very
thankful that they have to work
over the Thanksgiving holidays," Mule defensive coordinator Eddie Kilmer said Monday. "The holidays are : ot happier when you're play
watching.
The preseason prognostica
tors who wrote District 1-3A would sweep the first round of the University Interscholastic League football playoffs from District 2-3A now have egg on of the three games from Dis-

Shallowater downed Sanford-Fritch 12-7 in a steady drizzle Thursday night in Amarillo's Dick Bivins Sta dium. Kiel Kitchens' arm made the difference there. The Mule ithstood the ground assaul of Charlie Johnson's Childres hootout Friday night in Bivin

## by-28 score.

The only loss by District 2
A was in the Division I pairing s the Perryton Ranger omped over the Lubbock Coo per Pirates 49-7 immediatel
after the Mule-Bohcat tilt.
The Shallowater Mustang
will square off with the Alpine
in Andrews. Alpine squeake
the right to meet the Mustangs
he right to meet the Mustang
Shatlowater and Alpine are o keep the other team hones but prefer to throw the ball and use the shotgun formation ex ensively. The winner of the Shallowater-Alpine collision will meet the recipient of the gold ball from the Sweetwate Kennedale game
match

## Sandra Orozco grabs 11th week of football contest

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Sandra Orozco of Muleshoe found her self all alone atop the standings in last week's football contest after she missed only two games

She guessed wrong on the outcome of
one college game (Stephen F. Austin at
Northwestern State) and one pro game New York Jets at Miami)
Orozco's nearest competition was another woman, Marilyn Engelking of Lazbuddie, the only contestant whomissed four games
Her misses were on three college games
Michigan State at Purdue, Temple at West Virginia, Louisiana-Monroe at
Senate ag panel dumps country-of-origin labels JOURNAL STAFF REPORT
The Texas Farmers Union said last week that it was "extremely disappointed" bya U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee vote against a bill requiring country-of-origin labeling on meats, fresh fruits and vegetables and farm-raised fish.
The farm group said the bill would have "prohibited deception" in marketing.
The vote was virtually along party lines, with Democrats Blanche Lincoln of Arkansas and Zell Miller of Georgia joining 10 Republicans in opposing the measure. Supporting the proposal to inform consumers about where their food is coming from were the committee's nine other Democrats.


Mule Kyle Atwood (No. 10) establishes contact (above) with Childress Bobcat Michael Brisco (No. 21) durng Friday night's bi-district hriller in Amarillo. At right, Atwood joins Lincoln Riley (No. 12) in breaking up a pass during a sequence that looks so graceful it could have been choreographed. After eliminating Childress 34-28 in overtime, Muleshoe faces the Crane at 6 p.m. Friday in Seminole in the second round of the playoffs; the sendoff for the Mules is set for 1:30 p.m. at Leal's.

and the Golden Cranes is very
 imilarto ourtast week s game Briscons in the Amarillo area. With Childress, Mule coach The Mules will be the visit"They will try to go outside some to keep us honest, but east stands. Prior to the game, the Mule
middle. Thev have a big run- sendoff is scheduled for $1: 30$
he pro ranks. Bruns of Muleshoe, each with six misses
Phillip Gonzales of Muleshoe was one of six players who missed five games, but he placed third in the contest by being the closest on the tiebreaker score. He guessed that the Philadelphia-Dallas game would yield a total of 38 points, while the actual

Others missing five games, and thei iebreaker guesses, were Carl Jacobs of Muleshoe (42), Shonda Hill of Muleshoe (43), Tony Nicolas of Farwell (47), Sue Bessire of Muleshoe (47) and Isaac Nicolas of Farwell (48)

## High-speed Internet access expanded

JOURNALSTAFFREPORT Five Area Systems has announced that highspeed Internet access will be expanded Nov. 26 to include the Earth and Sudan areas.
Muleshoe and Oltonalready use the technology. Future expansions will allow the rest of Five Area's customers access to high-speed connections.
The service allows customers to upload and download at speeds up to

68 kilobits per second,
compared with 28.8 kilocompared with 28.8 kiloditional analog connection.
"This is an exciting step toward enabling our customers to experience the broadband future of the Internet," said Sandy Vandevender, executive vice president and general manager of Five Area.

We are committed to offering our customers a high-speed Internet access service that is affordable,"

Ben Brock, Five Area's systems subsidiary man ager, said, " Broadband DSL customers will be etter equipped to expe rence the next genera ion of broadband web content, allowing faster downloads of audio video and interactivetext "In addition the 'al ways on' connection ab lows users to make and cceive phone calls or send faxes while accessing the Internet.

## Around Muleshoe

Parent-school workshop scheduled Communication Within Our Family" will be the theme the Muleshoe High School cafeteria
The program, coordinated by the federal programs office, will be presented in Spanish by Soila Reyes of Catholic Family Services, Janie Balderas and Margie Alarcón.
Child care, refreshments and a door prize will be fea-
Emergency-care classes offered
The state of Texas, through the Texas Department of Health, is sponsoring free rural area instruction to become n emergency-care attendant.
Those interested must attendclasses and agree to volunteer with their local service for a period of one year after successfully completing the class. No hospital clinical hours or ambulance rotations are required.
Classes will begin Dec. 11 and are scheduled for Tues day and Thursday nights in Bovina.

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RVIN ST. CLAIR
Services for Lowell IrvinSt. air, 75, of Muleshoe were held Monday at First Baptist Church. The Rev. Stacy Con ner officiated. Burial was in Bailey County Cemetery
Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.
Mr. St. Clair was born Dec 29, 1925, at Estelline, Texas e died Saturday at home He moved to Muleshoe in 1930 from Memphis, Texas He married Dorothy Perry on Jan. 4, 1947, in Clovis.
He owned St. Clair's Department Stores. He was a charter member of the Muleshoe Country Club, a directo of the West Texas-New Mexico Senior Golf Associa on, and a member of the First Baptist Church, Muleshoe Li ons Club, Muleshoe Jaycees and the Red Raider Club of Texas Tech
He helped organize the Bailey County Junior Live stock Show and the Mulesho Girl Scouts and helped start the National Mule Memorial.
Mr. St. Clair is survived by his wife; two sons, Johnny St. Clair of Waco and Kelly St Clair of Tulsa; a daughter Pamela Miller of Muleshoe ix grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.
The family suggests memo rials to the American Hear Association (3403 73rd St Lubbock 79423), American Lung Association (P.O. Box 2640, Austin 78755), Mule hoe Country Club or Muleshoe Public Library RUTH NEWMAN
Services were held Tuesday the First United Methodist Church of Sudan for Ruth Newman 89, fudan Rev. Monte Wike officiated Burial was in Sudan Cemetery Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.
Mrs. Newman was born May 3, 1912, in Hunt County, Texas She died Saturday at Covenan Medical Center in Lubbock.
She moved to the Sudan area in February 1952 from Caddo Mills, Texas. She was a 1929 graduate of Caddo Mills High School.
She was a homemaker and memberof Sudan's First United Methodist Church, where she was active in United Methodis Women. She also was a mem ber of the Order of Eastern Star in Sudan.
Mrs. Newman is survived by two sons, Jimmie Newman and Bobbie Newman, both of Sudan; a daughter, Jan Netherland of Sudan; a sister, Frances Jenkins of Dallas; brother, Vernon Koger of Mineola, Texas; three grand children, Bonnie Bruce, Teen

Wimmer and Ryan Netherland; and three great-grandchildren, Luke Wimmer, Lindsey Wimmer and Caitlyn Netherland.
The family suggests memorals to the First United Methodist Church or Sudan

ABBIE FAYE NORTHCUTT
Services were held Monday the Charlet Funeral Home Chapel in Zachary, La., for Abbie Faye Northcutt, 7 , Ethel, La. Graveside service were held at 2 p.m. Nov. 21 Muleshoe Memorial Park.
She is survived by her par-
ents, Mark and JoRonda Northcutt of Ethel; three broth ers, Dustin and Nathan (triplets with Abbie Faye) and Elen randparents, Joe and Darla Rrades of Muleshe Dar hodes Mushe (Northe nd Evelyn (Northcut) Kerro Ruidoso; and her great-grand mother, Lois (Baldwin Morrison of Lubbock.
Abbie Faye's family cites a favorite Scripture, I Samue 1:27-28: "For this child prayed: andthe Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of him: Therefore also I have ent himto the Lord; as long he liveth, he chall be lent to the he liven, hid shall bershiped the Lord there." OHLEN RAY
Services were held Monday at the First Missionary Baptis Church of Morton for Ohlen Ray, 72, of Morton. The Rev Randy Johnson officiated. Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery.
Ellis Funeral Home of Morton handled arrangements. Mr. Ray was born June 4 1929, in Lubbock. HediedNov 16 in Morton.
He had lived in Morton since une 1, 1946, and marrie Debbie Smith on Jan. 20, 1989 in Sundown. He was a postal clerk and also had worked for Ellis Funeral Home in Morton.
He was a member of the


First Missionary Bastis Church Post 374 American Legion ost 374 in Morton. He also was a U.S. Army Medical Corps veteran of the Korean War.
Mr. Ray is survived by his wife; four daughters, Nan Love and Zarla Jeffcoat, both of The Colony Texas, and Lisa Goard and Dana Ralston, both Dalton Ga a sister Elsie Dalton, Ga., a sister, Elsi Hesterlee of Morton, nine grandchildren; and four great grandchildren
The American Cancer Soc ety ( 3411 73rd St., Lubbock 79423) or the First Missionary Baptist Church (102E. Taylor Morton 79346)
GUADAL'UPE MUNIZ
Graveside services were he Monday at Sudan Cemetery for former Sudan resident Guadalupe Muniziz, 85 , of Semi nole. The Rev. Joe Augustine officiated.
Ellis FuneralHome of Suda handled arrangements.
Mrs. Muñiz was born July 9 1916, at Penitas, Texas. Sh died Nov. 16 in Seminole. She married Gilberto Muñiz on April 9, 1930, in Edinburg Texas. He died Sept. 12, 1994 She moved to Sudan in 195
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Nov. 26 - Deadline for ordering fruit, cheese or Bailey County 4-H members. Information, 272-4583 Also on Nov. 26 - Muleshoe public school classes esume regular hours after the Thanksgiving holiday. Dec. 3-7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Financial Aid Seminar sponsored annually by the Jennyslippers, in the high school cafeteria. Aimed at anyone interested in getting a college education
Dec. 9-7 p.m. to 9 p.m. "Christmas in the Country 2001" at Trinity Christian Center Church, 1723 W. American Blvd. Food items will be donated for Bailey County Food Pantry and an offering will be taken for Meals on Wheels. Different types of music will be performed.

Seminole with her daughters for the past two years. She was a homemaker and a Roman Catholic.
Mrs. Muñiz is survived by two sons, Santiago Muñiz of Houston and Casimiro Muñiz of Farwell; six daughters Santos Muñiz of Muleshoe Guad Me Soto of Everso Wash., Juana Macias and San Juana Muñiz, both of Seminole, Margareto Muñiz of Sudan an Concha Gonzales of Houston a sister, Trinidad Munguia o San Carlos, Texas; 67 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren
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## Lady Mules lead off season at 1-1

By DELTON WILHITE Journal sportswriter
The Lady Mules opened their basketball season with a disappointing loss to the Class 4A Frenship Lady Tigers last Tuesday night in Muleshoe. The 60-51 final score does not tell the game story, as first-night jitters lasted most of the first period for the Lady Mules.
With $1: 27$ left in the first quarter, Muleshoe trailed quarter, Muleshoe trailed
$20-2$ before Britni Gartin 20-2 before Britni Gartin
caught fire and cut the Lady caught fire and cut the Lady
Tiger advantage to 20-9 as the period ended.
Muleshoe's scoring picked up in the second period and the defense held the Tigers to 14 points to finish the first half down 34-21. The Lady Mules'
pressure increased in the second half and held Frenship to nine points, cutting the Tiger lead to 10 points.
The Lady Mules would cut another point off the Lady Tigers lead before the Candlelight
SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL annual Candielight at the Ranch ha been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. to $8: 30$ p.m Dec. 7 and Dec. 8 at the National Ranching Heritage Center.
There is no admission charge.
More than 100 volunteers in period clothing will re
leading all scorers with 20 points. Shani Rasco had nine points, Annie Cox added six, Tiffany Flores five, Jessica Carpenter and Mindy Locker had four each, and Sara Benham chipped in three points. Muleshoe picked up 12 points on secondeffort, and the bench scored 14 to draw the Lady Mules close by the final buzzer
Saturday afternoon, the Lady Mules jumped ove the Farwell Lady Blue to enter the win column and even their season record at 1-1. Muleshoe outran Farwell to a $54-32$ final on the Lady Blue home floor Farwell opened the game with a 3-0 run, but the Lady Mule press kicked in and Gartin hit a 15-foot baseline jumper off a steal to crank the Lady Mule offense Gartin added two more when she picked off the ensuing Farwell or the ensuing Farwell inbound pass and laid the ball on the glass to give Muleshoe at the Ranch
enact holiday activities o he late 1700 s toearly 1900 inthe
Luminaria-lighted path ways will lead visitors to scenes depicting working cowboys playing traditiona music, a quiet cavalry camp, chuckwagons and buildings adorned with decorations appropriate to

Tiffany Flores followed suit, grabbing a steal and scoring to push the Lady Mules to a 6-3 advantage Mindy Locker was fouled driving the baseline and driving the baseline and made both free throws Flores added two more and Annie Cox made two fre throws with 2:15 left in the first period.
Candace Hutto put back an offensive rebound to give the Lady Mules a 14-3 give the Lady Mules a 14-3 advantage before Farwel would score. The first quar ter ended with the Lady Mules leading 15-5.
Locker and Rasco blocked shots as the second period got under way Muleshoe had outscored Farwell 28-13 by intermis Farw
sion.
Carpenter and Tori Barton nailed three-point ers in the third period to increase the Lady Mule ad vantage to $38-17$
Hutto grabbed an offen sive rebound and kicked the ball out to Cox for three as the Lady Mules continue scheduled
the period.
In the DeVitt-Mallet museum building, a cowboy Santa will greet children while carolers sing. Holiday shopping will be available.
On Dec. 8, the event be gins an hour early for those using wheelchairs or strollers and those with special ers and
needs.
torun on Farwell. Muleshoe
passed around the scoring
opportunities, with Gartin
again leading with 10
points.
Barton had eight with
twothrees, Carpenter made
seven withone three, Hutto
added seven, Flores made
six, Cox five withone three,
Locker and Rasco had four
each, and Rendi Hodge cach, and Rendi Hodge The Lady Mules were called for 14 fouls and Farwell was whistled for 10.
"You have to play the best, to be the best," Lady said "WW Freshin too big a jump on us, but was glad to see us but back today against a good back today against a good
Farwell team." Farwell team.
The Lady Mules were scheduled to take on de fending Class $1-\mathrm{A}$ state champion Nazareth on Tuesday night in Muleshoe

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There's a By RONN SMITH Editor
According to a brief review of the new book Herbs for Texas by Howard Garrett with Odena Brannam (University of Texas Press, 2001), there are some words of wisdom that apply to any type of gardening:
"Before buying any product or deciding to use any procedure, ask the following questions.
"If I use this product or procedure, will it hurt or help the earthworms? Will itstimulate life and health? With every application of high-nitrogen synthetic fertilizers . . . the soil ends up with less life and less humus, is less productive, and has more insect pests and disease organisms.
"With every application of organic fertilizers, rock powders and biological products, the soil gets better and better and better forever.'
I don't know about synthetic fertilizers leading to more insect pests and disease organisms, but the rest of it I can see with my own eyes and feel with my own hands.

Who says serious gardeners are serious all the time? (I know, readers of this column
But there was the Seattle couple who met on an Internet compost and mulch forum and got married last summer with compost bin for an altar. Their invitations asked
est to use on gardening practices


## guests to "share in the

 miracle of renewal" by bringing something to contribute to the wedding compost.The trash they collected totaled 2 cubic yards ( 18 cubic feet) and "included an IRS refund check, a handwritten poem, 33 salmon heads, fresh buffalo dung, fig leaves, dryer lint, old underwear, a case of artichoke leaves, 2,000 business cards, passion flowers, rose petals and even a gift-wrapped banana peel from Julia Child."
...
Anyone who has grapevines and tries to keep them pruned already knows that it's work. Of course, the lush growth of untrimmed grapes can be beautiful, making a shady spot over an arbor that can be invit ing (when the fruit isn ing (when the fruit isn' ripe) for a summer break. If maximum fruit production is the aim, then
annual pruning comes into play. Luckily, there are so many people doing this that here is a good deal of lit erature about it erature about it
If you have mature vines and have followed the rec ommended pruning for three years, you begin by loosening the ties that held
last year's m
to the trellis. On each of those main branches, select a pencilsize cane (that's a twig) to serve as the following season's main branch. Cut off everything else, except possibly for a couple of two-bud stubs near the main trunk. I'd recommend leaving the stubs your new branch might get broken off or injured in some way, and the stubs provide a good insurance policy.
Winter is the best time to prune them. Modern studies tend to discount the old belief that if you prune grapes too late in the winter and they "bleed" meaning they ooze sap meaning will die
Apparently bleeding does little or no damage to the vine. I haven't tested this because it really both ers me to see grapevines with sap pouring out. Most with sappouring out. Most
likely, there were just too many years when I had it drilled into my head that the vines might bleed to death.

Illa Ritchie of Tucumcar recently wrote to ask me for sources of pigsqueak (Bergenia cordifolia). I thought this would be a slam-dunk, but it turns out not that many places are offereing the species this year.
Heronswood has several improved forms of it (all at $\$ 10$ to $\$ 12$ per plant) as well as some other species
of bergenia (notably $B$
purpurascens at $\$ 8$ ), bu purpurascens at \$8), but I'm not familiar with the others and don't know if
they're as tough as B. they're as tough as $B$.
cordifolia. Also, since I'm not familiar with the other species, I can't state whether the leaves make the distinctive noise that gives pigsqueak its common name
I'll find out, though, and I hope that when the new catalogs start arriving in a few weeks, more of them will list "plain old" pigsqueak.
Happy planting
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Hunters should take precautions against anthrax

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COLLEGE STATION - Two human cases of anthrax in Florida are making headlines across the United States and the world.
While some experts doubt that anthrax could be used as a biological weapon in this country, other experts are warning that hunters-especially those hunting in Southwest Texas - should take precautions againsta disease that is as old as time itself.
Even before the Florida cases, many people in Texas were familiar with anthrax because an outbreak in deer and cattle in Southwest Texas this summer killed hundreds of animals and left two men hospitalized. ized in the Del Rioand Uvalde areas.
"As far as anthrax goes in these endemic areas - it's been time ", said br James of time," said Dr. James Lenarduzzi of Beeville, a veterinarian with the Texas
Animal Health Commission. Usually four to six coun ties are affected in these localized outbreaks, he said. "Because of the climatic conditions and the soil conditions, it will probably remain here forever," he added Still, he said, there is no danger with most activities such as biking, fossil hunting
or camping, and even huntor camping, and even hunt-
ing.
"There's not any danger of getting anthrax by camping out or having campfires or any type of activity out here in this part of the world. "As long as you're not get ting the blood of an infected animal on your skin, you're just as safe here as anywhere else," Lenarduzzi said. Hunters in upper South Texas or the southwestern part of the Edwards Plateau shouldexercise caution. Rick Taylor of Uvalde, a wildlife biologist with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, said, "If you come across car casses - dead deer bones, skulls, skeletons -you
should leave them alone Don't touch them; just leave them alone."
One confirmed and one suspected case of cutaneous anthrax were reported in th Uvalde area after contact with infected animals and animal products. The men were treated in the hospital and re

Anthrax is a bacterial dis ease that occurs in humans and in a wide range of live stock and animal species Lawhorn of College Station,
a veterinarian with Texas Co operative Extension and the A\&M College of Veterinary Medicine's department of
large animal medicine and large an
surgery.
It is endemic to several southern states, including Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas, and many other countries throughout the world, Lawhorn said.
The disease usually occurs mostcommonly after periods of drought or flooding, Lawhorn said.
Anthrax occurs in one of two forms: The vegetative type is actually the form that multiplies in the animal; the spore type is the dormant form found in the environment. Animalsprimarily become infected by grazing and picking up the microscopic spores
from the soil. The spores enfrom the soil. The spores en-
ter the blood stream through cuts and abrasion in the mouth, said Dr. Floron "Buddy" Faries of College Station, an Extension veteriStation,
narian.
The sp
spores, when exposed to body fluids and the warmth of body temperatures, transorm to the vegetative form, and as the vegetative form multiplies, toxins that destroy tissues and organs, cause shock and death are released. Any animal that grazes and swallows the spores whether it is a cow, sheep, whether it is a cow, sheep,
goat or deer - is susceptible. goat or deer - is susceptible.
The severity of the disease varies somewhat within spe Coyos.
cies
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Coyotes and domestic dogs are not very susceptible; howchronic form of the disease. chronic form of the disease. With canines, "It's not quick death, maybe some swollen lymph nodes in the neck. They get sick, and they may be diagnosed as having some bacterial sickness. The vet then possibly diagnoses anthrax," he said.
Domestic dogs can be treated with antibiotics. Potentially, feral pigs can be infected with the chronic form and are more likely to recover without treatment than other animals, Lawhorn said.
Hu
Hunters in endemic Texa counties should be careful when field-dressing feral pigs because lymph nodes in the head and neck can be full of eur rearms; anthrax organisms, anoth a bacterial disease that can affect certain organs in th body - is also a slight risk. Lawhorn suggests hunters wear latex disposable gloves when field-dressing feral swine.
There are several forms There are several forms of anthrax in humans, Lawhorn

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sid. One is the cutaneous, a Yorm where spores are introduced intothe ba
Symptoms appear two to five days later. The firstsymptom is ared, raised lesion that may be mistaken for an insect bite that later develops into a blister. This area becomes swollen, and the swelling may spread to other areas, he said The second - the inhalation form - is the type
suspected inthe Floridacases. The spores are inhaled, and symptoms ussally appear one o seven days later. It mimics many other common respiratory infections with fever. malaise, muscle pain and coughing.
But instead of recovering, as with a common cold, the patient suddenly develops respiratory distress, sweating, cyanosis and shock. Victims usually die within 24 hours. "This form of anthrax is almost always fatal, if left untreated," Lawhorn said. untreated," Lawhorn said.
The third form - ingested The third form - ingested

- comes from eating contaminated meat. Patients develop fever, vomiting, bloody diarrhea and malaise If untreated, the death rate can be as high as 50 percent Penicillin is the preferred antibiotic for treating anthrax antibiotic for treating anthrax in humans, Lawhorn said.
Tetracycline and erythromyTetracycline and erythromy early in patients with a penicillin allergy, he said. Generally, anthrax in live

Lenarduzzi said.
"I
"I haven't seen or heard of any cases reported in deer in October. Usually, it will taper off in late August. Anthrax is disease that likes the summertime," he said.
"As soon as the first cool weather begins, anthrax (in nimals) disappears. And so, tarting in October, November and into those months -
as a general rule - anthrax as a general rule - anthrax
will not be presentinthe wildife population. That's not to say it's impossible, but it's

## ery unlikely."

Hunters still should be concerned about any wildlife disease, Lenarduzzi ex disease,
plained.
"They should have a look
at what they are going to shoot. Look at the animal first of all, of course, from a safety standpoint andbe sure of what they're shooting. But they hey're shooting. But they should also look at the genral health and condition of he animal," he said.
He advised hunters not to shoot any animal that appeared sick or abnormal. Cutaneous anthrax can b ontracted through contact with antlers, pelts and bones, so Lenarduzzi advised hunto Lenarduzzi advised huntrs not to pick up antlers that have fallen this year in South-
west Texas.
As faras anthrax being used as a biological warfare
method,Lenarduzziacknowl edged that was a possibility but not a probability. but not a prohability.
what causes the difficulty in high-enough concentrations using anthrax as a bioiogical and the right spot to where weapon, he said. "They have to have a sys- it's transmitted to whomever trying to transmit it tem that delivers it in to," he said.


FRIDAY, NOV. 23 ${ }^{\text {RD }}$ IS MOONLIGHT MADNESS




Man of the hour
Myles James (right) of Watson Junior High accepts a plaque from School Superintendent Gene Sheets in honor of Watson students' performance on last year's TAAS tests. The state listed Watson as a recognized campus (the secondhighestlevel of achievement) for its scores. Each campus in the district celebrated in its own way last month to mark their best overall ratings ever.

## Cattle numbers continue higher

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL on the northern HighPlains - 82 : those with calves from 600 to AUSTIN - Cattle and percent of the state's total. calves on feed for slaughter in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 3.08 million Nov. 1 - up 2 percent from a year ago.
According to the monthly report issued by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service,
the estimate was up 3 percent from the Oct. 1 level Producers 680,000 head in commer an 8 percent increase from a year earlier, but a 42 percent increase from September of this increase
year.
Texa Texas commercial feeders marketed 570,000 head during October, an 8 percent increase from a year ago and a 23 percent increase from September 2001. million cattle and calves on feed

The number on feed across the
area was up 3 percent from last year.
October
gion totaled 572,000 head, up 43 percent from the September total. Marketings were up 22 percent from last month - to 481,000 head.
Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more totaled 11.9 million head on Nov. 1. This inventory was 1,000 head below the year-earlier level. Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.69 milion head nationally, 5 percent below the previous October
October placements of cattle with calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 889,000 head

699 pounds totaled 755,000 head; those with calves 700 to 799
pounds numbered 589,000 head 800 -pounds and greater totaled 459,000 head.
Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.89 million head, down 2 percent from the previous October but 3 percent above the same month in 1999 . Feeders in the seven states with feedlots of 1,000 or more capac ity reported 10.2 million head on feed as of Nov. 1 , up 39,000 head from last year at the same time and 5 percent Nov. 1 of 1999 . and 5 percent Nov. 1 of 1999 . 2.31 million head nationally - 3 percent below a near and - 5 percent below a year earlier but percent above Nov. 1,199 . Marketings, at 1.63 million head, were down 1 percent from last year but 4 percent ahead of last ye
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## REPRESENTATIVE SALES

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## Research targets deadly copper disease in infants

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COLLEGE STATION - Cells in the placenta brain and intestine are linked to Menke's disease in babies, researchers at the Texas Agricultural Experimen Station have discovered. In addition to determining the cause of a deadly disease, the findings wil help researchers learn more about genes that control copper and, more specifically render a potentially danger ous metal safe for bodily functions, according to Dr. Ed Harris, Experiment Sta Ed Harris, Exp
tion biochemist
Menkes' disease is a fatal
illness in which the inability
to absorb copper in the in testines deprives the brain and other tissues of this es sential mineral.
Though rare - perhap only in one of 200,000 birth - it strikes male infants typically, causing death by age 3. The disease is caused by a defective gene in the X -

The placental cells, called "BeWo" cells, "clearly have the gene that is involved in the development of Menkes' the development of Menke
disease," Harris said.
Researchers now will
study what the normal funcstudy what the normal func-
tion of the gene is and what tion of the gene is and what happens when it is absent or

Harris said an important question is what causes the gene to turn off - causing Menkes' disease - or turn on to enable healthy development in the baby opment in the baby.
The disease is named for John Menkes, who first de John Menkes, who first de
scribed it at Columbia University in 1962. He calledit"kinky hairdiseas
children take hair of afflicted children takes on a brittle texture like that of steel wool, Harris noted. Ten years after it was described, workers in Australia connected Menkes' disease to improper management of the mineral copper, particularly copper absorption in the intestine and brain. In 1993, the gene causing the disease was isolated and shown to be a major factor in controlling copper movement and distribution throughout the body
Despite these major advancements, the disease still has no permanent cure and prognosis for recovery is practically non-existent, Harris said.
"A baby boy will sit in his crib all day, not looking at anything in particular. You can put a mobile in front of him and he doesn't notice, said Harris, whose lab is the only one in the world studying the "on-off signals" of the disease's gene
"He doesn't smile. He has low body temperature and sometimes he has convulsions. And the hair is greyish-red and so brittle that it will break off when touched. These children also usually have very high cheekbones.
Copper, a trace mineral not given much thought by most people, has been called the "Jekyll-Hyde" of the human body. Most diets contain sufficient amounts of copper, found in seafood, liver, beans, nuts, seeds and whole-grain breads. Copper is required to form pigment in the body and sup port sound bone, connective
ment.
Copper deficiencies can cause dramatic impacts especially in the development of unborn children whose mothers' diet is deficient in the element.
Usually a person with copper deficiencies, however, can simply alter the diet or take supplements. But Menke's disease cannot be treated. That's because normally when people eat, food goes to the intestine where it is digested and passed through the absorbing cells into liver and eventually into various organs.

When the copper in food goes into a cell, a protein in the cell allows the mineral to leave and enter the blood for its passage to the liver and the brain.
In those with Menke's disease, however, the protein that would normally pass the copper out of the intestine is missing because the gene that would make it is defective, Harris explained. So copper is taken into a cell but cannot get into a cell but cannot get
out.
"It is like being locked in a room with no key to open the door," he said.
His research looked for the necessary protein in "very young cells, because there is evidence that the
disease develops as the embryo develops in the sic research now, and the mother's womb. hurdles that must be over"The placental 'BeWo' come for its success," he cells exist in both young and said. "We can get the engine adult stages, which allows running but will let the facus to determine how devel- tory build the car," indicating opment factors control the that medical and pharmaceuexpress of the Menkes' tical companies would be the gene," Harris explained. entities to take his finding "Older cells of the placenta further toward treatment. form a 'syncytium,' or a mass of multi-nucleated cytoplasm without dividing into separate cells."
Younger cells remain in clumps, he said, and for reasons not yet understood, do not express the gene while in this state.
That indicated something was happening during development that impacted on the normal expression of the Menkes gene, Harris said. "The question now is what is it between the time the 'BeWo' cells exist as clumps until they form syncytia that turn on the gene," he said. Harris noted that humans have about 32,000 genes, and not all of them are "turned on" at the sametime Finding out the same time. Finding out what turns Menkes' genes on and off, he said, will require more detective work.
Ultimately, he said, Menkes' disease will most likely be treated with gene therapy - possibly putting a functioning gene into a patient.

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