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Washington shut down Donovan McNabb as the surprising Redskins won their fifth straight game, 13-3 over the Philadelphia Eagles./1C



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Ten months after they surrendered to Thailand, the 13-year-old mystical brothers who once led the God's Army rebels are catching up on a lost childhood./8A

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Kunduz falls to opposition; several dead in POW battle

■ First wave of U.S. troops land in Kandahar in the largest deployment of U.S. troops on the ground in Afghanistan since the U.S.-led war began Oct. 7.

By Ellen Knickmeyer
Associated Press

BANGI, Afghanistan — In a decisive move to strike at the last Taliban stronghold, hundreds of U.S. Marines landed by helicopter early today near the southern Afghan city of Kandahar, a senior U.S. official said. As many as 1,000 troops could be on the ground there within days.

The deployment of the first large U.S. ground expeditionary force comes a day after the Taliban's last northern garrison, Kunduz, fell to troops of the northern alliance, and a bloody, chaotic jailhouse uprising by some of the foreign fighters captured in that siege.

Sending in the Marines marks a perilous new phase of a conflict that until now has been focused on U.S. airstrikes backing up the opposition northern alliance, plus limited ground missions by several hundred American special forces fanned out in small units across Afghanistan.

Kandahar, the Taliban's home base and spiritual home, has come under fierce bombardment since the conflict began Oct. 7, and the Taliban have vowed to fight to the death rather than abandon the city. In the last three weeks, they have lost their grip on three-quarters of Afghanistan, plus the capital, Kabul.

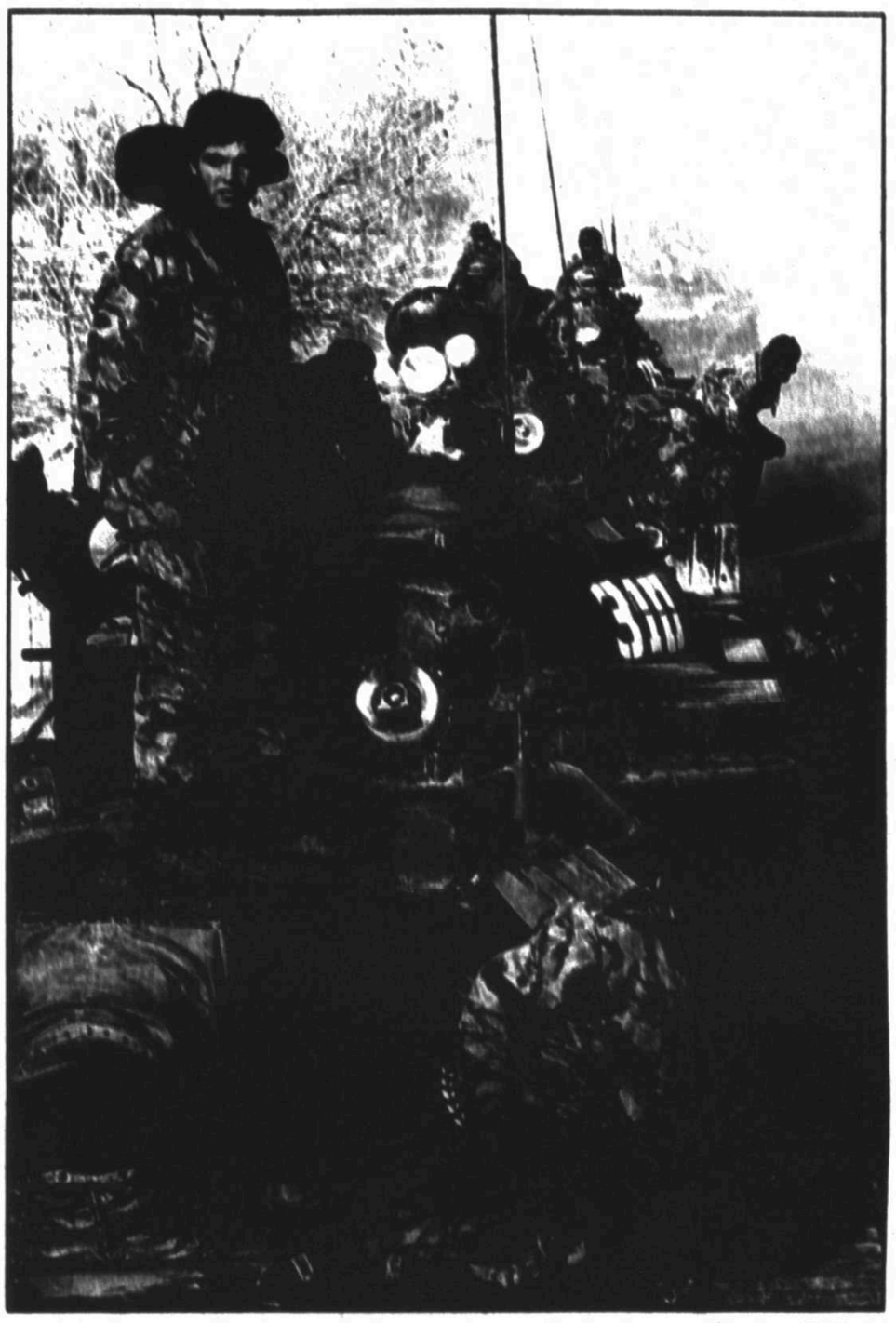
Most of the top Taliban leadership is believed to be holed up in and around the city. Efforts by tribal leaders over the past 10 days to negotiate a handover of the city failed to yield results.

Abdul Jabbar, an anti-Taliban Afghan tribal official in Pakistan, said his colleagues in Kandahar confirmed that U.S. troops were on the ground there.

The Marines, numbering in the "low hundreds," were to be followed by several hundred more from Navy ships in the Arabian Sea, the U.S. official said in Washington, on condition of anonymity. The Marines landed by helicopter southwest of Kandahar, the official said.

The fall of Kunduz, which came two days before talks were to begin in Germany on forming a broad-based government, leaves the Islamic militia with only a small share of Afghanistan still under its control, mostly around Kandahar.

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AP Photo
Northern alliance soldiers, with a convoy of tanks, stand ready to move toward Kunduz, from the outside of Khanabad, Afghanistan, Sunday. Following the defection of hundreds of Taliban fighters earlier in the day, alliance forces from the eastern front reached the edge of Kunduz. Also on Sunday, outside the city of Mazar-e-Sharif, 100 miles to the west, hundreds of foreigners who had been captured earlier in the Kunduz area staged a prison uprising, leading to a daylong battle with northern alliance guards. U.S. aircraft helped quash the insurrection.

Scientists claim breakthrough in human cloning

By Jeff Donn
Associated Press

BOSTON — A research company reported Sunday it had cloned the first human embryo, a development it said was aimed at producing genetically matched replacement cells for patients with a wide range of diseases.

But the news from Advanced Cell Technology of Worcester, Mass., drew swift protests from religious and political leaders who saw it as a step toward cloning human beings.

Several states, including California, have banned human cloning, and Congress is considering such a ban. But company officials insisted their work is the first step in providing hope for people with spinal injuries, heart disease and other ailments.

"These are exciting preliminary results," said Dr. Robert P. Lanza, one of the researchers at Advanced Cell Technology. "This work sets the stage for human therapeutic cloning as a potentially limitless source of immune-compatible cells for tissue engineering and transplantation medicine."

Lanza and the company's top executive Michael West said they had no interest in transplanting such early embryos into a woman's womb to give birth to a cloned human being, nor was it clear that their embryo would be capable of that.

But the Washington, D.C.-based National Right to Life Committee wasted little time Sunday attacking the announcement.

"This corporation is creating human embryos for the sole purpose of killing them and harvesting their cells," said the group's legislative director Douglas Johnson. "Unless Congress acts quickly, this corporation and others will be opening human embryo farms."

And a critic of the company who used to sit on ACT's ethics board said Advanced Cell's announcement was premature and would serve only to encourage such harsh reaction against cloning.

Glenn McGee, a University of Pennsylvania bioethicist who resigned from Advanced Cell Technology's ethics advisory board, called the announcement "nothing but hype." He said the company's report lacks any significant details.

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Councilman says city ought to hit brakes on push for public transportation

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, the City Council may once again make public transportation a reality in Midland.

However, that will not happen if District 3 Councilman Scott Dufford gets his way. According to Dufford, the city already faced too many unfunded mandates that could make cutting the budget in the future improbable, if not impossible.

The list seems to grow by the week. It is topped by:

■ The Fire Department's dilemma with the two in/two out rule. Possible cost to the city — in excess of $1 million.

■ The rising cost of homeland security, which includes tens of thousands being spent at Midland International Airport each month. Current cost to the city — $80,000-$100,000 a month.

City officials believe a public transportation system could cost Midland taxpayers $150,000 annually.

"I think there is no question we should hold off on public transportation for a while in light of all these other things," Dufford said.

Dufford is the most vocal opponent against launching the city's first public transportation system since the mid-1980s. He also might be the only one. At the Nov. 13 meeting, LuAnn Morgan, James Bradford, Bill Dingus and Berry Simpson stated there was a need for it. Midland Mayor Mike Canon gave no indication how he would vote, instead he asked for more time to consider and research the resolution, which would approve and authorize the city manager to sign the state/local Urban Public Transportation Agreement and accept the $500,000 grant from the state to start up a system in Midland and Odessa.

A public hearing also will take place, giving all Midlanders an opportunity to speak on the need, or a lack of, for a public transportation system.

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— Scott Dufford, District 3 councilman

It was said on Nov. 13, there is no turning back should the city decide to accept the Texas Department of Transportation's grant.

City officials hope to have the fixed route system up and running by the end of 2003.

Dufford said this past week that now is not the right time. Public transportation would only serve a select few, and the money spent per year would just not justify it.

The city estimates a ridership of 190,000 per year.

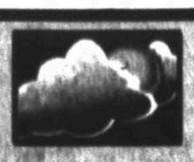
"The bottom line is when you look at our numbers on public transportation, our own numbers show that it is basically a handful of people — maybe 250 to 300 people is what it looks like would be riding it assuming the same people ride for the year," Dufford said. "That is less than one percent of the population, and we are talking about something that is going to cost us that we will have to budget between $135,000 and $175,000 or maybe $200,000 a year, because we will never know how much we will get from year to year from the federal government in assistance or from the state of Texas."

Dufford also said a public transportation system doesn't make sense at this point because of the budget shortfall the state of Texas faces and the uncertainty of where those cuts could come from.

Second, he says Amarillo, a market he claims is most similar to Midland's in West Texas, has experienced a ridership decrease of 17 percent.

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Tony Madrid heads the MISD driver's education program and has been with the program for 26 years.



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Famed test pilot confirmed for event in April in Midland

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager, a World War II American ace and post-war United States Air Force (USAF) test pilot who at age 24 in 1947 in a rocket-powered airplane became the first person to break the sound barrier, will be in Midland for an aviation seminar on April 27, 2002.

"He is the ultimate test pilot," said Bill Coombes, a war historian and coordinator of the American Airpower Heritage Museum's "Remembrance of War" annual series at the Confederate Air Force headquarters at Midland International Airport.

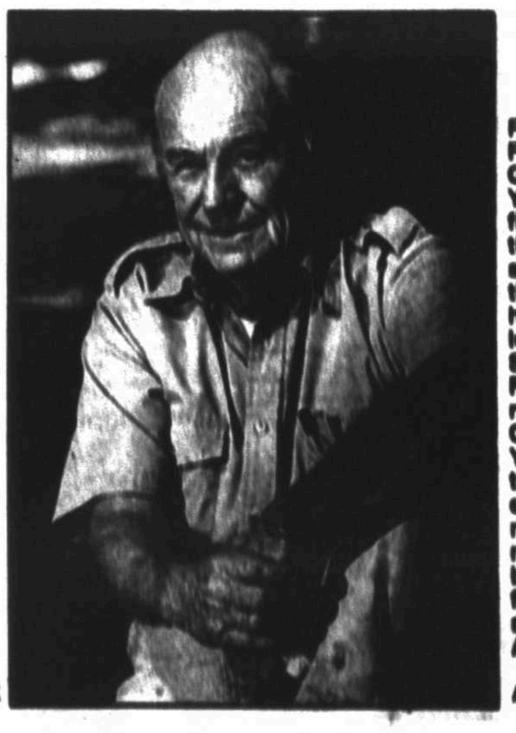
"I would rank him with the best pilots of all time."

Yeager, a retired USAF brigadier general who lives in California, will be accompanied by his "closest friend," Clarence E. "Bud" Anderson, who also is a World War II ace.

Anderson, who was in Midland for the CAF's AirSho in October, described Yeager as a "stand-out pilot and character from the day I met him" during the war.

"He flew like a demon and was always taking calculated risks that are the essence of his personality," Anderson wrote in Yeager's 1985 autobiography, "Yeager."

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Retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Chuck Yeager, 74, the first man to fly the speed of sound, sits in the woods near his Grass Valley, Calif., home Sept. 29, 1997. Flying in the X-1 rocket plane on Oct. 14, 1947, Yeager broke the sound barrier at a speed of more than 700 mph. Yeger will be in Midland for an aviation seminar on April 27, 2002

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
High 63	High 52	High 41
Low 35	Low 36	Low 21

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and highs in the lower 60s with northwest winds at 5 to 15 mph. For tonight, expect partly cloudy skies and lows near 35.

For Tuesday, expect partly cloudy skies and highs from 50 to 55.

Wednesday's forecast calls for cloudy skies and lower temperatures with a slight chance of snow. Expect lows in the 20s with highs around 40.

The high on Sunday reached 72, while the low dropped to 36. The record high for Nov. 25 is 85 set in 1965. The record low is 18 set in 1938.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.80 in.
Total for year	9.08 in.
Normal total (year to date)	14.28 in.

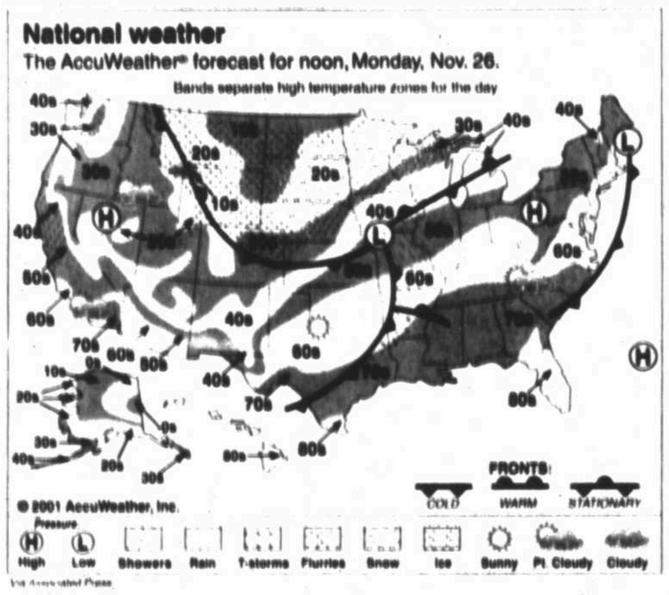
Yesterday's temperatures

High	72
Low	36
Normal high	63
Normal low	36
Sunrise	7:27 a.m.
Sunset	5:45 p.m.

National forecast

National weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, Nov. 26.



Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

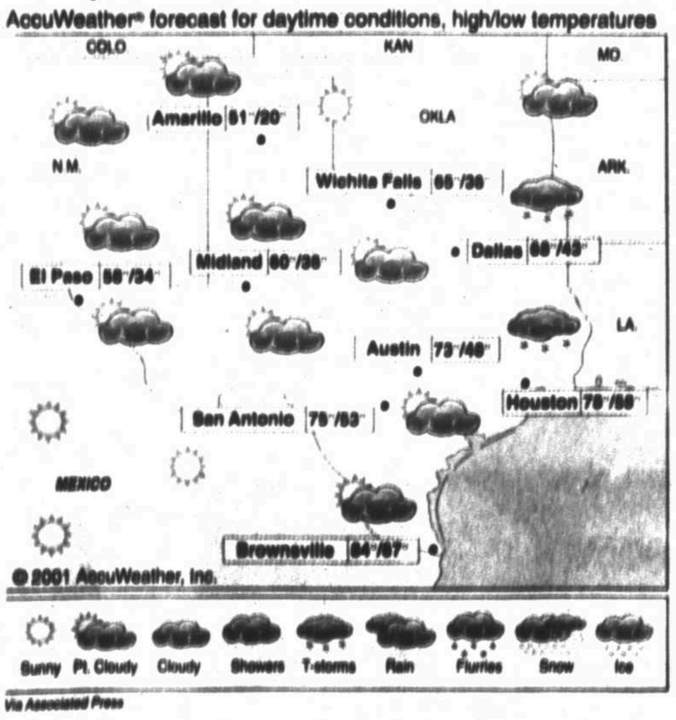
Temperatures indicate Sunday's high and overnight low to 8 p.m. Eastern Time

	Hi	Lo	Pre	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	64	52	29	cdy
Albuquerque	59	39	cdy	
Anchorage	21	16	cdy	
Atlanta	74	64	09	cdy
Atlantic City	67	60	03	cdy
Baltimore	64	58	12	cdy
Baton Rouge	75	43	cdy	
Birmingham	71	47	11	cdy
Bismarck	33	32	sno	
Boston	64	43	cdy	
Burlington,Vt	57	49	04	cdy
Charleston,S.C.	76	65	41	cdy
Chattanooga	72	52	1.61	cdy
Cheyenne	27	25	sno	
Chicago	46	46	25	cdy
Cincinnati	56	56	cdy	
Cleveland	58	58	52	cdy
Colorado Springs	47	21	02	clr
Columbus,Ga.	75	66	1.21	cdy
Columbus,Ohio	57	55	32	clr
Concord,N.H.	61	44	cdy	
Dayton	55	55	clr	
Daytona Beach	80	63	cdy	
Denver	31	25	cdy	
Des Moines	43	40	01	rn
Detroit	56	56	18	cdy
Eugene	50	41	34	rn
Evansville	60	54	cdy	
Fairbanks	2	-9	clr	
Fargo	32	32	03	sno
Fresno	54	44	01	cdy
Grand Junction	44	39	25	cdy
Grand Rapids	48	48	30	cdy
Great Falls	28	27	02	sno
Green Bay	49	47	09	cdy
Greensboro,N.C.	72	54	04	cdy
Harrisburg	63	56	1.12	clr
Honolulu	83	70	cdy	
Huntsville	67	46	34	cdy
Indianapolis	53	53	02	cdy
Jacksonville	81	63	cdy	
Juneau	34	24	clr	
Kansas City	55	40	01	clr
Knoxville	70	55	83	cdy
Lake Charles	77	43	cdy	
Lansing	50	50	45	cdy
Las Vegas	57	47	03	clr
Lexington	60	52	33	cdy
Lincoln	45	41	sno	
Los Angeles	63	50	01	cdy
Louisville	61	56	cdy	
Memphis	67	47	cdy	
Miami Beach	82	68	clr	
Milwaukee	47	46	13	cdy
Mpls-St Paul	37	37	03	sno
Montgomery	76	59	42	cdy
Nashville	65	50	cdy	
New Orleans	73	56	cdy	
New York City	66	60	20	cdy
Newark	66	58	25	cdy
Norfolk,Va.	72	60	cdy	
Oklahoma City	70	39	cdy	
Omaha	46	40	sno	
Orlando	82	63	cdy	
Philadelphia	70	61	31	cdy
Phoenix	63	57	cdy	
Pittsburgh	62	57	76	cdy
Portland,Ore.	49	41	08	rn
Providence	59	41	cdy	
Raleigh-Durham	71	61	12	cdy
Rapid City	33	29	02	sno
Reno	41	30	03	cdy
Richmond	69	60	01	cdy
Roanoke	70	52	43	clr
Rochester	55	51	46	cdy
Rockford	42	42	11	cdy
Sacramento	55	40	cdy	
St Louis	60	50	cdy	
St Thomas	85	73	cdy	
Salt Lake City	34	32	73	sno
San Diego	62	58	cdy	
San Francisco	56	46	15	cdy
San Jose	54	43	10	cdy
Santa Fe	56	25	cdy	
Seattle	43	40	05	rn
Spokane	36	36	25	cdy
Springfield,Ill	52	44	02	cdy
Syracuse	57	51	40	cdy
Tallahassee	73	64	11	cdy
Tampa-St Pbrsbg	85	69	clr	
Tucson	68	53	clr	
Tulsa	69	40	cdy	
Washington,D.C.	66	59	07	cdy
W Palm Beach	81	71	clr	
Wichita	63	31	cdy	
Wilmington,Del.	67	57	64	cdy
Yakima	45	37	cdy	
Youngstown	59	56	57	cdy
Yuma	67	59	cdy	

State forecast

Monday, Nov. 26

AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures



Via Associated Press

Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 12 hours and precipitation for 24 hours at 8 p.m.

	Hi	Lo	Pcp.
Abilene	74	42	
Amarillo	80	36	
Arlington	74	56	
Austin	76	55	
Beaumont	76	48	
Brownsville	91	68	t
Burnet	73	50	
Childress	72	50	
College Station	76	41	
Corpus Christi	78	65	
Corsicana	74	45	
Dalhart	66	33	
Dallas	76	43	
Del Rio	77	45	
Denton	74	50	
Dryden	78	44	
El Paso	68	40	
Fort Stockton	81	47	
Fort Worth	78	48	
Galveston	74	66	
Georgetown	79	37	
Harlingen	90	64	
Houston	78	44	
Huntsville	77	48	
Junction	74	50	
Kingsville	78	61	
Laredo	77	57	
Longview	74	38	
Lubbock	69	36	
Marfa	73	34	
McAllen	79	64	
McKinney	73	50	
Mineral Wells	76	50	
Navy Corpus	77	63	
New Braunfels	76	42	
Paris	73	37	
Rockport	77	64	
San Angelo	74	50	
San Antonio	79	41	
San Marcos	76	41	
Sonora	73	38	
Tyler	75	42	
Victoria	76	48	
Waco	74	41	

COPY: Scientists clone first human embryo

(From 1A)

including what cells company scientists actually grew from the cloned embryo.

"They are doing science by press release," he said.

A second company quickly claimed Sunday that it had also cloned human embryos, but in unpublished research. The company, Clonaid, said it hopes to eventually create fully-developed human clones.

"I'm very pleased that I'm not alone," company Director Brigitte Boisselier said in a phone interview. "We're doing embryos every day."

The company keeps its laboratory location secret, citing security concerns. Boisselier said the embryos were created by injecting eggs with a variety of other cells, but she refused to give details.

In findings published Sunday by the online journal, e-biomed: The Journal of Regenerative Medicine, and also described online in Scientific American, the ACT scientists said they had grown a six-cell human embryo.

They said they created the early embryo by injecting a very small cell with its genetic material into a woman's donated egg. In such cloning, the injected DNA often comes from a skin cell, but the researchers this time used a cumulus cell, which nurtures a developing egg.

This technique could produce replacement cells only for a woman of childbearing age, since the injected DNA comes from a woman's reproductive system. However, the scientists have been experimenting with injecting adult skin cells into the eggs as well.

In a separate experiment, the scientists showed they could push the development of human egg cells even further with a technique known as parthenogenesis. In that process, they said, six eggs reprogrammed themselves to develop into early embryos.

Such eggs would be largely compatible with the genetics of the egg donor.

The scientists described all the work as preliminary. Neither experiment has yet produced the coveted stems cells, master cells which grow into all kinds of body tissues.

Other research groups in this country and abroad have plunged into efforts for human "reproductive cloning," which aims to produce a new person, or "therapeutic cloning," which seeks only to create embryos that would yield stem cells for treating diseases.

And last September, a report from the National Academy of Sciences — an independent, congressionally chartered organization — said therapeutic cloning should be pursued.

Dr. Norman Fost, director of the bioethics program at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, said he believes a "slippery slope" argument for banning therapeutic cloning is a poor approach.

One could have made such a case against test-tube fertilization, which has turned out to be beneficial, and which also can be seen as a step toward cloning humans, he said Sunday.

The announcement by the Massachusetts researchers, he said, is "a basic part of making stem cell research useful for human beings." That, he said is "a path which the huge majority of the American people favor."

The researchers described their work as an important step toward producing stem cells to generate replacement cells as treatments for diabetes, heart disease, spinal injuries, and many other ailments.

"We think we've shown that it's going to be possible, in the lifetime of many of us, to take a cell from our body and, by using cloning technology ... take a patient's cell back in time" to make embryonic stem cells, said Michael West, president of Advanced Cell Technology.

But using human embryos for such work faces huge hurdles in Washington.

"The president has made it clear that he is opposed to any type of human cloning," said White House spokeswoman Jennifer Millerwise. "He supported the House legislation to ban human cloning that passed overwhelmingly. The Senate has a busy calendar but this shows why it is important for the Senate to act."

On "Fox News Sunday," Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said while he only had sketchy details, he was worried about reproductive cloning. He called the reports "disconcerting."

On NBC's "Meet the Press," Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., said "I believe it will be perhaps a big debate, but at the end of the day I don't believe that we're going to let the cloning of human embryos go on."

WAR: U.S. aircraft helped quash POW uprising

(From 1A)

Thousands of Taliban troops as well as Arab, Chechen, Pakistani and other foreign fighters linked to Osama bin Laden had been holed up in Kunduz, which the alliance said fell almost without a fight.

Pro-Taliban fighters including foreigners fled Sunday toward the town of Chardara, to the west, with alliance troops in pursuit, alliance acting foreign minister, Abdullah, said by satellite telephone from the north of Afghanistan.

While some chose to make a run for it, thousands of others surrendered by the thousands as northern alliance troops moved in. Under a pact negotiated earlier between the alliance and the Taliban, Afghan Taliban fighters were guaranteed safe passage out of the city but the foreigners were to be arrested pending investigation into possible ties to bin Laden.

Outside the city of Mazar-e-Sharif, 100 miles to the west, hundreds of foreigners who had been captured earlier in the Kunduz area staged a violent uprising at their prison fortress, triggering a fierce daylong battle with northern alliance guards. U.S. aircraft helped quash the insurrection.

Hundreds of foreign Taliban prisoners were killed, U.S. and alliance officials said.

A U.S. special forces soldier inside the Qalai Janghi fortress was taped by a German television crew saying an American may have died.

But Pentagon officials in Washington later said all U.S. troops were accounted for and none had died. A U.S. government official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said later in Washington that a CIA operative was wounded in the uprising.

Dave Culler, a spokesman for the U.S. Central Command, which oversees the war in Afghanistan, suggested that the uprising was in effect a suicide mission. At least one foreign fighter had killed himself Saturday while surrendering, witnesses said — giving himself up, then setting off a hand grenade when an alliance officer approached.

The fighters had smuggled weapons under their tunics into the Qalai Janghi fortress and tried to fight their way out, Pentagon spokesman Lt. Col. Dan Stoneking said. The Pentagon estimated that fighters numbered 300; the northern alliance had said previously there were 700 prisoners in the facility.

Yahsaw, a spokesman for northern alliance commander Mohammed Mohaqik, said the prisoners broke down doors, seized weapons and ammunition, and fought a pitched battle with guards that lasted some seven hours.

An Associated Press reporter entering the city Sunday evening heard explosions coming from the direction of the fortress. Stoneking, the Pentagon spokesman, confirmed that U.S. airstrikes had helped Gen. Rashid Dostum's forces regain control of the prison. Dostum brought in about 500 troops to quash the unrest, he said.

International organizations had voiced worry over the prospect of atrocities involving captured fighters. Earlier this month, the United Nations reported the apparent reprisal killings of at least 100 captured Taliban fighters in Mazar-e-Sharif. Pakistan had appealed without success for some guarantee of protection for any of its nationals captured when Kunduz fell.

The United States had strongly opposed any deal that would have allowed the foreigners to leave Afghanistan. As a surrender accord for Kunduz was being brokered last week, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said he hoped the foreign fighters would be killed or captured, not allowed to go free.

PILOT: At age 24, Yeager first to break sound barrier

(From 1A)

Yeager, a 78-year-old West Virginia native, enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Forces (formerly, the U.S. Army Air Corps) in 1941 at age 18, just out of high school. He earned his pilot's wings in 1943.

By war's end, Yeager, a P-51 Mustang fighter pilot, had destroyed 13.5 enemy aircraft in aerial combat over Europe. A pilot gains ace status by scoring five "kills" in aerial combat. Yeager was credited with shooting down 13 enemy aircraft and sharing with another pilot the destruction of a 14th aircraft.

The P-51s he piloted over Europe were named "Glamorous Glennis" after his then-fiancée, Glennis Dickhouse, whom he married in 1945.

Yeager's victories as a 64-mission pilot with the USAAF's England-based Eighth Air Force Fighter Command included the German Luftwaffe propeller-driven single-engine fighters, the Messerschmitt Me. 109 and the Focke-Wulf 190, and Germany's late-blooming twin-engine jet fighter, the Messerschmitt Me. 262. On his ninth mission in March 1944 over German-occupied France, he was shot down, injured, bailed out and, with aid from the French resistance, escaped into Spain by way of Pyrenees Mountains. He returned by way of England and was flying again in support of the Allied D-Day invasion of Normandy in June 1944.

Jack Edwards, a Midland geologist who was a U.S. Naval aviator during the war, said Yeager was "a West Virginia backwoods kid" who racked up an "incredible career as a P-51 fighter pilot in Europe."

Yeager summoned up tremendous courage on Oct. 27, 1947, when he, as a test pilot in the rocket-powered Bell X-1 airplane, penetrated the sound barrier for the world's first supersonic flight at Mach 1.06 or 700 miles per hour at 43,000 feet.

"You didn't know what was going to happen to you when you burst that barrier," said Edwards, who characterized Yeager as a "pilot's pilot" gifted with "that innate ability to fly."

The Bell X-1, which Yeager noted was shaped like a .50-caliber machine-gun bullet, had been released on that historic flight from the belly of a B-29 Superfortress at 26,000 feet over California's Mojave Desert.

He performed victory rolls and wing-over-wing maneuvers following his breaking the sound barrier.

"It turned out, he was a man of incredible courage and incredible piloting skills and capability and very much an individual," Edwards said.

The straightforward Yeager was "not really favored" by the military's politicians in peacetime America.

"He was very blunt," Edwards said.

Yeager continued to fly experiment aircraft, test-pilot captured Russian jet fighters, including the MiG series, during the Korean War, and flew more than 100 missions in Southeast Asia in B-57 tactical bombers during the Vietnam War.

In the early 1960s, Yeager was director of test-flight operations and then commandant of the Aerospace Research Pilot School at Edwards Air Force Base (formerly, Muroc AFB).

Aside from his wartime military decorations, Yeager was awarded the Peacetime Congressional Medal of Honor and was enshrined in the Aviation Hall of Fame.

"He's a true America hero" in wartime and peacetime, Edwards said.

Michael Shapira, a Midland businessman who was a USAF Vietnam War pilot, said Yeager "really is a hell of a pilot" who is highly decorated.

"And he retired as a one-star (brigadier) general," Shapira said. He noted some people may say he was promoted to a "general because he broke the speed of sound. That's not true," Shapira said. "He made it in spite of that."

Yeager "epitomizes the fighter pilot with his flight cap cocked off to the side," Shapira said.

As a pilot, Yeager is unflappable, he said.

"He also epitomizes the pilot who is flying along, and he's got a real serious problem with the airplane," an airliner, for example. "And he comes over the loud speaker" and tells the passengers, "'Folks, (we've) got a little old' problem up here, but we'll handle it, and we'll have you down (safely).'

"It's a severe problem, but he's laid back," Shapira said of Yeager's demeanor. "And he really is the model pilot of cool under fire."

Tami O'Bannion, who is director of the American Airpower Heritage Museum at CAF headquarters, said Yeager is a "very self-assured, self-made man.

"I think that's exactly what makes good leadership," Ms. O'Bannion said. "Yeager is real in the sense to me that he has never cared to enter a popularity contest. You know where you stand with him."

Yeager, who is an avid hunter and fisherman, hunts deer in the Marfa area and revels in backpacking and camping in the Sierra Nevada mountain range of California.

The "Remembrance of War" series in past years has focused on the World War II events, such as the 1940 Battle of Britain, the Marine Corps' flag-raising at Iwo Jima, Jimmy Doolittle's 1942 B-25 bombing raid over Japan, the B-29 Enola Gay bombing run, Battle of the Bulge, the 1944 D-Day landing on the beaches of Normandy, France, and then astronauts, test pilots and the Vietnam War.

The 10-part "Remembrance of War" 2002 series, Coombes said, will focus on such wartime phenomena as the Japanese kamikaze attacks on surface ships of the American Navy, Guadalcanal war stories, Gregory "Pappy" Boyington's "Baa Baa Black Sheep" U.S. Marine Corps Corsair aviators, the Allies' bombing raids of the German-held petroleum refineries at Ploesti, Romania and today's Air Force.

CITY: Bradford advocates public transportation

(From 1A)

Again, it appears Dufford could be in the minority on the six-member council. Bradford is a strong advocate for it.

In the briefing session before the most recent Council meeting, Dingus compared the public transportation budget to other items the city routinely passes and called the $150,000 "the deal of the century."

Simpson said on Nov. 13 that he would have voted for it had the Council voted on the resolution that day.

Ms. Morgan said this past week she was leaning toward voting for it. I definitely see where there is a need for it," Ms. Morgan said. "At the same time, the balancing point is how can we perform the service and not go into debt by doing it."

Coincidentally, both Ms. Morgan and Dufford are expected to serve on the advisory panel that will look into streamlining city government. According to Dufford, that panel will be in place and running by January.

Of course, Dufford feels that streamlining process really starts Tuesday.

Midland Center Note: As the Council votes on public transportation and its potential six-figure annual bill, it will vote to remove and replace operable walls at the Midland Center. Its price tag could be in excess of $122,000.

According to a city memorandum, Western Building Specialties of Lubbock Texas was the low bidder for the job with a base bid of $113,155. With the additive alternate for carpet on the walls to provide better acoustics of $9,000, the total cost is $122,155.

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U.S. begins developing strategy to persuade Afghans not to grow opium

By Ken Guggenheim
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — U.S. officials are exploring ways to prevent a surge in opium cultivation in Afghanistan, once the world's leading producer, now that the Taliban's control is crumbling.

The challenge is persuading the factions likely to govern to fight opium production and trafficking, when these groups in the past have shown little inclination to do that.

U.S. counternarcotics officials want to make drug-fighting a condition for receiving international humanitarian aid. They expect some of the assistance will include programs to encourage Afghan farmers to give up opium, the raw material for heroin, in favor of wheat and other legal crops.

Representatives of U.S. anti-drug agencies have met to begin developing a counterdrug plan. With efforts under way to form a new multiethnic government in Afghanistan, the opium issue is attracting the attention of leading Bush administration officials.

U.S. policy-makers had limited interest in it before the Sept. 11 attacks. Afghan opium is sold mostly in Europe and Asia. It accounts for only a tiny fraction of the heroin sold in the United States, most of which is from Latin America.

After Sept. 11, Afghan opium was seen in a new light: as an important moneymaker for the Taliban militia that harbored Osama bin Laden, the suspected mastermind of the attacks.

Afghan opium production surged after the Taliban took control of most of the country in 1996, and reached a peak of 4,030 U.S. tons last year, according to State Department statistics. That accounted for 72 percent of the world market.

Citing Islamic principles, the Taliban banned opium, virtually eliminating it from its territory this year. U.S. officials suspect the Taliban was trying to reduce the opium supply to boost the price of existing stockpiles.

The ban remains in effect, but farmers began ignoring it after Sept. 11.

"The farmers are poor people and they need money and the opium crop is a profitable crop for them," said Mohammad Amirkhizi, an official of the U.N. Drug Control Program in Vienna, Austria.

"If the conditions remain in a way that no one is enforcing the noncultivation of illicit drugs in Afghanistan, then the farmers will go back to cultivating," he said.

The Taliban's rivals have not tried to ban opium and some are believed to have profited from the drug trade. The northern alliance, which now controls more than half the country, "has taken no action of which we are aware against cultivation and trafficking in its area," the State Department said in March.

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> — Mohammad Amirkhizi, official with U.N. Drug Control Program in Vienna, Austria

Asa Hutchinson, the head of the Drug Enforcement Administration, said it is too early to tell how cooperative the northern alliance will be in the future.

"Certainly we're not naive that the northern alliance does not have their own interest and history in poppy cultivation and trafficking," he said. "But it's certainly a new world in Afghanistan and we're just going to have to work hard to encourage (an) anti-drug policy."

Hutchinson said the DEA has been working with Afghanistan's neighbors, including Pakistan, to help block the movement of Afghan opium through their territory.

S. Frederick Starr, a Central Asia specialist at Johns Hopkins University, said rejecting opium will be one of four important conditions for any Afghan faction seeking international recognition and aid. The other conditions are rejecting terrorism and supporting human rights and democracy.

"Different groups will find it more difficult or easier, but in the end they'll have no choice," he said.

Amirkhizi said that besides insisting that the next Afghan government curb opium cultivation and trafficking, the international community should provide opium farmers with help in switching to legal crops.

The U.S. Agency for International Development was considering such a program in southern Afghanistan, channeling assistance through a nongovernmental organization. The plan was derailed by the Sept. 11 attacks.

Andrew S. Natsios, the agency's administrator, said he hopes it can move ahead with the program once Afghanistan becomes more stable. Even then, the program would have to be tested in a limited area before being expanded nationwide.

"We certainly want to find an alternative to opium production," he said. "However, you don't start a program unless you can prove its worth. We're not going to go in and invest $50 million and have it fail on you."

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Travelers heading home after holiday face longer lines, increased security

By Lisa A. Flam
Associated Press

Nervous about terrorism, Brit Jensen was taking a good look at fellow passengers Sunday as she flew back to Indiana after spending Thanksgiving with her parents in North Dakota.

"This is terrible to say but you kind of check out who's flying with you. I never did that before," said Jensen, whose trip home put her on a plane for the first time since Sept. 11.

As two armed National Guards members kept watch near a door, Jensen said she didn't think she would ever get used to seeing guardsmen at Bismarck Airport.

"This is such a safe place, so it's strange to me. But things change, I guess," said Jensen, a sophomore at Taylor University near Indianapolis.

Across the nation, thousands of travelers braved congestion and increased security as they returned to airports, highways and railways during the first major travel period following the attacks.

While final figures on the number of holiday travelers were not expected until later in the week, Sunday was still shaping up to be one of the busiest travel days of the year.

Several airlines said their flights were almost at capacity.

"All the terminals are full," said David Rogers, as he waited at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport for his flight home to Mobile, Ala.

Highways were also busy. In Atlanta, where three major interstates cross, traffic was moving well, but volume was heavy. New Jersey highways were also clogged.



AP Photo
Boston College student Karinn Cologne, of Los Angeles, waits for her train to Boston, Sunday, at New York's Penn Station. Travelers returned to airports, highways and railways Sunday to head home after the Thanksgiving holiday, the first major travel period after the terrorist attacks.

"There's only so much asphalt out there," said Lynn Fleeger, director of public affairs for the New Jersey Turnpike.

More travelers were expected to drive to their holiday destination, while a decline in air travel was predicted because of the weak economy and fear of flying since the airborne attacks. Overall, the number of Americans expected to travel over the weekend was expected to be down 6 percent since last year.

Officials at Los Angeles International Airport expected to have 25 percent fewer arrivals and departures than last year.

Aviation consultant Michael Boyd of The Boyd Group in Colorado had predicted a 25 percent drop in air travel for the holiday weekend.

Dance floor collapse plunges partygoers into pool

By Elizabeth Kennedy
Associated Press

ROCHELLE PARK, N.J. — A temporary dance floor over a swimming pool at a night club gave way early Sunday, injuring more than 50 people who plunged into the water, authorities said.

About 35 people were taken to hospitals by ambulance after the dance floor collapsed about 2:15 a.m at the Metro Lounge, Police Chief Richard Zavinsky said. Another 20 went to hospitals on their own.

Most had cuts, sprains or broken bones, Zavinsky said.

"Most of the injuries appear to be minor to moderate," he said. "There are a few head injuries. Some people were knocked unconscious."

Police are investigating whether the party violated building codes or occupancy limits, Zavinsky said.

The temporary floor was made of plywood and plexiglass with steel framework. It covered an indoor in-ground pool, Fire Chief Sal Antista said.

It was unclear how many people were on dance floor when it collapsed. Zavinsky said more than 500 people attended the party, which began at 10 p.m. Saturday. The event was billed as a celebration for people with the astrological signs Scorpio and Sagittarius

A man said the floor gave way when a large number of people got up to dance all at once.

"A song came on, and everybody got on the floor and started dancing," said Joseph Williams, 37. "I was in the middle of the crack. All you could hear was like ice cracking, like you when you pour hot water on ice."

After the collapse, he said, some people panicked and were hyperventilating and fainting.

"People got out and started saving people who were in the water," Williams said. "There were four people down, stretchered out in a neck brace, stuff like that. I believe a young man had CPR done on him. I saw one lady with a deep gash on her leg."

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Dr. Giles lists five main symptoms that can point to TMD.

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Recurring headaches or neck aches. If one or more of the 64 muscles that control the jaw are tight due to stress or misalignment, pain may occur. As mentioned above, they attach in places that are quite removed from the jaw, the pain may seem unrelated.

Uneven wearing of teeth. Your teeth should move smoothly and wear evenly. Uneven wear could be caused by a jaw that is improperly aligned. Or, crowded or misaligned teeth can lead to stress on the jaw or its muscles, bringing painful consequences.

Numbness in certain facial areas. In addition to pain, TMD can lead to numbness as it affects nerves as well as joints and muscles.

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Dr. Grant E. Giles, DDS, FAES, FAGD, FICCMO, DAAPM is director of Cranio-Mandibular Affiliates of Midland. He has lectured internationally on TMD diagnoses and treatments. His office is located in the Westwood Medical Building at 4214 Andrews Highway, Suite 307. For an appointment, call 522-1450 or 1-888-263-2631 toll free.

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Congratulations to Mustangs on state title victory

A hearty congratulations to the Midland Christian Mustangs football squad for bringing home the state championship trophy after defeating Denton Liberty Christian for the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools 4A title this weekend.

The Mustangs have treated us to another exciting season of action under the direction of Coach Greg McClendon who has kept his team motivated and on track throughout the year. It has been an asset to the coach to have star quarterback Jamie Beeghley back in the pocket. It's been thrilling to see Beeghley in action and sadly, this being his senior year, Midland Christian will be without him next year.

However, Midland Christian has shown it can do a remarkable job of developing promising talent in concert with guiding and molding the spiritual side of these young people's lives.

At the same time, we want to offer our congratulations and continued encouragement to the Lee High School Rebels who shut out El Paso Franklin on Friday, thumping the team by an impressive 25-0.

It was a sweet victory in many ways.

First of all, without Cedric Benson and many of the other threepeat starters left in the lineup, at the onset of the season few had any hope the Rebels would make it into the playoffs.

Second, El Paso Franklin had sailed through the season undefeated and had prevailed over Lee earlier in the year.

Third, it showed that Lee Coach John Parchman and his staff still have a few tricks up their sleeves. They continue to inspire the best efforts from the Lee squad.

As Lee moves ahead into quarterfinal action, we will be crossing our fingers and hoping for continued success. As we have learned this season, we were all too premature in ruling out the chances of the Lee Rebels.

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So again, congratulations to the Mustangs and best wishes to the Rebels as the team advances into quarterfinal action.

Today in History

Today is Monday, Nov. 26, the 330th day of 2001. There are 35 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Nov. 26, 1942, President Franklin Roosevelt ordered nationwide gasoline rationing, beginning Dec. 1.

On this date:

In 1832, public streetcar service began in New York City. The fare: 12 1/2 cents.

In 1825, the first college social fraternity, Kappa Alpha, was formed at Union College in Schenectady, N.Y.

In 1940, the half-million Jews of Warsaw, Poland, were forced by the Nazis to live within a walled ghetto.

In 1942, the motion picture "Casablanca," starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, had its world premiere at the Hollywood Theater in New York.

In 1943, during World War II, the HMT Rohna, a British transport ship carrying American soldiers, was hit by a German missile off Algeria; 1,138 men were killed, including 1,015 American troops.

In 1949, India adopted a constitution as a republic within the British Commonwealth.

In 1950, China entered the Korean conflict, launching a counter-offensive against soldiers from the United Nations, the United States and South Korea.

In 1965, France launched its first satellite, sending a 92-pound capsule into orbit.

In 1986, President Reagan appointed a commission headed by former Sen. John Tower to investigate his National Security Council staff in the wake of the Iran-Contra affair.

In 1990, Japanese business giant Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. agreed to acquire MCA Inc. for $6.6 billion.

Ten years ago: The Stars and Stripes were lowered for the last time at Clark Air Base in the Philippines as the United States abandoned one of its oldest and largest overseas installations.

JACK ANDERSON

Muslim moderates must fight back with new prophetic vision

WASHINGTON — Karim Raslan is a moderate Muslim with great powers of articulation. He is not afraid to speak out even though he feels sometimes his "days are numbered." A Malaysian lawyer and columnist, he currently is at Columbia University in New York on a Fulbright grant.



Anderson

Nothing concerns Raslan more than convincing Americans that not all Muslims are terrorists. He draws an emphatic distinction, in fact, between the 235 million Muslims of Southeast Asia (mainly Malays and Indonesians) and those of the Arab states, where anti-American feeling is high. A few thousand may demonstrate against the United States in Jakarta, he says, but millions are going about their lives with no animus against the West, including many working women who "never would vote for fundamentalists."

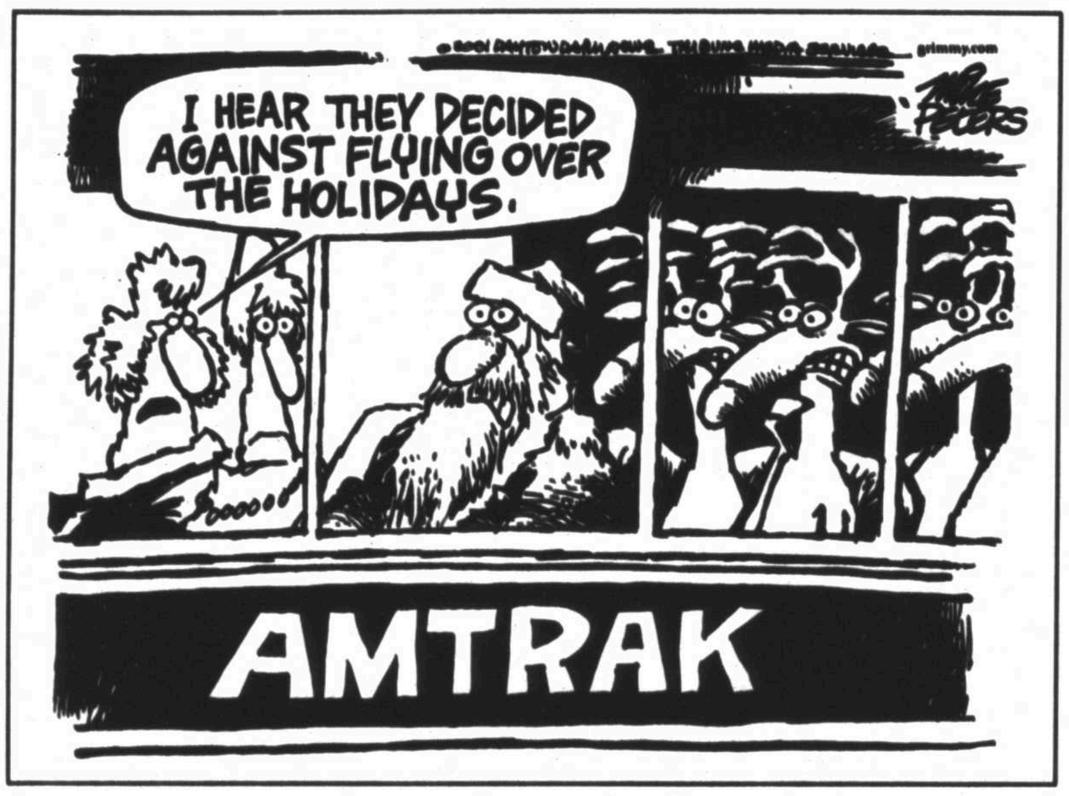
Charlotte Beers, a Madison Avenue CEO who has joined the Bush administration, is about to make a big mistake, he predicts, by launching a public relations campaign that assumes all Muslims are alike. He also fears that American visa officers will do the same and this attitude will wreck the efforts of moderates to win Muslims to a life that's sane.

He is especially alarmed about his own country, Malaysia, where fundamentalists are growing more dominant. The problem of the moderates, he admits, is that they have permitted themselves to drift too far from the tenets of their faith. Hard-line clerics study the Quran, he explains, then they amass great personal power through their interpretation of it. They pronounce what is right and what is wrong, and their prescription becomes the brutally enforced rule for everybody. Raslan realizes that moderates must be able to fight back with their own, fresh reading based on rigorous investigation. The answer for today, he believes, is not to separate Islam from the state as Kemal Ataturk did in Turkey, but to offer a new prophetic vision. This is not something outsiders can accomplish, he notes: "We must settle it ourselves."

What Washington can and must do, he stresses, is continue to fund programs like the Fulbrights to bring Muslim students to the United States. Many of them, after all, will be important voices when they return home. He's right, of course, but a few caveats are called for:

- Grants and visas must be issued with utmost care. Tact is necessary, certainly, but Raslan must understand the threat we face. Indeed, some of the foreign forces fighting with the Taliban in Kunduz were said to be speaking Indonesian dialects. Southeast Asia cannot be declared free from potential trouble.
- All visitors must be monitored, unobtrusively, by the institutions hosting them. If they do anything unusual, such as dropping out of or never attending classes, it must be reported to authorities.
- Women must be recruited for Fulbrights and other programs, which hardly happens at all today in Muslim nations.

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BILL O'REILLY

Bush's real enemy lurking in shadows with pen

With the Afghan war going exceedingly well and his approval rating hovering around 80 percent, President Bush has to be one happy guy. Thus far, he has risen to the occasion — directing what could turn out to be the most successful military operation of the 21st century. America's cause is just, and the bad guys keep falling without many U.S. casualties.



O'Reilly

But hiding in the weeds, biding its time, is an enemy with its sights trained on Mr. Bush. This is the same foe that ambushed Bush's father in the early '90s and President Clinton throughout his tenure in office.

This covert enemy lives to bring down the powerful and successful, and the attackers don't need bombs, anthrax or bullets. They use ink and innuendo.

It is a sad fact of life in America that the more successful one becomes, the more media snipers appear to blow your figurative brains out.

I've already noticed the first ammunition being loaded against President Bush. The media assault will question his compassion as more Americans lose their jobs in the recession. The strategy will be to portray Mr. Bush's economic stimulus package as ignoring poor and working Americans by backing corporate tax breaks. Never mind that in order for the economy to rebound, corporations must be persuaded to begin spending again. That will not be mentioned. As soon as the war on terror subsides, Bush's alleged heartlessness will be played up big. You can take this to the bank.

Choking the powerful has become a blood sport in America, take it from me. By some mysterious quirk of fate, your humble correspondent has become a media success, much to the dismay of many. The more high profile I become — the more vicious and personal the attacks on me get. Recently, Matt Drudge actually accused me of wanting to do a radio program to exploit Rush Limbaugh's deafness — an erroneous charge so vitriolic it took my breath away.

For the first time, I now truly understand what people like the Bushes and the Clintons have to deal with. Once in power, you can insulate yourself to a degree, but the hateful arrows will still fly, and there's nothing anyone can do to stop them.

Of course, the Clintons brought many of the attacks on themselves by behaving badly. But the assaults would have arrived anyway. Once some in the media get a taste of blood, sharks tremble.

So I hope George W. Bush is preparing himself. A grateful America honored his father after the Gulf War, but the party ended long before midnight. A once-invincible president was battered and pilloried as a man who didn't know the price of milk -- a man who didn't care about the regular folks.

That perception accomplished, many in the media took glee in watching the fast talker from Arkansas verbally dance his way into the White House, while the low-key blueblood from Connecticut could never shake the "out of touch" tag.

George W. Bush witnessed that media sniper parade firsthand and saw it bring down his father's administration. Mr. Bush must know the same enemy is waiting in the weeds again. Patiently, his foes are polishing generalizations of insensitivity and domestic incompetence. Ready for when the time is right to fire those flaming arrows directly into the Bush courtyard.

As the philosopher Rod Serling once said, "There's a signpost up ahead." That signpost may well spell big trouble for President Bush.

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY JR.

Nixon's deceptions closed in on him so he could not move

There are several reasons for studying minutiae in the lives of our presidents. The superior reason for doing so is the enhancement of knowledge, our understanding of elements of public life as they affect public policy. Another reason is the gratification of curiosity active and latent, human and maybe even a little inhuman.



Buckley

In his most engrossing book on Nixon — "President Nixon, Alone in the White House" — Richard Reeves delivers, as already noted in this space, an account of a presidency from inception to abortion, an account that might have been done by the dramatists of TV's "West Wing," except everything that happens here actually happened. It is the arrangement and selectivity by Reeves of the massive material on Nixon that makes the book tingle with excitement as we read about the most extraordinary man ever to have occupied the White House.

We learn when Nixon was elected in 1968, President Johnson put an Air Force One plane at his disposal, the very first use of which brought, as almost nothing else can to a president-elect, a substantive preview of the embodiment of presidential life. Just after take-off, thinking no one could see him — but through curtains not quite drawn, someone did — Richard Nixon seized his wife, Pat, around the waist and twirled about laughing and singing in his exultation, the culmination of the tortuous road from nominee for a congressional seat in California to president-elect of the United States.

What was the impact of serial exposures? Reeves does not tell us, but he lets us in on what they were. We knew that Nixon admired the movie "Patton," and now know that he viewed it 12 times — but more often than that, he viewed the utterly innocent "Around the World in 80 Days." His prose we think of as instrumental, stodgy and stumplike, but when he wrote individually to John and Caroline Kennedy after their visit to the White House with their mother in 1973, Jackie replied, "You wrote so charmingly to each child, in the idiom of its age, pinpointing for each what was most memorable about that special day." And with her own grace, she closed, "There are no words to thank you, so please forgive me for just saying thank you again."

Nixon was proud of his capacity to memorize, but the exercise of that skill tripped him up now and again. The State Department's brief, duly committed to memory, was on the forthcoming visit of the prime minister of Mauritius, an unfriendly desert state in West Africa, but the dazed guest in the Oval Office was the prime minister of ever-so-friendly Mauritania, a lagoon of sorts in the Indian Ocean. Only after well into the president's hectoring of the policies of Mauritius did Henry Kissinger succeed in slipping him a note: "wrong prime minister, wrong country."

"Excisions (from the CD-ROM of Nixon's tapes) previously made for national security and privacy reasons are published for the first time in this book," Reeves discloses in his Notes. These segments, Reeves says, show Nixon ruminating on replacing the mayor of Washington, D.C., with a "white Alabama coon-killer," and celebrating the safe landing of Apollo 13 by getting drunk and passing out in the middle of the afternoon. "But they also add to the understanding of policy."

Nixon contrived his own downfall, and his domestic policy was a farrago of statism and capitalist cliche. Foreign policy he did care about. He lost Vietnam, whose fate, along with Nixon's own, was sealed by Watergate. His desperate deceptions, public and subjective, closed in on him so that, finally, as this volume so engrossingly shows, he could not move, except to abandon ship. His resourcefulness no longer served him.

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Business people see renewal in Afghanistan's postwar ruins

By David Kaiteh
Associated Press

Where others see desperate refugees and bombed-out roads and bridges, Islamudin Khorami sees factory jobs blossoming from Afghanistan's postwar ruins.

When peace comes, the New York importer plans to hire up to 500 workers to knit gloves and sweaters in his home city of Mazar-e-Sharif. Khorami, who fled the misery of Afghanistan 18 years ago, says 62 of his family members in Pakistan will return to the city and help run things.

As Afghanistan edges toward what the world hopes will be its first major break from conflict in two decades, a hardy breed of business people see opportunity in one of the poorest nations on earth.

They envision farms in the mountainous north sending raisins, almonds and pistachios to the Middle East; rugged sheep herders shearing wool for sale abroad; weavers making carpets prized across the globe for all-wool designs and bright natural colors.

The prospect of peace is also triggering hope for a multibillion dollar project to build an 890-mile pipeline that would carry natural gas across Afghanistan, linking central Asia to Pakistan. Foreign telecom companies could play a role in plugging the gaping hole in Afghanistan's phone service, an industry analyst says.

Afghanistan, to be sure, won't be a big factor in the global economy any time soon — even if the world brings stability to the lawless land and unites enemy factions in a central government, itself a tall order.

The landlocked nation is desperately poor, with people lucky enough to have a job scraping by on an average $4 a month.

Education is limited. Natural resources are scarce. A three-year drought, famine, a ban on opium production, a choking of trade via Pakistan, and massive population displacement have all exacted a massive toll.

Yet economic revival is a key to U.S. hopes for creating lasting stability in Afghanistan and thwarting another terrorist-friendly regime from rising to power.

The international community is planning a multibillion dollar reconstruction effort to stimulate the economy, in part by creating jobs for laborers and managers. A Washington conference on the subject last week called for rebuilding structures like roads and irrigation networks, expanding farming, and developing services such as education, health care and sanitation. Some projects could be finished in just three months, the U.S. State Department says.

"Reconstruction in Afghanistan is going to open up a whole range of opportunities," said William Byrd, acting country manager for Afghanistan for the World Bank, which is co-hosting another reconstruction conference Nov. 27-29 in Pakistan.

Before the former Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan in 1979, exports were limited mostly to raisins, nuts, wool and carpets.

For most Afghans, the economic future will rely on the same low-tech products, but experts say more of them will be exported as trade routes reopen with major partners such as Pakistan.

After fleeing Afghanistan in 1983, Khorami says he did what he could to help the people he left behind.

He opened Afghan Blue Sky, a one-man business in Long Island City, N.Y., importing woolen hats and jewelry hand-made by Afghan refugees in Pakistan.

Khorami has turned the venture into a $150,000 a year operation, selling the goods at American malls. He sends $900 a month to his extended family in Pakistan.

Violence marks start of U.S. Mideast peace effort

By Mark Lavie
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — A spike in Mideast violence Sunday dampened prospects for a new U.S. mediation effort, as a Palestinian teen-ager died in a clash with Israeli soldiers and Israeli helicopters blasted buildings in Gaza after a mortar shell killed an Israeli soldier.

The violence came a day before Assistant Secretary of State William Burns and new envoy Anthony Zinni, a retired Marine Corps general, were to begin their peace mission here. The Americans hope to quash Israeli-Palestinian fighting before it undermines the U.S.-led coalition against international terrorism.

The mediators arriving today were to meet with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres. Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat was on a trip to Arab countries and was not expected back until Wednesday. In Cairo on Sunday, he charged Israel with "continuous aggression."

A spate of violence began with Israel's killing of leading Hamas militant Mahmoud Abu Hanoud on Friday, and continued Sunday.

A 14-year-old Palestinian boy was killed when Israeli soldiers opened fire on a demonstration near the West Bank town of Bethlehem, as Palestinians protested the killing of Abu Hanoud, Palestinian security officials said. The Israeli military said soldiers were forced to open fire during a violent confrontation.

Hamas has vowed to avenge the death of Abu Hanoud, the latest of dozens of militants suspected of attacks on Israelis to be killed in targeted strikes by Israel. The Palestinians have criticized what they call a policy of assassination, while Israel says it is defending itself against terrorism.

Since fighting erupted in September 2000, 769 people have been killed on the Palestinian side and 198 people on the Israeli side.

Earlier Sunday, Israeli helicopters blasted Palestinian buildings in three parts of the Gaza Strip after an Israeli soldier was killed in a mortar attack on an Israeli outpost next to a Jewish settlement.

In Khan Younis, in the southern part of the Gaza Strip, two Palestinians were wounded when Israeli helicopters fired missiles at a Palestinian security forces building, witnesses said. In Dir al-Balah in central Gaza, helicopter gunships struck an office of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement. In Sundaniyeh in northern Gaza, helicopters fired missiles at a naval police post.

Palestinian Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo charged that Israel is trying to sabotage U.S. peace efforts. He said that the U.S. reaction to the Israeli operations was not strong enough, and "this will allow criminals to continue their terror," a reference to Israel.

Sharon said the U.S. mission would put Arafat's intentions to the test and insisted that Israel would try to reach a cease-fire. Peres said in a statement that after 14 months of fighting that "achieved nothing, the time has come for both sides to try to stop it."

Burns and Zinni were expected to press both sides to implement terms of a cease-fire that was negotiated five months ago by CIA director George Tenet but never took hold.

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God's Army teens catching up on their lost childhood

By Matthew Pennington
Associated Press

SUAN PHUNG, Thailand — Wearing sneakers two sizes too big, Luther Htoo plays a clumsy game of volleyball with young friends who used to fight in his guerrilla band. His waif-like twin, Johnny, leans against the net post to watch the game and grins shyly.

Ten months after they surrendered to Thailand, the 13-year-old mystical brothers who once led the God's Army rebels in neighboring Myanmar are catching up on a lost childhood after three years of jungle warfare.

They are confined to a Thai border police base, where they share a small spartan house with their parents and 21 other relatives and followers. They spend idle days playing ball, watching TV and praying.

But as the devoutly Christian twins start to enjoy a little peace and security, they face a fresh upheaval. The Thai government wants them to immigrate to America.

Thai officials apparently worry they could be a rallying point for anti-Myanmar dissidents and worsen tensions with its neighbor.

"I'm not going," Luther told The Associated Press in an exclusive interview late last week. "It's no fun there. It's not my home."

The U.S. Embassy in Bangkok confirmed last week the twins and their family were being considered for resettlement in the United States at Thailand's request, but said no decision on their future had been made.

According to international practice, refugees must agree to be resettled in another country.

Johnny said he wants to go to the Tham Hin refugee camp, not far from the police base. The twins used to sneak inside the camp for an occasional break during their guerrilla days.

It's one of the dozen bamboo-shack camps along the 1,250-mile Thai-Myanmar border that house about 100,000 of the twins' fellow ethnic Karens. They are refugees from decades of conflict between Myanmar's military regime and Karen insurgents who seek autonomy for their people.

The overcrowded and squalid camp is no paradise. But for the Htoos and their followers it's the best that life seems to offer.

"I want to stay in Thailand as it's close to Burma and the way of life, and the weather is similar," said Pu Goh, the twins' 46-year-old father. Myanmar is also known as Burma.

Toh Lay, 46, a former God's Army soldier, added, "At least at the camp we will be with our own people."

There are a few Karen communities in California and New York state, but the twins' family has no connection with them.

At the Thai police base in Suan Phung, about 95 miles west of Bangkok, the twins' routine hinges on communal prayers four times a day, when they read the Bible and sing hymns in their native Karen language.

They are still seen by their housemates as special — their father continues to call them the "little commanders." But the respect is less overt than at their old guerrilla base of Ka Mar Pa Law in Myanmar, where they ruled with an iron hand, telling followers what to eat and how to behave.

"They have definitely changed. Their life is still dedicated to God, but here they're not required to be leaders. Here they are children. They respect even the older children as their elders," Toh Lay said.

The twins' mystical reputation dates back to 1997, when government soldiers entered their home village during a sweep of Karen areas in eastern Myanmar. Johnny and Luther reputedly rallied some locals and directed a successful counterattack.

The cheroot-smoking boys became fabled as being invulnerable to bullets and land mines, although Toh Lay conceded they actually never fought themselves and directed their troops from behind the lines by consulting the Bible.

The band of 100 to 200 guerrillas, many of them children, scattered in early 2000 as they came under attack by Myanmar's army and Thailand blocked their supply lines and shelled their village.

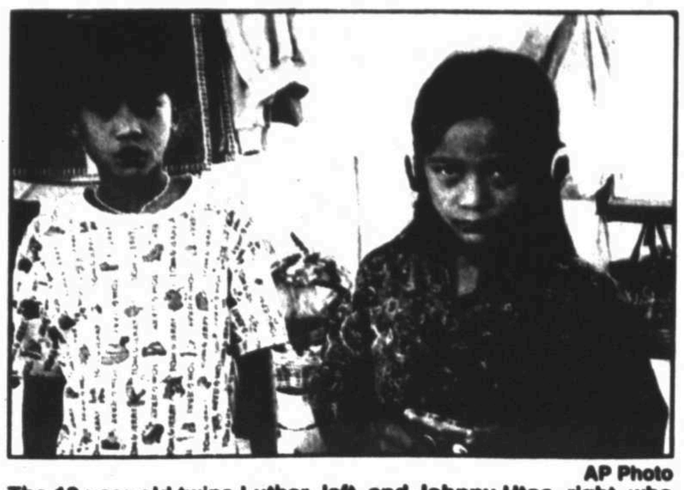
After nearly a year on the run in the wilderness of the rugged border region, the twins gave themselves up to Thai authorities last January. Other followers ended up in refugee camps. More than 50 are unaccounted for.

The boys, stunted from years of poor diet, are keen to leave adult concerns behind.

Johnny, less than 5 feet tall, often looks sullen, but offers up a broad nicotine-stained smile when hugged by a stranger.

Luther, who wears a Tom and Jerry shirt and yellow pants with a Mickey Mouse motif, is more outgoing, but still bemused by the attention.

Asked if he wants to be a soldier in the future, Luther is exasperated: "I'm not grown up yet. What do you want me to think? I'm a kid!"



AP Photo

The 13-year old twins Luther, left, and Johnny Htoo, right, who once led the Myanmar guerrilla group God's Army, pose inside a house at a Thai border police base in Suan Phung district, Ratchaburi province, 95 miles west of Bangkok, on Friday.

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Jerry Cartee, front, and Chris Mullens watch traffic during a slow afternoon Tuesday at the Texaco gas station in Sour Lake.

AP Photo

DAVE BARRY

Travelers with baby are cause for suspicion

Air travel sure is a big old laundry hamper of fun these days. That's what I was thinking as I was removing my clothing in front of hundreds of people at the Denver airport (which is located in Wyoming).

For some reason, my traveling party had been singled out by the security people for a near-proctological level of scrutiny. This surprised me, because my party consisted of me, my wife and our 20-month-old daughter.



Barry

I cannot imagine terrorists getting anything done if they were traveling with a baby. Every few steps, they'd have to change the baby, feed the baby, snatch lethal objects out of the baby's mouth, etc. They'd have no time for anything else. At the end of the day, they'd be going: "Did you commit the act of terror?" "NO! I was wiping chocolate off her Snow White doll! I thought YOU were going to commit the act of terror!"

Nevertheless, we were singled out. This meant that while the other travelers — all of whom, frankly, looked suspicious to me — zipped through security, we were ordered off to the side, where a man told me to remove my shoes, belt and wallet, which he handed to a woman, who, without a word, walked off with them.

I was hoping that these were security personnel, as opposed to wallet thieves who had figured out that, these days, air travelers will do anything they are ordered to do. ("OK, Mr. Smith, I'm going to ask you to put your left hand in, take your left hand out, do the Hokey Pokey and shake it all about.")

Next, the man told me to hold my arms out so he could scan me. This meant I had to let go of my pants, which, being beltless, began to slide down, an occurrence that I am sure had been recorded in my Terrorist Suspect Profile on some computer somewhere ("USE EXTREME CAUTION. KNOWN MOONER.")

While I was performing as the World's Oldest Chippendale Dancer, other security people were insisting that my daughter toddle alone through the metal detector. But first they made her give up her Cow Baby doll, so they could put it through the scanner. I imagine the Cow Baby doll got their attention because it looks like a cow, but when you lift up the head, you see it's actually a baby wearing a cow costume. This is clearly suspicious ("LOOKS LIKE COW, BUT ACTUALLY IS BABY").

They finally let us pass, but when we got to our gate, they called out our names — only our names — and ordered us to hold out our arms to be scanned again, while all the other passengers looked on, no doubt wondering what kind of lowlife terrorists we were to be lugging around a baby.

It was embarrassing, but I have to admit that it gave me the security of knowing that if anything remotely suspicious had occurred on the flight, our fellow passengers would have beaten us senseless with their inflight dinner rolls.

IRRELEVANT CLOSING ANECDOTE: We were traveling as part of a tour with a rock band called the Rock Bottom Remainders. This is a group of authors who raise money for a literacy charity called America Scores by playing amplified instruments in such a way as to bring audiences to their feet, shouting: "OK, OK, we'll donate! Stop playing!"

One of our show-stopping songs is "Leader of the Pack," the story of a teen-age romance tragically ended by a motorcycle crash. Amy Tan sings this song, and we do a little routine wherein Amy's husband, Lou DeMattei, dresses up as a motorcycle gang member and simulates the crash by diving onto the stage. Lou prides himself on the realism of his dive, and during one show it was so realistic that he broke his collarbone.

So with the song still going on, Lou, the "corpse," was lying on the stage in agony, but the rest of us did not know this. Unfortunately, this was the night when I - Mr. Funny Ha-Ha Humor Man — decided to introduce a new comic element into the act, which was to kick the "corpse" to make sure it was "dead." So I kicked Lou. This was so hilarious that another band member, Stephen King, decided HE also would kick Lou.

Fortunately, Lou was able to stagger off the stage before his wacky bandmates ruptured his spleen. When the show ended, and we found out that Lou had gone to the hospital, we felt AWFUL, and when we saw him again, we apologized profusely. Lou was very gracious about it.

Although, come to think of it, maybe he was the one who gave our names to the Denver security people.

Dave Barry is a humor columnist for the Miami Herald. Write to him c/o The Miami Herald, One Herald Plaza, Miami, FL 33132. His column is distributed by Tribune Media Services.

Person to Person

With Johnnye Montgomery





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Tony Madrid heads the Midland Independent School Daitrict's driver's education program. He has been with the program for 26 years and has taught thousands of kids how to drive.

Head of MISD driver's ed program

Tony Madrid

If your teen-ager is or has been a student in Midland Independent School District, you're familiar with Tony Madrid. Tony is head of the district's driver's ed program.

Participating students spend 16 days in classroom instruction in addition to seven hours driving, and seven hours observation behind the wheel.

In his 26 years with the program, Tony has seen thousands of kids learn to drive, many under his personal supervision.

Although he has eight instructors, he always gets the kids who are too afraid to move — and there are more of them than you would think.

"I've been doing this for so long that I just tell them if they have a kid who's really scared, just to pass that kid on to me.

"We do all kinds of things to get them to relax, play the radio, make jokes, threaten them that if they don't breathe, they'll pass out, and if they pass out they can't drive," said Tony. "Usually, they calm down after a little while and we can get started."

Tony said most of his kids have had some prior experience before coming to driver's ed, but that not all of the experience has been helpful.

"We stress giving our kids the basics to start out with, but that isn't always the case with parents.

"Putting a child behind the wheel of a car and driving down the interstate at 70 mph isn't a good way to teach driving skills, but we've had parents do just that," he said.

In MISD, driving skills are just a part of the program. The kids are drilled in driving theory, they learn the legal aspects of driving, they watch movies on road rage, the effects of alcohol on response times and mental and physical abilities and films on driving distractions and on space management. There are videos to go along with each of the 18 chapters the curriculum covers. Along with practical mechanical advice, the young drivers are reminded of their responsibilities to other drivers, to pedestrians, to their passengers and to their parents.

"We teach defensive-driver techniques, and give them tools to deal with all sorts of hypothetical situations," said Tony. Another lesson Tony hammers in is the driver's responsibilities to their parents.

"One of the biggest scares parents have is when kids don't call home," he said. "We tell the kids to call their parents if they're running late, or if they're having trouble, or they've made a mistake and need their parents to come get them.

"Sometimes the smartest thing in the world is to pick up the phone and say, 'Can you come get me, Mom.' We try to get kids to remember that."

Tony said that he would love it if all the driver's ed cars were standard shift, but that is no longer economically feasible.

"When you have to shift the gears, you really learn a lot about a car," he explained. "But we have to take the best deal we can get, so we have no choice."

Tony said he never drove much while growing up.

"I grew up in Fabens, Texas, and my dad was a farmer, so my vehicle was a tractor. When I was growing up, we lived 30 miles from El Paso. Now the town is 17 miles from El Paso," he said.

"I had seven sisters and three brothers, and my dad adopted four more of my cousins, so with 14 kids to compete with, I didn't have much access to a car," he said. "My mother died when I was 3, but my dad raised us all, and put nine of us through college. Four of the others joined the armed services and went to college through the GI Bill.

"My father never remarried. He was too busy farming and raising kids, I guess. I take my hat off to my dad," he said. "He's my idol."

Tony said that although he and his siblings kids occasionally got into mischief, they never seemed to get into trouble.

"My dad just didn't raise us to be troublemakers," he said.

In fact, Tony was awarded the Fabens Citizen Youth Award while he was in high school.

"That really surprised me, because I might not have been a troublemaker, but I wasn't that good!"

Tony started out teaching in elementary school. He got a job at Pease Elementary in Midland, and taught fourth grade. There was a third-grade teacher there that he liked a lot: Betty Jo Barrett. They were married 24 years ago.

They have two sons, Cody, who lives in Fort Worth, and Corey, who is still living at home in Midland, and taking electrician and refrigeration certification classes at Midland College.

Tony said in all his years of teaching driver's ed, none of his students have ever had an accident while taking a driving lesson.

"We've had some close calls, and there have been a couple of times I've had to grab the wheel.

"We've also seen our share of accidents. But knock on wood, we've never had an accident."

Tony said that since he's been teaching driver's ed, he's attended about 10 funerals of former students.

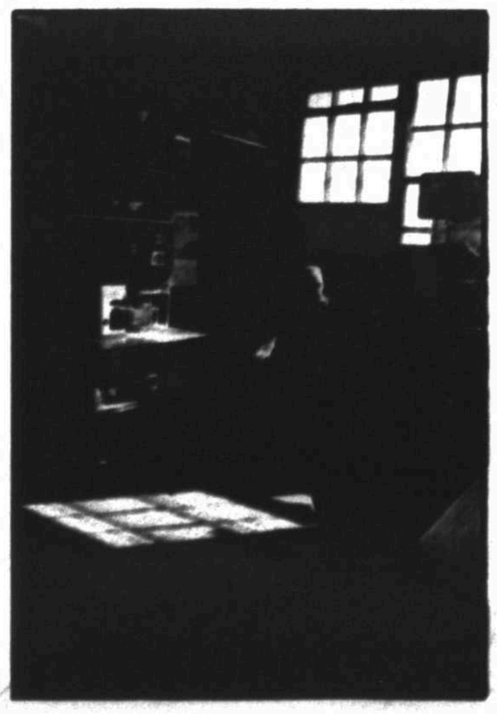
"It always hurts me when they die in a traffic accident," he said. "I always wonder if I could have prevented it somehow, by teaching them better. I know that's foolish to think like that, but you can't keep those thoughts from going through your mind."

When asked if there was some message he'd like to send to the drivers of Midland, Tony said his one thought would be for people to be very careful to obey the law.

"Make sure you stop at stop signs, with your bumper behind the line, and watch the speed limit, and when ever you plan to drive, leave the alcohol alone."

Tony hesitated, then said he had a personal reason for the warning about alcohol and driving.

"My mother, who died when I was 3 years old, was killed by a drunk driver. The guy who ran into her in 1952 was given five months' probation. Then he was out on the streets again."



Jerry Cartee, front, and Chris Mullens watch traffic during a slow afternoon Tuesday at the Texaco gas station in Sour Lake.

AP Photo

Even dust is old at Sour Lake service station

By Shane Graber
Hearst News Service

BEAUMONT — Like most dear things in rural Texas towns, little has changed at the full-service Texaco station in Sour Lake.

Its name is different today, having been changed from Copeland's Texaco to M&D Texaco.

But men still gather at 4:30 a.m. to sip free coffee and gab about what's new in town. People have done this since the place opened in the early 1900s, but a free cup of Joe isn't the most notable characteristic here.

The Texaco, at the corner of Barkley and Ann, is the longest continuously operated full-service Texaco station in the country, according to Texaco archivists in White Plains, N.Y. and the Hardin County Historical Commission.

"It's been a Texaco since the day it was built," said Jerry Cartee, a red-faced, blue-eyed man who runs the place. "When it was built, all you had was this little building part right here."

Customers can still see where the two old gas pumps used to stand outside the building. The outside of the station is a bit modernized, but inside, in the guts of the place, everything is the same.

The dust itself seems to be 100 years old. It sits on cluttered shelves that have been here forever. The room even smells old, like a garage that hasn't been used for years.

Like most things built eons ago, though, some of the memories about the service station vary. Even the year the station was built is disputed.

Hardin County Precinct 3 Commissioner Ed Pelt, who also is a member of the Hardin County Historical Commission, said the year was 1916. He researched the history of the station with the help of the White Plains Texaco archivists.

The historical commission is working to get a Texas historical marker placed outside the service station, Pelt said.

Jimmy Denton, 61, is one of the new station owners. He and his partners bought it in 1987, and he agreed with Pelt that the station was built in 1916.

"Now it's just a matter of being something that's been in the community so long. There are a lot of people who still like full service," Denton said. "It's not that profitable, but I guess worth keeping."

Denton and his partners bought the station from Jessie Muriel Copeland, 80, who owned the station for 27 years, longer than any other owner.

Copeland said it was built in 1919 and that a man named Bud Hartel owned it first.

"I made more money owning that station than I ever made for

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TALKIN' TEXAS

Hairdresser cuts CD about time with Elvis

By Tumbleweed Smith

Kay Baby Hunter, who lives in Rusk, used to be Elvis Presley's hairdresser. She has just made a CD entitled "Elvis & You," about her travels with the famous star.



Smith

"Elvis was an ordinary man that lived a very unordinary life," says Kay. "He had terrible, fine, thin hair. Then they started dyeing it for the movies and then they dyed it because of the lights.

"I have actually cut his hair and never saved any of it because I've been in a salon all my life and the first thing you're taught is when you get through with the haircut you sweep that hair up and put it in the trash. And that's exactly what I did with all his hair."

Once she was combing his hair backstage at the Hilton in Las Vegas.

"When I finished combing it, he walked on stage and threw his head back and that hair went everywhere. You couldn't even tell I had combed it. He liked to throw his hair around by shaking his head."

When she wasn't on the road with Elvis, she maintained her beauty salon.

"Elvis was the greatest thing in the world for my business. I'd be gone from 10 to 12 days and if you owned a business back in that day and time and you left for two weeks you wouldn't have any business when you got back. But it was kinda like a continuing soap opera. So whether the customers liked him or not they just couldn't wait to come hear about everything that had been going on," she said.

Kay can hold an audience by herself even if she didn't have stories about Elvis. She is a character who loves to laugh and talk. She can make a trip to the grocery store sound like the most fascinating journey a person could take. When you're with her, you feel like you're at the center of the universe.

Kay's CD chronicles the time from 1971 to 1977 when she worked for Elvis. She tells about the real Elvis, the one few people knew.

"There were no limits to his kindness. He once gave his fur coat to a man who was cold."

She tells about Grandma Presley, the pool hustler, about Elvis' buying cars for strangers, his thoughts on religion and his life in Memphis.

The CD is full of stories such as the time they were en route to a concert, and Elvis stopped a fight while wearing his tiger suit. Kay tells about instances where people came up to him and told him he looked a lot like Elvis Presley. He told them, "Yeah, people tell me that all the time."

Kay also relates the story of taking a bunch of high school band members to Graceland, Elvis' home in Memphis and about the singer's death and funeral.

For more information about the CD, call Ms. Hunter at 903-683-4285.

Tumbleweed Smith is a Big Spring storyteller and folklorist.

DEAR ABBY

Mom recoils from suggestion son may be mentally ill

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Last summer, we visited my husband's out-of-state relatives, including his "Uncle Pete." Five years ago, Uncle Pete was diagnosed with schizophrenia and I don't know what else. He is receiving therapy and taking medication. To me, his behavior is still very strange.



Pauline and Jeanne Phillips

During our visit, Uncle Pete mentioned that, in his opinion, our 8-year-old son displays signs of mental illness. I was speechless and didn't give him a chance to go into specifics. I explained that our son is OK, but shy around people he does not know well. Uncle Pete says it's a sign of anti-social behavior.

When we returned home, Uncle Pete sent us a book about children and mental illness. His note said he didn't want our son to have a miserable childhood like he had. My husband told me to write a note of thanks — ignore it, and let it go. However, I plan to return the book and say, "Thanks, but no thanks, and please mind your own business!" I'm afraid if I don't put an end to Uncle Pete's meddling he will continue with his "mission."

Now I'm trying to figure out why this bothers me so much. I think it is the term "mental illness" and the stigma attached. How do we handle this uncle? — ANGRY MOTHER IN TEXAS

DEAR ANGRY MOTHER: Your husband is half right. Keep the book, but DO read it. And thank Uncle Pete for being so concerned and caring, because that's the place he is coming from.

Please don't be put off by the term "mental illness." It's a broad definition that can cover problems both large and small, and it's no reflection on your parenting skills. However, mental illness can be genetic and run in families. So, as a wise mother, you should have your son evaluated, just in case Uncle Pete has spotted something that needs to be treated. If your son passes the exam with flying colors, you can then assure Uncle Pete that the experts say there's nothing to be concerned about. End of story.

DEAR ABBY: I need your help. I am being married next summer. I am 23 and have been with my fiancee since high school. She is very possessive and insecure. When we go out, I find myself looking at other women and wanting to be with them. I think she knows, because she gets an attitude and then tells me she wants to leave. She's older than I am and comes from a broken home. In the beginning, my parents hated her. That made me want her even more. Now she's like a habit.

I have no one to talk to about this. My parents have finally accepted her, and I feel trapped. Sometimes I think they just want me out of the house.

At this point, our plans are pretty much made. I don't know what to do. Sometimes I feel that she thinks my family is nice because hers is so messed up. She has very few friends.

I know this wedding is a mistake, but I don't have the guts to call it off. We were both lonely people, but now I am always miserable. If the wedding goes through, I know we're doomed. Please tell me what to do. — NUMB IN NEW YORK

DEAR NUMB: It's going to take all the courage you can muster, but call off the wedding — and the sooner the better so that some of the deposits for wedding expenses can be refunded.

While your fiancee's reaction won't be pleasant, trust me when I tell you that it would be worse — and far more expensive — if you back out of the union once you're married. And once children come along, you're tied to her for life.

You have a lot more maturing to do before you're ready for marriage. You need to become more confident in your choices, more in touch with your feelings, and independent of your family before making a lifetime commitment to anyone.

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips, aka Abigail Van Buren, and daughter Jeanne Phillips. Their column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

Blockbuster cancels annual awards show

DALLAS (AP) — Video-rental giant Blockbuster Inc. has canceled its annual awards show because it was uncertain how many viewers would watch in the post-Sept. 11 climate.

The Blockbuster Entertainment Awards had been scheduled for next spring in Los Angeles.

"Due to the uncertainty of the times, we were unable to predict consumer response to an awards show — what people's viewing habits are going to be," spokeswoman Liz Greene said.

STATION: Self-serve pumps last half a day

(From 1B)

Texas Pipeline," said Copeland, a former pipeline worker. "But you had to work for it. I bought it and hired some good hands. What we did, we cleaned the windshield, we swept them out, everything. That's how we made our good living.

"That's the way you get them to come back."

That's what Cartee, 57, still does today. He moved to Sour Lake 30 years ago and has run the station for the last decade for the current owners, M&D Electric Co. The place is open every weekday from 4:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Although Cartee has run it the same during his tenure, previous owners have tried new sales gimmicks, he said.

"Mr. Copeland tried to put self-serve on one side here," he said, standing next to pumps with numbers that roll instead of blink. "It lasted half a day."

The place was a popular spot back when Ann Street was the main artery through town. The street is quieter now. Cartee, wearing a dark green Texaco hat — maybe the newest item on the lot — admitted business isn't what it used to be.

"For a small town, it ain't nothing fantastic," he said. "But you survive."

Late on a recent Tuesday afternoon, a pickup pulled in for gas. Cartee called out to the man by name, took the gas nozzle out of the pump and started filling the truck with fuel.

It's quiet here, and a passerby a block away could still hear Cartee make the customer laugh.

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Waco church plans homecoming celebration for freed missionaries

WACO (AP) — A Waco church has planned a community homecoming celebration for the weekend of Dec. 7-8 for two American aid workers who were jailed in Afghanistan.

Heather Mercer and Dayna Curry, aid workers with the German-based Shelter Now International, have been on a spiritual retreat in Germany since their Nov. 15 release after 105 days of captivity by the Taliban.

Also arrested with the two were four Germans, two Australians and 16 Afghans. All were charged with seeking converts to Christianity in the primarily Islamic nation.

Danny Mulkey, associate pastor of Antioch Community Church, returned to Texas on Wednesday to prepare for Mercer and Curry's return.

Senior pastor Jimmy Seibert, who will return from Germany this week, spent much of the last 10 days with Mercer and Curry.

Mulkey said after Mercer and Curry's Waco community homecoming celebration, the two will likely spend the holidays with their families before returning to Antioch in January.

"What I think God had in mind, and Heather and Dayna definitely feel this way, is that God used their situation to inspire prayer for the nation they loved so much," Mulkey said in Sunday's Waco Tribune-Herald. "God used them so that others would pray for the people of Afghanistan."

> **'God used them so that others would pray for the people of Afghanistan.'**
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> — Danny Mulkey, associate pastor of Antioch Community Church

Mercer and Curry were to meet President Bush in the Oval Office this morning.

Mulkey said Nov. 12, the day the detainees were moved from their Kabul prison cells, he called Waco to tell Seibert. The pastor assured Mulkey, "God still knows what he is doing."

Mulkey said he was pleased the Afghan natives who worked for Shelter Now also were released when the Taliban fled Kabul.

Mulkey, who arrived in Pakistan on Sept. 7, first stayed in the Pakistani town of Peshawar near the Afghan border, but moved with the Mercer and Curry families to Islamabad after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.



AP Photo

U.S. aid workers Dayna Curry, left, and Heather Mercer smile during a news conference in Islamabad, Pakistan, on Nov. 18.

Obituaries



Kelly Ann Rech

Kelly Ann Rech was welcomed into the presence of her eternal home on Thursday November 22, 2001. Kelly passed away in a local hospital following a lengthy illness. She was born in Weatherford, Texas to Jack and Mary Thomas on November 9, 1961. She was raised in Brock, Texas and graduated from Brock I.S.D in 1980. She then attended Texas Tech University where she received a Bachelor of Arts in Social Welfare in 1984. She married John R. Rech on January 5, 1985 and later they moved to Conroe, Texas where she was employed by Mental Health Mental Retardation and worked as a case manager. In 1986, she and her husband moved to Lexington, KY where she worked as a case manager for MHMR of Nicholasville. In 1988, they moved to Borger, Texas where she gave birth to their two children, Candice in 1988 and Michael in 1990. Since then they have lived in Plainview, Texas where she worked for Hospice of Plainview and Celeste, Texas where she worked as an MHMR case manager. In 1996, Kelly and her family moved to Midland, Texas where she continued to live out her Christian witness through her family, the community and her church at First United Methodist Church, in Midland, TX. She was a loving wife and mother and was a ray of sunshine to all who knew her as she faithfully expressed her love for Jesus in all she did especially in the many ways she served and loved others.

A visitation has been set for Monday, November 26, 2001 from 6-8 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home. Interment will be at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 27, 2001 at Resthaven Memorial Park followed by a memorial service at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary at First United Methodist Church of Midland, Texas with Reverend C. Lane Boyd officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She is survived by her husband, John R. Rech, her daughter Candice Rech and her son Michael Rech of Midland. Her parents Jack and Mary Thomas of Midland. Her brother Dan Thomas of Anchorage, Alaska. Sisters-in-law, Jean Lillmars and her husband Steve of Danville, PA, and Lori Dalton and her husband Mike of Sheffield, Massachusetts.

Serving as pallbearers will be Denzil West, David Pitts, Mark Semmelbeck, George Patton, Jim Gerety and Jerry Weant.

Martha Irene Sanders

Martha Irene Sanders died in a local hospital on Thursday, November 22, 2001.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 2 p.m., Monday, November 26, 2001, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Martha Sanders was born July 27, 1928 in Jayton, Texas to Jerry A. and Annie Carey. She was reared and educated in Sweetwater, Texas and on May 3, 1947, she married Boyce M. Sanders. In 1950, they moved to Midland. She then moved to Sweetwater in 1972 following the death of her husband on December 16, 1969. Martha returned to Midland in May, 2001.

Martha was preceded in death by her husband, Boyce M. Sanders; her father, Jerry A. Carey; and a sister, Bobbie Foust. She is survived by her mother, Annie Carey of Arlington, Texas; her three daughters, Myra J. Hubbard and her husband, Ronald P., Sandra Deeds and her husband, Ronnie L., and Shirley Saxon and her husband, Bill, all of Midland; her sister, Willie Dean Chenevert of Arlington, Texas; her 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Trinity Haven Healthcare Center, 3203 Sage St., Midland, Texas 79705.

Dortha Hayes Elms

Dortha Hayes Elms, 83, of Stanton, died on Saturday, November 24, 2001 in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be at 2:00 PM Tuesday, November 27, 2001 at First Baptist Church with Dr. Frankie Rainey, pastor of Crestmont Baptist Church of Burleson, Texas and Rev. David Harp, pastor, First Baptist Church of Stanton, officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

She was born on March 30, 1918 in Coalgate, Oklahoma. Dortha was first married to Johnie F. Hayes in 1935 and lived in Stanton from 1951 to 1963. He preceded her in death in 1960. She then married Milton E. Elms in 1966 in Midland. He preceded her in death in 1994. She graduated from the Odessa College nursing program in 1956 and worked at Midland Memorial Hospital from 1953 to 1966. Dortha ended her nursing career as a volunteer for the American Cancer Society in Mullin, Texas, where she lived from 1973 to 1994. Dortha had moved back to Stanton in 2001. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Stanton.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Mack and Barbara Hayes of Kennewick, Washington; two daughters and sons-in-law, JoAnn and Earl Henson and Cleta and Joe Barber all of Stanton; one sister and brother-in-law, Norma and Ralph Garwood of Weatherford; one son-in-law, Gary Callaway of Paris; eight grandchildren, twenty great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; one daughter, Esther Wanell Callaway in 2000, and two grandsons, Stephen and Jim Bob Henson

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church Library Fund, 200 W. Broadway, Stanton, Texas, 79782.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Death Notices

Claude Patton

LUBBOCK — Services for Claude Spenser Patton, 77, of Lubbock and a former Midlander, will be 2 p.m. today, Nov. 26, at Southcrest Baptist Church with David Wilson officiating. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home of Lubbock.

He died Nov. 22 at Covenant Medical Center.

He was born March 6, 1924 in League Four to the late Alva Vada Patton and Janie Marie Morton Patton. He married Wanda Sue Wells in Circle Back in 1947. He graduated from Sudan High School and graduated from Texas Tech University with a degree in Agricultural Education. He served in the Marine Corps during World War II from April 3, 1943 thru Nov. 14, 1945. He was an agent for the New York Life Insurance Agency for 43 years and owned and operated Claude Patton and Associates. He was a life member of the Million Dollar Round Table and a member of the Hillcrest Country Club. He was a member of Southcrest Baptist Church and Senior Adult Sunday School class at Southcrest.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda Patton of Lubbock; a son, Arlan Patton of Lubbock; a daughter, Lori Grantham of Lubbock; a brother, Jimmy Patton of Lewisville; a sister, June Gore of Circle Back; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation at 8212 Utica Lubbock, TX 79424, Multiple Sclerosis National West Texas Chapter at 806-792-0708 or to Southcrest Baptist Church Building Fund.

Pauline Smith

BIG SPRING— Pauline Cathey Smith, 89, died Saturday, Nov. 24 at her residence. Services will be held at 11 a.m. today, Nov. 26 at Myers & Smith Chapel with Raymond Bugg and the Rev. David Ring officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Smith was born July 29, 1912 in Putnam to Hollie Fleming Cathey and Luke Cathey. She grew up in Stanton and married Floyd H. Smith on January 18, 1936 in Colorado City. She was the manager of the Housing Authority in Stanton before moving to Dallas. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and a life member of the Women's Society of Christian Service.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Floyd C. Smith; and one brother, Jack Cathey.

She is survived by her husband; one daughter, Barbara Donelson of Big Spring; three grandchildren and four great-grandsons.

Memorials may be directed to First United Methodist Church of Big Spring.

June Judkins

June Ellen Richards Judkins died Sunday, Nov. 25 at a local hospital.

Services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

TODAY'S FUNERALS
MARTHA SANDERS
2 p.m. — Ellis Funeral Home Chapel
KELLY RECH
Visitation 6-8 p.m. — Ellis Funeral Home
Honor the Memory of a Departed Loved One with a Ribbon On The Tree of Memories in our chapel at 801 Andrews Hwy.
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High court to hear case on abortion funding

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — The battle over whether Texans should help pay for "medically necessary" abortions for poor women goes before the state Supreme Court this week.

Supporters and a Texas appeals court say the women are entitled under the state constitution. Anti-abortion groups warn the case could open the door for "abortion on demand" at taxpayers' expense.

The case will be presented in oral arguments before the court on Wednesday.

A group of doctors and family planning clinics that provide abortions for Medicaid-eligible women filed a lawsuit in 1998 on behalf of poor women in Texas.

Women suffering from heart disease, hypertension, cancer, epilepsy and other complications run serious health risks when pregnant, the doctors said.

Under current law, even if a doctor recommends an abortion in "medically necessary" cases, Medicaid won't pay for it. Those women are forced to extend a risky pregnancy while trying to raise the money themselves, the doctors said.

The doctors lost at trial but won a favorable ruling from the Third Court of Appeals in Austin in December 2000. Attorney General John Cornyn's office appealed that decision to bring it before the Supreme Court, the highest civil court in Texas.

Medicaid is a federal and state program that pays for health care for the poor. Federal law prohibits federal Medicaid money from paying for abortions except in cases of rape, incest or when the mother's life is in danger.

The U.S. Supreme Court previously has ruled the restrictions on federal spending for abortion do not violate equal protection under the U.S. Constitution.

The Texas Supreme Court will decide whether the state constitution allows the state to draw similar guidelines.

In ruling 2-1 for the doctors, the lower appeals court said the state is violating women's rights.

Men do not face similar restrictions for a medically necessary procedure, the court said. Texas voters amended the state constitution in 1972 to include equality under the law regardless of sex, race, color, creed or national origin.

Cornyn's appeal argues the goal of the state's restriction is to encourage child birth over abortion. To meet that goal, there are limits to paying for abortions, the appeal said.

Courtney Pacciponte, spokeswoman for Texas Right to Life, said the "medically necessary" standard is too broad and Texans could be forced to pay for thousands of abortions for poor women if the state loses the case.

According to the Texas Department of Health and Human Services, 11 abortions were billed to Medicaid in 2000, under the stricter standard of rape, incest or when the mother's life was in danger.

As of October this year, there were 365,703 females between the ages of 12 and 50 in the Texas Medicaid program, according to agency statistics.

The standard the doctors want is a "wolf in sheep's clothing," Pacciponte said. "It's just so broad, it can mean anything. It leaves the door open to abortion on demand."

Kae McLaughlin, executive director of the Texas Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League, said the current rule amounts to denying poor women of their right to choose an abortion.

"Without money some women truly do not have a choice," she said. "We all know women of means are going to be able to afford an abortion."

Both sides said they'll be closely watching the all-Republican Supreme Court during oral arguments. The nine-member court has two new appointed members and two others who have decided not to seek re-election next year. Another has been nominated for a federal post by President Bush.

Wallace Jefferson, the first black to serve on the court, and Xavier Rodriguez were appointed this year by Republican Gov. Rick Perry to fill vacancies on the bench this year.

Perry spokeswoman Kathy Walt said the governor did not quiz his appointees on their position on abortion or use it as a litmus test.

Perry is against abortion except in cases of rape, incest or when the mother's life is in danger and "does not support the use of taxpayer funds to pay for abortion," Walt said.

Floydada company ships Lone Star cuisine

By Betsy Blaney
Associated Press

FLOYDADA — Texan Jeanne Jones was an intern with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Alaska when she discovered moose didn't sit well with her. So she took up the cause of educating her friends and co-workers about barbecued brisket.

Far across the country in upstate New York, Deb and Bobby Hanson were facing their own challenge: How to share the Lone Star cuisine they had longed bragged about when it was their turn to host a rotating supper club.

The answer came to them in a box, Texasinabox.com, that is.

"What we were trying to do is make our company a small-town store but available anywhere," said Texasinabox.com president David Carr, a native of Floydada where the business is located. "We're exporting our culture. We try our best to put Texas in a box."

The virtual store offers mesquite-smoked brisket, pork ribs and Texas-style German sausage. For the holidays, fully cooked gourmet smoked turkeys and honey-glazed hams are on the menu.

Complete meal packages come with side vegetable dishes and desserts. They offer gift baskets with rotating combinations of products. There are powdered soup mixes, cakes in a jar, jams and puddings.

Deb Hanson said she figured the dinner she and her husband put on cost about $6 per person, a price a local restaurant said it couldn't match. And the shipping is included.

One Texasinabox.com offering, the Whole Shootin' Match, brings Texas food and ambiance together. The dinner package, which costs $499, serves 16 with 14 pounds of brisket, ribs and sausage, two gourmet soups, four 4-pound side dishes, barbecue sauce and two 5-pound cobblers. Decorations are included: a 15-square-foot Texas flag, two cowboy boot vases, 16 bandanas, metal sheriff's badges, napkins and a tablecloth.



David Carr talks about his Texasinabox.com business on Nov. 14, in Floydada. The virtual store offers mesquite-smoked brisket, pork ribs and Texas-style German sausage to displaced Texans living in other states or to anyone wanting a good Texas meal.

AP Photo

About 90 percent of the products used in Texasinabox.com shipments come from within a 90-mile radius of Floydada, a town of about 3,700 located on the South Plains an hour northeast of Lubbock.

"I'd rather give my money to local vendors than to the IRS," Carr said. "I think they'll spend it better."

Carr started the company, a division of Flatland Foods Inc. (named after the pancake-like terrain of the cattle and farming country), last year after living outside the state and searching unsuccessfully for Texas fare.

"I've heard people say, 'Take the thing you enjoy and make a living out of it,'" Carr said.

The idea, however, hatched from his wedding in 1995 in California.

Carr and his bride-to-be wanted a big rehearsal dinner but didn't want the traditional restaurant affair. So Carr asked his father, who had been experimenting with beef brisket since 1990, to bring 10 to California. They thawed the meat in a hotel room and served about 60 Californians at a relative's home that night.

Police Reports

from staff reports

Criminal Mischief: Darla Moore, 24, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers at 2:48 a.m. Saturday in the intersection of Midland Drive and Harlowe Drive on a charge of criminal mischief. Bond: $5,550.

Possession of a Controlled Substance: Michael Solis, 27, of Odessa was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers at 9:30 p.m. Saturday on Interstate Highway 20 on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. No bond.

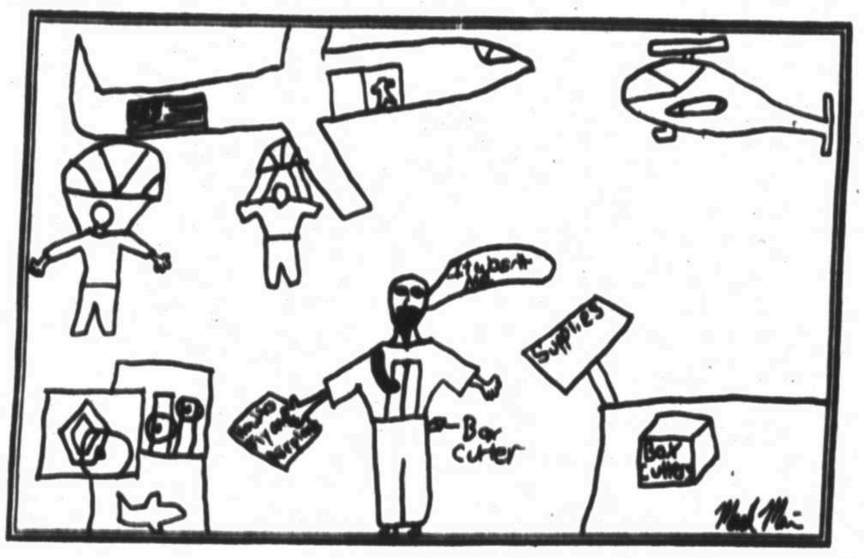
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Political cartoonists

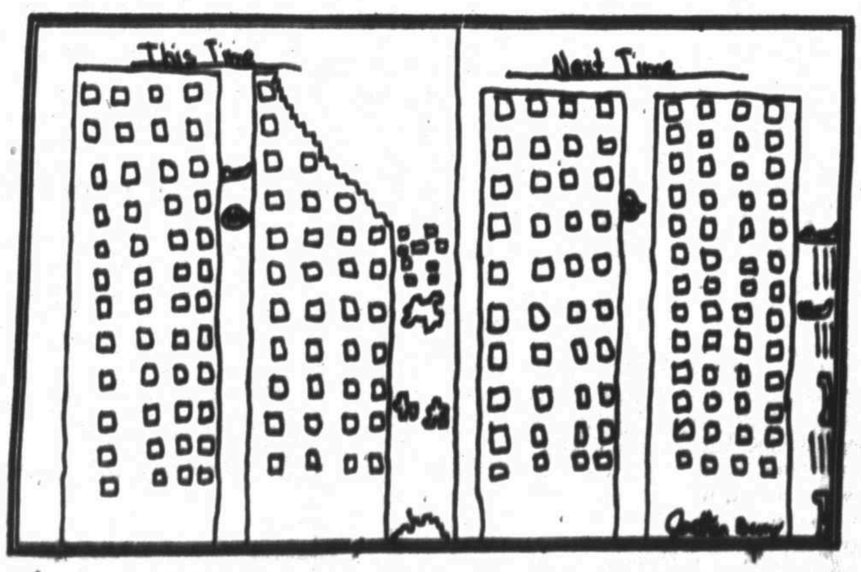
The following political cartoons were drawn by members of Kim Bolla's sixth-grade journalism class in the GEM program (Gifted Education of Midland). Each cartoon represents research, incorporates elements of editorial cartooning and reflects the student's opinion.















A group of Trinity School students visited France last summer. ABOVE: Among the historic sites they toured was Omaha beach in Normandy and the cemetery where American servicemen are buried. RIGHT: Trinity students, including Christine Durbin and Tori Donnell, attended Les Glenans Sailing Academy.

Courtesy of Trinity School

Trinity students tour France

By Jeremy Vogel

Last June 27, I left Midland with 23 other Trinity students and our chaperones, Richard and Andrea Catania, to explore a new and foreign frontier — France. We set out not quite knowing what to expect, only eager to discover, to learn, and to forge lasting friendships.

Mr. Catania, himself a native of France, is positively allergic to tourism. The purpose of our trip, therefore, was not to stand in lines with hundreds of other tourists but rather to experience the French culture first-hand by spending two weeks in the homes of French host families.

Immediately after arriving in Paris, we set out with Caroline, our French courier, for the Omaha landing beach in Normandy. So that we might imagine what it was like for the heroic American liberators to wade from their landing craft to shore while dodging Nazi fire, we stood ankle-deep in the freezing Atlantic surf and took several group photos at this historic site. From there, it was on to the American Cemetery and the island of Mont St. Michel.

The next morning, 24 anxious Trinity students boarded a bus taking us to the Brittany region of northwestern France where we met our host families. Without exception, our host families proved to be warm, caring, and inviting. Separated and on our own, we strove to adapt to our new surroundings while communicating only in French, a feat in and of itself. John Renaud spoke for all of us when he said, "It was the best month of my life. For once I was in someone else's shoes. I wasn't an outsider looking in, I was an insider looking around."

Immersed in the French culture by visiting local sights, lounging on the beach, shopping, cycling, dancing, going to concerts, and, of course, *eating*, we still found time to visit with our host families. Several students agreed that building a relationship with them was the most valuable part of the trip. Some said that the hardest part of the experience was leaving their new families and friends. All of us agree with Elizabeth Orella's assessment that we had "never learned so much in such a short amount of time."

After our homestays, we regrouped at Concarneau for a week at Les Glenans Sailing Academy. Working in teams of six, we learned how to rig and sail a boat. Adjusting the Genoa sail was unanimously the favorite maritime activity. It was a fun and educational experience for all of us and provided an excellent opportunity for fellowship.

Our final three days were spent soaking up the incredible beauty of Paris. Our time at Notre Dame, Montmartre, Les Invalides, and the Champs-ElysEes was nothing less than exhilarating, and the experience will be forever etched in our memories. Noble Starnes expressed it best when he said, "I can't put into words how much this trip changed my life. I am so thankful for this trip, and I would go every year if I could."

Jeremy Vogel is a junior at Trinity School.

Students go to Fort Hood to see how machinery works

By Kevin J. Dwyer
Killeen Daily Herald

KILLEEN — One way to learn about gears, pulleys and levers is to open a book and read about how they work.

But if you're a third-, fourth- or fifth-grader from East Ward Elementary School in Killeen, seeing a 40-ton crane lift a Humvee 10 feet in the air and hearing the treads of a bulldozer creak around their sprockets are a lot more fun than just reading about simple machines.

"This is much more valuable than seeing it in a book. They actually can see how it's applied in real life," said fourth-grade teacher Tina Vera while her students got an up-close look at the dozer. "It's not just something that I'm teaching them to remember, it's something they can experience."

During one recent week, the students studied simple machines in their science classes. Devices such as levers, pulleys, gears, and inclined planes, which make everyday life easier, were brought to life by soldiers from Special Troop Battalion, 64th Corps Support Group, 13th Corps Support Command, who have adopted the school as their own.

"We discussed all these words before we came out here," Ms. Vera said. "Now I'm hearing some of them as they ask questions, 'Do you have any levers on your vehicle?' And they understand what they are used for."

"The goal is to give the students interaction with the military and let them see what we do for a living," said Maj. John Webb, executive officer of Special Troops Battalion. "Also, the children get to see the machinery in motion and apply it to the machines they have talked about in class."

The students, though, did not get any hands-on training, Webb said, because the equipment was a little too big and dangerous for elementary school students.

"I know they probably want to do more than what they're allowed to do, but because of safety, they know we can't get out and do some of the stuff with the equipment," Ms. Vera said.

"Once we shut the equipment down, they get the chance to walk on it and look at it, and the equipment operators are interacting with the students," Webb said.

"Does it have bulletproof glass?" one of the students asked about the crane and the forklifts. The answer, "No," seemed a little disappointing to some of the students.

The East Ward students were not the only students in the field at West Fort Hood one recent Wednesday. For the soldiers who operate and maintain the massive pieces of equipment, getting a child's point of view on their jobs is interesting.

"It is pretty neat," said 1st Lt. Elliot Zimmer, executive officer of 289th Quartermaster Co. "The machines do so much for us, and we think of them as a way to accomplish different missions. To see these kids stand back and analyze it as just a simple machine gives us a chance to look back and see all the stuff our soldiers are doing."

As complex a machine as the 40-ton crane appears to be, Zimmer said it really is just a much larger version of the simple machines the East Ward students are studying.

"It really is just a pulley," Zimmer said. "Just a strong, strong pulley, and when the kids break it down like that it's pretty amazing. It's amazing what this simple little pulley can do for us."

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Poem describes life as an American

Land of the Free

By Cameron Kelsey

Majestic mountains and spacious skies,
Across the plains an eagle flies
Lakes and streams, and forest so tall,
Could you ever imagine to see it all?
North, South, East and West,
Which way do you fly to see it best?
Wars fought and battles won,
So our country may become one.
Have faith in God, our country and fellow man,
Let hatred not destroy our land.
The Stars and Stripes fly high in the sky,
So that our freedom may never die.

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"Land of the Free" was written in April by Cameron Kelsey, 11, a fifth-grader in Red Oak.

The poem, submitted by his great-grandmother, Midlander Edith Reynolds, was a homework assignment, according to Cameron's mother, Debbie Kelsey. Ms. Kelsey said the assignment was to write a poem about being an American.



Cameron

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Lee becomes last 4-5A team alive in playoffs

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

Look who is still alive in the Class 5A state football playoffs?

None other than the third place Midland Lee Rebels, who just happen to be the three-time defending state champions.

Abilene High fell from its playoff perch in an embarrassing 14-10 loss to Del Valle, the first team from El Paso in 11 years to get past the area round. Of course, Abilene Cooper stumbled in the first round to Lubbock Monterey and the Plainsmen are still alive after a win over El Paso Andress on Saturday.

But there were a lot of prognosticators who felt Lee would be the absent team after two rounds. After all, the Rebels fell to El Paso Franklin 21-7 in regular season play and had to face the Cougars again in the second round on Friday in the Sun Bowl.

Of course, by now you know that Lee had its reversal of fortune against Franklin with a 25-0 "blitz" against the Cougars.

So, Lee is now among the elite eight of the 5A Big School teams for the fourth consecutive year. Lee will host playoff newcomer Keller Fossil Ridge at 2 p.m. on Saturday in Odessa's Ratliff Stadium. Fossil Ridge, 10-2 overall, defeated Arlington High, 33-17, Saturday at Texas Stadium in Irving.

LEE

And "blitz" is the correct term to apply to Lee. In the two playoff wins this year, the Rebels have shown a blitz package that has had opposing quarterbacks standing on their heels or looking at the sky.

Lee had six sacks and 14 pressure-on-the-passer raids against Franklin quarterback Travis Magden.

"Actually, we didn't blitz much against Franklin the first time we met them," said Lee senior linebacker Nick Hand, who had a sack and a near interception against the Cougars on Friday. "We had a lot of blitzes in this game."

Lee coach John Parchman says its more out of necessity for the riverboat gambling style of defense.

"Our defense gave Franklin fits," Parchman said. "Coach Rat (Kelvin Ratliff) goes to sleep every night thinking of ways we can get someone on the quarterback.

"We have to gamble because we can't just line up one-on-one and beat people with the size we have. Actually, we are playing about seven or eight defensive backs and we're sending them all the time.

"We're really having fun on defense with the blitz packages and we'll continue it. We've got to live and die with it to the end. I can tell you one thing, we're getting better on defense every week and you can sure see the results."

Lee's playoff winning streak has now been extended to 18 games since losing to Amarillo High in a bi-district game in 1987 in the snow in Amarillo. Lee now has 77 victories in seven years that Parchman has been head coach at the school. That's an average

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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Red-Hot Redskins

Washington stuns Eagles to earn fifth straight win

By Rob Maaddi
AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA — Suddenly, the Washington Redskins are playoff contenders.

Ki-Jana Carter scored his first touchdown in two years and Washington shut down Donovan McNabb as the surprising Redskins won their fifth straight game, 13-3 over the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday.

Washington is the first team in NFL history to go 5-0 after starting the season with five consecutive losses. The Redskins moved within one game of the first-place Eagles in the NFC East.

"Coming from where we came from, we're in the driver's seat," Redskins defensive end Bruce Smith said. "I don't know how many people thought we'd win, but we knew it in the locker room."

Washington plays four of its last six games at home, including another matchup against the Eagles on Dec. 16.

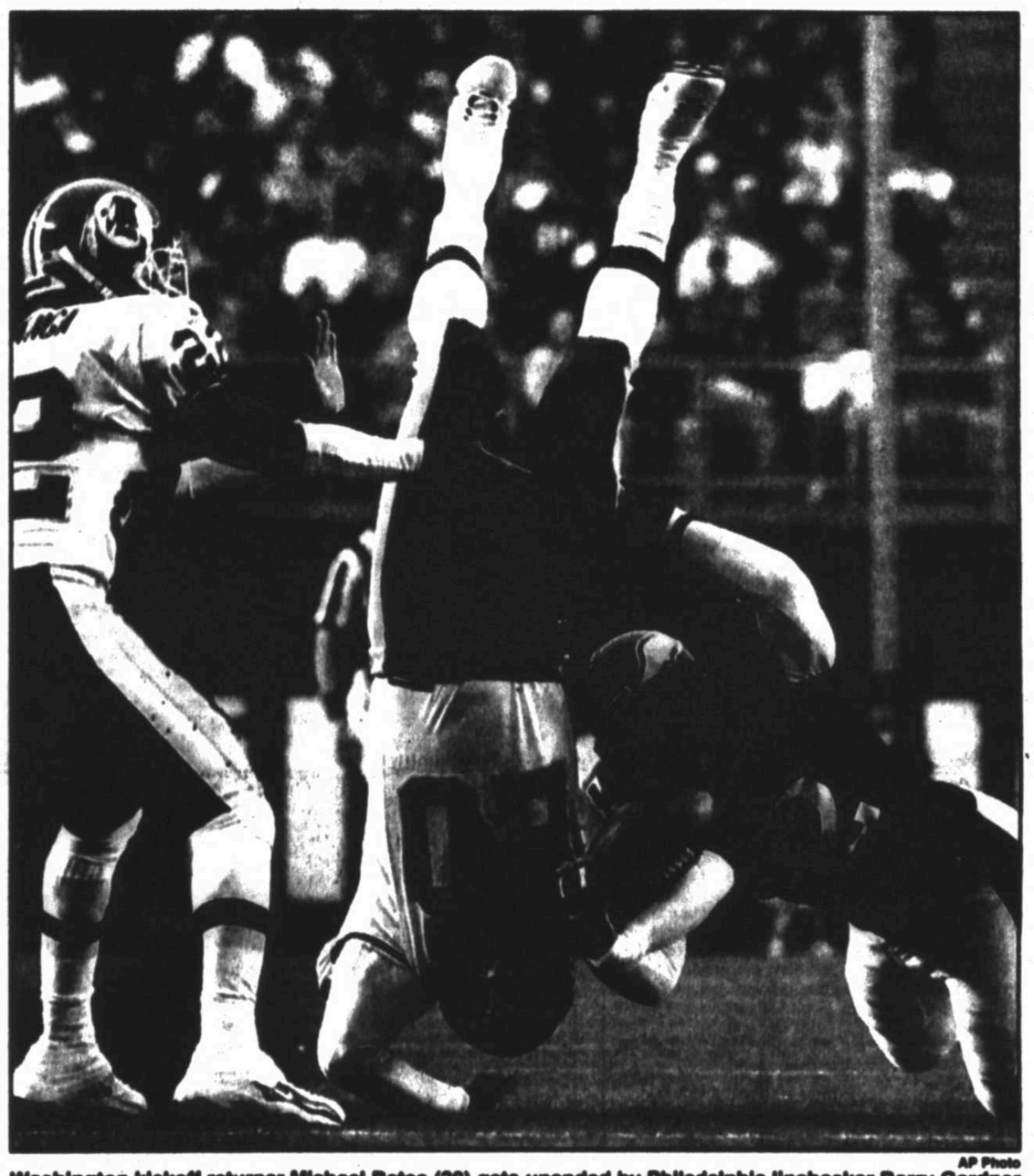
Philadelphia (6-4) had won three straight, including its last two by a total of 64 points. But the Eagles couldn't do anything on offense against the Redskins.

They went three-and-out on their first five possessions, punted on the first seven and didn't get a first down until the two-minute warning of the first half.

Washington controlled the ball for 37:47 and held the Eagles to 186 total yards and seven first downs.

"I can't say that we weren't ready to play, but that's the way it seemed," Eagles Pro Bowl linebacker Jeremiah Trotter said.

After stopping Philadelphia on fourth-and-3 at their own 35 with 9:25 left, the Redskins held the ball for almost nine minutes before Brett Conway kicked a 32-yard field goal for the 10-point lead with 30 seconds left.



AP Photo
Washington kickoff returner Michael Bates (20) gets upended by Philadelphia linebacker Barry Gardner during the Redskins' 13-3 victory Sunday in Philadelphia. Standing close by is Washington's Kato Serwanga. The Redskins have turned their season upside-down, winning five games in a row after losing the first five games of their season.

Redskins quarterback Tony Banks completed 12 of 18 passes for 96 yards, and Stephen Davis ran for 79 yards despite a sore back that forced him to miss part of the game.

McNabb was 15-of-27 for 92 yards. Duce Staley had 50 yards rushing on 15 carries.

"The atmosphere was electrifying," Banks said. "It was like the playoffs. To get to 5-5 and back to mediocrity — I'm not saying we're mediocre because we're better than that, but that's what the record is — there's a lot of football to be played."

Carter, who entered the game when Davis left in the first quarter,

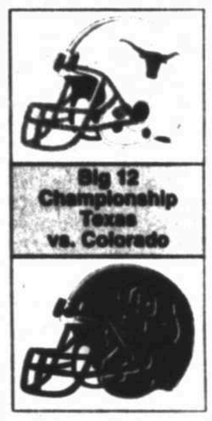
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Surprise!
Buffs, 'Horns make for odd title matchup

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — The Big 12 championship is a rematch, all right. Just not the one everyone expected.

Colorado-Texas is the surprising matchup for Saturday's game at Texas Stadium following a wild weekend in which Nebraska and Oklahoma got knocked out of the conference title game and the national championship race.



The Buffaloes (9-2, 7-1 Big 12) beat the Cornhuskers 62-36 on Friday to win the North division. It was their fourth straight win since losing 41-7 to the Longhorns in October.

Texas (10-1, 7-1) beat Texas A&M 21-7 Friday, then was handed the South division crown when Oklahoma lost 16-13 to Oklahoma State on Saturday.

"We're going to play for the Big 12 title and maybe have a shot at the national title. What more can you ask for?" said Longhorns cornerback Quentin Jammer. "This is the chance we've been dreaming of."

For the No. 3 Longhorns, playing in the Big 12 championship comes with more risk than reward.

The risky part is that Texas likely would've been invited to a Bowl Championship Series game as an at-large team if Oklahoma had won the South.

Now the Longhorns must beat No. 9 Colorado to get in; lose and they're out of the BCS and the $13 million payday that comes with it. A loss also might sink them below the Sooners in the pecking order of second-tier bowls.

The best part for Texas is the chance of advancing to the national championship game.

The odds of that happening are long. In addition to beating the Buffaloes, the Longhorns would need

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Miami stays No. 1 in poll as others fall

By Richard Rosenblatt
AP Football Writer

Losses for Nebraska and Oklahoma turned into big gains for Florida, Texas, Oregon and Tennessee in the AP media poll.

While Miami (10-0) was a near-unanimous choice at No. 1 in The Associated Press Top 25 on Sunday, Florida moved up to No. 2, Texas to No. 3, Oregon to No. 4 and Tennessee to No. 5.

■ AP Top 25 Football Poll/3C

Nebraska (11-1), beaten by Colorado 62-36 on Friday, fell four spots to No. 6, while Oklahoma tumbled seven places to No. 11 after its 16-13 loss to Oklahoma State on Saturday.

The Hurricanes, who close out the regular season on Saturday at Virginia Tech, collected 71 first-place votes and 1,799 points from the 72 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. Miami defeated Washington 65-7 on Saturday, dropping the Huskies (8-3) seven places to No. 19.

The Gators (9-1), off over the weekend, received the remaining first-place vote and 1,716 points. Florida plays host to Tennessee (9-1), with the winner advancing to the Southeastern Conference title game.

Texas (10-1) moved up two places following its 21-7 win over Texas A&M, and advanced to Saturday's Big 12 Conference title game against Colorado. The Buffaloes (9-2) improved five spots to No. 9 after their big win over the Huskers.

Oregon (9-1) did not play, but closes the regular season on Saturday against Oregon State. Tennessee defeated Vanderbilt 38-0 on Saturday.

After Nebraska, Atlantic Coast Conference champion Maryland (10-1) was No. 7, followed by Big Ten champ Illinois (10-1), Colorado and No. 10 BYU (11-0).

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Norman takes prize as Skins Game goes to final hole

By Tim Dahlberg
AP Sports Writer

INDIO, Calif. — With one big birdie putt and one routine par, Greg Norman managed to recapture a bit of his old magic in the Skins Game. He played well, entertained fans and earned a cool $1 million.

Perhaps more importantly, he beat Tiger Woods.

Sure, it may have been a made-for-television event and only lasted 18 holes. But it brought back memories of times when the 46-year-old Norman dominated.

"It's not that you want Tiger's scalp on the mantel," Norman said. "It's just that he's the best player in the world and you want to beat the best player in the world. I know that feeling well."

Norman's birdie putt on the 17th hole put him in position to be the big winner in the annual Thanksgiving weekend event, and he followed it with a two-putt par on the 18th hole to win his first $800,000.

Two extra holes later, he pocketed another $200,000, and sent Woods, Colin Montgomerie and Jesper Parnevik home empty-handed.

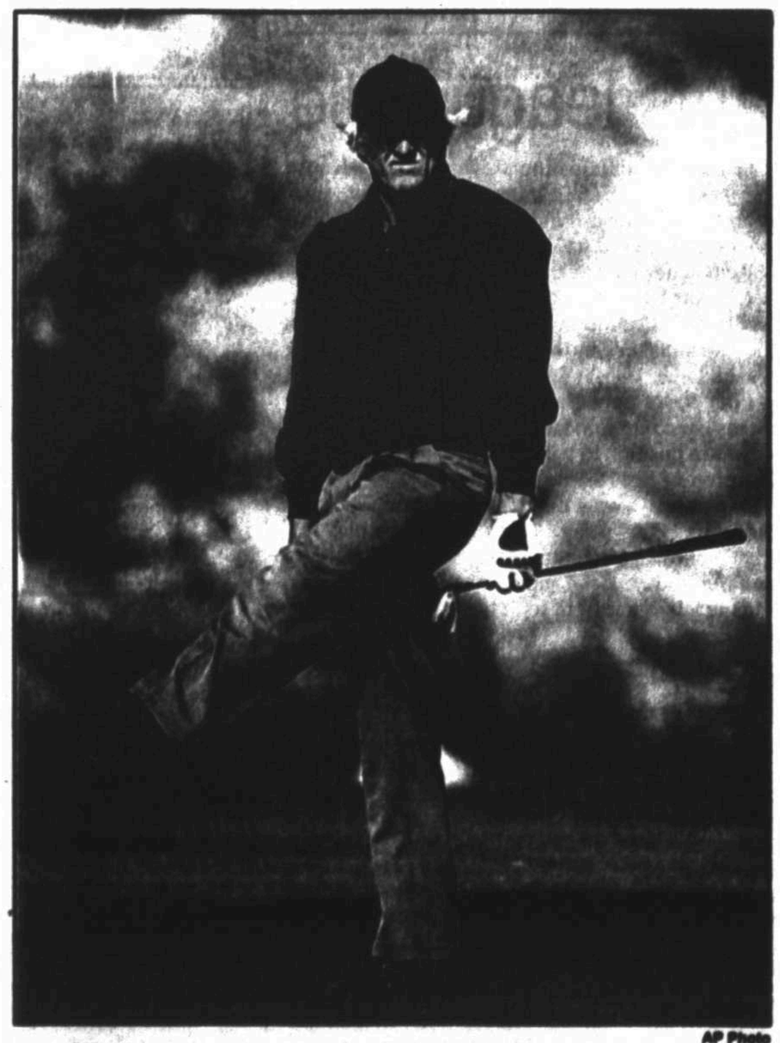
"Any win is a great win, whether it's a Skins Game or a regular tournament," said Norman, whose last win came in the 1998 Greg Norman Holden International in Australia. "It's very satisfying to do it. Whenever you beat the caliber of players like that, it's good."

Norman took $730,000 out of Parnevik's pocket with his 10-footer for birdie on 17, and added a birdie on the second playoff hole to sweep all the money.

It was both the biggest single-hole payout and the biggest overall win in the 19-year history of the Skins Game.

Norman, after making a birdie on the 17th hole to win all the previous skins, needed only to par the 18th to become the big winner. That was because a new rule forced a player to at least tie for low score on the next hole after winning a skin.

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AP Photo
Greg Norman puts some body English on his approach shot to the 18th green on the first playoff hole of the Skins Game Sunday in Indio, Calif. Norman won two skins for the tournament, totaling $1 million.

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Bears stifle Vikes



AP Photo

Chicago defenders Rosevelt Colvin, left, and Mike Green crush Minnesota receiver Cris Carter Sunday night in Minneapolis. The Bears improved to 8-2 for the season with a 13-6 victory.

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Buddy Ryan and his "46" defense are long gone, but the Chicago Bears are back to their old ways: not budging when they don't have the ball.

Chicago's defense held the Minnesota Vikings' often-potent offense without a touchdown Sunday night in a 13-6 victory. It was the first time in 98 regular-season games the Vikings did not get into the end zone. The last time the Vikings went without a TD was last January — a 41-0 defeat to the New York Giants in the NFC championship.

Daunte Culpepper, held without a TD pass for the first time this season, completed 26 of 46 passes for 204 yards and an interception.

The division-leading Bears improved to 8-2 for the first time since 1991 as the Vikings (4-6) fell four games back. Chicago last swept Minnesota in 1995, the only year the Vikings haven't made the playoffs in coach Dennis Green's 10 seasons.

With rookie Anthony Thomas inactive because of a sore hamstring, James Allen rushed 27 times for 107 yards, 80 in the first half. He helped the Bears grind out the clock after the Vikings pulled within 13-6 on Gary Anderson's 21-yard field goal with 3:17 left.

Reserve Leon Johnson's 34-yard burst through a big hole in the middle to the Vikings 4 set up his 1-yard scoring plunge in the second quarter that gave Chicago a 7-0 lead.

The worst part for Minnesota was wasting a fine performance by its oft-exploited defense.

Jim Miller completed 10 of 21 passes for only 97 yards after throwing three TD passes to Marty Booker last week against Tampa Bay.

Minnesota's Randy Moss and Cris Carter, who had 10 receptions each last Monday night against the Giants, combined for just 70 yards — 45 for Carter and 25 for Moss, who had his hands on four balls that fell incomplete.

NFL Roundup

Raiders 28, Giants 10

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Oakland's Rich Gannon threw two of his three touchdown passes to Tim Brown and set up another TD with a 20-yard pass to Jerry Rice.

The loss was the second straight and fifth in seven games for the Giants (5-6).

Zack Crockett had a 1-yard touchdown run, Charlie Garner scored on a 21-yard screen pass, and Brown scored on catches of 46 and 19 yards as the Raiders (8-2) opened a three-game lead in the AFC West. Oakland has won seven of its last eight games.

Gannon, the NFL's top-rated quarterback, was 13-of-20 for 221 yards in a game played in heavy rain during the second half.

Steelers 34, Titans 24

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Kordell Stewart threw for two touchdowns and ran 48 yards for another score as Pittsburgh won for the first time in five trips to Tennessee.

Stewart tossed touchdown passes of 4 yards to Plaxico Burress and 25 yards to Amos Zereoue. Stewart's TD run gave Pittsburgh its first lead — 17-14 in the third quarter.

He was 19-of-31 for 254 yards passing and ran eight times for 54 yards for the Steelers (8-2), off to their best start since opening 9-2 in 1983. The Titans dropped to 4-6.

49ers 40, Colts 21

INDIANAPOLIS — San Francisco scored 23 points off turnovers. Garrison Hearst ran for 106 yards and two touchdowns, and Jeff Garcia threw for two scores to lead the 49ers.

It was the third consecutive loss for the Colts (4-6) — their fourth straight at home — and this one was of their own making.

Peyton Manning threw three second-half interceptions, and the 49ers turned each of those gifts into a touchdown. He was 31-of-51 for 370 yards and one touchdown but threw a career-high four interceptions and was pulled in the final two minutes.

The turnovers weren't the Colts' only miscues — Indianapolis was called for two personal fouls in the first half and both led to scores for San Francisco.

Ravens 24, Jaguars 21

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Elvis Grbac drove Baltimore 74 yards in the final 90 seconds, and Shannon Sharpe made a beautiful, foot-dragging catch in the back of the end zone for the winning points.

Sharpe criticized Grbac last week after the quarterback's five-turnover performance in a loss to the Cleveland Browns.

Grbac threw for 259 yards, helping the Ravens (7-4) stay 1 1/2 games behind AFC Central-leading Pittsburgh.

It ruined quite a comeback by the Jaguars (3-7), who used the no-huddle offense to rally from 17-0 down for a 21-17 lead on Stacey Mack's 3-yard run with 1:32 remaining.

Dolphins 34, Bills 27

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Jay Fiedler threw three touchdown passes, including a 32-yarder to Chris Chambers with 48 seconds remaining, to lead Miami.

The Dolphins overcame a 27-17 deficit in the final eight minutes, helped in part when Patrick Surtain recovered Nate Clements' fumble on a kickoff return, setting up the winning score.

It was Fiedler's fourth fourth-quarter comeback of the season and sixth of his career. And it came at a critical juncture for the Dolphins (7-3), still smarting after last weekend's 24-0 home loss to the New York Jets in which Fiedler threw three interceptions.

Fiedler bounced back, going 18-for-31 for 262 yards and no interceptions. He was especially poised when it mattered most. On the game-winning drive, he waited patiently in the pocket and lofted a perfect touch pass to Chambers, who was covered by Buffalo's Ken Irvin along the left sideline.

Patriots 34, Saints 17

FOXBORO, Mass. — Tom Brady threw four touchdown passes in New England's first game since coach Bill Belichick made him the starter for the rest of the season.

Antowain Smith ran 111 yards on 24 carries for New England, the third time in four games he's gained at least 100. He also scored on a screen play.

The Patriots (6-5) are 6-3 under Brady since Drew Bledsoe was hospitalized with bleeding in his chest after a hit by Mo Lewis of the New York Jets. Bledsoe has been healthy enough to play the last two games.

Cardinals 20, Chargers 17

SAN DIEGO — Rookie Bill Gramatica's 42-yard field goal with 1 second left helped Arizona overcome Doug Flutie's two touchdown passes in the fourth quarter.

Gramatica is Tampa Bay kicker Martin Gramatica's younger brother.

San Diego's kicker, fourth-year veteran Wade Richey, made just one of three short attempts in the first half and was booed the remainder of the game — even when he lined up for the extra point kicks in the fourth quarter.

Falcons 10, Panthers 7

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Atlanta stopped Carolina 6 inches from the goal line early in the game, then held the Panthers an inch short on a key fourth-down stop with under 2:00 to play.

The Panthers (1-10) have lost 10 straight games.

In a game of little offense, Atlanta (6-4) got just enough from fullback Bob Christian, a 39-yard field goal from Jay Feely, and more than enough defense to improve to 4-1 on the road. The Falcons beat the Panthers for the fourth straight time.

Christian, whose previous career best was 102 total yards in last week's win over Green Bay, combined for 122 against Carolina. He ran for 78 yards, including a 4-yard touchdown run in the second quarter, and caught five catches for 44 yards.

Browns 18, Bengals 0

CLEVELAND — Phil Dawson kicked four field goals and Cleveland got its first shutout since returning to the league.

The Browns (6-4) forced seven turnovers, five on interceptions, and got just enough offense to handle the Bengals (4-6).

Corey Dillon came in averaging 144 yards in five games against Cleveland, but was shut down Sunday. Cleveland, despite missing suspended tackle Gerard Warren, held him to 63 yards on 20 carries and forced quarterback Jon Kitna to try to beat them.

Kitna, though, was awful. And his backup, Scott Mitchell, wasn't much better as the Browns got their first shutout since Sept. 18, 1994, when they blanked Arizona 32-0.

Chiefs 19, Seahawks 7

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Trent Green, who came in with the most interceptions (16) and lowest quarterback rating (62.6) in the league, was 16-of-26 for 256 yards and did not get picked off.

Seattle (5-5), which had won two in a row, lost in Kansas City for the 10th time in 12 games. The Chiefs (3-7) won for just the first time in five outings in noisy Arrowhead Stadium, where they once felt nearly invincible.

Priest Holmes gained 120 yards on 26 carries. He was just the second back over 100 yards against a Seattle defense that had been revamped especially to stop the run.

Holmes also caught three passes for 70 yards, including a 55-yarder that led to Mike Cloud's 15-yard run for the game's last score.

Heart attack claims Belinsky

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Former major league pitcher Bo Belinsky, known as much for his colorful personality as his baseball career, has died of an apparent heart attack at his home in Las Vegas.

He died Friday at 64.

The left-hander pitched a nine-strikeout, four-walk no-hitter as a rookie for the Los Angeles Angels against the Baltimore Orioles at Dodger Stadium in 1962, the first major league no-hitter on the West Coast.

But Belinsky gained as much notoriety for dating movie stars such as Mamie Van Doren, Ann-Margret, Tina Louise, Juliet Prowse and Connie Stevens.

Selected out of the Baltimore Orioles' system by the Angels in 1961 expansion draft, Belinsky won his first three decisions.

On May 5, 1962, the 25-year-old Belinsky had a live, riding fastball, a hard curve and baffling screwball, according to Bob "Buck" Rodgers, who caught the no-hitter. Rodgers, who later managed the Milwaukee Brewers, Montreal Expos and Angels, said Belinsky had overpowering stuff on that night..

"He could challenge anybody with that fastball," Rodgers. "He got the screwball over early, but the fastball set up everything.

Shortly after the no-hitter, Belinsky became part of the Hollywood scene, developing a reputation as a pool-hustling, heavy-drinking playboy.

Belinsky, who had bladder cancer, was sober for the final 25 years of his life, was a born-again Christian and was active in his church, the Trinity Life Center.

High School Football Playoffs

Associated Press

Here are last weekend's results and this week's pairings in the Texas high school football playoffs:

Class 5A

DIVISION I
Region I
Regionals

Midland Lee 25, El Paso Franklin 0

Keller Fossil Ridge 33, Arlington 17

Quarterfinals

Midland Lee (8-4) vs. Keller Fossil Ridge (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa.

Region II
Regionals

Mesquite 21, Tyler Lee 7

The Woodlands 28, Copperas Cove 12

Quarterfinals

Mesquite (12-0) vs. The Woodlands (9-3), 1 p.m. Saturday, Floyd Casey Stadium, Waco.

Region III
Regionals

Alief Hastings 24, Houston Lamar 21

Pearland 28, Humble Kingwood 27

Quarterfinals

Alief Hastings (9-2) vs. Pearland (12-0), 4 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston.

Region IV
Regionals

San Antonio Taft 32, Converse Judson 13

Corpus Christi Carroll 26, La Joya 13

Quarterfinals

San Antonio Taft (10-2) vs. Corpus Christi Carroll (7-5), noon Saturday, Buccaneer Stadium, Corpus Christi.

DIVISION II
Region I
Area

Lubbock Monterey 35, El Paso Andress 16

Euless Trinity 34, Carrollton Turner 7

El Paso Del Valle 14, Abilene High 10

DeSoto 35, Colleyville Heritage 14

Regionals

Lubbock Monterey (10-2) vs. Euless Trinity (11-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Cowboy Stadium, Coppell.

El Paso Del Valle (10-1) vs. DeSoto (9-3), 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Sun Bowl, El Paso.

Region II
Area

Allen 20, Longview 17

Spring Westfield 30, Waco 16

Lufkin 24 Plano 19

Killeen 22, Klein Forest 10

Regionals

Allen (10-2) vs. Spring Westfield (11-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Waco ISD Stadium, Waco.

Lufkin (11-1) vs. Killeen (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Kyle Field, College Station.

Region III
Area

Houston Madison 40, Katy 21

Galena Park North Shore 42, Aldine Nimitz 31

Fort Bend Hightower 44, Houston Worthing 0

Humble 44, Baytown Lee 7

Regionals

Houston Madison (12-0) vs. Galena Park North Shore (12-0), 7 p.m. Friday, Astrodome, Houston.

Fort Bend Hightower (10-2) vs. Humble (9-2), 7 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston.

Region IV
Area

Austin Westlake 63, San Antonio Clark 35

Corpus Christi Miller 34, Edinburg 14

San Antonio Madison 31, San Antonio Marshall 0

Laredo Nixon 24, Edinburg North 7

Regionals

Austin Westlake (11-1) vs. Corpus Christi Miller (11-1), 5 p.m. Saturday, Alamodome, San Antonio.

San Antonio Madison (10-2) vs. Laredo Nixon (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Comalander Field, San Antonio.

Class 4A

DIVISION I
Region I
Regionals

Amarillo Palo Duro 27, El Paso Ysleta 0

Burleson 11, Grapevine 10

Quarterfinals

Amarillo Palo Duro (11-1) vs. Burleson (10-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene.

Region II
Regionals

Denton Ryan 39, Dallas Sunset 21

Corsicana 24, Richardson Pearce 14

Quarterfinals

Denton Ryan (12-0) vs. Corsicana (8-3), 8:00 p.m. Friday, Homer B. Johnson Stadium, Garland.

Region III
Regionals

Nederland 20, Magnolia 19

Friendswood 42, Houston Sterling 0

Quarterfinals

Nederland (10-2) vs. Friendswood (12-0), TBA.

Region IV
Quarterfinals

Smithson Valley 21, San Marcos 7

San Antonio Roosevelt 51, Alice 14

Quarterfinals

Smithson Valley (12-0) vs. San Antonio Roosevelt (10-2), 7:30 Friday, Memorial Stadium, Harlandale.

DIVISION II
Region I
Area

Andrews 31, El Paso Riverside 14

Southlake Carroll 23, Fort Worth Dunbar 22

Frenship 49, El Paso Parkland 13

Fort Worth Boswell 22, Crowley 20

Regionals

Andrews (7-5) vs. Southlake Carroll (8-4), 7 p.m. Saturday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa.

Frenship (10-2) vs. Fort Worth Boswell, TBA.

Region II
Area

Dallas Samuell 28, Sherman 21

Highland Park 35, Jacksonville 24

Ennis 28, Dallas Lincoln 0

Terrell 20, Mesquite Poteet 7

Regionals

Dallas Samuell (8-4) vs. Highland Park (11-1), 7:30 Friday, John Clark Field, Plano.

Ennis (12-0) vs. Terrell (7-5), 2:00 p.m. Saturday, Homer B. Johnson Stadium, Garland.

Region III
Area

Jasper 68, Waller 23

Houston Forest Brook 24, La Marque 18

Brenham 38, PA Lincoln 30

Bay City 41, Dayton 13

Regionals

Jasper (11-1) vs. Houston Forest Brook (12-0), TBA

Brenham (11-1) vs. Bay City (11-1), 1 p.m Saturday, Astrodome, Houston.

Region IV
Area

Austin Reagan 21, New Braunfels 19

San Antonio Alamo Heights 14, Corpus Christi Calallen 10

Bastrop 28, Uvalde 6

Beeville 45, Sharyland 20

Regionals

Austin Reagan (10-2) vs. San Antonio Alamo Heights (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Judson.

Bastrop (8-4) vs. Beeville (11-1), 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Alamodome, San Antonio.

Class 3A

DIVISION I
Region I
Regionals

Perryton 44, Lamesa 13

Vernon 20, Aledo 13

Quarterfinals

Vernon (10-2) vs. Perryton (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dick Bivins Stadium, Amarillo.

Region II
Regionals

Texarkana Pleasant Grove 20, Lindale 17

Everman 21, Forney 17

Quarterfinals

Everman (12-0) vs. Texarkana Pleasant Grove (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Rose Stadium, Tyler.

Region III
Regionals

Mexia 17, Gatesville 13

Bridge City 17, Sweeny 14

Quarterfinals

Mexia (9-3) vs. Bridge City (10-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Stephen F. Austin, Nacogdoches.

Region IV
Regionals

Bellville 17, Bandera 7

Sinton 67, La Feria 13

Quarterfinals

Bellville (12-0) vs. Sinton (12-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Victoria.

DIVISION II
Region I
Area

Crane 22, Muleshoe 0

Bridgeport 35, Hillsboro 14

Alpine 21, Shallowater 20

Kennedale 42, Sweetwater 37

Regionals

Crane (10-2) vs. Bridgeport (7-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene.

Kennedale (11-1) vs. Alpine (11-1), 7 p.m. Friday, San Angelo Stadium.

Region II
Area

Commerce 63, Dallas Pinkston 20

Winnsboro 42 Atlanta 14

Wilmer-Hutchins 28, Crandall 0

Gladewater 21, Longview Spring Hill 20

Regionals

Commerce (10-2) vs. Winnsboro (11-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Rose Stadium, Tyler.

Wilmer-Hutchins (10-2) vs. Gladewater (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Wildcat-Ram Stadium, Richardson.

Region III
Area

China Spring 43, Marlin 14

Newton 29, Sealy 25

Giddings 61, Diboll 14

Altair Rice 29, Barbers Hill 7

Regionals

China Spring (11-1) vs. Newton (10-2), noon Saturday, Moorehead Memorial Stadium, Conroe.

Giddings (11-1) vs. Altair Rice (11-1), TBA.

Region IV
Area

La Grange 47, La Vernia 0

Mathis 41, Falfurrias 26

Wimberley 59, Marion 6

Yoakum 10, Port Isabel 0

Regionals

La Grange (9-3) vs. Mathis (9-2), TBA.

Wimberley (10-2) vs. Yoakum (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Memorial Stadium, Victoria.

Class 2A

DIVISION I
Region I
Regionals

Post 34, Wall 28 (OT)

Holliday 45, Stinnett West Texas 6

Quarterfinals

Post (9-3) vs. Holliday (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Bulldog Field, Abilene.

Region II
Regionals

Jacksboro 21, Tuscola Jim Ned 17

Van Alstyne 29, Grandview 10

Quarterfinals

Jacksboro (10-2) vs. Van Alstyne (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Justin Northwest.

Region III
Regionals

Arp 24, Elysian Fields 17

Hemphill 27, Rosebud-Lott 17

Quarterfinals

Arp (12-0) vs. Hemphill (11-1), 7 p.m. Saturday, Stephen F. Austin, Nacogdoches.

Region IV
Regionals

Blanco 20, Brookshire-Royal 12

Poth 15, Karnes City 6

Quarterfinals

Blanco (12-0) vs. Poth (12-0), TBA.

DIVISION II
Region I
Area

Coahoma 49, Mason 14

Quanah 35, Sunray 21

Sonora 41, Tahoka 7

Spearman 21, Hamlin 0

Regionals

Coahoma (11-1) vs. Quanah (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Breckenridge.

Sonora (10-2) vs. Spearman (11-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Denver City.

Region II
Area

Bangs 33 Paradise 0

Whitewright 47, Maypearl 6

Celina 35, Hamilton 21

Italy 35, Gunter 0

Regionals

Bangs (10-2) vs. Whitewright (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Coppell.

Celina (12-0) vs. Italy (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Pennington Field, Bedford.

Region III
Area

Kerens 33, Hughes Springs 7

Garrison 18, Centerville 14

Alto 34, Omaha Paul Pewitt 28

Mart 18, Shelbyville 0

Regionals

Kerens (9-3) vs. Garrison (9-3), TBA.

Alto (11-1) vs. Mart, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Palestine.

Region IV
Area

Van Vleck 17, Rogers 14

Refugio 44, Navarro 14

Ganado 49, Comfort 17

Stockdale 25, Banquete 7

Regionals

Van Vleck (11-1) vs. Refugio (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Victoria.

Ganado (9-2) vs. Stockdale (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Columbus.

Class A

Region I
Area

Nazareth 20, Springlake-Earth 14 (OT)

Petersburg 20, Wink 9

Stratford 48, Anton 0

Iraan 34, O'Donnell 0

Regionals

Nazareth (10-1) vs. Petersburg, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Bulldog Stadium, Plainview.

Stratford (12-0) vs. Iraan, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lowery Field, Lubbock.

Region II
Area

Roscoe 62, Cross Plains 0

Celeste 22, Windthorst 21

Menard 47, Baird 6

Petrolia 27, Fannindel 20

Regionals

Roscoe (12-0) vs. Celeste (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Wichita Falls.

Menard (11-1) vs. Petrolia (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Abilene Wylie.

Region III
Area

Tenaha 35, Karnack 6

Bremond 57, Bosqueville 27

Simms Bowie 26, Beckville 25 (OT)

Chilton 49, Iola 26

Regionals

Tenaha (7-3) vs. Bremond (8-3), TBA

Simms Bowie (6-5) vs. Chilton (11-1), 7 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Mesquite.

Region IV
Area

Burkeville 40, Granger 8

Shiner 36, Agua Dulce 6

West Sabine 19, Holland 7

Falls City 28, Ben Bolt 7

Regionals

Burkeville (6-3) vs. Shiner (8-3), TBA

West Sabine (7-3) vs. Falls City (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Rockdale.

Six-Man

Regional I/II

Whitharral 51, Follett 26

Sands 35, New Home 31

Groom 60, Patton Springs 12

Sanderson 74, Ira 45

Quarterfinals

Whitharral (12-0) vs. Sands (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Eagle Stadium, Ropesville.

Groom (12-0) vs. Sanderson (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Seagraves.

Region III/IV

Richland Springs 34, Gordon 32

Blanket 48, Jonesboro 36

Woodson 27, Panther Creek 20 (OT)

Calvert 45, Zephyr 38

Quarterfinals

Richland Springs (11-1) vs. Blanket (8-4), Thursday, site TBA

Woodson (11-1) vs. Calvert (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hico.

Private School

TAPPS 5A Finals

SA Central Catholic 38, Houston St. Thomas 28

TAPPS 4A Finals

Midland Christian 20, Denton Liberty Christian 14

TAPPS 3A Finals

San Antonio Cornerstone Christian 34, Arlington Pantego Christian 28

TAPPS 2A Finals

Rockwall Christian 48, Hallettsville Sacred Heart 21

TAPPS SIX-MAN Semifinals

Greenville Christian 46, Amarillo Trinity 30

Austin Regents 54, FW Masonic Home 22

TAPPS SIX-MAN Finals

Greenville Christian (10-1) vs. Austin Regents (12-0), TBA.

TCAL 2A Finals

Grand Prairie Evangel Temple 101, Rockwall Heritage 68.

TCAL 1A Finals

Irving Emmanuel Baptist 65, Galveston Heritage 52

BIG 12: Brown wants league title

(From 1C)

two losses Saturday among No. 1 Miami, No. 2 Florida and No. 4 Oregon.

Then again, it wasn't likely that Nebraska and Oklahoma would both lose their regular-season finales. The Cornhuskers and Sooners went into the weekend ranked Nos. 2 and 4 and were a combined 21-1, with the one loss by OU in their head-to-head meeting.

Texas' only loss this season was to Oklahoma. The Longhorns have won six straight since and haven't trailed in the second half.

The Colorado game was the second one in that march. The Buffaloes went into Austin on a five-game winning streak, but committed three early turnovers and missed a field goal. Texas scored a touchdown on its opening drive, got two more in the second quarter, then poured it on in the second half.

"I'm really anticipating playing Texas, because they beat us and beat us pretty bad," Colorado safety Robbie Robinson said. "It's one of those blemishes on our record we'd like to get redemption for."

Rematches are never easy for the first-time winner. Texas learned that two years ago when it beat Nebraska at home in mid-October, then lost to the Cornhuskers in the championship game six weeks later.

Four years ago, Barnett was a finalist for the Texas coaching job. He lost to Mack Brown, who now is in position to win the first conference championship of his 18-year career.

"You always want to win your conference championship," Brown said. "That's what you play for. That's one of your first goals each year. BCS is not an issue today. Bowl game is not an issue today. This is what you fight to get into."

REDSKINS: Carter runs for TD

(From 1C)

gave the Redskins a 7-0 lead on a 5-yard run 63 seconds into the second quarter.

Carter broke a tackle by Hollis Thomas and ran up the middle for the TD. He finished with 56 yards rushing on 18 carries.

Selected by Cincinnati with the No. 1 overall pick in the 1995 draft, Carter never established himself with the Bengals. He dislocated his right knee in the third game of the 1999 season and sat out until this year.

"Everybody wrote me off, but I knew what kind of player I am," Carter said. "I had confidence in myself. I knew I'd get another shot."

A 43-yard field goal by Conway gave the Redskins a 10-0 lead with eight seconds left in the first half. He missed a 37-yarder wide left in the first quarter.

David Akers cut it to 10-3 on a 49-yarder with 4:05 left in the third quarter. On third-and-2, McNabb overthrew tight end Chad Lewis, who was wide open, forcing the Eagles to settle for the field goal.

McNabb was erratic throughout the game. He overthrew receivers three times in the first quarter, bounced a pass to Lewis on a third-and-2 in the second and threw behind Freddie Mitchell on a fourth-and-3 in the fourth.

"There were plays to be played and I didn't make them," McNabb said. "A lot of people can take the blame for today and I'm one of them. I played nowhere near as well as I'm capable of playing."

LEE: Tickets go on sale Tuesday

(From 1C)

of 11 victories per year.

"Averaging 11 wins per year over seven years is something we are very proud of," Parchman says. "That's a very difficult thing to maintain over a long period of time."

As far as the blitz is concerned, Lee will get another major test from Fossil Ridge this Saturday at Ratliff. The Panthers have a quarterback who has thrown for more than 2,800 yards and two receivers who have had 1,000-plus receiving yards. You can learn more about Fossil Ridge in tomorrow's edition.

Ticket Information: Ticket prices for the Lee-Fossil Ridge quarterfinal game at Ratliff Stadium Saturday had not been set as of Sunday afternoon. MISD athletic director Davis Corley said that decision would be made today. Tickets will not go on sale until 8 a.m. Tuesday at the Memorial Stadium ticket office. All seats will be sold on a general admission basis so there will not be a special day set aside for season ticket holders, according to Corley.

POLL: Final BCS comes out Dec. 9

(From 1C)

In the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll, the top five were Miami, Florida, Texas, Tennessee and Oregon.

The Hurricanes and Gators were expected to be first and second in the Bowl Championship Series standings on Monday. Nebraska was first and Miami second last week, with Florida fourth behind Oklahoma.

The final BCS standings on Dec. 9 determine which teams will play for a national title in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 3. The standings are based on a formula that incorporates the AP media and coaches' polls, eight computers, strength of schedule, won-lost record and bonus points for big wins.

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Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	7	3	0	.700	214	212
N.Y. Jets	7	3	0	.700	208	182
New England	6	5	0	.545	257	212
Indianapolis	4	6	0	.400	265	298
Buffalo	1	9	0	.100	180	273

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	8	2	0	.800	189	121
Baltimore	7	4	0	.636	198	187
Cleveland	6	4	0	.600	189	150
Cincinnati	4	6	0	.400	140	204
Tennessee	4	6	0	.400	183	237
Jacksonville	3	7	0	.300	172	172

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	8	2	0	.800	278	201
Denver	6	5	0	.545	254	239
Seattle	5	5	0	.500	182	224
San Diego	5	6	0	.454	263	226
Kansas City	3	7	0	.300	190	208

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	6	4	0	.600	232	131
Washington	5	5	0	.500	141	206
N.Y. Giants	5	6	0	.454	191	206
Arizona	4	6	0	.400	174	238
Dallas	2	8	0	.200	156	229

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	8	2	0	.800	214	145
Green Bay	7	3	0	.700	237	167
Tampa Bay	4	5	0	.444	183	163
Minnesota	4	6	0	.400	189	242
Detroit	0	10	0	.000	192	291

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	8	1	0	.889	279	146
San Francisco	8	2	0	.800	267	225
Atlanta	6	4	0	.600	188	191
New Orleans	5	5	0	.500	226	216
Carolina	1	10	0	.091	161	252

Thursday's Games

Green Bay 29, Detroit 27

Denver 26, Dallas 24

Sunday's Games

Miami 34, Buffalo 27

Atlanta 10, Carolina 7

Kansas City 19, Seattle 7

San Francisco 40, Indianapolis 21

Washington 13, Philadelphia 3

Pittsburgh 34, Tennessee 24

Cleveland 18, Cincinnati 0

Arizona 20, San Diego 17

New England 34, New Orleans 17

Oakland 28, N.Y. Giants 10

Baltimore 24, Jacksonville 21

Chicago 13, Minnesota 6

Open: N.Y. Jets

Monday's Game

Tampa Bay at St. Louis, 8 p.m.

Sunday's Boxes

49ers 40, Colts 21

San Francisco	3	17	7	13 — 40
Indianapolis	7	7	7	0 — 21

First Quarter

Ind—Rhodes 1 run (Vanderjagt kick), 7:56.

SF—FG Cortez 30, 2:26.

Second Quarter

SF—Stokes 5 pass from Garcia (Cortez kick), 13:02.

Ind—Harrison 15 pass from Manning (Vanderjagt kick), 1:57.

SF—Hearst 28 run (Cortez kick), :57.

SF—FG Cortez 46, :00.

Third Quarter

Ind—Rhodes 1 run (Vanderjagt kick), 10:56.

SF—Bronson 48 interception return (Cortez kick), 3:05.

Fourth Quarter

SF—Owens 35 pass from Garcia (pass failed), 14:53.

SF—Hearst 43 run (Cortez kick), 5:52.

	SF	Ind
First downs	16	30
Rushes-yards	23-171	32-127
Passing	169	364
Comp-Att-Int	14-22-1	31-51-4
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-10	1-6
Punts	6-42.5	3-41.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	8-58	7-73
Time of Possession	21:10	38:50

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—San Francisco, Hearst 12-106, Barlow 8-42, Beasley 3-23. Indianapolis, Rhodes 27-104, McDougal 4-23, Manning 1-0.

PASSING—San Francisco, Garcia 14-22-1-179. Indianapolis, Manning 31-51-4-370.

RECEIVING—San Francisco, Owens 6-103, Stokes 4-43, Er.Johnson 3-27, Hearst 1-6. Indianapolis, Harrison 8-128, Wilkins 8-87, Rhodes 6-43, Insley 5-62, Dilger 3-28, Pollard 1-22.

MISSED FIELD GOAL—Indianapolis, Vanderjagt 54 (WR).

Dolphins 34, Bills 27

Miami	7	3	0	24 — 34
Buffalo	7	7	7	6 — 27

First Quarter

Mia—L.Smith 1 run (Mare kick), 3:30.

Buf—Moulds 80 pass from Van Pelt (Arians kick), 3:07.

Second Quarter

Mia—FG Mare 25, 8:45.

Buf—Jackson 1 pass from Van Pelt (Arians kick), :06.

Third Quarter

Buf—Moulds 54 pass from Van Pelt (Arians kick), 11:58.

Fourth Quarter

Mia—Weaver 8 pass from Fiedler (Mare kick), 14:56.

Buf—Henry 8 run (kick failed), 8:16.

Mia—Chambers 22 pass from Fiedler (Mare kick), 4:07.

Mia—FG Mare 39, 1:11.

Mia—Chambers 32 pass from Fiedler (Mare kick), :48.

	Mia	Buf
First downs	19	21
Rushes-yards	30-101	26-127
Passing	263	295
Comp-Att-Int	19-32-0	21-34-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-16	4-14
Punts	6-46.7	6-38.7
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	8-62	10-71
Time of Possession	31:45	28:15

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Miami, Minor 8-38, L.Smith 17-37, Fiedler 4-28, Lucas 1-(minus 2). Buffalo, Henry 19-97, Bryson 4-26, P.Price 1-4, Morris 1-0, Van Pelt 1-0.

PASSING—Miami, Fiedler 18-31-0-262, Lucas 1-1-0-17. Buffalo, Van Pelt 21-34-1-309.

RECEIVING—Miami, Gadsden 8-118, Chambers 5-101, Weaver 2-25, Minor 1-18, Ward 1-16, McKnight 1-3, L.Smith 1-(minus 2). Buffalo, Moulds 6-196, Centers 5-31, Riemersma 2-23, Germany 2-20, P.Price 2-19, McDaniels 1-8, Bryson 1-6, Morris 1-5, Jackson 1-1.

Steelers 34, Titans 24

Pittsburgh	3	7	14	10 — 34
Tennessee	7	7	3	7 — 24

First Quarter

Pit—FG Brown 39, 8:58. Drive: 13 plays, 70 yards, 6:02.

Ten—Dyson 68 pass from McNair (Nedney kick), 8:40.

Second Quarter

Ten—Wycheck 4 pass from McNair (Nedney kick), 4:03.

Pit—Burress 4 pass from Stewart (Brown kick), :15.

Third Quarter

Pit—Stewart 48 run (Brown kick), 12:39.

Ten—FG Nedney 49, 7:46.

Pit—Zereoue 25 pass from Stewart (Brown kick), 6:40.

Fourth Quarter

Pit—FG Brown 37, 14:47. Drive: 10 plays, 56 yards, 4:50.

Ten—McNair 1 run (Nedney kick), 8:23.

Pit—Scott 45 interception return (Brown kick), 3:23.

	Pit	Ten
First downs	20	21
Rushes-yards	31-130	22-81
Passing	247	324
Comp-Att-Int	19-32-0	23-37-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-7	2-10
Punts	4-42.0	4-37.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	6-62	6-45
Time of Possession	30:35	29:25

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Pittsburgh, Bettis 21-73, Stewart 8-54, Zereoue 1-2, Fuamatu-Ma'afala 1-1. Tennessee, George 15-58, McNair 6-18, Sicks 1-5.

PASSING—Pittsburgh, Stewart 19-31-0-254, Bettis 0-1-0-0. Tennessee, McNair 23-37-2-334.

RECEIVING—Pittsburgh, Burress 8-114, Ward 7-99, Zereoue 1-25, Edwards 1-12, Bettis 1-2, Tuman 1-2. Tennessee, Wycheck 8-79, Mason 7-114, Dyson 4-112, George 2-16, Bennett 2-13.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Pittsburgh, Brown 47 (WR).

Falcons 10, Panthers 7

Atlanta	3	7	0	0 — 10
Carolina	0	0	0	7 — 7

First Quarter

Atl—FG Feely 39, 1:07.

Second Quarter

Atl—Christian 4 run (Feely kick), 2:09.

Fourth Quarter

Car—Weinke 12 run (Kasay kick), 7:12.

	Atl	Car
First downs	13	14
Rushes-yards	33-145	28-96
Passing	94	151
Comp-Att-Int	14-27-0	17-31-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-38	4-20
Punts	9-35.7	7-54.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	4-30	6-30
Time of Possession	32:34	27:26

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Atlanta, Christian 4-78, M.Smith 21-57, Chandler 5-6, Thomas 3-4. Carolina, Huntley 19-55, Weinke 7-38, Hetherington 1-3, Hoover 1-0.

PASSING—Atlanta, Chandler 14-27-0-132. Carolina, Weinke 17-31-2-171.

RECEIVING—Atlanta, Christian 5-44, Martin 3-30, Jefferson 2-35, Crumpler 2-9, M.Smith 1-10, Mathis 1-4. Carolina, Byrd 5-69, Hayes 3-29, S.Smith 3-29, Hetherington 3-20, Jeffers 1-9, Walls 1-8, Huntley 1-7.

Browns 18, Bengals 0

Cincinnati	0	0	0	0 — 0
Cleveland	3	9	0	6 — 18

First Quarter

Cle—FG P.Dawson 23, 11:26.

Second Quarter

Cle—FG P.Dawson 27, 13:18.

Cle—Johnson 6 pass from Couch (kick failed), :26.

Fourth Quarter

Cle—FG P.Dawson 23, 2:55.

Cle—FG P.Dawson 33, 1:13.

	Cin	Cle
First downs	12	14
Rushes-yards	24-84	39-78
Passing	107	171
Comp-Att-Int	13-33-5	16-27-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-18	3-18
Punts	5-44.0	7-46.4
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	4-1
Penalties-Yards	5-26	2-25
Time of Possession	24:45	35:15

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Cincinnati, Dillon 20-63, Bennett 2-17, Neal 1-4, A.Smith 1-0. Cleveland, J.Jackson 18-40, Gay 10-16, White 5-13, Northcutt 1-9, Couch 5-0.

PASSING—Cincinnati, Kitna 8-19-2-85, Mitchell 4-12-3-38, A.Smith 1-2-0-2. Cleveland, Couch 16-27-2-189.

RECEIVING—Cincinnati, Farmer 3-32, Dugans 3-19, Scott 2-24, McGee 2-15, Warrick 1-22, C.Johnson 1-7, Dillon 1-6. Cleveland, K.Johnson 6-113, Morgan 5-40, Shea 3-21, Northcutt 1-13, Dawson 1-2.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Cincinnati, Rackers 43 (SH), 47 (WL).

Redskins 13, Eagles 3

Washington	0	10	0	3 — 13
Philadelphia	0	0	3	0 — 3

Second Quarter

Was—Carter 5 run (Conway kick), 13:57.

Was—FG Conway 43, :08.

Third Quarter

Phi—FG Akers 49, 4:05.

Fourth Quarter

Was—FG Conway 32, :30.

	Was	Phi
First downs	16	7
Rushes-yards	45-155	22-94
Passing	85	92
Comp-Att-Int	12-18-0	15-27-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-11	0-0
Punts	7-44.9	7-47.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-41	7-52
Time of Possession	37:49	22:11

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Washington, Davis 22-79, Carter 18-56, Banks 5-20. Philadelphia, Staley 15-50, McNabb 3-39, Buckhalter 4-5.

PASSING—Washington, Banks 12-18-0-96. Philadelphia, McNabb 15-27-0-92.

RECEIVING—Washington, Gardner 4-33, Westbrook 3-22, Flemister 2-33, Carter 2-9, Bennett 1-(minus 1). Philadelphia, Staley 7-40, Thrash 4-32, Pinkston 2-11, Thomason 1-5, Buckhalter 1-4.

MISSED FIELD GOAL—Washington, Conway 37 (WL).

Chiefs 19, Seahawks 7

Seattle	0	7	0	0 — 7
Kansas City	3	7	0	9 — 19

First Quarter

KC—FG Peterson 23, 11:42.

Second Quarter

KC—Richardson 1 run (Peterson kick), 13:23.

Sea—Alexander 28 pass from Hasselbeck (Lindell kick), 4:33.

Fourth Quarter

KC—FG Peterson 26, 11:47.

KC—Cloud 15 run (run failed), 5:45.

	Sea	KC
First downs	11	23
Rushes-yards	17-65	44-188
Passing	139	245
Comp-Att-Int	16-26-0	16-26-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-23	3-11
Punts	7-42.7	4-39.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	4-35	3-20
Time of Possession	24:33	35:27

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Seattle, S.Alexander 13-43, Strong 2-14, Hasselbeck 2-8. Kansas City, Holmes 26-120, Cloud 5-35, Richardson 9-18, Green 4-15.

PASSING—Seattle, Hasselbeck 16-26-0-162. Kansas City, Green, 16-26-0-256.

RECEIVING—Seattle, S.Alexander 6-62, Jackson 5-61, Robinson 3-29, Strong 1-9, Engram 1-1. Kansas City, Gonzalez 6-71, Holmes 3-70, D.Alexander 2-56, Richardson 2-28, Parker 1-16, Ricks 1-8, Thomas 1-7.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Seattle, Lindell 48 (WR).

Patriots 34, Saints 17

New Orleans	0	0	10	7 — 17
New England	7	13	0	14 — 34

First Quarter

NE—A.Smith 41 pass from Brady (Vinatieri kick), 11:35.

Second Quarter

NE—T.Brown 8 pass from Brady (pass failed), 7:23.

NE—C.Johnson 24 pass from Brady (Vinatieri kick), :10.

Third Quarter

NO—FG Carney 31, 6:59.

NO—R.Williams 3 run (Carney kick), 2:11.

Fourth Quarter

NE—Edwards 2 pass from Brady (Vinatieri kick), 13:24.

NO—Jackson 7 pass from Brooks (Carney kick), 8:15.

NE—A.Smith 3 run (Vinatieri kick), 2:25.

	NO	NE
First downs	23	26
Rushes-yards	22-121	38-191
Passing	307	241
Comp-Att-Int	16-39-2	19-26-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-0	4-17
Punts	3-36.7	4-43.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	5-86	6-64
Time of Possession	24:13	35:47

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—New Orleans, Brooks 7-65, R.Williams 15-56. New England, A.Smith 24-111, Faulk 3-36, Redmond 4-20, Brady 4-14, Edwards 3-10.

PASSING—New Orleans, Brooks 16-39-2-307. New England, Brady 19-26-0-258.

RECEIVING—New Orleans, W.Jackson 5-78, Horn 4-97, R.Williams 3-39, Connell 2-49, E.Williams 2-44. New England, Brown 7-91, Patten 3-47, A.Smith 3-42, Edwards 3-30, C.Johnson 2-44, Wiggins 1-4.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—New England, Vinatieri 46 (WL); New Orleans, Carney 48 (WR), 43 (BL).

Raiders 28, Giants 10

Oakland	7	14	0	7 — 28
N.Y. Giants	3	0	7	0 — 10

First Quarter

Oak—Crockett 1 run (Janikowski kick), 10:24.

NY—FG Andersen 47, 3:31.

Second Quarter

Oak—Garner 21 pass from Gannon (Janikowski kick), 12:52.

Oak—T.Brown 46 pass from Gannon (Janikowski kick), 1:51.

Third Quarter

NY—Barber 12 run (Andersen kick), 4:10.

Fourth Quarter

Oak—T.Brown 19 pass from Gannon (Janikowski kick), 9:34.

	Oak	NY
First downs	15	18
Rushes-yards	32-119	27-153
Passing	220	160
Comp-Att-Int	13-20-0	19-38-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-1	3-24
Punts	5-45.4	6-39.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	4-30	5-40
Time of Possession	28:57	31:03

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Oakland, Garner 14-68, Crockett 10-25, Wheatley 5-17, Gannon 3-9. New York, Barber 19-124, Dayne 6-26, Collins 2-3.

PASSING—Oakland, Gannon 13-20-0-221. New York, Collins 19-38-0-184.

RECEIVING—Oakland, T.Brown 6-117, Rice 3-65, Garner 3-38, R.Williams 1-1. New York, Barber 5-41, Toomer 4-70, Comella 4-26, Jurevicius 2-18, Hilliard 2-11, Dixon 1-10, Campbell 1-8.

Cardinals 20, Chargers 17

Arizona	0	7	3	10 — 20
San Diego	3	0	0	14 — 17

First Quarter

SD—FG Richey 26, 1:27.

Second Quarter

Ari—Boston 37 pass from Plummer (Gramatica kick), 2:04.

Third Quarter

Ari—FG Gramatica 18, 10:07.

Fourth Quarter

SD—Conway 6 pass from Flutie (Richey kick), 14:19.

Ari—Pittman 1 run (Gramatica kick), 6:00.

SD—Graham 28 pass from Flutie (Richey kick), 1:54.

Ari—FG Gramatica 42, :01.

	Ari	SD
First downs	18	20
Rushes-yards	24-71	23-84
Passing	227	308
Comp-Att-Int	19-31-2	33-44-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-14	0-0
Punts	4-42.0	3-51.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	3-26	6-55
Time of Possession	25:51	34:09

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Arizona, Pittman 18-44, T.Jones 5-22, Plummer 1-5. San Diego, Tomlinson 21-75, Flutie 2-9.

PASSING—Arizona, Plummer 19-31-2-241. San Diego, Flutie 33-44-0-308.

RECEIVING—Arizona, Boston 6-121, M.Jenkins 4-40, T.Mitchell 3-39, Makovicka 2-10, Bush 1-11, T.Jones 1-9, A.Jackson 1-8, Pittman 1-3. San Diego, Tomlinson 13-72, Graham 7-98, Conway 5-55, Gaylor 3-43, McCrary 3-16, Heiden 2-24.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—San Diego, Richey 25 (WR), 27 (WL).

Ravens 24, Jaguars 21

Baltimore	3	7	7	7 — 24
Jacksonville	0	0	7	14 — 21

First Quarter

Bal—FG Stover 41, 6:23.

Second Quarter

Bal—Brookins 2 run (Stover kick), 13:43.

Third Quarter

Bal—Brookins 1 run (Stover kick), 11:07.

Jac—Mack 4 run (Hollis kick), 1:44.

Fourth Quarter

Bal—Ji.Smith 12 pass from Brunell (Hollis kick), 8:16.

Jac—Mack 3 run (Hollis kick), 1:32.

Bal—Sharpe 3 pass from Grbac (Stover kick), :09.

	Bal	Jac
First downs	24	19
Rushes-yards	42-115	19-75
Passing	246	230
Comp-Att-Int	21-30-1	23-38-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-13	4-29
Punts	5-37.4	7-40.4
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	6-39	9-58
Time of Possession	33:34	26:26

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Baltimore, Brookins 32-82, M.Williams 9-31, Grbac 1-2. Jacksonville, Mack 13-50, Joseph 5-22, Brunell 1-3.

PASSING—Baltimore, Grbac 21-30-1-259. Jacksonville, Brunell 23-38-0-259.

RECEIVING—Baltimore, Sharpe 6-55, M.Williams 4-47, T.Taylor 3-48, Ismael 3-44, Heap 3-39, Stoldey 1-17, Brookins 1-9. Jacksonville, Ji.Smith 7-60, McCardell 6-80, Mack 5-45, Brady 3-45, Dawkins 2-29.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Jacksonville, Hollis 38 (WL); Baltimore, Stover 41 (WR).

Bears 13, Vikings 6

Chicago	0	10	0	3 — 13
Minnesota	0	0	3	3 — 6

Second Quarter

Chi—Johnson 1 run (Edinger kick), 9:43.

Chi—FG Edinger 30, :44.

Third Quarter

Min—FG Anderson 44, 7:52.

Fourth Quarter

Chi—FG Edinger 43, 13:29.

Min—FG Anderson 21, 3:17.

	Chi	Min
First downs	11	15
Rushes-yards	30-142	23-124
Passing	93	192
Comp-Att-Int	10-21-0	26-46-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-4	3-17
Punts	8-43.1	8-46.4
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-0
Penalties-Yards	2-15	11-75
Time of Possession	25:47	34:13

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Chicago, Allen 27-107, Johnson 2-35, Miller 1-0. Minnesota, Bennett 12-75, Culpepper 7-43, Chapman 2-4, Morrow 1-2, Prentice 1-0.

PASSING—Chicago, Miller 10-21-0-97. Minnesota, Culpepper 26-46-1-209.

RECEIVING—Chicago, White 4-32, Booker 3-9, Terrell 2-51, Allen 1-5. Minnesota, Chamberlain 7-56, C.Carter 5-45, Morrow 4-38, Moss 4-25, Reed 2-17, Bennett 1-19, Prentice 1-10, Jordan 1-4, Chapman 1-(minus 5).

College Basketball

Top 25 Men

No. 1 DUKE 104, PORTLAND 62

PORTLAND (1-2): Aaker 0-6 0-0 0, Rochin 1-4 2-2 4, Jorgusen 6-15 0-0 12, Quick 2-6 2-2 7, Frandsen 8-15 8-10 28, Troupe 2-3 1-2 5, Sema 3-9 0-0 6, Knight 0-1 0-0 0, Galos 0-1 0-0 0, Towsley 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-60 13-16 62.

DUKE (4-0): Jones 7-13 3-5 17, Dunleavy 4-12 0-0 9, Boozer 8-14 4-5 20, Duhon 3-8 3-4 10, Williams 5-12 0-0 10, Horvath 2-3 0-0 5, Ewing 5-8 4-6 15, Means 1-2 1-2 3, Sanders 3-7 4-9 10, Borman 1-1 0-0 3, Christensen 1-2 0-0 2, Causey 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 40-84 19-31 104.

Halftime—Duke 37, Portland 21. 3-Point goals—Portland 5-16 (Frandsen 4-8, Quick 1-3, Troupe 0-1, Knight 0-1, Aaker 0-3), Duke 5-25 (Borman 1-1, Horvath 1-2, Ewing 1-2, Duhon 1-4, Dunleavy 1-7, Causey 0-1, Jones 0-3, Williams 0-5). Fouled out—Sema. Rebounds—Portland 33 (Aaker 6), Duke 52 (Boozer 13). Assists—Portland 13 (Quick 5), Duke 21 (Duhon, Williams, Ewing 4). Total fouls—Portland 23, Duke 14. A—9,314.

No. 19 ST. JOSEPH'S 81, COLORADO 75

COLORADO (3-1): Pelle 4-12 3-3 11, D.J. Harrison 5-10 0-0 10, David Harrison 2-4 2-2 6, Wright 5-12 4-4 15, Morandais 7-14 0-1 16, Brimmer 1-3 0-0 2, Doumbouya 0-0 0-0 0, Carter 4-5 0-0 8, Harberl 0-2 0-0 0, Wilson 3-4 0-0 7. Totals 31-66 9-10 75.

ST. JOSEPH'S (2-1): Phillips 7-10 0-0 18, Reid 1-3 2-3 4, O'Connor 10-19 4-4 29, Nelson 4-8 1-2 9, Crenshaw 5-18 1-2 12, Farrelly 0-0 0-0 0, Martelli 0-0 0-0 0, Barley 0-0 0-0 0, West 1-1 1-2 3, Bryant 1-2 0-0 2, Sazonov 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 31-65 9-13 81.

Halftime—St. Joseph's 42, Colorado 32. 3-Point goals—Colorado 4-13 (Morandais 2-3, Wilson 1-2, Wright 1-4, Brimmer 0-1, Harbert 0-1, D.J. Harrison 0-2), St. Joseph's 10-23 (O'Connor 5-11, Phillips 4-5, Crenshaw 1-6, Nelson 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Colorado 34 (Pelle 8), St. Joseph's 36 (Phillips, Nelson, Crenshaw 7). Assists—Colorado 14 (Wright, Morandais 4), St. Joseph's 18 (O'Connor 7). Total fouls—Colorado 17, St. Joseph's 14. A—3,200.

Texas Men

LOUISIANA-MONROE 94, TCU 90

LOUISIANA-MONROE (2-1): Lubeck 4-12 0-0 9, Paige 4-5 4-6 12, Myrda 5-10 9-10 19, Hardaway 2-4 0-1 5, Coln 8-16 5-6 27, Griffin 9-14 1-1 21, Horn 0-0 0-0 0, Keith 0-0 0-0 0, Lemons 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 32-62 20-26 94.

TCU (3-2): Valsin 6-10 7-8 20, Dumont 3-12 2-2 8, Paulk 3-3 0-0 6, Santee 3-12 1-2 8, Blount 5-14 4-4 16, Davis 3-3 3-4 10, Brown 5-8 4-4 14, Merrlex 2-6 2-2 8. Totals 30-68 23-26 90.

Halftime—Louisiana-Monroe 50, TCU 44. 3-Point goals—Louisiana-Monroe 10-24 (Coln 6-12, Griffin 2-5, Hardaway 1-3, Lubeck 1-4), TCU 7-20 (Merrlex 2-4, Blount 2-8, Davis 1-1, Valsin 1-2, Santee 1-5). Fouled out—Griffin. Rebounds—Louisiana-Monroe 37 (Myrda 10), TCU 35 (Assists—Louisiana-Monroe 21 (Hardaway 6), TCU 22 (Santee 11). Total fouls—Louisiana-Monroe 19, TCU 20.

Men's Scores

SOUTHWEST

Louisiana-Monroe 94, TCU 90

SW Texas 99, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 89

FAR WEST

No scores reported from the FAR WEST.

MIDWEST

Butler 69, Indiana St. 49

Capital 76, Marietta 74

Centre 82, Berea 72

Concordia, Wis. 87, Eureka 49

DePaul 107, Youngstown St. 69

Hanover 63, Washington, Mo. 55

Lakeland 72, Northland 48

N. Iowa 83, Wis.-Green Bay 79

Rockford 87, Monmouth, Ill. 83

St. Ambrose 73, Lindenwood 67

SOUTH

Duke 104, Portland 62

Tampa 89, Puerto Rico-Mayaguez 66

EAST

Bentley 101, Stonehill 56

Boston U. 70, St. Peter's 58

Colgate 80, Oral Roberts 68

Lebanon Valley 68, Ursinus 66, OT

Mass.-Lowell 86, St. Rose 73

N.Y. Tech 67, Dominican, N.Y. 55

Pratt 93, Berkley 86

S. New Hampshire 86, Pace 79

Saint Joseph's 81, Colorado 75

St. Anselm 77, LeMoyne 70

Troy St. 73, Maine 71, OT

TOURNAMENT

City Bank/Aloha Big Island Invitatio

Third Place

Hawaii 60, Wisconsin 57

Fifth Place

LSU 84, Mercer 54

Seventh Place

Hawaii-Hilo 87, S. Carolina St. 69

Seventh Place

Weber St. 72, Colorado St. 69

Comfort Inn Papa Bear's Tournament

Third Place

Husson 65, Michigan-Dearborn 64

Holiday Inn Airport Invitational Championship

Rochester 73, York, Pa. 68

Third Place

Medaille 90, Keuka 64

Malloy/Kheanie Invitational

Third Place

S. Connecticut 89, Farmingdale 68

SPSU Tournament

Third Place

John Carroll 81, Berry 67

Sport Tours International Hawaii Cla

Third Place

Vanderbilt 69, Chattanooga 57

Fifth Place

Hampton 83, Hawaii Pacific 76

Seventh Place

Akron 90, Liberty 56

Trinity Invitational

Third Place

Otterbein 81, Trinity, Texas 79

Trinity University Invitational

Third Place

Johns Hopkins 92, Roanoke 86

University Hoops Classic Championship

South Florida 69, Pittsburgh 63

Third Place

Hofstra 82, Illinois St. 80, OT

Fifth Place

Kent St. 75, UC Irvine 64

Seventh Place

Oakland, Mich. 77, Robert Morris 53

Texas Women

No. 13 BAYLOR 65, DENVER 60

DENVER (2-1): Hart 0-3 1-3 1, Staton 5-15 10-11 20, Weddle 4-14 6-8 16, Garcia 0-3 2-2 2, Atkinson 3-13 0-0 7, Cyran 2-7 1-2 5, Jones 2-3 0-0 5, Lowery 0-2 0-0 0, Carwell 2-2 0-0 4, Koralewski 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-62 20-26 60.

BAYLOR (4-0): Crockrom 7-11 3-4 17, McCormack 4-5 2-5 10, Fox 1-5 3-4 5, Stratton 2-7 0-0 4, Lambert 8-17 3-4 19, Collins 0-3 0-2 0, Sords 2-3 0-0 4, Blackmon 1-4 4-6 6. Totals 25-55 15-25 65.

Halftime—Baylor 27-18. 3-Point goals—Denver 4-18 (Weddle 2-5, Jones 1-2, Atkinson 1-7, Staton 0-2, Garcia 0-2), Baylor 0-7 (Fox 0-1, Stratton 0-2, Lambert 0-2, Collins 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Denver 46 (Cyran 8), Baylor 36 (Crockrom 11). Assists—Denver 10 (Garcia 4), Baylor 16 (Fox 5). Total fouls—Denver 20, Baylor 18. A—3,614.

CHARLOTTE 84, TEXAS A&M 50

CHARLOTTE (3-1): Abernathy 1-9 2-2 4, Harris 6-14 3-4 15, League 1-3 1-3 3, Smith 1-3 0-0 2, Jordan 9-18 4-6 22, Hoey 0-3 0-0 0, Upchurch 0-1 0-0 0, Patterson 2-4 2-2 6, Williams 1-4 0-1 2, Price 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-59 12-18 54.

TEXAS A&M (2-2): Williams 1-7 1-5 3, Derrick 5-9 1-1 11, Banahan 2-6 2-2 7, Rose 2-9 0-0 4, Washington 0-2 0-0 0, Cooper 0-0 0-0 0, Moore 1-6 7-8 9, Sims 2-6 0-0 4, Johnson 2-7 0-0 4, Mitchell 3-8 1-3 8, Mason 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-60 12-19 50.

Halftime—Charlotte 22, Texas A&M 22. 3-Point goals—Charlotte 0-6 (Patterson 0-1, League 0-1, Harris 0-2, Abernathy 0-2), Texas A&M 2-12 (Banahan 1-3, Mitchell 1-4, Williams 0-1, Rose 0-4). Fouled out—Smith, Washington. Rebounds—Charlotte 45 (Jordan 16), Texas A&M 42 (Mitchell 7). Assists—Charlotte 12 (Harris 4), Texas A&M 12 (Williams 5). Total fouls—Charlotte 16, Texas A&M 21. A—887.

Women's Scores

SOUTHWEST

Ark.-Pine Bluff 67, McNeese St. 60

Baylor 65, Denver 60

FAR WEST

N. Arizona 70, Jacksonville St. 47

Nevada 66, UC Riverside 65

New Mexico St. 88, Texas Southern 69

Portland 72, UC Irvine 69, OT

San Diego St. 73, Navy 69

San Jose St. 61, Idaho 44

Wis.-Milwaukee 64, Montana St. 61

MIDWEST

Cent. Michigan 72, Illinois St. 62

Drake 75, Iowa 72, OT

Knox 64, Marian, Wis. 57

Loyola of Chicago 76, Texas-Pan American 51

Muskingum 58, Kalamazoo 52

Northland 53, Lakeland 48

Purdue 80, Southern Miss. 40

SOUTH

Arkansas 79, Texas-Arl

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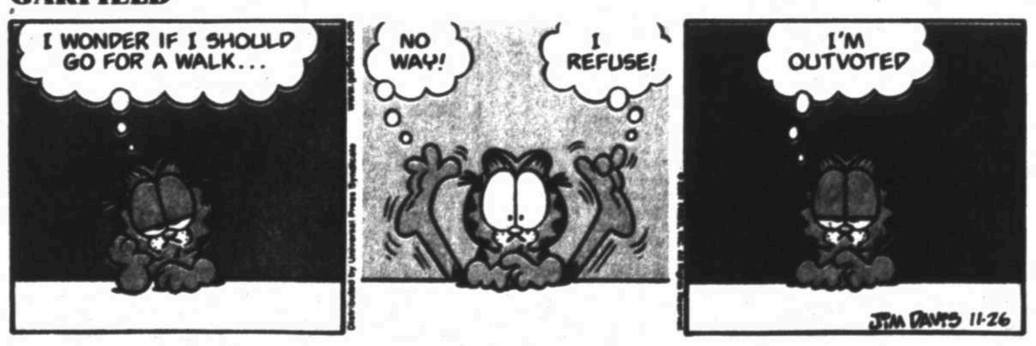
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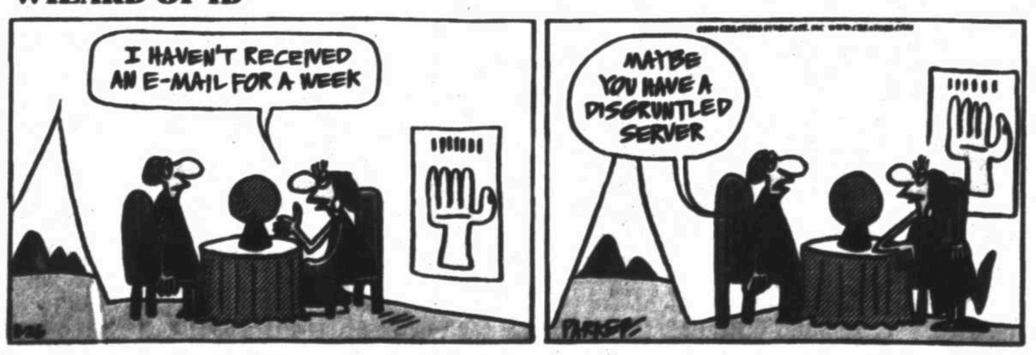


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Brand's 21 leads Clippers past reeling Rockets

Associated Press

■ NBA Roundup

LOS ANGELES — Elton Brand scored 21 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, and the Los Angeles Clippers beat the Houston Rockets 90-83 Sunday.

Brand reached the 20-point plateau for the 10th consecutive game and Lamar Odom added 16 points to send Houston to its sixth loss in eight games.

The Rockets have lost four straight for the first time since dropping six in a row last December.

Houston's leading scorer Steve Francis, who missed the previous game because of a sore left foot, fell on a drive to the basket and struck his head against teammate Kevin Willis' left knee with 3:51 left in the third quarter.

Francis returned briefly, but left for good with 18 seconds left in the period. He finished with a team-high 17 points.

Houston forward Glen Rice, who played 24 scoreless minutes in Friday's loss at Seattle, keyed a 14-0 run with a pair of 3-pointers, an 11-footer and a layup as the Rockets sliced a 21-point second-quarter deficit to 58-53 with six minutes left in the third.

Rice opened the fourth quarter with another 3-pointer, and the Rockets narrowed the gap to 78-76 with a 3-pointer by Walt Williams and a 15-footer by Cuttino Mobley with 7:47 to play.

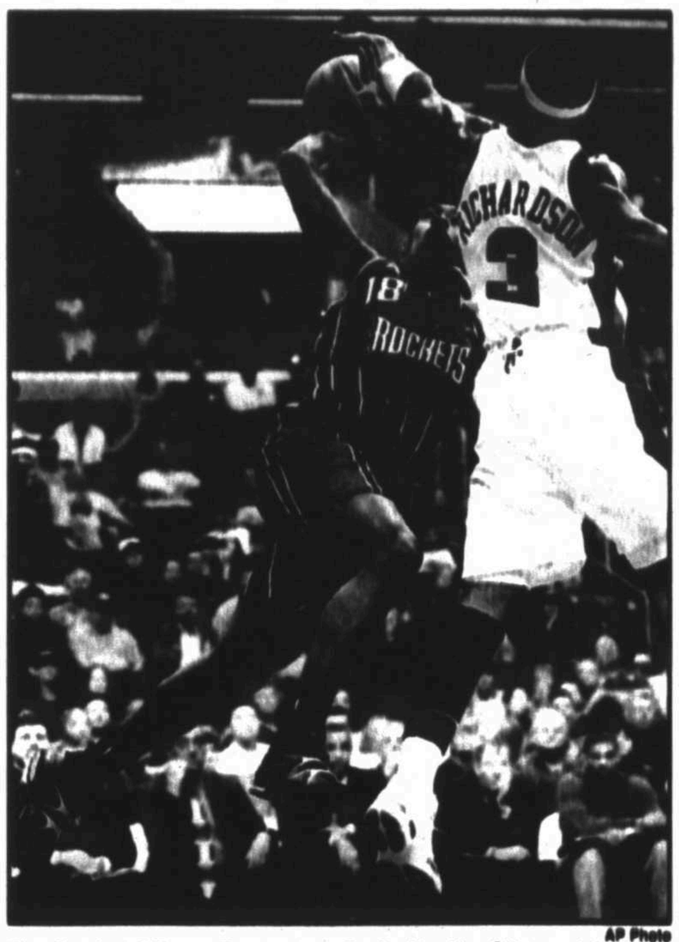
But they got no closer, as Michael Olowokandi tipped in a missed 17-footer by Jeff McInnis, and Corey Maggette sank two free throws for a 90-83 cushion with 1:13 left.

Raptors 107, 76ers 88

TORONTO — Vince Carter scored 30 points, and Dell Curry added 18 as the Toronto Raptors snapped the Philadelphia 76ers' seven-game winning streak.

The 76ers lost for the first time this season with Allen Iverson in the lineup. Philadelphia started 0-5 while Iverson was recovering from elbow surgery. The winning streak began with Iverson's first game.

Iverson was 7-of-24 from the field, finishing with 18 points and eight assists. Aaron McKie had 23 points, and Derrick Coleman had 21 for the 76ers, who played the Raptors for the first time since eliminating them in the second round of last season's playoffs.



AP Photo

The Rockets' Oscar Torres gets fouled by the Clippers' Quentin Richardson on a fast break during the Clippers' 90-83 victory Sunday in Los Angeles.

SuperSonics 99, Pacers 88

SEATTLE — Vin Baker returned to the lineup after missing seven games and scored 19 points as the Seattle SuperSonics built a two-game winning streak for the first time this season.

Baker, the four-time All-Star coming off the worst season of his NBA career, played 33 minutes and shot 8-for-15.

Before the game, Sonics coach Nate McMillan said Baker's bruised left knee was 75 percent, but that the forward had talked his way back onto the court by saying he wanted to play badly.

No. 1 Duke rolls in home opener

Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. — Top-ranked Duke will have to be content to win with defense and an inside game for now.

The Blue Devils, struggling from the outside again, got 20 points from Carlos Boozer and forced 27 turnovers to beat Portland 104-62 Sunday night.

Boozer, 11-for-11 from the field in a 33-point win over the Pilots last season, made 8-of-14 this time and grabbed 13 rebounds as Duke (4-0) had six players score in double figures and won its 20th straight home opener.

Dahntay Jones added 17 points, while freshman Daniel Ewing had 15.

Casey Frandsen led Portland (1-2) with 28 points.

Duke shot 39 percent from 3-point range a season ago, but came in with the Pilots hitting 33 percent after three wins in the Maui Invitational. That number took a hit Sunday night as Duke missed 19 of its first 20 3-pointers and finished 5-for-25.

The Blue Devils missed their first nine beyond the arc and finished the first half 1-for-15 as the Pilots, who lost in overtime to Idaho State four days ago, remained in the game.

While Duke's offense struggled in steamy Cameron Indoor Stadium, its defense was super, forcing Portland into six straight turnovers to start the game.

No. 13 Baylor women go to 4-0 with victory

Associated Press

WACO — Sheila Lambert scored 19 points, and Danielle Crockrom had 17 points and 11 rebounds to lead No. 13 Baylor to a 65-60 win victory over Denver on Sunday.

The Lady Bears (4-0) led 42-22 early in the second half before the Pioneers battled back and narrowed the margin to 57-54 on Misty Staton's jumper with just over 2 minutes to play.

With 36 seconds remaining, Denver pulled within three on Nikki Weddle's 3-pointer, but Lambert made two free throws with 14 seconds left to seal the victory.

Charlotte 54, Texas A&M 50

COLLEGE STATION — Adrienne Jordan scored 22 points and grabbed 16 rebounds to lift Charlotte to a 54-50 win over Texas A&M on Sunday in the championship game of the Whataburger Aggie Women's Basketball Classic.

Jordan also blocked seven shots, a Reed Arena record. Peaches Harris added 15 points for the 49ers (3-1).

GOLF: Three star golfers get shut out

(From 1C)

He did it with a conservative sand shot and two putts that allowed him to cash in 17 skins worth $800,000.

"I've never had to make a par for $800,000 in my life," Norman said. "It was hard trying to figure it out."

Parnevik also was trying to figure it out after Norman's birdie putt on 17 took away the $730,000 worth of skins he could have won if he had tied for low score on the hole.

Instead, he made par, and made Norman the big winner.

"Greg came and stole it from me on 17," Parnevik said. "That hurt a little bit."

Woods, meanwhile, didn't make a birdie on the back nine on a cool, breezy morning and was shut out. Woods then was eliminated from the playoff when he failed to make birdie on the first extra hole.

"To walk away with no skins isn't exactly a good feeling," Woods said.

Woods had a fleeting chance to deny Norman his skins, but his 4-iron second shot on the 18th hole rode the wind all the way into the water short of the green.

"I'm disappointed I didn't give myself a chance on the last hole," Woods said.

Norman predicted after the front nine Saturday that all the skins could be in play on the 18th hole, and he was right after a back nine where six holes were played before Parnevik won his skin with a 20-footer for birdie on No. 16.

Norman needed to tie for low score on 18 to cash in his $800,000 worth of skins, and his job was made much easier after Woods and Montgomerie both put their second shots in the water on the par-5 finishing hole and Parnevik hit the lip of a fairway bunker and was well short of the green.

Norman hit an iron into the right greenside bunker and was faced with a long sand shot toward a pin with water just behind it. Instead of risking it all, Norman played his shot well short of the pin, then putted to four feet before making his putt for par.

Montgomerie parred the hole out of the water, meaning the players went to extra holes to settle the final skin.

Horned Frogs can't stop Louisiana-Monroe's Coln

FORT WORTH (AP) — Nick Coln scored 27 points as Louisiana-Monroe beat TCU 94-90 on Sunday.

Reggie Griffin scored 21, while Wojciech Myrda added 19 points and 10 rebounds for the Indians (2-1).

Myrda also blocked seven shots, all in the first half.

Corey Valsin led TCU (3-2) with 20 points and a game-high 12 rebounds. It was Valsin's first double-double.

The Horned Frogs' Jamal Brown added 14 points and 11 rebounds for the Frogs.

Former Midland High star Kirby Lemons plays for Louisiana Monroe. He scored one point.

Louisiana-Monroe had a 50-44 lead at halftime.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Four years after Sonny's fatal accident, Mary Bono remarries

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. — Republican Rep. **Mary Bono**, who took her late husband's seat in Congress, has married a Wyoming businessman nearly four years after Sonny Bono died in a skiing accident.

Bono and Glenn Baxley, an ex-minor league baseball player, exchanged vows Saturday before more than 300 friends and family at Our Savior's Community Church.

"It's the happiest day of my life," Baxley told the Riverside Press-Enterprise as he and Bono left the church.

Guests included the Bonos' two children, Chianna and Chesare, and Sonny Bono's daughters Christy and Chastity. Also attending were Reps. Steve Buyer, R-Ind.; and Ken Calvert, David Dreier, Duncan Hunter and Jerry Lewis, all California Republicans.

Bono, 40, has served in Congress since winning a special election in April 1998 to fill the seat held by Sonny Bono.

Baxley, 33, was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays out of high school but attended the University of Arizona, where he played with future major leaguers including J.T. Snow and Trevor Hoffman.

He was drafted by the California Angels and played in the Midwest League, but was cut. He went on to found Wyoming West Designs, a clothing company that designs Cowboy Up and Cowgirl Up Western apparel, resort wear and custom and corporate logo apparel.

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CORPUS CHRISTI — **Juan Hinojosa**, a drummer and founding member of the Tejano band Los Fabulosos Cuatro, died along with his 28-year-old son in a traffic accident.

Hinojosa, 51, inducted into the Tejano Roots (Remembering Our Own Tejano Stars) Hall of Fame in Alice in August 2000, died Friday at the scene of the accident in Nueces County. His son, Michael Hinojosa, died at a hospital three hours later.

Department of Public Safety Trooper Gary Light said the men were driving in dense fog toward Corpus Christi on a rural road when their vehicle was hit by another vehicle.

The driver of the other vehicle, Sally Hernandez, 50, suffered several fractures and was in stable condition Sunday. She was expected to be cited for failure to stop at a stop sign, Light said. It was unclear if any criminal charges would be filed.

Hinojosa and his son worked together as electrical engineers. Michael Hinojosa also played drums.

Los Fabulosos Cuatro influenced many of today's Tejano stars, said Javier Villanueva, executive vice president of Tejano Roots and a former manager for Juan Hinojosa.

"They were trendsetters in their time," he said. "They liked to experiment. Their arrangements were so advanced that very few groups could imitate them."

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COLUMBIA, S.C. — **Lee Atwater**'s intense, often abrasive way of navigating through the political scene will be featured in a movie about the pioneer of modern day attack politics.

Barry Katz Entertainment and Ritz/Wilson Productions are developing the film based on "Bad Boy," John Brady's unauthorized biography of the late South Carolina political strategist. Atwater died of a brain tumor in March 1991.

Actor Jay Mohr, known for his roles in "Pay It Forward" and "Jerry Maguire," will star as Atwater.

"This is not going to be a low-budget movie," said Brian Volk-Weiss, who heads the film department of Katz Productions. "It's something that's got to be done right. We want to try to add as much authenticity as we can."

Atwater became involved in politics during his freshman year at Newberry College, when he volunteered in one of Strom Thurmond's Senate races. He ran his own political consulting business from 1974 until the 1980 presidential elections.

He convinced state GOP leaders in 1979 that South Carolina could bolster its Republican party by holding an open, early primary election. It helped elect Ronald Reagan in 1980.

Atwater was deputy director in 1984 for President Reagan, and master planner of President Bush's 1988 campaign against Democrat Michael Dukakis.

He later had a born-again religious experience and apologized shortly before his death to political adversaries he had wronged.

"This is genuinely an American story," Volk-Weiss said.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TV TONIGHT

MONDAY EVENING — NOVEMBER 26, 2001

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

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(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 5787	Ent. Tonight 1959	King 1626	Yes, Dear (N) 3171	Raymond 7048	Becker (N) 9881	Carol Burnett Show: The Show Stoppers (N) 79965		News 52810841	(38) Late Show Kelly Ripa, Mort Sahl 93367065		Late Late 6532210
(9) KWES	9	9	9	News 6065	Seinfeld 7317	Weakest Link 55997		Third Watch "He Said/She Said" (N) 14' 31317		Crossing Jordan "The Digger" (N) 14' 44881		News 3580626	(38) Tonight Show (N) 14' 20720881		Late Night 14' 8904443
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(13) KOCV	36	13		Newshour With Jim Lehrer 124807		Antiques Roadshow (Part 1 of 3) 225775		Masterpiece Theatre "My Uncle Silas" Albert Finney plays Uncle Silas in a series of sketches. (PG) 245539				Business Rpt. 499139	Telecourse 291152		Telecourse 369607
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(11) WTBS		11	11	Friends 951715	Friends 256107	Murder at 1600 (R, '97) Wesley Snipes. Diane Lane. The president's son is implicated in a secretary's death. 71939				Mars Attacks! (PG-13, '96) An all-out war on the human race. 499133					
(18) UNI		42	13	Intrusa 26626		Amigas y Rivales (SS) 86423		Derecho de Nacer (SS) 96171		Cristina: Edition Especial Marc Anthony. 82907		Primer Impacto 82794	Noticiero Univ. 91442		El Gren Blablazo 35959
(20) DISC		20	26	Wild Discovery "Crocodile Secrets" 757959		Meanest Animal in the World? 887775		Mind of a Murderer: Mask of Sanity (N) 876423		Body Detectives (N) (PG) 883859		Justice Files "Stealing Us Blind" 866046		Meanest Animal in the World? 863171	
(21) AMC		21	31	Three Stooges 126065		Movie: Wild Wild Winter (PG, '66) 4 1/2 Jerry Van Dyke. 751716				Backstory 7	The Lion in Winter (PG, '68) 5 1/2 Peter O'Toole. 2769174				Racing
(22) TNN		23	35	Fame for All 378794		Star Trek Gen. 851174		WWF Raw 14' 838911		WWF Raw Zone 2441192		Star Trek Gen. 6807442		Robot Wars 6497220	
(23) TNT		33	28	Rendezvous 341404		Law & Order 74' 448661		Law & Order 74' 421931		Rescuers 841065		Law & Order 74' 8441132		Pol Factor 8103355	
(24) CNN		24	32	Wolf Blitzer Grapevine		This Evening 4107417		Larry King Live 4116065		Newsnight 4120355		Greenfield	Moneyline	Larry King Live 2881133	
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Amazon.com remains upbeat despite outlook

By Allison Linn
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Way back in the dot-com craze, Amazon.com lived by the motto "get big fast."

These days, it's more like "save money fast."

The renegade company that reveled in its unorthodox approach once spared no expense to get customers what they wanted, even if it meant searching a corner book store for a rare title that wasn't available on its trademark Web site.

"Those are neat stories from a day when we were at much lower volume," said Jeff Wilke, chief of operations for the Internet retailer.

Now, the 6-year-old company — one of the last-standing dot-com standard-bearers — is more likely to tell stories about operating efficiencies, streamlining operations and smart inventory moves.

Amazon is predicting lackluster sales in its all-important holiday season fourth quarter, and Wall Street is worried about the steep drop in revenue at its books, music and video store. That's Amazon's core business, and its only profitable sector.

Still, Amazon executives remain almost obsessively upbeat. Although they haven't said when they expect to make a real profit they say Amazon is still on track to turn its first-ever pro-forma operating profit this quarter.

"If the economic environment hadn't gotten so bad we actually would have been well ahead of where we thought we would be," said David Risher, who heads the company's Worldwide Applications Group.

Pro forma operating profitability excludes costs such as stock options, losses from investments and restructuring charges, and it's a far cry from true profitability. For example, Amazon had a net loss of $170 million in the third quarter of this year, while its pro forma operating loss was just $27 million.

But analysts say reaching that goal could make or break Amazon.com.

"That's what investors are looking for," says Jeetil Patel, an analyst with Deutsche Banc Alex. Brown. Patel is convinced Amazon will meet its goal, and praises the company for its cost-saving measures.

But other industry watchers are less optimistic — and the company's roller-coaster stock performance shows Wall Street is growing impatient.

Shares in Amazon dropped more than 20 percent last month after the company said revenue would be flat or grow by at most 10 percent in the fourth quarter, the most important sales period for retailers.

Shares, which plunged by about 70 percent in the past year, have since rebounded somewhat.

More worrying to analysts, in the third quarter the company saw a 12.1 percent drop in books, music and video sales compared to last year.

Based on revenue comparisons, Prudential analyst Mark Rowen believes Amazon lost significant market share to rival Barnes & Noble.com in that quarter. That's a worrying trend, if Amazon can't abate it.

Amazon's Risher says the company is confident it will rebound from the drop thanks in part to increased sales in the company's used-books section. The company has taken steps, such as price cuts and improved features, to bring business back, he says.

Operating costs are down 20 percent, Amazon Chief Executive Jeff Bezos boasted last month.

Much of that cost-saving has come as Amazon has become better at predicting what inventory it needs to buy and store, and started farming out the costly warehousing task whenever possible.

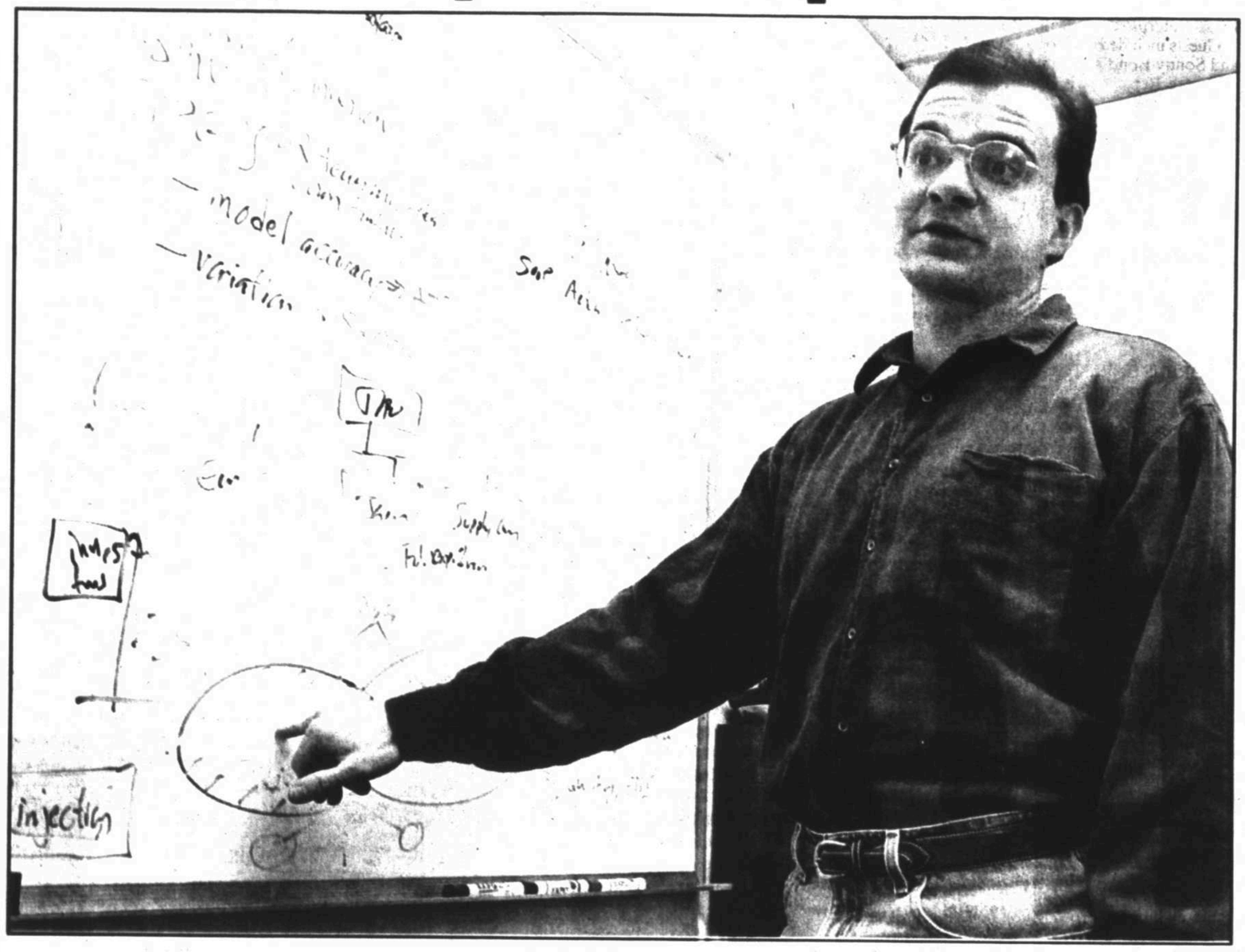
Now, the company is taking that to the next level. In the past nine months, Amazon has struck deals to provide the Web retail capabilities for established companies like Target, Borders and Toys 'R' Us.

Such deals take advantage of Amazon's clear strength — its Internet sales and payment technology, and its strong customer base.

"We want to be the place where you come and buy anything online," Risher says. "The thing that's changed over the past couple years is that we've realized we'd be much better off if we start to do that in partnership with others rather than by ourselves."

Both Wilke and Risher predict, though, that it will be awhile before these deals turn into significant revenue for Amazon.

On the Web:
http://www.amazon.com



AP Photo
Jeff Wilke, chief of operations for Internet retailer Amazon.com, explains things with the help of a drawing board during a meeting in his office Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2001, in Seattle. The renegade company that reveled in its unorthodox approach once spared no expense to get customers what they wanted, even if it meant sending an employee to a corner book store in search of a rare title that wasn't available on its trademark Web site. Now, the 6-year-old company acts more like, well, a company.

NEW STUFF

Customizing every call





Wireless telephones are getting so petite that even last year's models are starting to feel as heavy as Soviet army field phones. Two new offerings due next month from Panasonic can lighten one's load further: the Allure, weighing 2.7 ounces, and the Versio, tipping the scales at 3.1 ounces, are both dual-band wireless phones that pack a lot of features into the tiny handset.

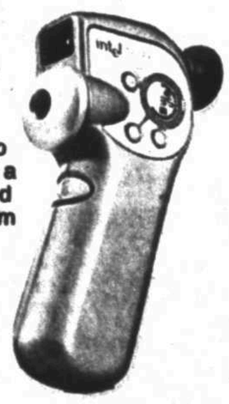
Both models give users six different backlight colors (including amber, teal and purple) for the phone's display screen, text messaging and potential battery life that allows up to 140 minutes of digital talk time. Users can also assign a specific ring tone and backlight color to each number stored in the phone's memory. Retailers that carry the new phones can be found at www.panasonic.com/wireless.

The Allure phone, about $150, is available in silver and titanium, and can download melodies and graphics from Panasonic's Web site, store 250 names (with four phone numbers and an e-mail address for each name) and responds to 40 voice commands for finger-free dialing. The Versio phone, about $130, comes with silver and red snap-on faceplates, can hold 100 names and comes with a "Favorite Number Key" for one-touch dialing of a certain number — what for many users might be called the Significant Other Key.

Toy for mini Spielbergs

Considering that Intel is one of the driving forces behind the digital revolution, the company has an elementary sense of fun.

Two years ago, the Intel Play QXE Computer Microscope appealed to aspiring entomologists. This year's Intel Play Digital Movie Creator is designed for the next generation of Steven Spielbergs. It consists of a small digital camera that can record up to four minutes of video and sound on a chip. The video can then be transferred to a PC through a USB connection from the camera's base. The video can be edited and enhanced with graphics, titles and special effects by using the included Movie Creator software and have its premiere on the PC or through e-mail. At $99, there's one Hollywood skill the Digital Movie Creator probably can't teach: how to go over budget.



Tiny Treos



The new Handspring Treo is a tiny gadget that packs a mobile phone, a personal organizer based on the Palm OS and a Blackberry-style text messenger into one device. The company will release two models early next year: Treo 180, which has a tiny qwerty-style keyboard, and Treo 180g, which uses the Graffiti handwriting recognition system. Each model will cost about $400, not including wireless service fees. (Handspring says you'll be able to use your existing mobile provider.) Gartner Dataquest, a research firm, recently reported that quarterly shipments of personal digital assistants were down 21 percent from a year ago. But Jeff Hawkins, Handspring's chief executive, says, "Treo is a breakthrough product in the same way that the Pilot was a breakthrough product."

Digital maps for small world



With place names like Quetta, Peshawar, and Uzbekistan in the news every day, there is renewed interest in world geography. One reliable source of maps for over a century has been National Geographic Magazine. For those without a subscription, National Geographic Maps: The Complete Collection from Encore Software is an eight-disc CD-ROM set of 535 detailed and colorful printable maps as well as information about ethnic peoples, terrain, climate and changes in mapping techniques in the years since the magazine was founded. For users with an internet connection, the program links to National Geographic's Map Machine Web site, which provides updates on maps that have changed since the program was finished. The magazine created a new map of Afghanistan over the last month.

The program is available in a Windows version at www.encoresoftware.com, at www.nationalgeographic.com and at major software outlets for under $20.

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TECH TEST

Microsoft unleashes new Office suite for Mac OS X

By Matthew Fordahl
Associated Press

Apple's new operating system, Mac OS X, is a work of art.

It's fast, and a Unix base provides stability. But the lack of compatible software long prevented Apple from winning converts from the Windows-based PC world — and even thwarted Mac users who wanted to upgrade from Mac OS 9.

Now, a new office productivity suite makes the strongest case yet for a switch. And it's from Microsoft Corp.

Making good on a promise that came with a $150 million investment in Apple five years ago, Microsoft has released Office X, the latest version of its ubiquitous office suite.

It contains the familiar names from earlier versions: Word for word processing, Excel for spreadsheets and PowerPoint for presentations. It also has an e-mail and organizer program dubbed Entourage.

Fundamentally, the features differ little from Office XP for Windows or earlier Mac operating systems. But this suite is not backward compatible. It only runs on Apple's new operating system.

That alone will score points for the Mac faithful who ran the last version of Office in Mac OS X's slow compatibility mode.

In the Microsoft tradition, the suite carries a high price: $499 for a complete copy or $299 for an upgrade. Apple offers an alternative for starving students, the $79 AppleWorks suite.

The biggest change in Office X is the look.

Microsoft developers captured the feel of Apple's new operating system and its "Aqua" interface, from ever-so-slightly transparent menus to 700 crisp, new icons. Dialogue box buttons look like jelly beans.

Unlike older Office versions for Macs or PCs, the charts and graphics also can be made semitransparent. Documents appear professionally produced.

Office X's programs have inherited OS X's stability. During my tests, there were no unexpected freezes or crashes.

Most dialogue boxes no longer prevent the rest of the program from being used until a choice is made. Other files can be opened while the dialogue box patiently awaits input.

A context-sensitive palette also makes finding features easier — mirroring functions in Adobe and Macromedia programs. The palette eliminates the need to browse through menus or interpret arcane toolbar icons.

Better yet, the Microsoft Mac team did not include the underhanded activation scheme found in Office XP and Windows XP, where users must send information back to Microsoft or face deactivation of their software.

Office X also does not include Smart Tags, an Office XP feature that links text in one document to information in others or on the Internet.

Another minor annoyance is the ugly "office assistant" that popped on the screen when I sought online help. It doesn't fit into the stylish environment, though it's not as annoying as the animated paper clip in some Windows versions.

On the Net:
Microsoft Office X:
http://www.microsoft.com/mac/officex/



AP Photo
Kevin Browne, general manager of Microsoft's Macintosh unit, poses for a photograph with a Macintosh G4 in advance of Microsoft's fall release of its Office v. X for Mac software in Redmond, Wash. Browne is the first to admit Microsoft has taken some missteps in its efforts to make its trademark Office business software suite for rival Apple computers.

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311 Medical Help Wanted

DOCTOR'S OFFICE seeking Full-time Billing and collections clerk. Experienced Preferred, But will Train. Mail resumes to P.O. Box 8749 Midland, Texas 79708.

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CHRISTIAN FAMILY needs full time nanny to care for 2 small boys. Fax resumes to 620-8188 or call 620-8444

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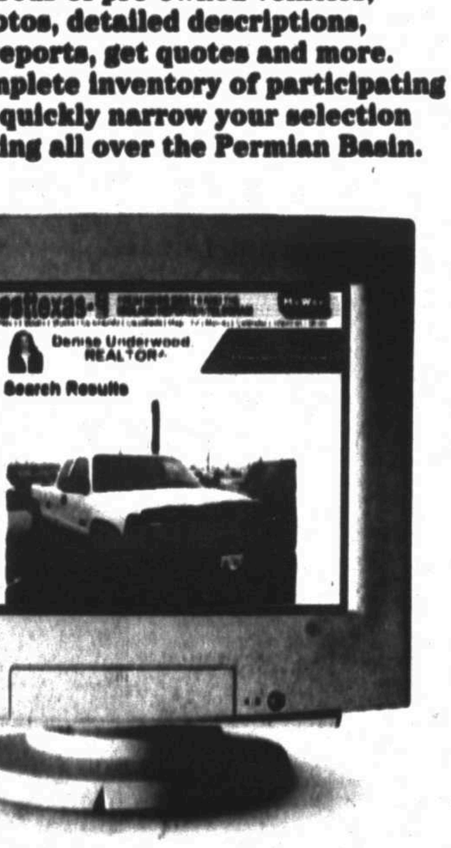
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