

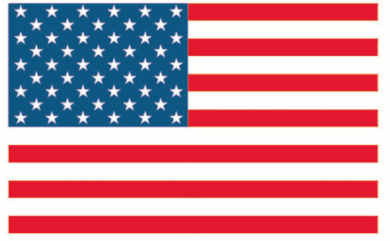
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Winter weather causes late start for Big Spring

Weather should worsen tonight, begin warming Thursday afternoon



HERALD photo/Roger Cline

Ice coats the window of this car in a photo taken Wednesday morning. Icy conditions made driving a slippery proposition for Big Spring motorists this morning. A forecaster for Midland's National Weather Service said conditions could worsen tonight, including snow with 1 to 3 inches of accumulation. Warming should start Thursday afternoon with highs predicted around 40.

By **ROGER CLINE**
 Staff Writer

Big Spring residents woke this morning to discover a coating of ice covering their driveways, cars, and roads, making travel slippery and difficult for many.

The icy conditions prompted the City of Big Spring to delay opening their offices until 10 a.m. today.

National Weather Service forecaster Douglas Cain said the weather will likely worsen tonight, but begin warming up Thursday.

"Officially Howard County is in a winter weather advisory. It starts tonight around 6 p.m. and runs through noon tomorrow," he said. "You'll have some more significant ice accumulations, and actually even some snow mixed in. Tomorrow's supposed to get above freezing. We have highs around 40 tomorrow, so it's the rest of today, tonight, and tomorrow morning."

Cain said there's nothing to worry about in the long-range forecast

either.

"Not really to be concerned about," he said. "It's warm through the weekend and not much expected early next week."

The NWS website confirms Cain's forecast, predicting "A chance of snow, freezing rain, and sleet. Cloudy, with a high near 32. Northeast wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent," during the day today. Tonight, the website forecasts "Snow likely. Cloudy, with a low around 28. Northeast wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent. New snow accumulation of 1 to 3 inches possible."

Thursday's forecast on the website also calls for some morning snow: "A 40 percent chance of snow. Partly sunny, with a high near 43. West wind 5 to 10 mph."

The website predicts temperatures into the mid-60s by Saturday and Sunday.

The Texas Department of Transportation offers the following tips for driving in icy conditions:

- Slow down.
- Don't accelerate quickly – or try to brake quickly, for that matter.
- Don't use cruise control, because if your tires lose traction, your engine will rev to get back to speed. Then when you regain traction, you can lose control.
- If you slide, always steer where

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Board approves new dressing room for Lady Steers



By **AMBER MANSFIELD**

Staff Writer

Good news for the Big Spring Lady Steers softball team as the program will eventually gain a new dressing facility/clubhouse.

"We are very excited for the Lady Steers Softball team," said George Bancroft, Assistant Superintendent. "The Lady Steers Softball program is something to be proud of. It is very well deserved."

Over some time, the Big Spring ISD Board of Trustees has been discussing the idea of creating a dressing room for the Big Spring Lady Steers softball team. As of right now, there is not a facility for the team to use at the softball fields and just recently, the Board of Trustees approved a motion to change that.

According to Big Spring ISD Superintendent, Jay McWilliams, the Board had budgeted \$300,000 to complete the project and had begun requesting bids. It was noted that there hasn't been many bids received for the project, so for the time being, the Board has decided to use a dual classroom portable building from Kentwood Early Childhood Development Center that is currently not being used to help them accomplish their goal temporarily until they can get the project underway.

will be on Jan. 21, MLK Day, at 6 p.m. The walk will start at the corner of Gregg St. and Martin Luther King Blvd.

"Kids and adults can either walk or ride skateboards, bikes, rollerblades, whatever," said Hambrick. "This is a community event. We want all members of the community to come and walk together to show honor to the man and represent his dream."

Mt. Bethel hopes that the MLK walk will continue to benefit society the way King would have wanted. In addition to hosting the walk, Mt. Bethel will also be hosting their Inaugural MLK Breakfast for the community at 630 Sgt Paredez St.

"The brotherhood of the church thought of this and organized a free breakfast for everyone to come and enjoy and visit with each other," said Hambrick. "The breakfast will be at Mt. Bethel Baptist Church in the Glenn and and Essie Person Fellowship Hall. Stay tuned to our Facebook for when this event will take place. This is just a way for the brotherhood and the church to give back to the community, and to celebrate King."

Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home will offer its parking lot to those who come for the walk.

2019 Big Spring Travel Show

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**

Staff Writer

When you travel around, you meet a lot of new people who might trigger the unexplored emotions suppressed inside you. You get to know many things and learn to adopt to many changes. When you keep traveling, apart from experiencing the beauty of the place, you get to meet new people, know their culture and traditions, and improve your knowledge. You totally emerge to a different person, a very different one.

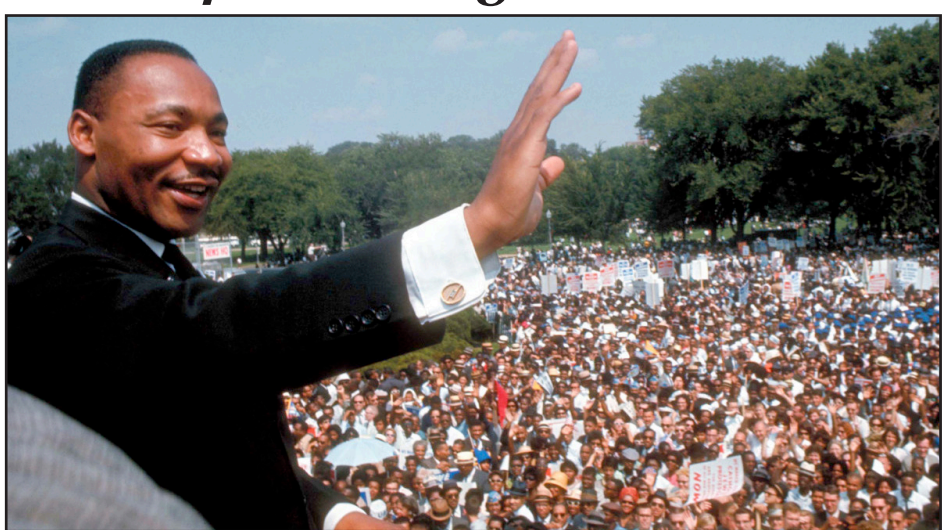
If is this something that you want more in your life but you're not sure how to see your dream of this become a reality, then come down to the 2019 Big Spring Travel Show presented to Howard County by Bilbrey Tours. This free show is slated for Tuesday, Jan. 8 2019, from 10 a.m. to noon at Dora Roberts Community Center, located at 100 Whipkey Drive.

Bilbrey Tours is inviting the public to come explore their upcoming trips, read more about what services and amenities is offered, and possibly book your first trip. No matter what you have in mind, from day trips to week-long European expeditions, Bilbrey Tours will do whatever they can to show you just how incredible our world can be.

Are you wondering which destination is right for you? Which cruise line would best fit your style and expectations? What is the best value for your travel dollars? Do you need a passport and a visa? Is it the rainy season? What will I see? Do I need travel

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Mark your calendars for the upcoming MLK Walk



Courtesy photo

American civil rights activist Martin Luther King Jr. waves to a large crowd as he prepares to deliver his iconic "I Have a Dream" speech near the Lincoln Memorial on Aug. 28, 1963.

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**

Staff Writer

"We are not makers of history. We are made by history," American Civil Rights Activist, Martin Luther King Jr. once said.

One church in Big Spring will continue their long-time tradition in celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. and all that he stood for with a commemorative walk on the third Monday of January. Mt. Bethel Baptist Church (MBBC) is inviting and encouraging all members of the public to join them as they honor

King with their annual MLK walk.

Martin Luther King Jr. was the most important voice of the American civil rights movement, which worked for equal rights for all, and is what MBBC hopes to keep alive in everyone.

"When I joined MBBC, I was looking for a church that gives back, a church that's involved with the community and whatever is going on," said Ida Hambrick, a four-year member of the church. "The walk is a great way of making sure King's dream doesn't die."

The MLK commemorative walk

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Obituaries

Melvin Wayne Burnett

Melvin Wayne Burnett, age 78, passed away in Lubbock on Saturday, Dec. 29, 2018.

Family Visitation were Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Miller Family Funeral Home. Funeral services was held Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019, at 10 a.m. at Miller Family Funeral Home Chapel 200 E. 37th Street Snyder, Texas 79549 with Pastor Loran Rule officiating.

Mr. Burnett was born on May 10th, 1940 in Corsicana, Texas, to Oscar and Ethel (Compton) Burnett. He married Carol Sue (Sanders) on June 7, 1958 in Vincent, Texas.

He is survived by wife, Carol Sue Burnett, Snyder, Texas; two sons, Cliff Burnett and husband Andy, of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Tony Burnett and wife, Cindy, Godley, Texas; two daughters, Marlyn Gage and husband Eithel, Sweetwater, Texas, and April McAbee and husband David, May, Texas.

Numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren; sister, Peggy Christian, Big Spring, Texas.

He was preceded in death by parents; daughter, Winnona Evans; one grandson; and two brothers, Doyle and Billy Burnett.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family by visiting www.millerfamilyfuneralhome.com

Johnnie Dawson Robertson

Johnnie Dawson Robertson, 95, of Big Spring, died Monday, Dec. 31, 2018, in a local nursing home. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Robert Lee Roberson

Robert Lee Roberson, 82, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019, in a Lubbock hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Bruce Wayne Chambers

Bruce Wayne Chambers, 68, of Stanton, died Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019, in a local nursing home. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Gerald Wayne Darnell

Gerald Wayne Darnell, 48, of Big Spring, died Monday, Dec. 31, 2018, at his residence. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Marcelina Luera

Marcelina Luera, 78, of Big Spring died Saturday, Dec. 29, 2018. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Michael "Mike" Spivey

Michael "Mike" Spivey, 42, of Forsan died Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Arnold Uribe

Arnold Uribe, 79, of Big Spring died Monday, Dec. 31, 2018. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **DANIEL ELIAH BLACKWELL**, 19, of 1609 Jennings St., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **DAMIAN ISMALE LUJAN**, 34, of 1014 Nolan St., was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

• **DEARIES QUINCY JONES**, 31, of 800 W FM 700 32, was arrested on charges of driving while license invalid, expired ar-

rest search or transport, failed to maintain financial responsibility, resist arrest, possession of drug paraphernalia, resist arrest search or transport, on a charge of possession of controlled substance in between 4 to 200 grams, and on a charge of casualty of public servant.

• **ANGELIC YVETTE MARTINEZ**, 18, of 4203 Oak St., was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance in between 4 to 200 grams.

• **ASSUALT** was reported in the 1500 block of E 17th St.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 700 block of NW 5th St.

• **BURLGARY OF BUILDING** was reported in the 1000 block of S Gregg St.

• **WELFARE CONCERN** was reported in the 2700 block of Wasson Rd.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1100 block of W I 20.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 100 block of NW 8th St.

Take Note

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

• Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson Big Spring, Texas 432-213-1046, Call today for educational needs. In School, High School graduation, Tutoring, homeschool. We are qualified to help you with your child's education, kindergarten through twelfth grade. Come by or give us a call. Open enrollment.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare, SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you.

Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more.

To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

• The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For

more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are in need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

• The Howard County Democrats will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. at the Howard County Democratic Headquarters, 1408 Scurry, behind Prosperity Bank.

• The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

• Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books

for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716.

• Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

• Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

• Howard County Re-

publicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.

• The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

• The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary Group is looking to expand. Positions are available for the Auxiliary group and the Teen Volunteer program. Must be 15 years of age to take part in the teen volunteer program. If you would like to volunteer please contact Heath White at 268-4850.



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• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at 432-517-9207 for more information.

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

• Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

• Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. t 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org, or call 432-268-3003.

• GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Meetings are weekly, every Thursday, at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

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• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

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Tough start to 2019 for stocks after weak data from China



AP photo

Trader Frederick Reimer works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019.

By MARLEY JAY

AP Markets Writer

NEW YORK — Global stocks are falling to start 2019 after more shaky economic news from China. The stock market turned volatile late in 2018 as investors grew increasingly worried about threats to global economic growth, and those concerns could define the market's path new year as well.

A government survey and one by a major business magazine showed Chinese manufacturing weakened in December as global and domestic demand both cooled. That weighed on big exporters Wednesday, with technology companies like Microsoft and Netflix and industrials like Boeing and Caterpillar taking sharp losses. The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 300 points.

The major U.S. indexes and the global market are coming off their worst year in a decade. The benchmark S&P 500 fell 6 percent last year, its first substantial loss since 2008, and it's fallen more than 15 percent since late September. Many other stock indexes around the world fared even worse last year as traders saw signs the global economy was growing at a slower clip after a few years of strength.

From September through the end of December, investors became more and more worried that challenges including U.S.-China trade tensions, rising interest rates, and political uncertainty could slow the economy and company profits more dramatically, and possibly tip the U.S. economy and the global economy into a recession. The U.S. economy has been expanding for almost a decade, and stocks have risen steadily over that time.

The S&P 500 index fell 30 points, or 1.2 percent, to 2,476 as of 9:45 a.m. Eastern time. The Dow fell 311 points, or 1.3 percent, to 23,023. The Nasdaq composite dropped 96 points, or 1.5 percent, to 6,538.

The Russell 2000 index, which tracks smaller companies, shed 20 points, or 1.5 percent, to 1,327. Most markets

were closed on Tuesday for the New Years' Day holiday.

France's CAC 40 fell 1.4 percent and Germany's DAX retreated 0.6 percent. London's FTSE 100 was down 0.7 percent. Hong Kong's Hang Seng tumbled 2.8 percent and Seoul's Kospi gave up 1.5 percent. Tokyo's markets were closed.

Prices on long-term government bonds rose, a sign investors had concerns about economic growth and were looking for safer options. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note fell to 2.65 percent from 2.69 percent. The yield on the 2-year Treasury note fell to 2.48 percent from 2.49 percent.

Among technology companies, Microsoft gave up 1.9 percent to \$99.60 and Apple fell 1.8 percent to \$154.88. Industrials were also weak, with Boeing down 2.2 percent to \$315.26 and Caterpillar falling 2.3 percent to \$124.16. Among internet stocks, Netflix shed 3.6 percent to \$258 and Alphabet, the parent company of Google, lost 1.2 percent to \$1,032.

Benchmark U.S. crude lost 1.8 percent to \$44.59 per barrel in New York. Brent crude, used to price international oils, slumped 1.4 percent to \$53.05 per barrel in London. Oil prices fell sharply over the last three months of 2018 as investors reacted to the possibility of weaker demand for energy as economic growth slowed.

All 11 of the stock groups that make up the S&P 500 were lower Wednesday morning. All but two of them finished last year with losses, as health care and utility companies made small gains.

Electric car maker Tesla sank after its fourth-quarter vehicle deliveries fell short of Wall Street projections. The company also says it's cutting the prices of its three different cars by \$2,000 each to help customers handle the gradual phase-out of federal electric vehicle tax credits. The stock gave up 9.4 percent to \$301.65.

The dollar fell to 109.31 yen from 109.61 yen. The euro fell to \$1.1369 from \$1.1445. The British pound slid to \$1.2602 from \$1.2752.

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you want to go. Do not accelerate. Do not slam on your brakes.

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For forecast information, visit www.weather.gov and enter the ZIP code 79720.

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 432-263-7331 ext. 235, or by email at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

US fires tear gas across Mexico border to stop migrants



AP photo

Migrants run as tear gas is thrown by U.S. Border Protection officers to the Mexican side of the border fence after they climbed the fence to get to San Diego, Calif., from Tijuana, Mexico, Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019.

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) — U.S. authorities fired tear gas into Mexico during the first hours of the new year to repel about 150 migrants who tried to breach the border fence in Tijuana.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection said in a statement later Tuesday that the gas was used to target rock throwers apart from the migrants who were trying to cross.

"No agents witnessed any of the migrants at the fence line, including children, experiencing effects of the chemical agents, which were targeted at the rock throwers further away," the statement said.

An Associated Press photographer saw at least three volleys of gas launched onto the Mexican side of the border near Tijuana's beach that affected the migrants, including women and children, as well as journalists. The AP saw rocks thrown only after U.S. agents fired the tear gas.

The agency said agents saw "toddler sized children" being passed over concertina wire with difficulty. It said its agents could not assist the children because of the rocks being thrown. Agents responded with smoke, pepper spray and tear gas, it said. The AP journalist also saw plastic pellets fired by U.S. agents.

The agency said 25 migrants were detained while others crawled back into Mexico through a hole under

the fence.

Customs and Border Protection said that under its use of force policy the incident would be reviewed by its Office of Professional Responsibility.

Migrants who spoke with AP said they arrived in Tijuana last month with the caravan from Honduras.

The caravan, which left Honduras in mid-October, grew to more than 6,000 members during its month-and-a-half trek north. It has been a constant target of President Donald Trump, who referred to it frequently in the run-up to U.S. mid-term elections in November.

Many of the migrants are waiting in Tijuana for a chance to apply for asylum in the U.S., but there was a backlog before the caravan's arrival and the wait is expected to be many months. Others have found jobs in Mexico and tried to settle there.

In a previous incident, U.S. agents launched tear gas across the border after some migrants tried to breach the border following a peaceful march in Tijuana on Nov. 26. Hundreds of migrants who were downwind of the gas were affected.

Trump is currently locked in a fight with congressional Democrats over funding for the border wall that he wants to build. The stalemate has led to a partial government shut-down.

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insurance and what does it cover? If you are asking these kinds of questions, you can get your answers at the 2019 Big Spring Travel Show.

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Hill leaders to attend White House briefing on border

By ZEKE MILLER and LISA MASCARO

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Democratic and Republican congressional leaders are expected to attend a briefing on border security at the White House as the government remains partially shut down and President Donald Trump asks in a tweet, "Let's make a deal?"

The partial government shutdown began on Dec. 22. Funding for Trump's pet project, a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border, has been the sticking point in passing budgets for several government departments.

The briefing is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, the day before Democrats are to assume control of the House and end the Republican monopoly on government.

The exact agenda, however, was not immediately clear, according to a person with knowledge of the briefing who was not authorized to speak publicly about the issue and spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and the top incoming House Republicans — Kevin McCarthy of California and Steve Scalise of Louisiana — planned to attend, according to aides. The departing House speaker, Paul Ryan, was not expected.

House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi, who is expected to become speaker on Thursday, and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer planned to attend. Pelosi said Tuesday that Democrats would take action to "end the Trump Shutdown" by passing legislation Thursday to reopen government.

"We are giving the Republicans the opportunity to take yes for an answer," she wrote in a letter to colleagues. "Senate Republicans have already supported this legislation, and if they reject it now, they will be fully complicit in chaos and destruction of the President's third shutdown of his term."

The White House invitation came Tuesday after House Democrats released their plan to re-open the government without approving money for a border wall — unveiling two bills to fund shuttered government agencies and put hundreds of thousands of federal workers back on the job. They planned to pass them as soon as the new Congress convenes Thursday.

Responding to the Democratic plan, White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders late Tuesday night called it a "non-starter" and said it won't



AP photo

The Capitol is seen as New Year's Day comes to a close with the partial government shutdown in its second week, in Washington, Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019. The new House majority led by Democrat Nancy Pelosi gavel into session this week with legislation ready to end the government shutdown.

re-open the government "because it fails to secure the border and puts the needs of other countries above the needs of our own citizens."

Trump spent the weekend saying Democrats should return to Washington to negotiate, firing off Twitter taunts. After aides suggested there would not necessarily be a traditional wall as Trump had described since his presidential campaign, Trump stated that he really still wanted to build a border wall.

On Tuesday morning, after tweeting a New Year's message to "EVERYONE INCLUDING THE HATERS AND THE FAKE NEWS MEDIA," Trump tweeted: "The Democrats, much as I suspected, have allocated no money for a new Wall. So imaginative! The problem is, without a Wall there can be no real Border Security."

But he seemed to shift tactics later in the day, appealing to Pelosi. "Border Security and the Wall 'thing' and Shutdown is not where Nancy Pelosi

wanted to start her tenure as Speaker! Let's make a deal?" he tweeted.

Whether the Republican-led Senate would consider the Democratic bills — or if Trump would sign either into law — was unclear. McConnell spokesman Donald Stewart said Senate Republicans would not take action without Trump's backing.

"It's simple: The Senate is not going to send something to the president that he won't sign," Stewart said.

Even if only symbolic, the passage of the bills in the House would put fresh pressure on the president. At the same time, administration officials said Trump was in no rush for a resolution to the impasse.

Trump believes he has public opinion on his side and, at very least, his base of supporters behind him, the officials said, speaking on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly.

The Democratic package to end the shutdown would include one bill to temporarily fund the Department of Homeland Security at current levels — with \$1.3 billion for border security, far less than the \$5 billion Trump has said he wants for the wall — through Feb. 8 as talks continued.

It would also include another measure to fund the departments of Agriculture, Interior, Housing and Urban Development and others closed by the partial shutdown. It would provide money through the remainder of the fiscal year, to Sept. 30.

1st meteor shower of 2019 occurs this week as Quadrantids peak

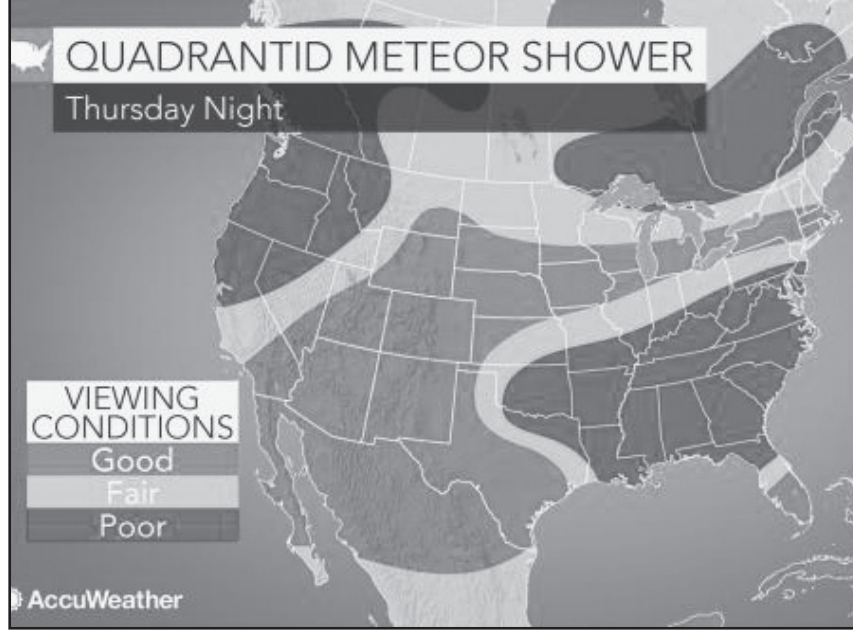
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The first meteor shower of the new year will peak later this week as the Quadrantids dart through the January night sky.

The peak of the shower will unfold from the night of Jan. 3, into the early morning hours of Jan. 4. One of the benefits for stargazers is that the peak occurs during the new moon, allowing for a darker sky. Those in the Northern Hemisphere, especially in Europe, could wind up seeing the most meteors.

"Anyplace at mid-northern and far-northern latitudes might be in a decent position to watch the Quadrantids in 2019, especially as there is no moonlight to ruin this year's show," EarthSky states.

"The lower natural light pollution will make it easier to see more meteors, but light pollution from cities and highways can still interfere with viewing," Ac-



cuWeather Meteorologist Brian Lada said.

During perfect conditions, anywhere from 60 to over 100 meteors per hour can be seen during the peak.

The most ideal viewing conditions will appear across parts of the central and southwestern United States. Clouds and unsettled weather may limit viewing in the Northwest, while a large storm will disrupt skygazers' opportunities in much of the Southeast.

The timing of the peak is very narrow, according to Earthsky. Unlike other meteor showers, such as the Perseids or Geminiids where the peak can last for a couple days, the Quadrantids peak is only for several hours, with the best time occurring between midnight and dawn.

Because this peak is so brief, some parts of the world may not be

able to see the shower.

"The radiant point for the Quadrantids is easy to find as it sits near the Big Dipper, one of the most well-known constellations in the sky. However, meteors will be visible in all areas of the sky, not just near the Big Dipper," Lada said.

According to NASA the reason the peak is so short is due to the "shower's thin stream of particles and the fact that the Earth crosses the stream at a perpendicular angle."

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Ehlinger's 3 TDs lead Texas past Georgia 28-21 in Sugar Bowl

By DAVID BRANDT

AP Sports Writer

NEW ORLEANS — Bevo's pregame strategy was to run right at the Bulldogs.

Once the football started, Texas quarterback Sam Ehlinger took the same approach with outstanding results.

Ehlinger ran for three touchdowns, the Texas defense largely held Georgia's offense in check, and the Longhorns earned their first 10-win season since 2009 by beating the Bulldogs 28-21 in the Sugar Bowl on Tuesday night.

"We're back!" Ehlinger shouted to a raucous contingent of Texas fans after winning the game's Most Valuable Player award.

Ehlinger was the star of a gritty win, running for a 2-yard touchdown in the first quarter, a 9-yard score in the second, and a 1-yard TD in the fourth. The 6-foot-3, 230-pound sophomore finished with 64 yards rushing on 21 carries and also threw for 169 yards.

The quarterback's impressive performance came after a startling pregame display from Bevo, the team's huge longhorn steer mascot. About an hour before kickoff, he charged through a barricade and toward Georgia's red sweater-clad bulldog mascot Uga X.

A few people, including photographers, were knocked to the ground, but there were no reported injuries and Bevo was quickly restrained.

No. 14 Texas (10-4) continued its quick rise under coach Tom Herman, capping his second season with a Sugar Bowl win that will surely send expectations soaring after nearly a decade of mostly mediocrity.

During the postgame celebration, some Texas players were making snow angels in the confetti on the field. The different position groups — like receivers and linebackers — stayed on the field to take pictures



AP photo

Texas quarterback Sam Ehlinger (11) celebrates his second touchdown carry in the first half of the Sugar Bowl NCAA college football game against Georgia in New Orleans, Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019.

together as the Longhorns obviously relished every moment.

"It is incredible," Ehlinger said. "We are on the way. This is a stepping stone for Texas to get back to the elite level. This is going to give us great momentum headed into the offseason, and I am really excited for what we are going to do next year."

Texas stretched its lead to 28-7 with 11:49 left in the fourth quarter on Ehlinger's 1-yard run, finally scoring on fourth down after his first three attempts at running for the score fell just short of the end zone.

"We pride ourselves in our physicality," Herman said. "At this point in our program, that is how we are going to win games. That is always how we are going to win games."

"I'm just so proud of how hard our guys played. They played hard early. They played hard late. They overcame some adversity. It was a complete team effort."

No. 6 Georgia (11-3) was a 12½-point

favorite and claimed it would be ready for the Sugar Bowl despite just missing a spot in the College Football Playoff after a loss in the Southeastern Conference championship game. But a sloppy opening sequence indicated otherwise.

Texas jumped out to a 17-0 lead by early in the second quarter, largely because of Georgia's mistakes on special teams and offense.

The most costly was when D'Andre Swift fumbled deep in Georgia's own territory, giving Texas possession at the 12. Three plays later, Ehlinger deftly escaped trouble in the pocket and scored on a 9-yard run to give the Longhorns a 17-point advantage with 14:53 left in the second quarter.

Georgia got back into the game with a methodical 12-play drive that ended with Jake Fromm finding Brian Herring for a 17-yard touchdown, but Texas still took a 20-7 advantage into halftime.

"They played more physical than us and it showed to me that they wanted it more than we did," Georgia coach Kirby Smart said. "And you've got to give them credit for that."

Fromm completed 20 of 34 passes for 212 yards, three touchdowns and one interception. The Bulldogs scored a touchdown with 14 seconds left to pull within 28-21 but Texas recovered the ensuing onside kick.

"They did a really good job game planning for us," Fromm said of the Texas defense. "They had an entire month to do so. They were showing a lot of different looks. They were constantly mixing stuff up."

TEXAS IS BACK? HERMAN'S NOT SO SURE

Ehlinger's "We're back!" comment on the Sugar Bowl stage certainly revved up Texas fans. His coach wasn't as big of a fan.

The coach was asked if his heart dropped when Ehlinger made the statement, the coach responded with a good-natured "Yes," while Ehlinger, who was seated next to him, tried to stifle a grin.

"I'll never know what that means, 'Is Texas back?' so I'm never going to comment on that," Herman said. "It can mean a lot of different things so I'll never comment on that. I know we're headed in the right direction. I don't ever want to give any kind of finality on where we're at, because we're always making progress."

THE TAKEAWAY

Texas: It's a validating win for Texas, which was the physically dominant team while playing one of the SEC's best programs. It's fair to say the Longhorns are ahead of schedule under Herman and expectations will skyrocket going forward.

"I'm going to speak for the Big 12," Texas defensive back P.J. Locke said. "There's a misconception saying the Big 12 is soft. We played more physical than an SEC team. That's clear cut."

Williams runs wild, Texas A&M routs NC State 52-13 in Gator



AP photo

Texas A&M running back Trayveon Williams rushes downfield against North Carolina State during the first half of the Gator Bowl NCAA college football game Monday, Dec. 31, 2018, in Jacksonville, Fla.

By MARK LONG

AP Sports Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Trayveon Williams strolled around the field, his white pants covered in dirt and grass stains, his Gator Bowl hat turned sideways and his MVP trophy secured tightly in his left hand.

He posed for pictures, hugged teammates and friends, and blew kisses to the crowd.

It sure looked like a farewell party.

Williams ran for 236 yards and three touchdowns, smashing a 30-year-old school record and carrying No. 21 Texas A&M to a 52-13 victory against North Carolina State in the Gator Bowl on Monday night.

The Aggies (No. 19 CFP) ended 2018 with a four-game winning streak and broke a three-game postseason

skid. It was the first bowl victory for most of Texas A&M's roster, including Williams.

It also capped an impressive inaugural season for coach Jimbo Fisher in Aggieland.

"The most important thing is we got that bowl win, that bowl win that we've been missing out on the last four or five seasons," Williams said. "We got that. We're definitely molding and showing this program is going in a new direction."

Williams earned MVP honors, a potential final curtain call for his college career. The junior is expected to leave school early and enter the NFL draft.

He said afterward he's still contemplating his future, but no one could blame him for turning pro after the way he closed out the season.

Williams ran for 829

yards and eight scores during Texas A&M's final four games, all wins. His performance against the Wolfpack gave him 1,760 yards for the season, topping Darren Lewis' previous Texas A&M mark of 1,692 set in 1988.

Williams had 61 yards rushing in the first half and then got rolling in the third quarter. He carried five times for 82 yards on one drive, including a 17-yard touchdown run. He topped that with a 93-yard scoring run on Texas A&M's ensuing drive.

His longest scamper broke the previous Gator Bowl record of 216 yards rushing set by Syracuse's Floyd Little in 1966 against Tennessee.

"It was a special moment," Williams said.

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Texas mascot topples barricade, charges Georgia bulldog



AP photo

Georgia band members venture a closer look at Texas mascot Bevo before the Sugar Bowl NCAA college football game Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019, in New Orleans.

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — The Texas football program's mascot, a large white and brown longhorn steer named Bevo, caused a stir at the Sugar Bowl on Tuesday when it knocked down its barricade and briefly charged in the direction of Georgia's mascot, a bulldog named Uga X.

Uga X, an English bulldog wearing a bright red Georgia sweater, was quickly pulled out of harm's way, but Bevo's head and horns appeared to make contact with several people, including a couple of photogra-

phers, who scampered out of the way or were knocked down.

There were no reported injuries and Bevo was quickly restrained.

The incident, about an hour before kickoff, was caught on video and quickly became a sensation on social media.

While it appeared to many that Bevo was advancing aggressively toward Uga X, the steer's chief handler disputed that version of events.

Silver Spur alumni association executive director Ricky Brennes, who is in charge of handling the 1,700-pound steer, said Bevo was

simply agitated because he wanted to walk and was being restrained.

"He had kind of gone up and bumped the barricade a few times before," Brennes said. "He ran through the gate and into where Uga's area was. It really was more just unfortunate timing and he wasn't aware Georgia's mascot was there. It had nothing to do with the dog."

Texas athletics spokesman John Bianco said "all established safety and security measures were in place for Bevo" at the Sugar Bowl, including two halters, two chains and six handlers to hold him.

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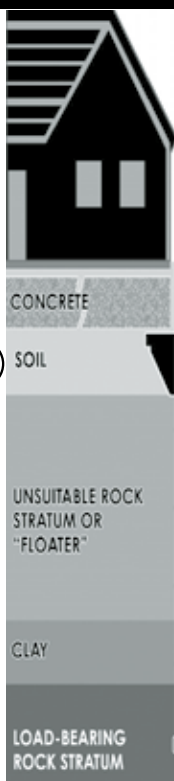
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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Three is not enough

North dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ 6
♥ K 10 9 8 7 4
♦ Q 7 3
♣ A 6 5

EAST

♠ 10 8 7 5 4 2
♥ A J 6 2
♦ 6
♣ 10 4

SOUTH

♠ A K
♥ 5
♦ A K J 10 8 2
♣ K Q 7 3

WEST

♠ Q J 9 3
♥ Q 3
♦ 9 5 4
♣ J 9 8 2

The bidding:
North East South West
2♥ Pass 3♦ Pass
4♦ Pass 4NT Pass
5♦ Pass 6♦

Opening lead — queen of spades.

Every declarer worth his salt looks for more than one way to make his contract before he begins to play. Finding an additional chance or two might not be satisfactory, however, if the best possibility is overlooked.

Take this case where South wound up in six diamonds after North had opened with a weak two-bid in hearts. Declarer won the opening spade lead with the ace and saw immediately that if the opposing clubs were divided 3-3, the slam was in the bag. He therefore focused his attention on

what could be done if the clubs were not divided evenly.

One possibility was that the missing trumps might split 2-2, in which case his fourth club could be ruffed in dummy after trumps were drawn. Failing that, he might develop a heart trick on which a club could be discarded.

Armed with these three separate chances, South pressed on. He started by cashing the A-K of trumps. When the trumps turned out to be divided 3-1, he drew West's third trump and led a heart to the king, losing to East's ace.

South won the spade return, cashed his remaining diamonds, then played the A-K-Q of clubs. But when West turned up with four clubs, the slam was down one.

Declarer was naturally disappointed that all three chances had failed, but in fact he overlooked a superior line of play that would have brought the slam home. After playing the trump ace, he should have cashed the king of spades and discarded a low club from dummy. The A-K of clubs are then played, followed by a low club, ruffed with dummy's queen. Trumps are then drawn, leaving declarer with only a heart to lose.

This line of play fails only when the opposing clubs are divided 5-1 or 6-0, giving declarer a considerably better chance to make the slam than the three-pronged attack he chose.

Tomorrow: Try the impossible.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dogs Everywhere

Dear Annie: I love most dogs and have had pets all my life, but there are times and places in which pets should not accompany their owners. Of course, trained service dogs are the exception. I am seeing so many dogs being exposed to crowded stores and outdoor festivals and sales. They are generally on leashes, but some breeds are so protective of their owners that they can become hard to control when another dog is present. I recently saw a woman who had her medium-sized dog riding in her grocery cart -- a cart that others would eventually be using for food. I think that most dogs are more comfortable in their home environment and should not be exposed to crowded areas. It will probably elicit some angry responses, but please give your thoughts on leaving the pets at home. -- Don't Bring Fido

Dear Don't Bring Fido: If one's dog is well-behaved, it is a nice treat for the owner, the dog and the people around them -- the ones who like dogs, anyway -- for the dog to go on

adult excursions once in a while. However, I totally understand your concern, and I agree that dogs should not be put into food carts. There are benefits to being around friendly dogs. Petting them is a known stress soother. It feels good and can lower your blood pressure. Studies have shown that petting a dog or cat helps your body release a relaxation hormone and cuts down on levels of a stress hormone. So why not wag more and bark less? I say that because having a dog at a social event gives people the chance to pet the dog when maybe they can't afford a dog or live in an apartment that does not allow dogs. Dogs are domestic and social animals that love to be with their owners.

Dear Annie: I love your column, whether or not I agree with your responses. I've never felt compelled to write before, but this time I'm compelled. Your response to "Gramps With a Kid's Mind" was totally off base! Thank goodness we still have some grandparents (whose ranks I recently joined) who are filled with wonder, humor, kindness and love for life and haven't become grumpy

old men and the kind of grandparents whom kids not only can't relate to but don't want to spend time with. I think most of us baby boomers remember the "pull my finger" gag our grandpas did to us with fondness. It's easy enough to teach your children what's appropriate for school and what's not. If this gramp's grandkids are really getting into trouble with their teachers for silly jokes, that's a sad commentary on our society. Parents today are so hung up on what people on social media tell them is right and wrong that they've lost touch with their own instincts on raising children. Cheers to the fun-loving, happy grandpa! -- Grateful for Gramps

Dear Grateful: You are right -- and I was wrong. I was worried about propriety when I should have appreciated the close bond that "Gramps With a Kid's Mind" is building with his grandchildren. I'd like to thank you and several other readers who set me straight on what is really important here.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Sun-Saturn Power Conjunction

The alignment of the sun and Saturn represent a convergence of authoritarian energy that will cause us to sit up and take notice of the distribution of power. Small power is like a baton passed from person to person. Big power is a large blanket, best folded with many hands, a plan for the operation and each person doing a part.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You might copy someone you admire, but it's only a temporary thing to help you understand your own identity. Ultimately, you'd rather fail doing something that feels like you than succeed in trying to be someone else.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You've been known to communicate something much more important than what you're talking about. In fact, today the topic and the words are just a costume that your real message is wearing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You will spend hours as the Roman stoic philosopher Seneca suggested, toiling to "make yourself remarkable by some talent or another," all the while knowing that this is just icing on the cake. You are already enough.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you're facing familiar territory with all that's needed to succeed, progress is certain. But if you don't know what's ahead, you might just be in for some greatness. No courageous move ever happened in the face of certainty.

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



fault or credit yourself for things that aren't your doing is universally human. To avoid it, eliminate blame and credit entirely. Put your head down and work.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Because you are walking around with your heart wide open, your encounters will tend toward the extraordinary and may include a random heartfelt conversation with a stranger.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Watching a child grow is a remarkable and layered experience that connects you with your own evolution and with humanity at large. Whatever giving you aim toward a youth will be extremely lucky today.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The acceptable effort will be minimal. Show up and smile. Much more than that will be too much. So relax, enjoy and avoid accidentally making promises.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 2). The fulfillment of wishes comes at a price, and it's not the price you thought it would be. See, you've always been willing to put in the work, but what you didn't realize is that feeling like you deserve it may be the hardest work of all. Love yourself. Credit yourself. Heal and change the beliefs that have kept you from feeling worthy. Libra and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 25, 2, 28 and 18.

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It is quite possible that when your efforts are counted in the future, it will be by an entirely different system of measurement than is used today. Your best bet will be to tend to the intangible aspects. For example, how does a thing feel?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Ultimately, everything gets easier when you understand it better. But understanding comes in layers. The first few layers may seem to make things more complicated. Keep learning. You'll get to a place where it all kicks in.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). As the sign of the scales, you are keenly aware of how too much of anything is toxic. Too much health is unhealthy. Too much rest and leisure is exhausting. In all things, balance!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Whether or not you enjoy politics, you will be dealing in political systems today, or at the very least in power dynamics, which are present in all groups whose numbers are greater than two.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The tendency to blame yourself for things that aren't your

SUDOKU

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1				7	8	3		
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	6	4			9	1		

Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

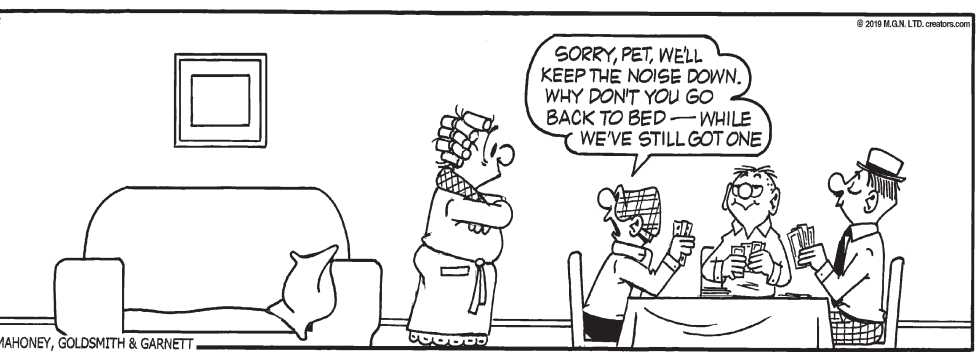
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ANSWER:



	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	KWWT (14) Odessa	KWES2 (15) Midland	WTBS (33) Atlanta	TNT (34) Atlanta	ESPN (35) Sports	ESPN2 (36) Sports	FSN (38) Sports	USA (55) New York	A&E (58) New York	DISC (60) Discovery
5 :PM	Big 2	P. Luche	Broke Girl	CBS 7	Tele	News	Behind	Mack	Mama's	American	Fam. Guy	Movie: The DUFF, Bella Thorne (DVS)	SportsCenter	High School Football	Cowboys Mavs Pre.	Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	
5 :30	ABC	Noticiero	Mom	CBS	Noticias	News	M. Rantz	Business	Jeff sons	American	Fam. Guy							
6 :PM	Jeopardy!	Rosa de Guadalupe	Big Bang	CBS 7	Caso Cer-rado	News	Shepherd's Heart	PBS News-Hour	M*A*S*H	Fam. Guy	Burgers	NBA Count-down	College Basketball: Teams TBA.	NBA Basketball: Mavericks at Hornets		Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
6 :30	Wheel	Jesús	24 Hours-Hell	Survivor	(:05) La sultana (SS)	Chicago Med	News	Nature (DVS)	Griffith	All American	Big Bang	NBA Bas-ketball: Timberwolves at Celtics				Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
7 :PM	Gold	Mi marido	The Masked Singer	(:01) SEAL Team	Falsa identi-dad (SS)	Chicago Fire	Creation	Light of Southwest	NOVA	G. Pyle	Griffith	College Basketball: Teams TBA.				Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
7 :30	House	Amar a muerte	FOX 24 News at 9	Criminal Minds	Señora Acero (SS)	Chicago P.D.	Light of Southwest	American Masters (DVS)	Heroes	Page Six	Big Bang					Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
8 :PM	Match Game	Impacto	TMZ	CBS 7	Tele	News	News	News	Heroes	Gold	Full Frontal	Movie: Blended, Joel McHale (DVS)	NBA Basket-ball: Thunder at Lakers			Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
8 :30	Single	Mod Fam	Mom	Late Show-Colbert	Titulares	Tonight Show	Dr. C. Stanley	Amanpour-Co	Perry Mason	Seinfeld	Movie: The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies (DVS)					Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
9 :PM	Big 2	Noticiero	Mod Fam	Funny	James Corden	Señora Acero (SS)	Daly	TBA	NOVA	Hilchcock	King					Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
9 :30	ABC	Noticiero	Mod Fam	Funny	James Corden	Señora Acero (SS)	Daly	TBA	NOVA	Hilchcock	King					Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
10 :PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Contacto Deportivo	Funny	James Corden	Señora Acero (SS)	Daly	TBA	NOVA	Hilchcock	King						Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
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11 :PM	Nightline	Extra	Cachito de Cielo	Two Men Simpsons	Access	Programa	News	Light of Southwest	American	Mannix	Top 30					Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
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12 :30	Paid Prg.	En tierras salvajes	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn					Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live
1 :PM	Paid Prg.	En tierras salvajes	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn					Law & Order: SVU	Live PD	Border Live

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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 2, the second day of 2019. There are 363 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 2, 1900, U.S. Secretary of State John Hay announced the "Open Door Policy" to facilitate trade with China.

On this date:

In 1788, Georgia became the fourth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1792, the first classes began at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

In 1929, the United States and Canada reached agreement on joint action to preserve Niagara Falls.

In 1935, Bruno Hauptmann went on trial in Flemington, New Jersey, on charges of kidnapping and murdering the 20-month-old son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh. (Hauptmann was found guilty, and executed.)

In 1942, the Philippine capital of Manila was captured by Japanese forces during World War II.

In 1960, Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts launched his successful bid for the presidency.

In 1967, Republican Ronald Reagan took the oath of office as the new governor of California in a ceremony that took place in Sacramento shortly just after midnight.

In 1974, President Richard Nixon signed legislation requiring states to limit high-way speeds to 55 miles an hour as a way of conserving gasoline in the face of an OPEC oil embargo. (The 55 mph limit was effectively phased out in 1987; federal speed limits were abolished in 1995.) "Singing cowboy" star Tex Ritter died in Nashville at age 68.

In 1983, the original Broadway production of the musical "Annie" closed after a run of 2,377 performances.

In 1986, former baseball owner Bill Veeck (vehk), remembered for his well-publicized stunts and promotional gimmicks, including an exploding scoreboard and a midget pinch-hitter, died in Chicago at age 71.

In 2000, Retired Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., known early in his career for modernizing the Navy and later for ordering the spraying of Agent Orange in Vietnam, died in Durham, N.C. at age 79.

In 2006, a methane gas explosion at the Sago (SAY-goh) Mine in West Virginia claimed the lives of 12 miners, but one miner, Randal McCloy, Jr., was eventually rescued. The roof of a skating rink collapsed in the German town of Bad Reichenhall (bahd RYK'-ehn-hahl), killing 15 people.

Ten years ago: President George W. Bush branded Hamas rocket attacks on Israel an "act of terror" and outlined his own condition for a cease-fire in Gaza. President-elect Barack Obama and his family arrived in Chicago after a holiday vacation in Hawaii. AirTran Airways apologized to nine Muslims kicked off a New Year's Day flight to Florida. Actor John Travolta's 16-year-old son, Jett, died at the family's vacation home in the Bahamas. Peyton Manning won a record-tying third Associated Press NFL Most Valuable Player award. No. 7 Utah finished a perfect season with a 31-17 upset of No. 4 Alabama in the Sugar Bowl.

Five years ago: Fifty-two passengers trapped for more than a week on an icebound Russian research ship in the Antarctic were rescued when a Chinese helicopter swooped in and plucked them from the ice a dozen at a time. In the Sugar Bowl, No. 11 Oklahoma took down third-ranked Alabama 45-31.

One year ago: Republican Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah said he would not seek re-election after serving more than 40 years in the Senate; the announcement cleared the way for 2012 GOP presidential nominee Mitt Romney to successfully run for the seat. Sen. Al Franken formally resigned from the Senate a month after the Minnesota Democrat announced his plan to leave Congress amid a series of sexual misconduct allegations. NBC News announced that Hoda Kotb would be the co-anchor of the first two hours of the "Today" show, replacing Matt Lauer following his firing due to sexual misconduct allegations.

93. Former House Speaker Dennis Hastert is 77. TV host Jack Hanna is 72. Actress Wendy Phillips is 67. Actress Cynthia Sikes is 65. Actress Gabrielle Carteris is 58. Movie director Todd Haynes is 58. Retired MLB All-Star pitcher David Cone is 56. Actress Tia Carrere is 52. Actor Cuba Gooding Jr. is 51. Model Christy Turlington is 50. Actor Taye Diggs is 48.

Actress Renee Elise Goldsberry is 48. Rock musician Scott Underwood is 48. Rock singer Doug Robb (Hooabastank) is 44. Actor Dax Shepard is 44. Actress Paz Vega is 43. Country musician Chris Hartman is 41. Ballroom dancer Karina Smirnoff (TV: "Dancing with the Stars") is 41. Rock musician Jerry DePizzo Jr. (O.A.R.) is 40. Rhythm-and-

blues singer Kelton Kessee (IMX) is 38. Pop singer-musician Ryan Merchant (Capital Cities) is 38. Actress Kate Bosworth is 36. Actor Peter Gadiot is 34. Jazz singer-musician Trombone Shorty is 33. Singer-songwriter Mandy Harvey (TV: "America's Got Talent") is 31. Rhythm-and-blues singer-rapper Bryson Tiller is 26.

Thought for Today:

"You are not very good if you are not better than your best friends imagine you to be."

Johann Kaspar Lavater
Swiss theologian
(1741-1801)

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Newsday Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Bagpiper's garb
 - 5 Main impact
 - 10 Seeks information
 - 14 Woodwind instrument
 - 15 Choir platform
 - 16 __ Lisa
 - 17 Media sold in kiosks
 - 20 Being bet
 - 21 Acorn producer
 - 22 Canvas dwelling
 - 24 Be untruthful
 - 25 Knotty problem
 - 29 Weep audibly
 - 31 The Dalai __
 - 35 Aviator Earhart
 - 37 *Star Wars* guru
 - 40 __ the season . . .
 - 41 Media heard in automobiles
 - 44 Pronoun for ships
 - 45 Having no slack
 - 46 Tampa neighbor, familiarly
 - 47 Husband of a countess
 - 49 Prohibit by law
 - 51 "No wager"
 - 52 Billboard postings
 - 55 Fly by oneself
 - 57 Staying power
 - 61 Rummy variety
 - 66 Media watched at home
 - 68 Historical periods
 - 69 The ones yonder
 - 70 Immediately, in a memo
 - 71 Mouthwash flavor
 - 72 Splinter groups
 - 73 Supervisor
- DOWN**
- 1 Hawaiian coffee region
 - 2 Skeptical remark
 - 3 Stormy weather systems
 - 4 Try out
 - 5 Accelerator neighbor
 - 6 Becomes ready to harvest
 - 7 Take off the shelf
 - 8 Infamous Roman emperor
 - 9 Courtroom event
 - 10 Dutch beer brand
 - 11 Go bad, as milk
 - 12 Leg joint
 - 13 Postpaid enclosure: Abbr.
 - 18 Paul Revere or Nathan Hale
 - 19 Race in a slalom
 - 23 Corolla and Camry
 - 25 Analyze in great detail
 - 26 Cornhusker State city
 - 27 Passover meal
 - 28 Inventor Whitney
 - 30 Constrictor snake
 - 32 Completely confused
 - 33 Catcher's gloves
 - 34 Beasts of burden
 - 36 Org. for attorneys
 - 38 Tooth care pro: Abbr.
 - 39 Things done
 - 42 Massage
 - 43 Smartphone download
 - 48 Worst, as excuses
 - 50 On the house
 - 53 Subsidiary, for short
 - 54 Foul moods
 - 56 Sprinters' assignments
 - 57 Mushroom part
 - 58 Actress Hatcher
 - 59 Economist Greenspan
 - 60 Arthur __ Stadium (tennis tourney venue)
 - 62 *Moby-Dick* skipper
 - 63 Just adequate
 - 64 " __ the night before . . ."
 - 65 Snakes like Cleo's
 - 67 Summer Games org.

Answer to previous puzzle

ICING	SPUR	ABEL
RADIO	ELSE	BONY
INEPT	TAME	AIDE
SEASONS	TICKETS	
WOOD	BETSY	
BEACON	TAB	EPA
OUTER	HAIR	BRAN
BROOKLYN	NEWYORK	
CONS	EDDY	REUSE
APE	PIE	PASSED
TESLA	BEEP	
BAYER	ASPIRINS	
ABET	AIDS	TONIC
DISC	ROSA	UTICA
MOTH	STAY	PETER

Harden's 43 points, triple-double leads Rockets over Memphis

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer
HOUSTON — While Houston Rockets coach Mike D'Antoni and James Harden's teammates raved about his latest big game on Monday night, the Beard was busy critiquing himself and pointing out ways he could have played better.

"I did a poor job of just not controlling the basketball, basically giving them transition points by turnovers," he said. "I have to take care of the ball more, but just continue to be aggressive and make plays for my team."

Harden had 43 points, 10 rebounds and 13 assists in his fourth straight 40-point game, leading the Rockets over the Memphis Grizzlies 113-101 for their fifth consecutive victory.

While Harden was unhappy with his nine turnovers, D'Antoni was effusive in his praise for the superstar, who has carried the team with fellow All-Star Chris Paul out with a hamstring injury.

"I don't know how you get any better than what he's playing," D'Antoni said. "Defensively, too. He comes up with steals, triple-doubles like it's nothing. So yeah, he's playing at a different level."

Harden set an NBA record with his eighth straight game with at least 35 points and five assists, besting Oscar Robertson, who twice had seven-game streaks. Harden finished with his fourth triple-double this season and 39th overall.

Houston has won 10 of its last 11 to improve to 21-15.

Harden continued his incredible run that has powered Houston's surge up the Western Conference standings after a slow start, making six 3-pointers and 21 of 27 free throws. He has



Houston Rockets guard James Harden (13) looks to pass the ball under pressure from Memphis Grizzlies guard Mike Conley (11) during the first half of an NBA basketball game Monday, Dec. 31, 2018, in Houston.

AP photo

made at least four 3-pointers in eight straight games has finished with 30 points or more in 10 games in a row.

The Rockets, who spent the early part of the season in the basement of the conference standings, are tied with the Clippers for fourth place in the West.

"It's a good feeling, it could be better though," Harden said. "We're trying to get that No. 1 spot so we've got to continue to build."

The Grizzlies cut the lead to nine with about 90 seconds left. But P.J. Tucker made a free throw for Houston before Austin Rivers added a layup to make it 113-101 and seal the victory with about 35 seconds left.

Harden grabbed his 10th rebound seconds after that to complete his triple-double.

Kyle Anderson had 20 points and Mike Conley added 19 for the Griz-

zlies, who lost for the seventh time in nine games.

Houston was up by 13 to start the fourth and back-to-back baskets by Clint Capela made it 93-77 with about 9 minutes left. Harden made four straight free throws for the Rockets later in the fourth to leave them up 98-83.

But the Grizzlies scored four quick points, with the last basket coming when Anderson stole the ball from Harden, to cut it to 98-87 with 5 1/2 to go.

Green answered with a 3-pointer and Houston stretched the lead to 103-87 with about 4 minutes left.

The Rockets led by double digits for most of the night and were up by 23 after two free throws by Harden midway through the third quarter. Memphis closed out the third with a 14-3 run to get within 86-73 entering the

fourth. Marc Gasol led the way in that stretch, scoring five points.

The Rockets led 61-38 at halftime behind 28 points from Harden. He capped his huge first half by making two 3s in the last 31 seconds of the half, capped by one that was well behind the line with Anderson in his face.

"James has been playing at a high level," Memphis coach J.B. Bickerstaff said. "Some of the shots that he made in the first half, they are indefensible. I thought our guys showed a lot of character by the way they responded in the second half. They put a lot more pressure on him and forced him into some turnovers."

TIP-INS

Grizzlies: Gasol has at least one 3-pointer in 13 straight games, which ties a career high.

Rockets: James Ennis missed his 10th straight game with a strained right hamstring. Coach Mike D'Antoni said he should return for Houston's next game. ...Paul

missed his fifth game with a strained left hamstring. He said Monday that he's doing better but doesn't know when he'll return. ... Green made four 3-pointers in the first quarter and finished with 18 points and six 3s. ... Eric Gordon sat out with a bruised right knee.

THEY SAID IT

Tucker on how Houston's recent run: "It's not great yet. We're winning some games. But they haven't been perfect. They haven't been all pretty. But we'll take 'em. Wins are wins but it still isn't the level that we want to be at."

UP NEXT

Grizzlies: Host Detroit on Wednesday night.

Rockets: Visit Golden State on Thursday night.

Spurs scored 46 in third to race past Celtics, 120-111



AP photo

San Antonio Spurs' DeMar DeRozan (10) shoots against Boston Celtics' Daniel Theis (27) during the first half of an NBA basketball game, Monday, Dec. 31, 2018, in San Antonio.

By RAUL DOMINGUEZ

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich had to use some colorful language to explain to the Spurs at halftime that their lack of aggression was troubling him.

The Spurs responded with their highest-scoring quarter in 25 years.

LaMarcus Aldridge scored 32 points and San Antonio rode a 46-point third quarter to a 120-111 victory over the Boston Celtics on Monday night.

DeMar DeRozan, who had 13 points and 10 assists, said the Spurs were "cussed out by Pop" at halftime after shooting 22 percent in the first quarter.

"We were playing really tentative, real indecisive, hesitating, wasn't being aggressive," DeRozan said. "The whole dynamic of us, our aggression, changed. We just got out (in the second half) and played like we've been playing."

Derrick White had a career-high 22 points for San Antonio, which has won 11 of 13 to close within four games of the top spot in the Western Conference.

The Spurs made 19 of 25 shots (76 percent) in the third quarter and finished with its best period since 1993. It was their 12th-highest output of any quarter in franchise history and second-highest in the third.

The Spurs opened the game 1 for 6 from the field and shot 22 percent in the opening period while scoring a season-low 17 points in the first quarter. Boston shot better from 3-point (35 percent) than San Antonio did from the field (33) in the first half.

Jaylen Brown had a season-high 30 points, but Boston was unable to maintain its first-half advantage.

"Seemed like they were just waiting in the weeds," said Kyrie Irving, who had 16 points and eight assists. "I'm pretty sure Pop got in their rear ends and

really told them play hard or you're not stepping on the floor and you just see that maximum level just go up and our level just stayed the same."

Irving suffered a scratched cornea in both eyes during a collision with Marco Belinelli with 7:22 remaining in the game. Irving exited to the locker room but returned to the bench and game a couple minutes later.

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AP photo

Boston Celtics' Kyrie Irving, right, drives against San Antonio Spurs' Derrick White during the first half of an NBA basketball game, Monday, Dec. 31, 2018, in San Antonio.

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Boston coach Brad Stevens was unsure of Irving's status for Wednesday's home game against Minnesota.

"I'm wearing sunglasses, so not too good," Irving said when asked how he felt, "but it'll be all right though."

Still, Irving was more upset with the pounding the Spurs put on the Celtics. San Antonio attacked the paint in the second half with brawny Boston post Aron Baynes out due to a fractured finger.

Aldridge finished scored 12 points in the third quarter and 17 in the second half. He finished 13 for 23 from the field along with nine rebounds, five assists and two blocked shots.

"He's been a beast, without a doubt," Popovich said.

White also took advantage of the lack of rim protection, scoring 13 points on 5-for-6 shooting in the second half. He also led the defense on Irving.

"For the game, they

said you've got to make him work on defense," White said. "If you just let him play one side of the court, it will be a long night for us. So, I just wanted to make him work down there and attack."

San Antonio forward Davis Bertans was 5 for 8 on 3-pointers in scoring 17 points. The Spurs finished 14 for 26 on 3-pointers.

TIP-INS

Celtics: After taking New Year's Day off, Boston returns to action Jan. 2 to open a four-game homestand. . Brown's previous season high of 23 points came Dec. 8 at Chicago.

Spurs: Gay missed his fifth game of the season, missing three previously due to a sore right heel and sitting out another for rest. Popovich is not sure how long the sprained left wrist will sideline Gay. San Antonio is 2-3 without Gay.

... Jakob Poeltl made his fourth start of the season and first since Oct. 24. Poeltl started three of the Spurs' first four games before joining the team's bench. ... Spurs center Pau Gasol received a big ovation

in his first game since Nov. 4. Gasol missed 26 games with a stress fracture in his right foot. He was active for the past two games on the road against the Nuggets and Clippers, but the Spurs chose to keep him out until returning home.

WHAT'S NEXT

DeRozan was extremely upset when Toronto traded him and Poeltl to San Antonio for Kawhi Leonard and Danny Green in the offseason. He vowed to gain revenge on the Raptors when they faced the Spurs but has since accepted the trade and admits he isn't focused on Thursday's matchup.

"Honestly, I wish I had something cool to say to look for it, but I haven't thought about it at all," DeRozan said. "I'm pretty sure once I get the questions about it, at some point I'm going to get to it but I haven't been thinking about it."

UP NEXT

Celtics: Host Minnesota on Wednesday night.

Spurs: Host Toronto on Thursday night.

including the team's leading tackler. Receiver Kelvin Harmon and linebacker Germaine Pratt skipped the bowl to protect their NFL draft stocks.

It's unlikely Pratt could have done enough to make a difference against Williams, who averaged 12.4 yards on 19 carries against a defense that allowed 109.1 yards a game all season.

"You give him enough touches, great things are going to happen in every phase of the game," Fisher said. "That's what great players do."

THE TAKEAWAY

North Carolina State: The Wolfpack failed to get a third straight postseason win. It was a disappointing finale after ending the regular season with three consecutive wins, but still proof that Doeren has the program headed in the right direction.

Texas A&M: The Aggies have one of the youngest rosters in the Southeastern Conference and have enough talent to challenge Alabama in the coming years.

CROWD CONTROL

The game drew 38,206, the bowl's smallest crowd since 1952.

UP NEXT

North Carolina State will have to replace Finley, Harmon, Pratt and three starters on one of the nation's best offensive lines.

Texas A&M has one of the county's most challenging schedules in 2019, a slate that includes Alabama and road games against Clemson, Georgia and LSU.



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Texas A&M's Kellen Mond completed 14 of 26 passes for 140 yards, with a touchdown and an interception. Mond also ran five times for 85 yards and a score. Kendrick Rogers made a leaping, 6-yard catch in the back of the end zone to help Mond.

Little went right for the Wolfpack, which was trying to get to double-digit wins for the second time in school history. North Carolina State finished with 273 yards and went 0 for 13 on third down.

"It's on all of us," coach Dave Doeren said. "It's not the players' fault. It's not the coaches' fault. It's all of our faults, and we own it that way. Bottom line is they played better than we did, They coached better than we did, and I'll own that."

Ryan Finley, a senior playing his final game, completed 19 of 32 passes for 139 yards. He threw a touchdown pass and two interceptions. Tyrel Dodson returned one of the picks 78 yards for a score early in the third quarter, a play that turned a close game into a two-touchdown advantage.

Finley also was sacked twice before getting pulled in the fourth quarter. Doeren clearly wanted to protect Finley, who's expected to be an early round pick in the NFL draft in April.

It certainly didn't help that NC State played without two of its best players,