SPORTS

In the money

Jason Giambi is finally ready to officially join the New York Yankees with a seven-year contract worth about $120 million./**1C**

LOCAL

Windy city

High winds were blamed for an accident on Loop 250's overpass above U.S. Highway 80 after an 18-wheeler overturned./**1B**

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State officials learn of threat against school

By Connie Mabin
Associated Press

AUSTIN — State officials and the FBI have alerted schools throughout Texas that a vague threat has been received suggesting two people may retaliate against an unknown Texas school for the U.S. bombing in Afghanistan.

Gov. Rick Perry called the threat "low-level" and said, "I believe Texas is safe and our schools are safe."

"The FBI considers it to be a low-level threat. Nonetheless, I believe it's important that school officials are notified and that parents, teachers, administrators and law enforcement personnel are extra vigilant," Perry said.

"Texans sent their children to school today and they should do so tomorrow," Perry said.

Law enforcement will increase security in and around schools until the threat is cleared, said David Dewhurst, chairman of the state's Task Force on Homeland Security.

Houston FBI Special Agent Bob Dogium called the Texas threat "vague" and said the information came from a foreign government. No specific school was named.

"We are working with them to try and determine the reliability of it," he said.

Although Dewhurst and Department of Public Safety director Col. Thomas Davis Jr. said a second state was threatened, the FBI said Texas was the only state in which a school was threatened.

A law enforcement official in Washington, speaking only on condition of anonymity, said authorities have not determined if the Texas threat is credible. The Justice Department is monitoring, he said.

Dogium said the FBI informed Texas' homeland task force, which began informing public school districts, private schools, colleges and universities late Tuesday night after receiving the information. Texas authorities didn't notify the public until late Wednesday morning.

"The initial concern is that this might cause undue panic," Dogium said. "Our responsibility is to let them know this is out there."

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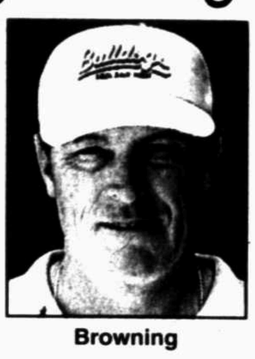
Browning retiring as MHS football coach

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor



Browning

The 30-year coaching career of David Browning came to an end on Wednesday when the Midland High head football coach announced he is retiring.

"I'm going to retire effective at the end of the contract year, which is June 30," Browning said. "This wasn't a decision that came easily for Cheryl (Browning's wife) and I."

Browning, 52, has been the head coach at MHS for the past six seasons. According to him, this was an issue he has toyed with since last summer. He finally made the decision to hang up his coaching shoes on Wednesday.

"This goes back to last summer when Cheryl and I talked about how long we were going to do this," Browning said. "This was a family decision because this job affects her as much as it does me. Also, there has been a little bit of a health concern. Obviously, coaching is a stressful job.

"Coaching kids has been fun and I'll miss most of the relationships I've had with the kids over the years, but the 15-hour days are now tougher and I'm just tired. Besides, I'd like to enjoy playing some golf in my old age.

"I talked with (MHS principal) David Adams in October to tell him that this might be my last year. So, this was a decision that didn't come overnight."

Adams said, "I'm disappointed that David is leaving us, but we understand the pressures that 30 years of coaching brings with it and that he needs the time to relax.

"We talked a couple of months ago whether this year or next would be his last season and he has decided at this point that this was his last season.

"I'm extremely proud of what David

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Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Midland Christian cheerleaders return waves as the parade passes the school. The Midland Christian Mustangs won a second consecutive TAPPS state championship Nov. 24.

Midland Christian celebrates another championship

By Evan A. Pierce
MRT Correspondent

The sights and sounds of school spirit filled the streets of Midland on Wednesday as the 2001 Texas Association of Private and Parochial 4A State Champions, Midland Christian Mustangs, celebrated their second consecutive state title with a parade Wednesday.

"Every member of this school is behind every organization in this school," said mother and volunteer parade coordinator Melissa Midkiff. "Midland Christian School is a family within itself. This is our chance to say we're proud of you."

The event followed the Mustangs' 20-14 victory over Denton Liberty Christian on Nov. 24. Midland Christian racked up impressive back-to-back single-loss seasons the past two years. Even with that single blemish each season, the team eventually defeated every team it played. Both years the Mustangs matched up with the team that handed them their single loss in the state championship game and both years they came out victorious.

"Four years ago when I came to Midland Christian, these kids were freshmen," said head coach Greg McClendon. "I told them I wanted to win a state championship in four years. They didn't just win one, they won two."

The gathering started with a parade but it was the pep-rally finale that proved to be the most eventful. The rally resembled most others, with music, dancing, and of course cheering, but

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MISD officials urging parents to stay calm

By Hillary S. Condon
Staff Writer

Officials in the Midland Independent School District say the low-level threat to Texas schools is not specific enough to Midland, or even West Texas, to cause a panic.

"The entire piece of information is unsubstantiated. We have no real reason to believe that any campus in Midland, or for that matter, in this part of the state, is targeted," said MISD Superintendent Robert Nicks, who received the warning from the FBI stressing strict security early Wednesday morning. "It doesn't refer to any specific cities or towns, and talks about Texas in a very generalized way. If Midland ISD were to receive a threat that were more specific, we'd have to take additional precautions."

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— Robert Nicks, MISD superintendent

MISD Police Chief Dan Walkenshaw said the school district police officers are being "extra vigilant," and have solicited the help of other law enforcement agencies.

"We're asking the Midland Police Department and the other policing agencies in Midland County to just assist us if they're not busy, to do more driving around the schools, and if they see something, certainly let us know and help us to be more vigilant around the schools," he said. "We've got 35 schools,

Please see **CALM**/4A

Researchers predict 2002 oil prices could drop by $6

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Permian Basin oil producers, used to decades of price volatility, can expect volatile — and lower prices in 2002 — according to an annual forecast issued Wednesday.

"The recent collapse in world oil demand growth in the wake of Sept. 11 will have a reverberating effect on oil price volatility — creating additional pressures on the industry," said Joseph Stanislaw, president of Cambridge Energy Research Associates.

West Texas Intermediate crude, expected to average around $26 per barrel, should average "probably somewhere around" $20 a barrel next year, Stanislaw said. Other benchmarks should see similar dips.

Larry Oldham, president and chief executive officer of Parallel Petroleum, said his company is currently basing its plans on two price scenarios: $20 per barrel of crude oil and $3 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf) of natural gas and $15 for crude and $2 for natural gas.

"Those are our two case scenarios," he said. "We've been in business over 20 years and have had to live with volatility — nobody knows what's going to happen."

Parallel, he said, currently operates on a 90-day budget and constantly monitors energy prices, adjusting its operations accordingly.

"I'm surprised that prices are so soft," he added. "I'm an eternal optimist, everyone in the business is, but we've learned to adjust our budgets according to prices."

Like Oldham, Dr. Jerry Jones, a Midland economist and president of Midland Business Center, is surprised at how rapidly energy prices softened — oil prices have slid more than 30 percent in recent

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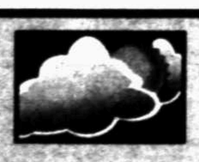

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Bush home restoration takes monumental step

By Emily Baker
MRT Correspondent

A monumental step toward completing the restoration of George W. Bush's childhood home was announced by State Sen. Teel Bivins on Wednesday. The Texas Historical Commission awarded Midland a Texas Preservation Trust Fund Grant in the amount of $4,000.

"This is so exciting for Midland," said Bivins, R-Amarillo. "This is a locally driven project. We didn't have a lot of money to give out. We are elated to have this national landmark."

The house, located at 1412 W. Ohio Ave., will be restored to how it looked from 1951 to 1955. It also will be a designated presidential site, said Bill Scott, board president of George Bush Childhood Home, Inc.

"We want people to see where the president got the values he learned in his young years and in this community," Scott said.

State Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Midland was present at the announcement and joked that between Lee High School alumnus/Longhorn football star Cedric Benson and the childhood home, Midland is has been receiving a lot more attention.

Once the project is complete, Scott expects between 25,000 and 35,000 visitors a year.

"That's a lot of dollars into the community," he said.

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Teel Bivins, center, Tom Craddick, right and other local dignitaries announce a grant to help with the renovation of the Bush family home Wednesday afternoon in the living room of the home.

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House passes intelligence bill that stresses better analysis of data

By Carolyn Skorneck
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House unanimously passed an intelligence bill Wednesday that will place new emphasis on traditional human spy networks in combatting terrorism.

"The events of Sept. 11 are a sad reminder of what happens when we let our intelligence guard down," said Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla., a former CIA officer who is chairman of the House Intelligence Committee. "Intelligence is our first line of defense and it must be treated as such, particularly in this war against terrorism."

The bill would increase spending by 8 percent — higher than the 7 percent President Bush sought. Besides focusing new attention and funding on human spies, it aims to increase the portion of collected data that gets analyzed and turned into useful information.

The voice vote was on final passage of a conference bill worked out by House and Senate negotiators. The Senate still must pass the compromise bill before it can be sent to President Bush for his signature.

It comes as the intelligence community is getting a lot of good attention for its work in assisting the U.S.-led coalition in Afghanistan.

Goss said none of the progress in that war seen in TV reports and at Pentagon briefings would have been possible without intelligence, noting that the first combat casualty was an intelligence officer, Johnny Micheal Spann.

"The fact that the first casualty was a CIA officer speaks to the fact that intelligence is in fact in the lead in this war," he said. "There is no argument about that."

At the same time, few have forgotten that the war began with what many consider an intelligence failure — the Sept. 11 attacks that came with no warning.

However, the final bill dropped a House proposal for an outside panel to assess why the intelligence community failed to uncover those attack plans in advance.

Instead, the Senate and House Intelligence committees will study that as they determine reforms needed to enhance intelligence capabilities.

Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., the House committee's top Democrat who had pressed for the outside panel, said she had misgivings about the plan.

"I am concerned that an independent review would have the credibility with the American people that a congressional review, no matter how professionally done, will not," she said. "This is not about fingerpointing or assigning blame," but the need to find out if there were gaps that need to be addressed to prevent a repeat of Sept. 11.

Intelligence spending is generally kept secret. But the CIA revealed, after being sued by the Federation of American Scientists, that spending totaled $26.6 billion in 1997 and $26.7 billion in 1998, said the federation's Steven Aftergood. Since then, it's been estimated at about $30 billion a year.

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The measure sets out four priorities:

■ Revitalizing the National Security Agency, which gathers and analyzes information from broadcasts, computers and other electronic means of communication, shifting the focus from intercepting broadcasts to tapping fiber-optic communication lines.

■ Correcting deficiencies in human spy networks. Among other things, Pelosi said, the nation must "ensure that case officers receive the training they need, especially in foreign languages, to be able to do their jobs effectively."

■ Increasing the percentage of data collected that is converted into useful intelligence.

■ Funding for a research and development initiative, reversing declining investment in this area.

The bill also calls for a review of new guidelines on recruiting foreign assets and sources, even though CIA Director George Tenet in September revised 1995 rules that limited recruitment of foreigners who had committed human rights abuses.

The rules "have had a chilling effect on our ability to gain access to vital intelligence," Goss said.

What is needed is a new balance between potential gain and risk, "a balance that recognizes concerns about egregious human rights behavior and law breaking, while providing much needed flexibility to take advantage of opportunities to gather important information," the conference committee said.

The bill would also make it easier to get a roving wiretap, amending a law that requires agents to list the instrument's location. Since roving wiretaps are aimed at moving objects such as cell phones, locations keep changing. Under the bill, if agents don't know where it is, they would not have to list it.

On the Net:
Senate committee: http://intelligence.senate.gov
House committee: http://intelligence.house.gov/

Company recalls toys because of choking hazard

WASHINGTON (AP) — Baby Buzz'r International, based in Sandy, has received five reports of red, green and blue button covers coming off, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission. No injuries have been reported.

Baby Buzz'r is a round plastic baby toy with a face on the front, a red and blue "teethable ear" on each side, and a yellow circular mirror on the back. The Baby Buzz'r toy has three colored buttons on the top of the product. When the buttons are depressed the toy vibrates, plays music, or lights up.

Baby specialty stores, catalogs and internet sites sold the Baby Buzz'r toys from June 2001 through September 2001 for about $13.

Consumers can identify the recalled toys by squeezing the button covers on the top of the toy with pliers: Those that can be squeezed out of shape are being recalled. Those retaining their shape are not.

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Layoff not surprising, but not easy, for veteran steelworker

By Carolyn Thompson
Associated Press

LACKAWANNA, N.Y. — Five days a week for 28 years, Terry Cycon passed through "One Gate" at the Bethlehem Steel complex and wound his way to the powerful coke ovens that supplied the heat for turning ore into steel.

Cycon's job was to keep the machinery of the big ovens running. It was hard, dirty work that began at the crack of dawn — but it was steady, and allowed him to raise a family, buy a house, and send a son to college.

Then this year, as the steel industry declined and America's economy slowed, rumors of a shutdown picked up. At 58, Cycon (pronounced Sy'-kon) hoped to hang on for two more years, then retire with an even 30 and a comfortable pension.

He wouldn't be that lucky. The plant closed in September, putting Cycon into unemployment limbo and creating uncertainty about the future as he and his wife, Irene, now contemplate leaving western New York, their lifelong home.

"I knew it was coming. Everybody knew it was coming, we just didn't know when," he said, dragging on a cigarette in his suburban Buffalo home. Nearby, a red, white and blue button stuck on a cabinet urges people to "Stand up for steel, stand up for America."

Cycon could be one of the lucky ones, at least financially. He expects to start collecting a pension in January, strengthened by a $400-per-month shutdown supplement that will make it competitive with what his 30-year pension would have been.

Yet as Bethlehem struggles to reorganize under bankruptcy protection, employee and retiree health benefits are on the negotiating table. Workers like Cycon fear the shutdown supplement could be lost, although company spokeswoman Bette Kovach said it will remain in place.

The layoff has been unsettling in other ways, too — for all of Cycon's family.

Cycon was refused a small loan he'd sought to help a grown daughter. The family has changed the way it budgets money, and Mrs. Cycon has been forced to pick up extra hours at her job in a nursing home laundry room.

After he and about 340 others were laid off in September, Cycon went two weeks without income before the first of his $405 weekly unemployment checks arrived. He has since called the state Labor Department once a week to answer their "whole nine yards of questions" about his job search.

"You spend 15 or 20 minutes at a time just trying to get the line free," he said. It's an irritating reminder to Cycon that his situation is not unique.

There have also been mandated visits to career counselors to update a resume he hoped to never need. He was only laid off once before — temporarily, 20 years ago — and survived the 1970s contraction of the Lackawanna plant that shrank it from employing 23,000 people to just a few hundred.

"Realistically, they want us to look for the same type of employment," Cycon said of his counselors. "There are no steel jobs, that's for darn sure. And the major companies, Ford, Chevy, they're not hiring."

That's why an offer from a son-in-law in Georgia to work at his wrecking business is appealing.

Cycon always planned to work part-time after leaving the plant to supplement his pension, and he isn't optimistic about the economy at home. The region never really felt the economic boom of the 1990s and it's not faring well in the recession.

An out-of-state move might be a hard necessity. "It's going to be difficult," Cycon said.

Although it would move him closer to daughter, Kimberly Anne, in Dallas, Ga., and three grandchildren, it would mean saying good-bye to his other daughter, Anita, her infant son and another grandchild on the way.

"Western New York's been my home all my life," Cycon said. "But if you can't live here, you've got to live somewhere."

Now with the approach of Christmas, there is the weighing of mortgage, car loan, credit card and household bills to see which ones can wait. Some gifts are being bought on credit.

Like her husband, Mrs. Cycon is willing to move, but a sister is in a nursing home with multiple sclerosis. It would be hard to leave her, she said. Her mother died last week from lung cancer.

Mrs. Cycon tries not to worry about finances and the uncertainty surrounding their benefits, saying her husband does that enough for both of them.

"I told him (the shutdown) was going to happen someday," she said. "When it really happened he really got worried, it was hard."

AP Photo

Terry Cycon, 58, leans against a telephone pole across from the Bethlehem Steel Corporation in Lackawanna, N.Y., Tuesday. Cycon was recently laid off after 28 years of service in the coke-ovens for Bethlehem Steel. He wanted to retire, instead he became another victim of the recession when his plant shut down this fall. Now his wife is working more hours at a nursing home laundry, and the couple are contemplating a move out of state.

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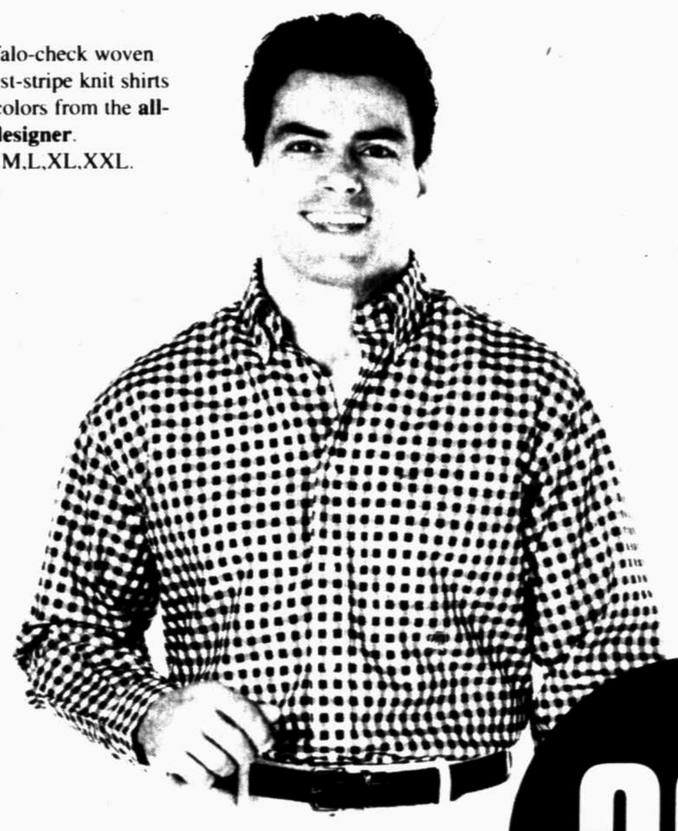

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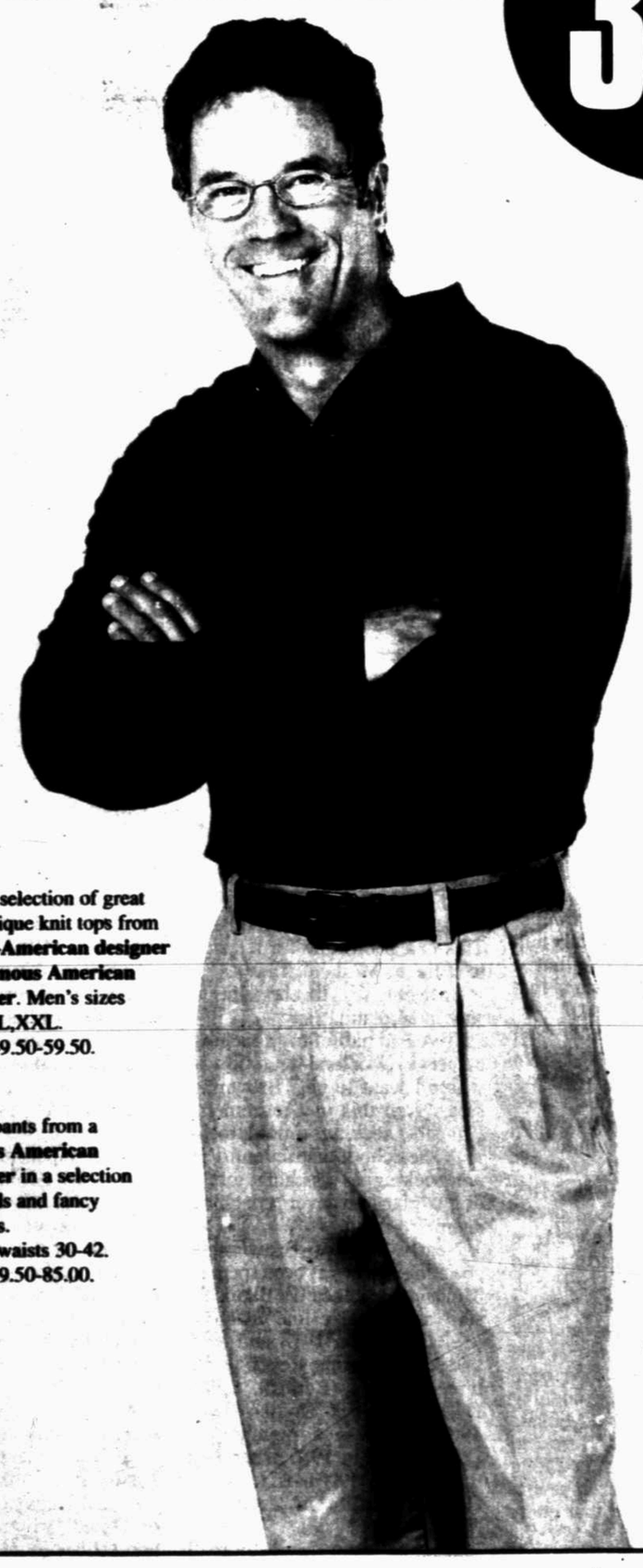

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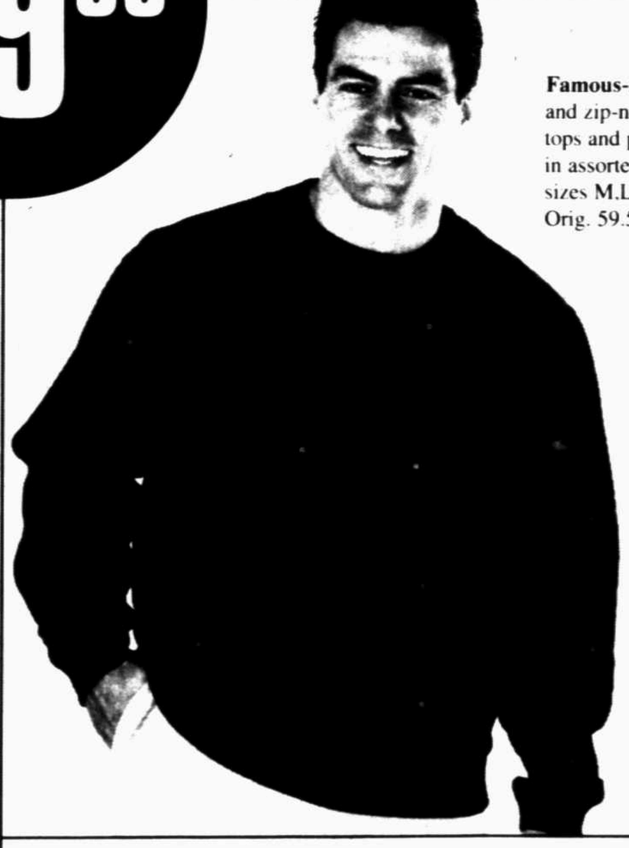

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Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today	Friday	Saturday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 52	High 61	High 63
Low 29	Low 28	Low 33

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a slight chance of morning showers. Expect highs in the lower 50s with westerly winds from 5 to 15 mph. The chance of rain is 20 percent. For tonight, expect mostly clear skies and lows in the upper 20s.

Friday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and highs near 60.

On Saturday, expect partly cloudy skies and lows from 30 to 35. Expect highs from 60 to 65.

The high on Wednesday reached 57, while the low dropped to 39. The record high for Dec. 12 is 80 set in 1995. The record low is 10 set in 1989.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Tuesday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Wednesday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	9.75 in.
Normal total (year to date)	14.62 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	59
Low	39
Normal high	59
Normal low	31

Sunrise ... 7:40 a.m.
Sunset ... 5:45 p.m.

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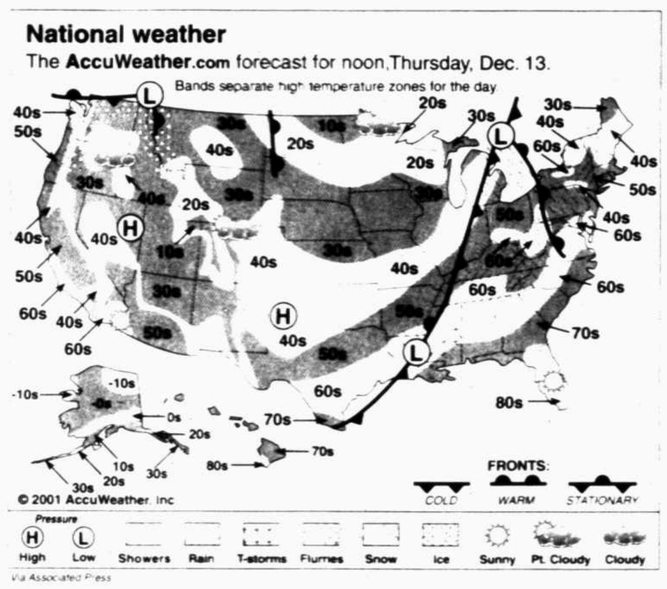
National weather

The **AccuWeather.com** forecast for noon,Thursday, Dec. 13.



Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Atlanta	52	48	rn	
Atlantic City	55	34	01	cdy
Baltimore	50	40	rn	
Boston	44	35	rn	
Charleston,S.C.	66	53	cdy	
Chicago	46	34	02	cdy
Cincinnati	54	37	06	cdy
Cleveland	54	30	03	rn
Daytona Beach	81	64	cdy	
Denver	24	23	04	clr
Detroit	46	34	02	rn
Fargo	27	27	cdy	
Flagstaff	27	9	cdy	
Flint	47	28	01	cdy
Fort Wayne	49	29	13	cdy
Fresno	53	36	clr	
Grand Rapids	45	32	07	cdy
Green Bay	44	30	snc	
Honolulu	82	74	pcdy	
Indianapolis	50	37	01	cdy
Jackson,Miss.	71	50	01	rn
Jacksonville	72	63	pcdy	
Juneau	36	33	36	snc
Kansas City	46	42	53	cdy
Las Vegas	51	32		cdy
Little Rock	56	46	2.51	cdy
Los Angeles	65	48		clr
Memphis	59	50	2.03	cdy
Nashville	61	46	.23	rn
New Orleans	79	58	rn	
New York City	48	41		cdy
Oklahoma City	51	42	09	cdy
Philadelphia	51	39		cdy
Phoenix	53	43		cdy
Pittsburgh	55	35		cdy
Sacramento	56	39		cdy
St Louis	50	46	.56	cdy
San Diego	61	49		clr
San Francisco	54	48		cdy
Sioux Falls	33	25		cdy
South Bend	47	32	.18	cdy
Tucson	45	38	.12	cdy
Tulsa	53	45	.36	cdy
Tupelo	59	49	.44	rn
Washington,D.C.	50	42	.m	
W. Palm Beach	81	73		cdy
Wichita	48	42	.05	cdy
Wilmington,Del.	54	37		cdy
Yakima	33	31		cdy
Youngstown	52	30	rn	

CALM: Nicks says no need to worry

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and we only have six marked patrol units to patrol those 35 schools."

Midland Police Lt. Chris Cherry said since Sept. 11, the entire city has been on a state of alert, and officers continue to routinely check all potentially sensitive areas.

"The Midland Police Department has made a concerted effort to patrol all government offices, public institutions and those areas we believe to contribute to the infrastructure of the city," he said. "Each time we get one of these warnings, it heightens our awareness and heightens our response."

Although the threat has been there for three months, Cherry said potential dangers for children seem to strike a special chord with police personnel.

"Any time threats are made against places where kids are, police officers take special notice," he said. "We love kids. It's what police officers do, is stand in harm's way for people who can't do it themselves, and I believe that would meet the definition of the children."

In the meantime, Nicks is asking all parents not to panic. He said the security measures issued after Sept. 11 are still in place today.

"Dr. Nicks has been communicating to the principals to communicate to the teachers, and I know that we'll have some parents that maybe won't want to send their children to school," Walkenshaw said. "Everything is going to be on heightened alert, and just like our airports, they're going to be safer now than they've ever been before."

After Sept. 11, the exterior doors at all elementary schools in MISD remain locked except for the main entrances, but can be opened from the inside in an emergency. The district police force has increased security around all of the schools, watching the entrances and exits as much as the hallways.

"School officers are encouraged to check the perimeters around the buildings, as opposed to being a hall monitor," Nicks said. "But these are probably the same practices districts are using all over the state."

Some private schools in Midland have also issued warnings to teachers and staff on Wednesday, and others have not been informed of any threat.

"When our director received the information from the FBI this morning, and it was a low-level threat, she sent a message to all active faculty so they would be aware of the situation," said Janeane McLaughlin, spokeswoman for Trinity School. "They are handling it very quietly, because we don't want to alarm the students, especially the younger children."

The school's security measures, like the emergency management procedures, are communicated to parents at the beginning of the school. Trinity also has staffers who act as security personnel in addition to other jobs, and they have been placed on heightened alert.

Midland Christian Superintendent Eddie Lee said his school also has a series of emergency plans in place, and will continue to be vigilant about the potential danger.

"We just basically ask our staff to be very observant as to anybody that's on campus that looks suspicious in any way," he said. "Every day's a new day, we can't take it for granted. But we do have an emergency action plan that we go over every year with our staff as to what we would do in all of those situations."

But not all of the schools were notified, although they all have emergency procedures.

"I haven't heard anything from the FBI," said St. Ann's School Principal Barbara Ransbottom. "We have procedures for exiting the building and staying in the building, every situation we would need to keep the children safe, but the biggest thing we try to do is just be vigilant. The teachers are encouraged to question people who don't look familiar to them."

Although the school has never received any type of threat and has few discipline problems, Mrs. Ransbottom said the school doesn't take anything for granted.

"We feel we had a pretty good plan in place," she said. "We're just continuing to monitor the area and be watchful — watchful, but not fearful."

OIL: Expert says natural gas may go up

(From 1A)

months.

When prices rose to near $40 a barrel in early 2000, Jones observed, "many people were critical of the general pattern of the increase and wanted an investigation. I've seen no hue and cry for an investigation into how fast they fell."

Lower prices, he said, "will have a discouraging effect on this economy. There has already been a slowdown in activity that's discernible and if Cambridge's forecast happens, there will be a continued slowdown of activity in this area."

While he believes the $20 price scenario arrived at by Cambridge Energy Research is realistic given the weakness of world economies and the sharp drop in demand following the terrorist attacks in September, Jones stresses that any number of factors could change that scenario dramatically, and quickly.

One is the situation in the Middle East, which he said is very unstable and could change quickly, whether U.S. forces now active in Afghanistan turn their attention to oil-exporting countries like Iran and Iraq or if unrest develops in major producing countries like Saudi Arabia.

Another factor could be the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and whether or not they persuade major non-OPEC countries like Russia, Norway and Mexico to cut production and whether or not OPEC members themselves adhere to their quotas and cut 1.5 million barrels of production as they promised in November, should non-OPEC countries agree to cut 500,000 barrels.

Yet another factor, Jones said, is the financial meltdown of Enron, which he said will have a ripple effect throughout the industry for quite some time, not only on other energy traders but on producers and other companies who hedged production with Enron or made deals with Enron Capital.

Weather also could be a factor — severe winter weather could drive up demand for natural gas and prices along with that demand, he pointed out.

Finally, he said, there is uncertainty in regards to future terrorist strikes.

Such uncertainty and its impact on the local economy makes the importance of the economic development tax approved by Midland voters last month "more significant," Jones said.

While most Americans outside the oil patch tend to revel in low prices for gasoline, heating fuel and other energy-sensitive expenditures like airline tickets, Stanislaw warned reasonable prices are important for national security.

"The issue of price volatility is a major concern, because it does have implications for stability of revenues that support regimes" and their social programs, Stanislaw said. "For example, Saudi Arabia has over 30 percent unemployment. That's unemployment for people at very young ages.

"That's an extremely explosive statistic, especially when you look at ... al-Qaida and their ability to appeal to the disenfranchised in countries like Saudi Arabia."

Major findings from "Global Oil Trends," the report compiled by Cambridge with assistance from Sun Microsystems indicates:

- OPEC crude oil output accounted for about 42 percent of the world's total in 2001, about the same as in 2000.
- Global oil consumption is expected to have risen by just 0.3 percent in 2001 and could remain flat or drop next year.
- Proven world oil reserves grew to 1.03 trillion barrels as of January 2001 over the year-ago figure, up 11 billion barrels. Almost all the increase occurred in OPEC countries, which account for 79 percent of world reserves.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

CHAMPS: Mayor praises team for win

(From 1A)

Midland Christian decided to make this one a bit more special. Individual musical tributes were offered for each senior player. There also was a highlight film and a breakdancing coach.

Midland Mayor Mike Canon was on hand to congratulate the Mustangs.

"You've done us proud," said Canon while addressing the team. "We're proud of you. We're proud of you not only on the field, but also off the field."

All-State senior running back Tony Joseph said he was happy with his team's season and looks forward to continuing his football career.

"I think we had a great season. I think we had great coaching," said Joseph. "They put together a great team. It's like a family."

McClendon said he is proud of his team.

"It's a great group of kids," he said. "We set our goals high and then achieved higher goals than what we set. It's great to represent the city of Midland with another state championship."

With the season having barely come to a close there already are doubters on Midland Christian's ability to win a third straight title in 2002. Midland Christian is losing four all-state football players and a quarterback many say is the greatest to ever toss a ball in Midland County. McClendon dismisses these losses and said he is fully confident there is another title in store for next year.

"There's a lot of people who say we lost a great senior class and we won't be back," McClendon said. "To those people I say we'll see you next year."

BUSH: Home to be on Presidential Trail

(From 1A)

He also expects school groups from across the country to visit.

Depending on whether funding becomes available, the childhood home will become part of a Presidential Trail that is similar to the Texas Forts Trail, Scott said.

The total cost of the restoration has not been determined and fund-raising continues, Scott said.

Permian Basin Area Foundation has established a fund to which citizens can contribute to help pay for the restoration.

Jack Swallow, president and CEO of Permian Basin Area Foundation, suggested that residents could make a donation to the fund in the name of a friend as a Christmas gift. That can be done by contacting the foundation at 682-4704.

Though the fund was established about two weeks ago, Swallow estimated thus far donations have totaled $25,000.

COACH: Search for replacement to begin

(From 1A)

Browning has done for Midland High School. He has brought the program to a competitive level and the caliber of athletes is certainly more competitive because of some of the things David has done."

Davis Corley, athletic director of MISD, said, "David isn't being forced out. This is his decision. He's always had my support and the support of the administration. In fact, I tried to talk him out of making this move, but at the same time, I understand that it's his decision to make."

Browning produced an overall record of 26-32 (.448) in his six years at MHS. But his record was 21-19 over the last four seasons, missing the state playoffs by just one game in three of the last four seasons.

He says he's leaving the MHS football program in good shape.

"In the seven years before I got here, Midland High had a record of 18-50," Browning said. "We've had a winning record over the last four years and our kids are more respected at this school now than they have been in the past. It's now a good thing to be a football player at Midland High. There is more interest in the program now than in a long time. Good things are happening or there wouldn't be that many kids out for football.

"We've had 12 kids earn college scholarships in the last five years and every one of them are still playing," Browning said. "That's a credit to the coaches teaching how to compete and how to deal with adversity. Not one of them came home."

Browning's decision could be considered as a surprise since he would have had 14 returning starters back next season after a 5-5 campaign in which the Bulldogs battled to the last game of gaining Midland High's first postseason berth in 50 years.

"That's why I felt that I needed to make a decision now," Browning said. "This school needs the opportunity to get a coach in here and assemble a staff before spring training. I feel good about my decision and I feel good about the situation a new coach will find when he gets here. This is a good time for a coach to come to Midland, Texas."

Browning says that he wants to stay in Midland.

"I've had half of my coaching career in Midland and this is where I want to be," Browning said. "And this is a retirement. I'm not seeking employment with the school district and I'm not seeking a coaching job. I don't plan on ever coaching again."

Nearly half of Browning's coaching career has been spent in Midland. He joined Gil Bartosh's staff as offensive line coach at Midland Lee in 1978 and held that position for the Rebels under three coaches (Bartosh, Spike Dykes and Jack Tayrien) until 1985. He was a member of Dykes' staff in 1983 when Lee went to the state finals, losing to Converse Judson in Texas Stadium.

He has been head football coach at both Willis and Corpus Christi King. He also has been an assistant coach or the college level at Texas A&I, Appalachian State and Oklahoma State. He also coached the freshmen offensive line at Texas Tech in 1972 after graduating from that university where he played football.

Now, MISD must mount a search for a new head football coach for the Bulldogs. Corley says that process will begin soon, beginning in the office of Tom Holland, director of personnel for MISD.

"The first thing we have to do is post the position," Corley said. "Dr. Holland's office will take care of that.

"I don't know a timeline yet since we just learned of David's decision, but I'm sure we will want to do this as soon as possible. The superintendent (Robert Nicks), Dr. Holland and I will probably have to get together and decide how we want to go about a search for a coach.

"We'll take applications and then interview coaches after we have narrowed down the list. Hopefully, we would also have a site visit of whoever these coaches are."

Adams said he would be on the search committee.

"I'll be on the interview team," Adams said. "I think we will be extremely lucky to find someone of David Browning's integrity and caliber to come to Midland High School."

THREAT: Governor says state followed FBI orders

(From 1A)

Perry, who said he couldn't provide specific details of the threat, agreed Texans needed to be informed. The state was following FBI orders, he said.

"We're at war," Perry said. "When you start talking about the children of the state of Texas — even an unsubstantiated report that is unspecific — the people of the state of Texas need to know this information."

The Texas Education Agency did not cancel classes. The agency sent an e-mail to the superintendents of the state's 1,183 school districts Wednesday alerting them of the threat.

"At this point, it may prove to be unfounded but it provides us all with a good opportunity to review our security and emergency procedures," said spokeswoman Debbie Graves-Ratcliffe.

Education Commissioner Jim Nelson said, "I know our schools are safe. I believe they're the safest public places in the communities because our school personnel are certainly aware of what they need to be doing in situations like this."

School officials across the state reassured parents that it was safe to send children to class.

"We don't want to create panic," said Pat Fuller, police chief at the Austin Independent School District. "That's one of the worst things we can do."

In the town of Crawford, near President Bush's Central Texas ranch, Secret Service agents, along with county and local law enforcement officials told school leaders the threat is minimal, said superintendent Kenneth Judy.

"Because of the president's (Texas) home, this town is probably safer than it's ever been," he said.

Still, crisis team members were apprised of the threat and school buses were put into place in case of an evacuation.

Other threats around the nation made public in recent months never have materialized.

In October, hospitals in Baltimore were warned of a possible anthrax attack and in early November, a threat of rush-hour terror attacks against four California bridges turned out to be not credible.

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Observers worry tutoring provisions in education bill could be lacking

By Greg Toppo
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — After students at Grange Elementary School in Dundalk, Md., scored poorly on state reading tests, officials put every one of the school's third-graders into twice-weekly group tutoring sessions.

Six years later, the bold idea paid off — test scores went up and both parents and students are happy. This fall, another group of third-graders — 68 in all — are receiving tutoring that includes a few precious minutes of one-on-one attention.

Now, President Bush wants to take the idea nationwide, but critics fret that the proposed subsidy falls far short of what making a difference would cost.

Under the bill now being considered in Congress, school districts in which students' test scores don't improve would be required to spend a small portion of the money they receive under the federal Title I program, meant to serve poor children. Spending varies widely, but school districts generally receive an estimated $750 to $875 per pupil.

"It is kind of difficult to see how we're really going to provide adequate services to children with this kind of funding," said Darrell Capwell, a lobbyist with the American Federation of Teachers.

Parents of poor students in struggling schools could use federal dollars for tutoring in reading and math as early as next fall.

Lawmakers say the tutoring program can be done cost-effectively and that it will boost the test scores of the lowest-performing students.

"Under this bill, if there's not enough money available for everyone, at least we have a requirement that the services go to the lowest performing and poorest school kids," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

There's little doubt that one-on-one and small-group tutoring can help children struggling to keep up.

Every Tuesday and Thursday, third-graders at Grange file into a bright, comfortable classroom renovated by Sylvan Learning Systems, the Baltimore-based tutoring giant.

Students gather around semi-circular tables in groups of four or five, where a teacher begins a short reading lesson, then guides each child through individualized tasks based on his or her progress.

Students love the sessions, not only for the individual attention but for the prizes they can earn. By completing lessons they earn points — up to 18 per week. Students save them up and cash them in for prizes — everything from a pencil (seven points) or paperback coloring book (22 points) to a soccer ball (300 points).

Sylvan cut an affordable deal with Grange, charging about $1,000 per pupil for a full school year.

If students were to seek out private tutoring individually, a session with Sylvan or another provider could cost $20 to $80 per hour, or $1,000 to $4,000 for the 50 one-hour sessions Sylvan recommends. Those amounts double if the child needs tutoring in both math and reading.

The education bill, called "a signature issue" of Bush's first year in the White House by spokesman Ari Fleischer, is expected to win approval by the House today. It would require struggling schools to use up to 15 percent of their total Title I allotment for tutoring or providing students with transportation to another public school.

The bill increases Title I funding, but critics worry that it spreads the money thin by making more students eligible for the services. They are also concerned that school districts may have to bear some of the burden of the tutoring demands.

The bill's authors say the program primarily focuses on the lowest-performing students, and that school districts can greatly reduce costs by running the programs themselves.

It requires school districts to approve a list of public or private tutoring services. These can include programs within the schools themselves and run by teachers, or through private and nonprofit companies and religious providers.

Maureen Harris, who runs tutoring and after-school programs for the Boston Public Schools, said students who fail state tests receive after-school tutoring by public school teachers, at a cost of about $349 per student. The state-funded classes contain, on average, about seven to 10 students, she said.

"We absolutely do feel like we're making a difference," Harris said.

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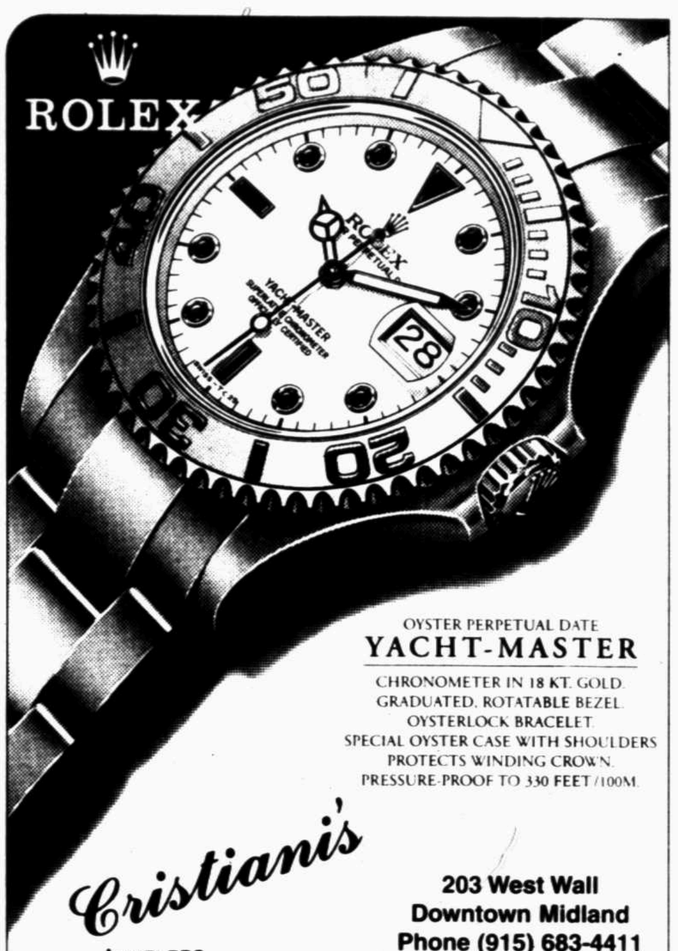
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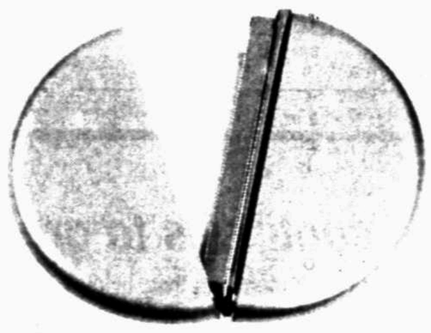
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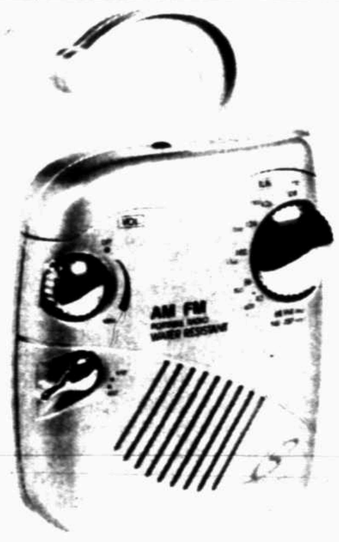

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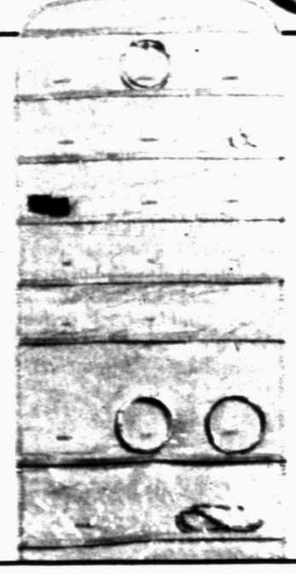
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MISD prepares to face voters once again

The fact that the Midland Independent School District is once again going to ask voters for permission to raise property taxes to support building renovation projects is hardly news.

For the wary, sometimes cynical Midland voter it's simply been a question of when. And, of course, how much.

The heavy duty thrashing dealt to MISD in October 2000 by an overwhelming majority of voters is still fresh in all our minds.

Still scarred by the voter massacre, MISD officials have appeared a little gun shy about even mentioning the need for a future referendum.

But this time, we have a hunch the outcome could be very different.

We all know a campaign hinges on the credibility of its pitch man.

Superintendent Robert Nicks, who assumed the helm this past summer, has done a masterful job of getting out and listening to the concerns of parents, teachers, students, principals and taxpayers.

Nicks has shown us he's not an ivory tower man.

Yet in this week's school board meeting, Nicks indicated the listening has just begun.

He said if a school bond will have any chance in September it will depend on drawing up and delivering a plan with ideas, dimensions and locations inspired by community input. In other words, MISD might as well forget about the $220,000 worth of blueprints and schematics left over from the October 2000 campaign.

The superintendent said he will begin to gather information from parents, staff and students at the start of the year. A series of community meetings are being scheduled.

While the "community input" concept has been put to use in previous school bond campaigns, in reality "community meetings" were often carefully orchestrated dog-and-pony shows in which innocent but pointed inquiries from solo, out-of-sync members of the audience were immediately muffled by those running the show.

Salesmanship will be of utmost importance. Fortunately, Nicks has demonstrated he keenly understands making a sale hinges on an ability to get to know the customer, his desires, his wishes and his limitations. Nicks also seems to know repeat business from satisfied customers adds up to long-term success.

Backing up Nicks will be a citizen-elected school board of a caliber such as we haven't seen in a long time. The current crop of school board members is drawn from a variety of backgrounds and life experiences. They aren't one-issue board members. Not one of them seems to want the seat for the illusion of power or prestige. Together they sound an honest, believable, trustworthy voice.

Selling Midland taxpayers on a school bond won't be easy. And at first glance, the timetable might appear to be a bit aggressive.

But coming out of the starting block, the leaders of the school district seem to understand the ultimate power isn't in their hands. That power is in the hands of the people of this community.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Dec. 13, the 347th day of 2001. There are 18 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

One year ago, on Dec. 13, 2000, Republican George W. Bush claimed the presidency five weeks after Election Day and a day after the U.S. Supreme Court shut down further recounts of disputed ballots in Florida. Democrat Al Gore conceded, delivering a call for national unity.

On this date:

In 1577, Sir Francis Drake of England set out with five ships on a nearly three-year journey that would take him around the world.

In 1642, Dutch navigator Abel Tasman arrived in present-day New Zealand.

In 1769, Dartmouth College, in New Hampshire, received its charter.

In 1862, Union forces suffered a major defeat by the Confederates at the Battle of Fredericksburg.

In 1918, President Wilson arrived in France, becoming the first chief executive to visit Europe while in office.

In 1928, George Gershwin's musical work "An American in Paris" had its premiere, at Carnegie Hall in New York.

In 1944, during World War II, the U.S. cruiser Nashville was badly damaged in a Japanese kamikaze suicide attack that claimed 138 lives.

GEORGE WILL

Liberals, conservatives must seek new ideas

WASHINGTON — America's unending political argument is about how freedom both depends on government and is threatened by it, and competes with other values. That argument was raging in 1800, when the government, moving from Philadelphia to Washington, packed the executive branch archives.

In seven boxes.

Will

Now war has discomfited many participants in the argument. The war has rendered perilous liberalism's attitude of adversarial cosmopolitanism. And because the war has produced a Hamiltonian moment, it is awkward for conservatives who take an adversarial stance toward federal power.

Sept. 11 discombobulated liberals because it triggered an outpouring not merely of patriotism but of nationalism — not just love of country but a robust assertion of the superiority of America's political and cultural institutions and mores. Modern liberalism has been deeply tinged with distrust of nationhood, and with eagerness to dilute sovereignty by delegating national rights and responsibilities to multinational bodies.

Sept. 11 forcefully reminded Americans that their nation-state — not NATO, not the United Nations — is the source of their security. And they relish the clarity of the Bush Doctrine, which is that nation-states have the great utility of locating responsibility: National regimes are responsible for terrorism that issues from their sphere of control.

Because modern liberalism defined itself partly in reaction against Vietnam, and because in its recoil against American power it became susceptible to "moral equivalency" analysis of the origins and conduct of the Cold War ("two scorpions in a bottle," etc.), liberalism radiated chilliness toward America's military and the CIA — and toward agencies of domestic security, including police and the FBI. It inverted the isolationism of the right (America is too good for the world), arguing that the world is too good for the depredations of American militarism.

In less than three months, America s military collapsed a regime complicit in Sept. 11, and domestic security agencies now stand between Americans and "sleeper cells" of terrorists. Liberalism's chilliness conflicts with the public's warm pride and gratitude.

Furthermore, in the name of "multiculturalism" and "diversity," liberalism has treated racial and ethnic differences as identities that are unmeltable and, anyway, morally preferable to national identity. So liberal politics has become the accommodation of grievance groups clamoring for recognition of their victimhood. And liberalism is uneasy with what Sept. 11 quickened — a shared sense of nationality. When America became a victim, the politics of parochial victim-mongering suddenly seemed worse than just stale, and modern liberalism was stripped of what has become its principle vocabulary, that of complaint.

Some liberals say liberalism will now prosper because it celebrates the nobility and utility of government, and confidence in government has risen sharply. However, the last time it rose notably was under Ronald Reagan, who refocused government on its core functions, such as national security.

James Q. Wilson notes whereas New Deal liberalism was concerned with who gets what, when, where and how, modern liberalism is concerned with who thinks what, who acts when, who lives where and who feels how. The national government's prestige has soared because it is preoccupied with its elemental duty—national defense.

However, conservatives, too, must think anew. Liberals rightly say the post-Sept. 11 sense of community is problematic for a conservatism of pure individualism, of markets considered the always preferable mechanism of social choice, and of general suspicion of the governmental institutions through which the community acts. Even Enron's spectacular meltdown demonstrates how capitalism requires strong government to structure markets, and to enforce the transparency to sustain investors' confidence.

The conservatism of cultural hand-wringing — the belief Americans are too morally flaccid for patriotism and great national exertions — also needs a post-Sept. 11 overhaul of its vocabulary. And events since Sept. 11 have underscored the limits of libertarianism. This faux conservatism asserts that freedom exists where government compulsion does not, and that freedom generally and easily trumps all other political goods. This doctrine vitiates the core conservative virtue, which is prudence, and eliminates the need for the conservative art, which is the balancing of clashing goods (freedom, equality, order).

Modern conservatism defined itself largely in reaction against the New Deal and then the Great Society — each a project for nationalizing politics, each a product of an energetic executive. Hence the reluctance of today's conservatives to admire the Founder who was especially admired by earlier conservatives — Alexander Hamilton, advocate of "energy in the executive" and the Founder most visionary about America's economic and military might.

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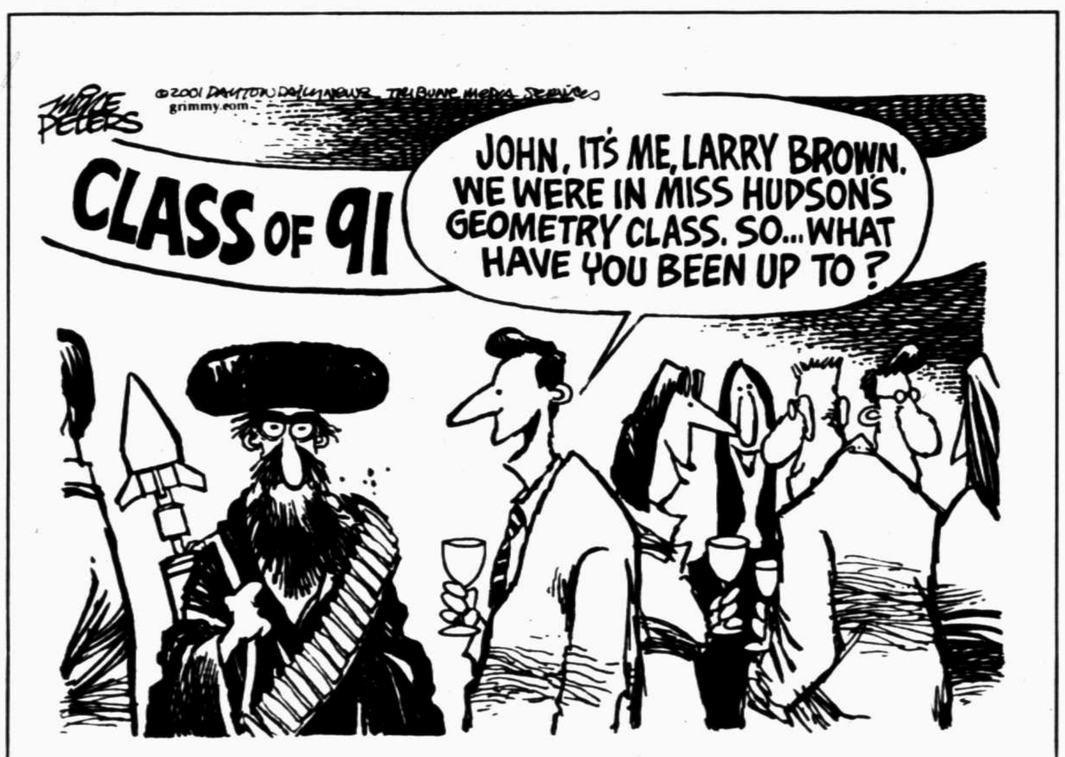

WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY JR.

For some, bin Laden's legend continues to grow

We do well to remind ourselves of the potential leverage Osama bin Laden has on the public imagination. You begin with what we simply know to be true and can only grit our teeth over: Osama is a hero in great parts of the world. If a popularity contest were taken today in the Philippines, Osama would come in somewhere between George Harrison and John Lennon. That is the straight fico vote: Up yours, America.

Buckley

Comes then the class of people who are not Muslim jihadists but feel a sense of detachment about Sept. 11, perhaps a touch of maybe America had it coming. They watch the days go by with a trace of exhilaration over what's going on. I mean, here is one bearded fanatic who is being pounded day after day by the greatest air force of the greatest power in the world. He has tucked himself into a little cavity in a mountain and the 15,000-pound daisy-cutters drop here and there, and on top and on the bottom, and he remains inside there somewhere, reciting the Koran, drinking tea, and consoling his intimate guard with the rightness of their cause and the certainty of their deliverance, if not in this world, then in the next.

And then, the American dragon, Paul Wolfowitz, says to the press that the American people have to be prepared for the fact that we may be hunting this man and his followers "in Afghanistan months from now." *Months from now?* You would think that in less time than that, the Department of Defense of the greatest-ever superpower could transform Afghanistan from mountainous to tropical. If Osama is alive months from now, he will have gone a long way to claiming eternal life for himself.

Add to the mythogenic scene — one Arab prophet surviving against the military-industrial complex — the exploitation of the skeptics in the matter of direct responsibility for Sept. 11. We are not talking about Alan Dershowitz, who having established that O.J. Simpson is not a killer can, with hands tied behind his back, prove that Osama is innocent. No, there are the others. Around my shop, we call them Grassy Knollers — they are certain that one or more men were there helping out Lee Harvey Oswald that day in Dallas, hiding behind the grassy knoll. Such as these are not fanatics, but they are easily aroused by any little conjectural foreplay. And we had that abundantly early in the week, with the administration's mishandling of the Osama tape.

The authorities released the word: We have on tape Osama discussing the events of Sept. 11 — discussing them with such specificity as to link him directly do the deed.

How, directly?

Well, he said that it was terrific news that the twin towers collapsed all the way, whereas there was reason to hope only that they'd collapse from the top, to the point of impact.

But he didn't say that he organized the strike, did he? He just described his pleasure that it had gone so well.

What we got from the Defense Department was that the tape would be released sometime during the week. But the delay was grist for the doubters. *Why didn't DOD release the tape right away? What are they hiding? Who is doing the translating? Is anything being edited in? Edited out?*

It is difficult to understand why the administration didn't just hang on to the tape and release it after it was dubbed or translated. The excuse that premature release would permit Osama to transmit subversive commands to his legions is implausible. What commands is he in a position to issue? Word to bomb Detroit? Anthrax the Super Bowl? The notion that Osama would use a filmed interview to send out recondite commands is cryptographic fantasy. All that we succeeded in doing by delaying the issuance of the tape is to fortify those who are nurturing doubts about Osama's direct responsibility for Sept. 11.

And now the British defense secretary announces that if he ends up in their hands, they will not turn him over to the United States unless we promise not to impose the death sentence, which is politically incorrect. So we have to worry about the danger of Osama falling into British hands.

But the legend grows that he won't fall into *anybody's* hands, save Allah's.

William F. Buckley Jr.'s column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

ART BUCHWALD

Trust us, Enron employees, the check's in mail

I found Oyster, a pink-slipped Enron employee, sitting on his porch with a rifle on his lap. I asked him if he was waiting for terrorists to attack.

He said, "No, I'm waiting for Enron executives to drop out of the sky in their golden parachutes. They are more dangerous than terrorists."

"How can you say that?"

"The company has gone into bankruptcy. The executives sold their inflated stock, knowing the company would soon run out of cash. But they wouldn't let the employees of the company unload their shares. They also paid themselves $55 million dollars in bonuses and used up our pension funds to gratify themselves. They issued us parachutes that wouldn't open. The guys with the golden parachutes committed war crimes against their own people. If I had my way, I'd try them all in a military tribunal then shoot them."

Buchwald

He cleaned his gun to make sure it was still working.

"How do you know they will land on your property?"

"I had a tip from one of their accountants who was in charge of fiddling with their books. I expect them to float down at any time with their lawyers. This is the biggest bankruptcy case of all time."

"Won't the government prevent you from shooting them?"

"No way. They're from Texas and the head of Enron was President Bush's best friend."

"Frankly, I don't understand why the Enron executives rated so many golden parachutes. What did Enron make?

"Nothing. They bought gas from one company and sold it to another. They never even got their hands dirty. Then they got into businesses they didn't know anything about and owed billions more than they made. They better not drop here, or they are going to get a bucket-load of shot you-know-where."

"I suppose thousands of people lost their jobs."

"It's been a massacre — even worse than the Alamo."

Just then, a man in a golden parachute and cowboy boots dropped out of the sky and landed in the field beyond the house. Oyster said, "Put your hands up. You're my prisoner."

"Don't shoot. I'm just a poor Texas gas and energy dealer trying to save my country."

Oyster said, "You're no more than a smarmy bankrupt Texas businessman."

"That wasn't me. It was my partners. I'm on your side. I didn't ask for a golden parachute. They gave it to me so that I would keep my mouth shut."

"Then what did you jump for?"

"I didn't want the SEC to take away my bonus."

Oyster said, "Where is my pension?"

The man replied, "That's why I'm here. I wanted to tell you it's in the mail."

Art Buchwald's column is distributed by the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

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Following is a list of the names and addresses of various state and federal officials Midlanders may wish to contact from time-to-time:

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Palestinians attack kills 10 on Israeli bus in West Bank

By Ibrahim Barzak
Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Palestinians fired on an Israeli bus in the West Bank, killing 10 people, and suicide bombers set off their explosives in the Gaza Strip on Wednesday in near simultaneous attacks outside Jewish settlements.

Israel responded with an airstrike on a Palestinian security installation in Gaza City. As four Israeli fighter planes buzzed overhead, there was a large explosion at the security building and white smoke filled the air. No injuries were immediately reported.

"We are facing a campaign of terror," Israeli Cabinet Minister Tsipi Livni said, adding Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has done little to stop attacks on Israelis.

The Israeli army said 10 people were killed in the bus attack, which took place at about 6 p.m., as the unarmored vehicle was on a winding uphill road approaching the Jewish settlement of Emmanuel in the West Bank, about 25 miles north of Jerusalem.

Police said a roadside bomb exploded as the bus passed, causing casualties among the passengers. Capt. Jacob Dallal, an Israeli army spokesman, said gunmen then opened fire from surrounding hills, both on the bus and on rescue crews that rushed to the scene in the darkness.

Dallal said between 25 and 30 were injured in the attack on the bus.

At virtually the same time, two suicide bombers blew themselves up near the Gush Katif settlement bloc in the Gaza Strip, wounding several people, the army said. The assailants jumped on a car leaving the Ganei Tal settlement and detonated the explosives, TV reports said. The passengers in the car escaped with minor injuries but the assailants were killed, the reports said.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for either attack.

The attacks came amid a day of violence that raised questions about a peace mission by U.S. envoy, Anthony Zinni, who had asked both sides to observe 48 hours of calm.

After the double attacks, the White House said Zinni was undeterred in his attempt to push forward security talks. "The president remains hopeful the talks can begin," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said. He urged Arafat to "take every step possible to reduce the violence and bring an end to the terrorism."

Israeli helicopter gunships attacked a Palestinian refugee camp Wednesday morning in response to mortar fire on nearby Jewish settlements. Four Palestinian militiamen were killed and 20 bystanders wounded in the airstrike.

Earlier Wednesday, five Israeli tanks drove into the center of the West Bank town of Jenin, triggering a firefight with hundreds of Palestinian activists. Fourteen Jenin residents were wounded by Israeli fire before the tanks left, doctors said.

In truce talks Tuesday, Zinni requested Israel refrain from targeted killings of suspected militants and from shelling Palestinian Authority targets, said a Palestinian security official. The Palestinians were asked to stop mortar fire and round up more suspected Islamic militants, the security official said.

Yarden Vatikay, an adviser to Israel's defense minister, denied that Zinni made specific demands of Israel. "His request of Israel was to act in a responsible fashion, but there was no demand to stop actions which are meant for self defense," Vatikay said.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said in a statement that Israel was acting responsibly. He said Israeli troops would continue to respond to Palestinian mortar fire and to strike against militants suspected of planning attacks on Israelis. Last week, three Palestinian suicide bombers killed 26 people in Israel in a series of attacks by the Hamas and Islamic Jihad groups.

Tuesday's truce talks were stormy, as were two previous rounds in recent days, and Mohammed Dahlan, the Palestinian security chief in the Gaza Strip, left abruptly after a loud argument with the head of Israel's Shin Bet security service, Avi Dichter, said Palestinian officials close to the talks.

Palestinian Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo, meanwhile, described the Palestinians' crackdown on suspected militants as a "very serious battle we have never experienced before."

Israel has dismissed the arrests as insufficient, saying many of those taken into custody were minor activists, not planners of terror attacks. The Palestinians say more than 180 suspects have been detained, including 17 on a list of 33 names of wanted militants submitted by the United States.

Late Tuesday, Palestinians fired four mortar shells at Jewish settlements in the southern Gaza Strip. The mortar shells caused no damage or injuries.

In retaliation, Israeli helicopters fired missiles at the Khan Younis refugee camp in Gaza overnight, killing four Palestinians and wounding 20, including four who were in serious condition, Palestinian doctors said.

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Tribal commanders set new deadline for al-Qaida surrender

By Chris Tomlinson
Associated Press

TORA BORA, Afghanistan — Setting a new deadline for surrender, Afghan tribal commanders demanded Wednesday that trapped fighters of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida group turn over their leaders.

American AC-130 gunships did not stop their attacks during the negotiations, strafing a desolate canyon in the White Mountains where a group of Arabs and other non-Afghans fighting for al-Qaida were pinned down. Afghan tribal chiefs gave the fighters an ultimatum to lay down their arms by midday Thursday.

Ghafar, a leader in the tribal eastern alliance, said the al-Qaida fighters are believed to include some from a list of 22 "most wanted terrorists" made public by the Bush administration after the Sept. 11 terror attacks in the United States.

"They have to hand them over, but they didn't (want to)," said Ghafar, who goes by one name. He said a plan for the fighters to surrender Wednesday morning collapsed in part over the refusal of leaders to give up. "They must turn over at least some of these people."

He said it was not certain if bin Laden was among them. U.S. and Afghan officials have said he may be in the Tora Bora region of caves and tunnels, where the eastern alliance — backed by U.S. bombing — has been besieging al-Qaida.

Gen. Peter Pace, the vice chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, said in Washington the Pentagon does not know if the al-Qaida leadership was in the Tora Bora area. He said it would be "great" if they were.

An undetermined number of foreign fighters is in the heavily forested canyon, where they fled after being routed from their mountaintop positions and caves the day before. The alliance had given them until 8 a.m. Wednesday to give themselves up, but the deadline passed with no surrender.

Ghafar said that during negotiations it became clear that only low-level al-Qaida fighters planned to turn in their weapons and that senior officers would not.

The alliance suspected top al-Qaida leaders would have used any surrender to flee in small groups to other areas of Afghanistan or across the nearby border to Pakistan, he said. Thousands of Pakistani troops have deployed on the frontier to cut off escape routes.

U.S. warplanes kept up their assault at Tora Bora. AC-130s struck for a second straight night Wednesday, and during the day B-52s pounded the al-Qaida positions in a roughly 10-square-mile area.

During fighting Wednesday, about 60 U.S. special forces soldiers were on the front line, wearing traditional Afghan hats and shawls, but carrying U.S. weapons and large backpacks, making them stand out from the alliance fighters.

Pace confirmed U.S. troops were in the area but said he was "not aware" of any contact between them and al-Qaida.

In other developments:

■ An Air Force B-1B bomber flying a long-range combat mission to Afghanistan crashed in the Indian Ocean on Wednesday, and all four crew members were rescued, Pentagon officials said.

■ FBI agents questioned John Walker, an American who joined Taliban fighters, at a Marine base in southern Afghanistan. Walker said in earlier questioning that a new al-Qaida terror attack was possible by the end of the Islamic holy month Ramadan, but the White House cast doubt on the report, saying the 20-year-old would not have knowledge of such plans.

■ U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan called for the quick deployment of a multinational peacekeeping force in Afghanistan and said he hoped Britain would agree to lead it.

■ New Afghan leader Hamid Karzai arrived at the presidential palace in Kabul, the capital, on Wednesday, officials said. Karzai, named interim leader at a U.N.-brokered conference last month, had not been in Kabul since his appointment.

Ghafar said the surrender negotiations were "just a beginning" and might not bring a stop to the battle at Tora Bora. He said his men had pulled back from mountain positions they took in fighting Tuesday because of intense cold, and some al-Qaida followers may have taken advantage of that to move back in. Other al-Qaida fighters could still be lurking in the area.

"No one knows how many fighters are up there, but I don't think there are very many. This area is very large. The forest is very dense, and it is very difficult to search," he said.

By late afternoon, heavy machine-gun fire echoed down the Milawa valley, where the al-Qaida fighters were believed to be hiding in cedar and pine forests that were described as so dense that sunlight couldn't reach the ground. Huge plumes of smoke and dust rose from behind the mountains.

At sunset, an emissary sent by alliance defense chief Mohammed Zaman met with an Arab religious leader to discuss another attempt to organize a surrender for Thursday morning, a senior Zaman aide said on condition he not be named. Ghafar said al-Qaida had until midmorning to comply, or face an assault.

But there was discontent within the eastern alliance over Zaman's negotiations.

"The fighting will continue, I don't know anything about surrender talks," said militia leader Haji Zahir, son of Nangarhar provincial governor Abdul Qadir. One of his aides said his men were preparing to attack Thursday.

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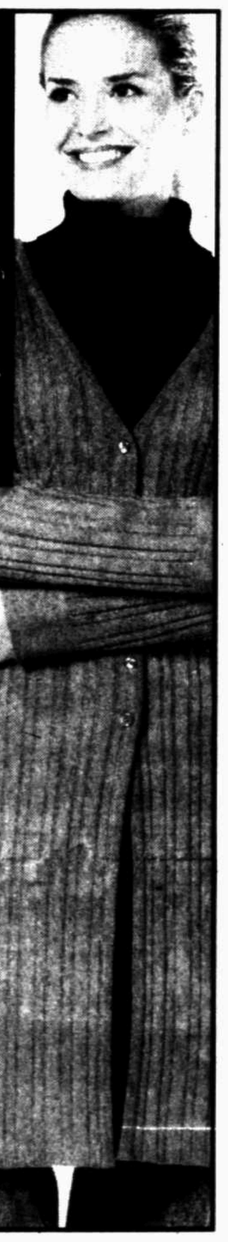

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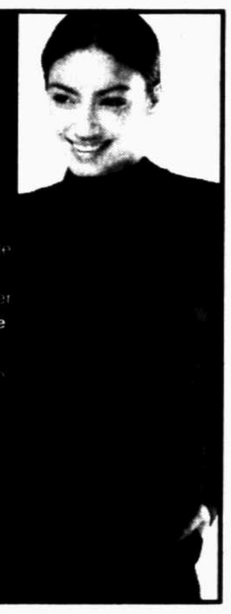

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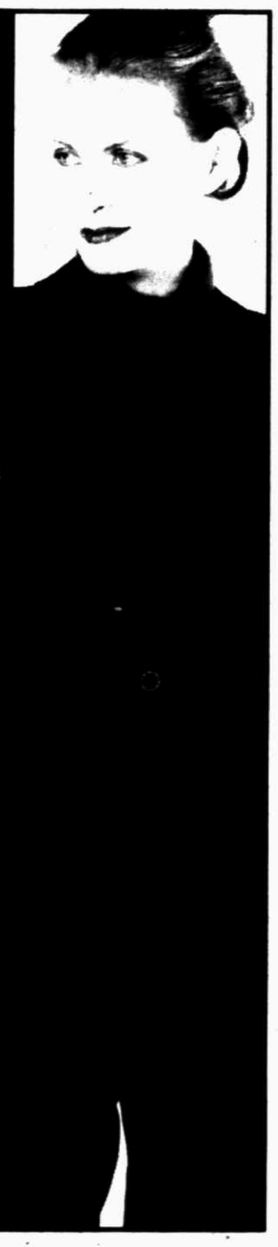

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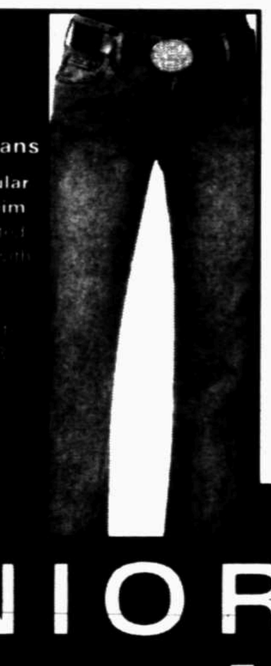

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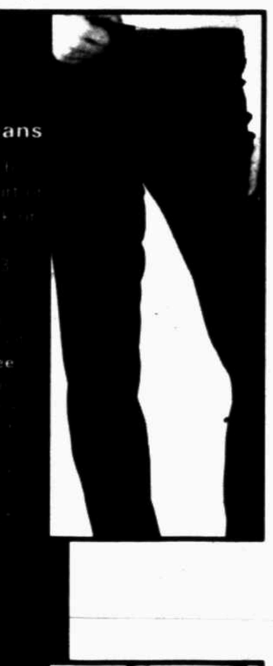

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Murder suspect's trial set for next year

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

District Attorney Al Schorre said the murder trial for William Braziel will not begin until early next year after the business of the holiday season subsides.

Braziel faces up to 99 years or life in prison if found guilty in the trial set to begin Jan. 8.

"It's not a capital (murder) case," Schorre said. "It was tentatively set for trial on Dec. 4th or 5th."

Braziel

Braziel is accused of shooting Arthur B. Guess in the head at approximately 2:30 p.m. Memorial Day, May 28. Residents of North Midland's Robin Lane found Guess, 48, of Midland in tan pants and boots. His body was abandoned near a Dumpster with blood covering the upper body.

According to Midland Police, Guess suffered a gunshot wound to the back of the neck or head area well before his captors slipped his body next to the Dumpster.

That day in late May, at the scene where Guess's body was examined by police, Lynn Horn of Midland said she saw Guess slumped beside the trash can shortly before calling police.

"A body was lying there, kind of folded over in the fetal position," Ms. Horn said.

Horn was not the only one to see the man by the Dumpster. Witnesses, including several young girls who lived on the street, saw the vehicle leaving the scene, described then as a dark-colored Cadillac.

Later in the day, police located the vehicle at the Renaissance Apartments located in the 4300 block of Neely Avenue. When police arrived, they found the same vehicle — which carried Guess's dead body — was also registered to Guess.

Following a foot chase, Braziel was apprehended by police at about 8:30 p.m. May 30, just two days after the murder. Later that morning, police arrested Jason Spraglin, 22, as his alleged accomplice in the murder. Later, Spraglin was exonerated of charges. Braziel, who previously squabbled with Spraglin just a day before the murder, is alleged to have pulled Spraglin into his arrest as revenge following the disagreement.

Although Braziel now faces the charges alone, he would have been responsible for driving the vehicle, stopping next to the Dumpster on Robin Lane, dragging Guess's body from the car and getting back in the vehicle to escape.

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— Al Schorre, district attorney

Schorre said information regarding the autopsy of Guess was still undergoing laboratory testing as of early December.

Jingle Bark

RIGHT: Some pets can be dressed up in order to keep warm during the holidays. BELOW: Pets that stay outdoors should be provided with some type of structure to be able to get into and have straw or blankets to stay warm. They also need plenty of fresh water and a high protein diet.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Exposure to cold puts pets at risk

By Evan A. Pierce
MRT Correspondent

Midland has already seen its first big freeze of the year and there are no doubt more cold days ahead on the calendar. While humans have many ways of staying warm, pets often times don't have the luxury of choosing their environment or the conditions in it.

Teresa Tuttle, trainer for Lone Star SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) said dogs will need some "special treatment" during these cold winter months.

"I have heard so many people say, 'Well they survive in the wild during the winter, they don't need any special protection, they have coats,'" said Ms. Tuttle. "Part of that is true, they do survive in the wild during the winter months, but only because (they) live in an environment that offers protection: dry leaves to cover with, shelter under trees, small caves, burrows, etc. All of these can provide protection from the elements."

Ms. Tuttle said the limited amount of roaming area in a backyard denies dogs these and other options.

"Roaming free allows access to shelter over a large area," she said. "Not only can they find shelter from the elements, but also warmth from the rest of the pack. Dogs live in large groups and sleep close

Please see COLD/4B

Southwestern Bell plans 81 job cuts in Permian Basin

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Approximately 81 Permian Basin employees of Southwestern Bell will have their jobs eliminated as the company works to cope with a weak economy and what it calls an onerous regulatory environment.

"We're a strong company but we have the ongoing challenge of the economy and a regulatory environment that is onerous," said Kevin Belgrade, spokesman for SBC Southwestern Bell, adding the regulatory environment is driving up the company's costs.

Company-wide, he said, several thousand will be dropped from the company's workforce, a process that began in late October when the company released its third quarter earnings and will be completed in the coming weeks.

The company, he stressed, remains committed to Midland and Odessa and the workforce reductions are not expected to affect customer service.

He declined to give specific numbers as to layoffs in Midland and Odessa, saying the company's first priority was to work with its employees.

But Charlie Wood with Communications Workers of America Local 6127, which represents 400 Southwestern Bell employees in West Texas, said his office received word 62 Odessa employees will be laid off, including 58 in the company's call center on Penbrook, two records clerks and two systems technicians at its Yukon Road service center.

In Midland, 19 employees will be laid off, including nine cable splicers, seven systems technicians, an office clerk and two technical specialists, he said.

"It's been almost 20 years since Southwestern Bell's had a big surplus," Wood said. "This has been talked about for awhile; it ties into their 2002 budget."

Wood said the union's contract with Southwestern Bell allows employees set

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Truck overturns, blocks traffic for several hours

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

An 18-wheeler overturned in the southbound lane of Loop 250's overpass above U.S. Highway 80 at 2 p.m. Wednesday, blocking traffic for several hours. High winds were blamed for the accident.

The truck tipped on its left side as it entered the loop on the westside ramp coming from Highway 80, said a Department of Public Safety Trooper who actually witnessed the rollover.

James Grebe, 32, of Tennessee suffered no major injuries and was able to crawl to safety through the broken windshield of the truck. City of Midland Public Information Officer Tina Jauz said Grebe was wearing his seatbelt at

Please see TRUCK/2B

Truck driver James Grebe sorts through his belongings after his rig overturned while entering West Loop 250 Wednesday.

Brian Adamcik
Reporter-telegram

Sting reaps 29 warrants

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — In Wednesday's early-morning hours, law enforcement officers began arresting alleged drug dealers in Big Spring and Howard County following a sting operation that began last year.

Officers held warrants for 29 suspected drug dealers who reportedly had sold officers drugs at some point during the course of the undercover sting operating conducted in conjunction with the West Texas Narcotics Enforcement Task Force.

Officers from four other agencies — the Big Spring Police Department, the Department of Public Safety, the 118th District Attorney's Office and the Howard County Sheriff's Office — joined in the task force's effort to bring down the suspects.

Please see STING/4B

ED TODD

Cars and Gals: Romancing on the highways and lovers' lanes

Every now and then, I reminisce over the affairs I've had in my life with, yes, the automobile. There's romance there, a courtship, and many endearing moments and some trials.

Todd

The relationships are romantic and, perhaps, bear a similarity with, in the ideal, the exquisite romance between lovers and spouses and dear friends.

There, of course, are heartbreaks and heartaches.

You need to treat them right not just because they might turn on you if you don't. They surely will and might ought to just to get your attention and maybe take a piece out of your life.

Over and over, automobile enthusiasts often bemoan their now-favorite car that got away probably because another good-looking model came along and stole their heart away.

You know, sentiment has a way of backtracking. Witness the lament: "I wish I had it back."

Well, I've still got my dream car, the one my 1964-model wife and I fell for in 1966 in Abilene, Texas. It was, and still is, a 1966 International Harvester Company (IHC) Scout 800 sports-top convertible now in need of a new chapeau and that's not all.

Scout is a honey. At 93.4 gross and 86 net horsepower, the four-cylinder Comanche engine would power Scout up pretty steep angles, including the dam at Iowa Park's old lake.

Scout is tough and, just like the lover of your dreams, needs plenty of tender loving care.

In Ed Todd's more wandering days, Scout experienced some action: handling a Homecoming parade amid much pomp, mowing down a row of fence with dispatch, and roaming around the Big Bend country on and off roads (in the name of historical research).

Scout is a trooper, now sort of laid up but fixing to get going ... one of these days.

The first car I bought, for $500 in my post-Army 1960, was a 1953 Chevrolet sedan, which was my second going-courting car. Once, in Wichita County, the old-blue Chevy got stuck in a pretty deep ditch off a country road on a nighttime courting mission. A deer hunter came along while we, an Americanized English woman and I, were wandering around in the dark. He almost shot us to kingdom come.

My first going-courting car was in my high-school days in a 1946 Chevrolet coupe, belonging to my older brother, Delbert, who was away in military service.

Ready or not for another adventure, I managed to bang up the coupe and bloodied a passenger after sliding on a gravel road and overturning in a bar-ditch and carrying to safety my younger brother, Gene, who, thank God, survived and fared well. The experience more than 45 years ago dreadfully frightens me to this day.

Following the 1953 Chevrolet, which picked up quite a bit of sea-salt rust on Galveston Island, I traded in the Chevy for a darling Opel Record sedan, which, unfortunately, gave way to a short-lived 1966 Ford Falcon, a misnomer, for it hardly performed like a high-performance falcon.

Immediately after that came the beloved Scout, which has survived home sites in Abilene, Cumby (Blackjack of old) near Commerce, Big Sandy, Alpine, Marshall, the Chicago misadventure, and, at last, Midland beginning in February 1975 after I had landed here via Braniff International Airways from Chicago to Brownsville and from Brownsville to Midland via Continental Trailways in December 1974.

Not to forget, there was a 1970 Volkswagen Squareback, purchased in Longview. The VW was a Big Sandy-to-Alpine sojourner that somehow disappeared in Odessa and gave rise to a Toyota Celica that ran afoul of a curve in Pecos and died in 1973.

My father, in what his middle son calls remembrances of the good old days, was a Chevrolet fellow: from the 1936 and 1941 sedans to the conservative 1952 Powerguide and outlandish 1959 Impala design to another sedan and a late 1960s pickup truck.

Now, the Scout, still my true love, sort of retired, spun off an axle while on a test-run on Lamesa Highway, got back up in running condition, and continued to travel many a mile while on Ed Todd's "Rousting About" circuit in the mid-1970s into the 1980s.

Somewhere along the journey came the gift of a weathered stationed wagon, a loaner sedan, a 1970s IHC Scout II, and then an imported motorcycle, car and pickup truck from across the way from those folks who gave America havoc via Pearl Harbor 1941.

Romance? I've had a few wrecks in my life. I'd say the mess-ups were far more emotionally interesting with women from wives to girl-friends and somewhere in between than with automobiles and the such.

It will wear a fellow down, as it well should.

Is there a moral to all this reminiscing? Probably. Here's what hindsight, true or not, says: Hold dear the original loves. Of course, I do. Certainly, I wish the old 1953 Chevy were still around. The 1953 Chevrolet was the going-courting car associated with that original 1964-model wife who is the one whom I still adore and love despite the heartache and the 1974 matrimonial demise.

But, thankfully, I've still got old Scout from 1966 to continue life's fanciful journey.

Ed Todd is a writer for The Midland Reporter-Telegram.

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Area briefs

Concert

The Lee High School bands will present a Christmas concert at the LHS auditorium at 6:30 p.m. today. For more information call 689-1620.

Workshop

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs announced it will hold an application workshop from 9 to 11 a.m. Jan. 11 at Midland County Public Library.

This will familiarize applicants with the application process and the funding program. The department will allocate $4.95 million through the 2002 Housing Trust Fund cycle in addition to $1.66 million from the State Energy Conservation Office.

Funds may be used for affordable single family and multifamily housing, as well as for the installation of energy efficiency measures. A "Notice of Funding Availability" is available at www.tdhca.state.tx.us. For more information call 512-475-3800.

Death Notices

Audrey Early

MERKEL — Audrey A. "Audie" Early, 80, died on Wednesday, Dec. 12, in a local nursing home. Services will be at 4 p.m. today, Dec. 13, at Rosehill Cemetery in Merkel with the Rev. Jim Binnix officiating.

He was born on Aug. 6, 1921 in Anson and married Jannie Petty on June 14, 1946 in Winnsboro. Mr. Early was a resident of Howard County since 1958, moving from Hawley. He worked as an insulator for Fina for 45 years, retiring in 1982. He was a member of Midway Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Jannie Early of Coahoma; three sons, Kenneth Ray Early of Austin, David Wayne Early of Big Spring and Johnny Lynn Early of Bastrop; two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to: The Salvation Army, P.O. Box 1248, Big Spring, 79721-1248; Midway Baptist Youth Center, 6200 S. Service Rd IH 20, Big Spring, 79720 or a favorite charity.

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

Brianna Graham

Brianna Graham, infant daughter of Brian and Kristi Graham of Midland, died Tuesday, Dec. 11, in an Odessa hospital.

Services have been scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 14, at Resthaven Memorial Park with Johnny Grissom officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She is also survived by her brother, Ross; grandparents, Tracie Daves and Cliff Davis, Roy and Brenda Blanscett, Mike and Cindy Graham and Doug and Sarah Baliff; great-grandparents, Lola Blanscett, Edith Wilson, Kirby and Barbara Schnell and Glenn and Joyce Baliff; great-great grandmother Mary Maddux as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Raymond Bonneau

WEATHERFORD — Raymond Bonneau, 84, formerly of Midland, died Tuesday, Dec. 11, in Fort Worth.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby Bonneau; two sons, Ron Bonneau of Midland and Don Bonneau of Weatherford; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services are pending in Weatherford.

Leonard Hendrick

AVERY — Leonard J. "Lenny" Hendrick, 66, died Tuesday, Dec. 11, at his residence.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, at the First Baptist Church of Avery with the Revs. Matt Cheever and Harold Hine officiating. Interment will follow in Avery Cemetery.

Mr. Hendrick was born in Stanton to Cecil and Nanette Hendrick. He was a retired electrical contractor and a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local #520. He was also a member of the First Baptist Church of Avery.

He was preceded in death by a wife, Lytane Hendrick and his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Nell Hendrick of Avery; six daughters, Lacey Barrera of Leander, Lesa Copeland of Jonestown, Laurie Hendrick of Georgetown, Lynda Shelton of Dripping Springs, Lesa Herring of Avery, and Becky Fabry of Kerrville; one son, Terry Joe Bush of Lockhart; one sister, Mary Frances Kelsoe of Avery; eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; as well as several nieces and nephews.

J.H. Blakemore

BORGER — J.H. Blakemore, 79, died Friday, Nov. 30, in an Amarillo hospital.

Services were held at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at the Greater Ideal Baptist Church in Midland with the Rev. George A. Bell officiating. Services were under the direction of of Brown Funeral Directors in Borger. Interment followed in Fairview Cemetery.

He was born March 31, 1922 in Neches. He served in the Army and served in World War II. He was the pastor of Bethel Baptist Church in Borger and the retired pastor of New Light Baptist Church in Dalhart.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Faye Blakemore and a son, Ruben Blakemore.

He is survived by three sons, Eddie Blakemore of Houston, John Blakemore of Borger and Michael Blakemore of Katy; one daughter, Glenda Gates of San Angelo; one sister, Iris Anderson of DeSoto; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Rozelle Dohoney

BIG SPRING — Rozelle McKenney Dohoney, 93, died Tuesday, Dec. 11, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Betty Yates

Betty L. Yates died Tuesday, Dec. 11.

Services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

Charles Byrd

Charles Byrd, 82, died Wednesday, Dec. 12, in a local hospital.

Arrangements are pending with Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

TRUCK: Traffic blocked by turnover for several hours

(From 1B)

the time of the wreck.

Before rolling the truck upright, Department of Transportation workers unloaded its cargo — about 32,000 pounds of carpet — to keep the load from tearing through the wall of the trailer.

Lt. Otis Locklar said the truck took the curve and tipped on its side but not through any fault of the driver.

"The gust of wind hit it and pushed it on over," Locklar said. "I'm sure he was not going that fast. Speed was not a factor."

While police and highway officials unloaded the truck's cargo, cars were diverted from the loop to Highway 80.

The 2000 Volvo truck suffered a broken windshield in the wreck, but other damages were minor. A leak trailing down the overpass was mostly radiator fluid, but some was diesel fuel, police said.

Grebe suffered a serious cut on his arm, which required stitches, said rescuers. EMS technicians treated Grebe in an ambulance at the scene. Ms. Jauz said Grebe refused transport to Midland Memorial Hospital.

The National Weather service had issued a high wind warning earlier in the day. Forecasters said gusts reached as high as 40 mph.

TODAY'S FUNERALS

DOUGLAS ECCLESTON
10:30 a.m. — St. Ann's Catholic Church

GERALDINE WINGO
1 p.m. Graveside — Resthaven Memorial Park

FRED UPTON
3 p.m. Graveside — Resthaven Memorial Park

RUBY CARTER
2 p.m. Graveside — Zephyr Cemetery near Brownwood, Tx.

Ellis Funeral Home
683-5555

Obituaries

Ophelia 'Fiji' K. Rhodes

Ophelia "Fiji" K. Rhodes of Kingsland, Texas was born in Pontotoc, Texas, on October 15, 1910. She was the daughter of J.B. and Maggie Kilgore. She passed from this life on December 10, 2001, in Burnet, Texas after a long illness.

Fiji married Frank Brandt in Abilene, Texas on January 18, 1929. They spent many years in West Texas living in oil camps where Frank was employed by Chevron Oil Company. He preceded her in death on January 10, 1956.

She moved to Stanton, Texas in 1956 from Grandfalls, Texas and that was her home until 1997. She worked for Wes-Tex Telephone in Stanton for many years until her retirement.

She married Finley O. Rhodes on January 1, 1970, in Stanton, Texas. He preceded her in death on Aug. 19, 1997.

Fiji was a faithful member of the First United Methodist Church in Stanton, the Friendship Sunday School Class and the Stanton Senior Citizen Center, where she was part of the original "Old Sorehead Band."

Fiji is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Tommie Beck of Kingsland; two grandsons, Jeff Hall and Lance Hall, both of Navasota; one granddaughter and grandson-in-law, Angela and Rick Lucas of Kingsland and two great-grandchildren, Allen and Alexis Lucas, both of Kingsland, and a host of other friends and relatives.

Funeral services will be at 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 14, 2001 at the First United Methodist Church. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland, Texas.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Fred W. Upton

Freddie W. Upton went to be with our Lord and his loved ones who preceded him in death December 10, 2001.

Fred was born May 22, 1946 in Tahlequah, Oklahoma to Obie Upton Sr. of Carlsbad, New Mexico and Lillie Mae Upton who preceded him in death.

First and foremost, Fred was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. He was a graduate of Carlsbad High School in 1964. He also was a member of ROTC and Drama Club.

He was an employee of Burn's International Security. He was formerly shop manager at Hirchfeld Steel in Midland and Duvall & Mississippi Salt Mines in Carlsbad.

Fred served his country in the US Army and in the Vietnam War.

His mother, Lillie Mae Upton, his brother Obie Upton Jr. and sister-in-law Sherroll Upton preceded Mr. Upton in death. He is survived by his wife, Claudell Upton of Midland; his father, Obie Upton Sr. of Carlsbad, NM; daughters, Kristi Williams of Sherman Oaks, CA; Chanda Engle & husband, Anthony, of Midland; sons, Tim Kelly and wife, Amy, and Gary Kelly and wife April of Midland; his two precious granddaughters, Tristi Kelly and Theryn Engle, all of Midland. Also surviving are his sisters, Faye Thomas; Sarah Pierce and husband Frankie; Mary Pierce and husband, Les, all of Carlsbad; brothers Donald Upton and Gene Upton, both of Midland, Bill Upton and wife Edna of Madill, OK; and Henry Upton of CA and sister-in-law Shirley Upton of Carlsbad, NM; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be conducted at Resthaven Memorial Park, Thursday, December 13, 2001 at 3:00 PM under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Frances Elizabeth Clark Moore

FORT WORTH — Frances Elizabeth Clark Moore, 82, a retired school principal and secretary, died Saturday, December 8, 2001 at Renaissance Park care center.

Memorial service: 11:00 a.m. Friday, December 15, at Trinity Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Dick Braun, First Presbyterian Church Of Midland, will officiate. Burial: Mrs. Moore chose cremation. Her cremated remains will be laid to rest next to her husband, Jack Michael, in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Memorials: Those desiring, please make memorial contributions to Community & Senior Services of Midland, Inc. for "Meals on Wheels" or to a charity of choice.

A native of Cushing, Oklahoma, Frances Elizabeth Clark was born June 20, 1919, the daughter of Albert Francis and Garnette Camilla Elizabeth Julian Clark. She attended Oklahoma A&M, now Oklahoma State University.

Frances married Jack Michael Moore on September 1, 1941. The couple moved to Midland in 1945 where she became principal and secretary of Lee High School until retiring. She was charter member of Trinity Presbyterian Church and a member of the Woman's Club of Midland.

The Moores moved to Fort Worth in 1996. Mr. Moore died in 1999.

Survivors: Daughters, Camella Moore Willis and her husband, C.C., of Casa Grande, Arizona, and Susan Moore Anderson, of Fort Worth; grandchildren, Heather Church and her husband, Steven, Shelly Lennon and her husband, Todd, Katrina and Wendy Willis, Courtney Noell and her husband, Doug, and Kimberly Jackson and her husband, Ray; six great-grandchildren; sister, Mary Catherine Llewellyn; and several nieces and nephews.

Martin L. Mogford Jr.

Martin L. Mogford Jr., 68, of Midland, died on Tuesday, December 11, 2001, in a Houston hospital. Memorial services will be at 11:00 a.m. Friday, December 14, 2001, at the Christian Life Center, Midland, with Pastor Billy Raies, officiating.

He was born on March 13, 1933 in Kilgore, Texas to Martin and Elizabeth Mogford.

Martin moved with his family to Odessa and graduated from Odessa High School in 1951. He earned a Bachelor's degree in English from Eastern New Mexico University in 1956 and a Master's degree in English and Drama from New Mexico Highlands University in 1971. Martin was a veteran of the United States Army, and a retired teacher, having taught many years in the Midland public schools. His career included teaching English and Drama at Midland High School, and serving as the English Department Chairman at Midland Alamo Junior High School, and teaching English literature at Midland Junior College. Martin was active in many professional teachers' organizations, and held leadership positions in the Texas State Teachers' Association and the Midland Classroom Teachers' Association.

Martin participated in many productions of Midland Community Theater and enjoyed taking part in Midland's yearly Summer Mummers. Martin was an avid traveler and always welcomed opportunities to learn or to teach others. His extensive travels included trips to Europe, Russia, Mexico and Scandinavia.

Martin was a devoted father and grandfather, and faithful servant of Christ.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Margaret and Todd Blackmon of Houston; his brother and sister-in-law, James and Ann Mogford of Albuquerque, New Mexico; his aunts, Hester and Hella Mae Williams of Midland; two loving grandchildren and 4 nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, Martin's family asks that memorials be made to: KSBJ Christian Radio, P.O. Box 3487, Humble, Texas 77347, the American Cancer Society or charity of choice.

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

Obituary & Death Notice policy

There is no charge for death notices of residents or former residents of Midland or for those who have Midland relatives. We also publish death notices for residents of the surrounding West Texas area.

Free death notices include date and place of death, service and burial information, funeral home handling arrangements, date and place of birth, brief biography, survivors and memorials. A longer, more detailed obituary is available for a charge. It may include tributes, expanded biography, organizational associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 3:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

POLICE REPORTS

Compiled from staff reports

Violation of probation:
Curtis Gibson, 44, of Midland was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers at 12:43 p.m. Wednesday on West County Road 60 on a charge of violation of probation. No bond.

Aggravated robbery:
Michael Gould, 19, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the 1100 block of South Camp Street on charges of aggravated robbery, violation of probation, and failure to appear in court. No bond.

Theft:
Dale Holder, 45, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers at 9:35 p.m. Wednesday in the 400 block of Andrews Highway on a charge of theft. No bond.

Violation of parole:
Vicki Posey, 28, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the 100 block of West Industrial Avenue on a charge of violation of parole. No bond.

Sexual assault of a child:
Steven Schuelke, 31, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 10:22 p.m. Wednesday in the 9900 block of East Highway 80 on a charge of sexual assault of a child. No bond.

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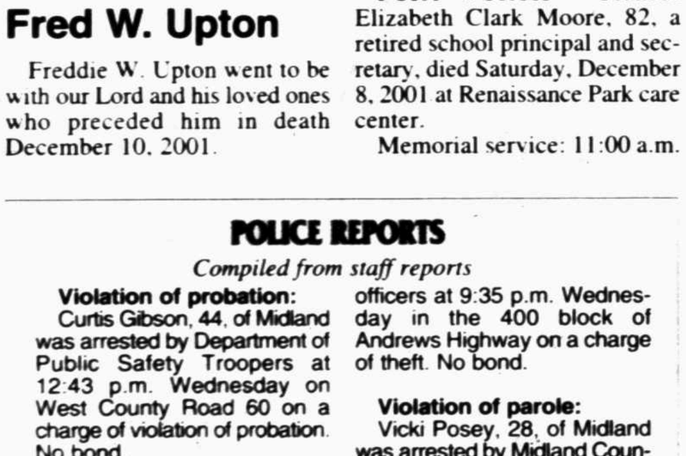

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Tree of Memories

Those who have lost a loved one this year are invited to place a ribbon on the Tree of Memories in the chapel of Ellis Funeral Home 801 Andrews Highway. The public is invited to attend the Fourth Annual Tree of Memories Remembrance Service December 13, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.

Tree ribbons are provided at no charge by Ellis Funeral Home & Resthaven Memorial Park. The Tree of Memories, donated by Blooming Rose, will remain on display until January 1, 2002.

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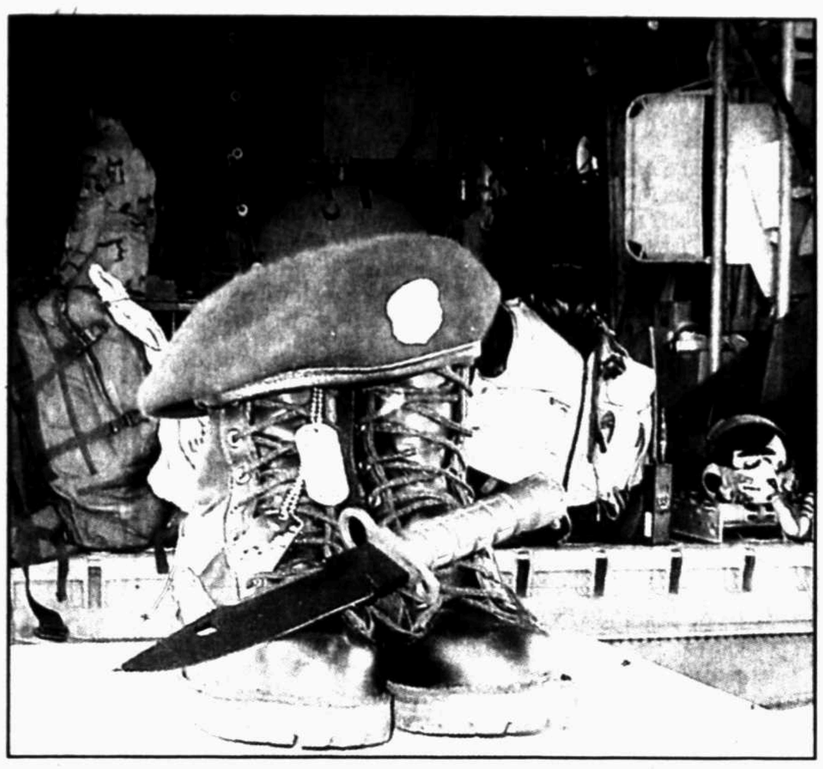

Photos courtesy Major Hugh Funk

Air Force Pararescue Unit members joined in a memorial service in Kuwait on Tuesday to remember their fallen comrade, Sgt. Douglas Eccleston, 35, who died in a rescue mission off the coast of Bermuda last Friday. Fellow members of the 920th Rescue Group also conducted a memorial service at a beach in Melbourne, Fla. this week. His parents are David and Donna Eccleston of Midland. Services for Eccleston, a graduate of Midland High School, will be at 10 a.m. today at St. Ann's Catholic Church followed by burial with military honors.

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STING: Police have brought in 20 suspected drug dealers

(From 1B)

The officers began serving the warrants at approximately 7 a.m., and as of late Wednesday afternoon, they had brought in 20 of the suspected dealers.

Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker said the investigation began in August of 2000.

"Narcotic officers began purchasing quantities of cocaine and marijuana from suspected drug dealers in Big Spring and Howard County," Walker said.

According to the sheriff's office, investigators began targeting any suspected drug dealers and organizations who had been thought to be distributing illegal drugs to residents in Howard County.

Lt. Terry Chamness, of the Big Spring Police Department, said the investigators buying the drugs on the street were able to work in covert operations.

"They do have the capability of going in wearing wires ... and videotaping sales," Chamness said.

But he added more dealers are sure to replace those who have left.

"There're others that will take their place," Chamness said. "As soon as you take five of them out, there's two or three to take their place."

Chamness said Big Spring citizens complain police do not do enough to stop drug traffic in Midland.

"Even though it may not look like we're doing anything, we really are," Chamness said. "It's just a normal thing of people (saying) 'These people have been dealing drugs for a year.' Guess what, they just got busted today."

Chamness said officers spent about $2,800 to purchase the drugs.

COLD: Add blankets to pet's sleeping area for extra warmth

(From 1B)

together on cold nights to help stay warm. Your single dog in the back yard doesn't have any of these options."

Shelter is exactly what National Weather Service forecaster Cody Lindsey said is most important when keeping pets safe when it gets cold.

"The main thing to do is make sure they have a warm place to stay," he said. "They really need a shelter from the wind."

To compensate for a dog's lack of free space, Lindsey said there are other precautions dog owners can take to keep their loved one safe.

"Some people put heat lamps in their (dog's) shelter," Lindsey said. "Make sure they have plenty of water and plenty of food. Also, make sure they don't get wet. Getting wet can greatly increase the wind chill factor for an animal."

Although providing water is very important, Lindsey said the most important thing one can do for a pet is to keep the water from freezing.

"You can probably keep their water inside or in their shelter, where the temperature is slightly higher," he said. "You just don't want it to freeze."

Taking the breed of a dog into consideration is also very important when it comes to dealing with how it should be taken care of in Midland, Ms. Tuttle said.

"Huskies were not bred for the heat of West Texas and a Chihuahua was not meant to be left out in freezing temperatures," she said.

Ms. Tuttle also recommends placing blankets or towels where the dog sleeps for extra warmth.

CUTS: 19 employees in Midland to be laid off

(From 1B)

to be laid off to transfer to another city or replace an employee who is ready to retire.

"For people ready to retire, if we match them with a surplus employee, they'll get an extra incentive to go ahead and retire," he said.

Since notification of SBC Southwestern Bell's plans to downsize its workforce, Wood said the union's first task has been to help those chosen to be laid off find jobs with the company in other cities or replace a retiring employee. If they don't want to transfer, he said, "they're out of a job."

There is some good news, he said, in that Cingular Wireless, which is comprised of the wireless operations of Southwestern Bell and Bell South, has opened a call center in Midland and surplus employees who apply there and are accepted by Dec. 17 can retain their seniority.

Townsend Heald, spokesman for Cingular Wireless, said the human resources department at Cingular's call center in Midland "is aware of the situation and has been working with Southwestern Bell on what opportunities are available with Cingular."

He estimated that 12 to 20 Southwestern Bell employees have already entered training with Cingular and will soon be at work in the call center, which already employs close to 800 and plans to increase that to more than 1,200 in the next six months.

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Officials: System safer year after 'Texas Seven' escape

By Michael Graczyk
Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — Texas corrections officials are confident the circumstances that one year ago led to the escape of seven inmates from a South Texas prison and the subsequent murder of a policeman have been addressed.

"The Serious Incident Review Team report found the flaws in the system and appropriate improvements have been made," Larry Todd, a Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman, said Wednesday. "Many of those changes were in the works before the escape."

The prisoners from the Connally Unit near Kenedy in Karnes County, south of San Antonio, fled Dec. 13, 2000, after tricking and overpowering guards and civilian workers.

All serving time for violent crimes, they became known as "The Texas Seven." They were the subjects of a nationwide manhunt and were accused of fatally shooting an Irving police officer Aubrey Hawkins during the Christmas Eve holdup of a sporting goods store in the Dallas suburb.

After six weeks on the run, authorities tracked the fugitives to the Colorado Springs, Colo., area. Four were captured and one killed himself Jan. 22 in Woodland Park, Colo. The other two surrendered after a brief standoff in a motel.

Ringleader George Rivas was convicted of capital murder in August and sentenced to death. A second escapee, Donald Newbury, is set for trial next month. He also faces the death penalty if convicted. Prosecutors have said they similarly will try the four other inmates.

"We must all be reminded that our prison system houses people who have been convicted for major offenses, and many of them have long sentences for violent crimes," Todd said. "That means a young inmate facing 40 years time may want to get back to the free world. And, they've got 24 hours a day, seven days a week to think about it and plan it.

"The Connally escapees planned for several months and were successful. While they were lucky, they also found opportunities that no longer exist today."

The corrections department review team and an independent analysis requested by the agency found prison staff missed critical opportunities to prevent the escape. The staff ignored a fire alarm, failed to report unsupervised inmates and failed to demand proper identification from inmates who had disguised themselves as maintenance workers.

As a result, officials have tightened rules regarding inmate movement within prisons, restricted the use of tools, changed procedures for guards stationed in towers outside prisons and imposed continuous patrols around prison perimeters.

The department also has made changes in how it classifies inmates. Those classifications are used to determine, for example, whether an inmate lives in dormitory-type housing or in a cellblock.

The warden at the Connally Unit was demoted and reassigned, and staff identified as violating rules and procedures were sanctioned.

"This fails to rise even to the level of bitter-sweet response," a department memo said. "The punishments were commensurate with the policy violations at hand but no punishment could be commensurate with the ensuing tragedy."

"All of our employees must be constantly alert and give close attention to detail each work day," Todd said Wednesday. "There is no place for compliancy or ignoring post orders inside a prison. The entire system is much tighter and stricter than a year ago."

Hawkins' relatives have sued the prison system on behalf of Hawkins' 10-year-old son. Lawyers for the Texas attorney general's office have rejected claims the agency was responsible for the officer's death.

Prosecutors request 35 subpoenas in Yates case

HOUSTON (AP) — Prosecutors in the case of a woman accused of drowning her five children in the family's bathtub in June requested subpoenas Wednesday for 35 people, including her husband and mother.

Jury selection in the capital murder case against Andrea Yates, 37, is scheduled to begin Jan. 7. The process of selecting jurors for the case, in which prosecutors are seeking the death penalty, could take more than a month.

Eleven Houston police representatives, three deputies and a sergeant from the Harris County Sheriff's Department and the 911 operator who received Yates' call on June 20 are among those prosecutors want summoned to testify at Yates' trial.

Yates' mother, Jutta Kennedy; husband, Russell Yates and his mother, Dora, also are on the subpoena list.

In addition, prosecutor Joe Owmby wants four doctors summoned, including Mohammad Saeed, who saw Yates just two days before she allegedly drowned her children. Yates previously had been diagnosed with postpartum depression with psychosis. She attempted suicide twice after the birth of her fourth son in 1999.

Saeed testified at a pretrial motion hearing last week that Yates was worse when he saw her on June 18 than she was when he released her from his care in May. Yates was admitted twice to a mental hospital following the birth of her daughter, Mary, and death of her father earlier this year.

State District Judge Belinda Hill has remained silent this week about Russell Yates' and Harris County District Attorney Chuck Rosenthal's appearance on a national television magazine show on Sunday.

Hill has imposed a strict gag order that forbids witnesses or attorneys involved in the case from discussing it publicly.

Both men have said they don't think they violated Hill's order by appearing on the show.

South Texas College of Law professor Neil McCabe said both Yates and Rosenthal could face a fine or jail time if it is determined they violated Hill's order. He said he hasn't seen a witness thrown in jail for violating a gag order but that attorneys and the defendant are typical targets of such orders.

Andrea Yates faces two charges of capital murder for the deaths of three of her five children, who ranged in age from 7-years to 6-months. She has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

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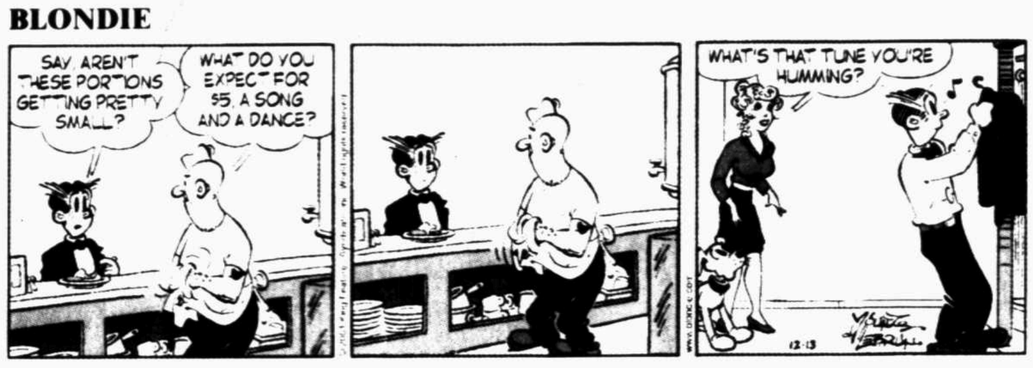

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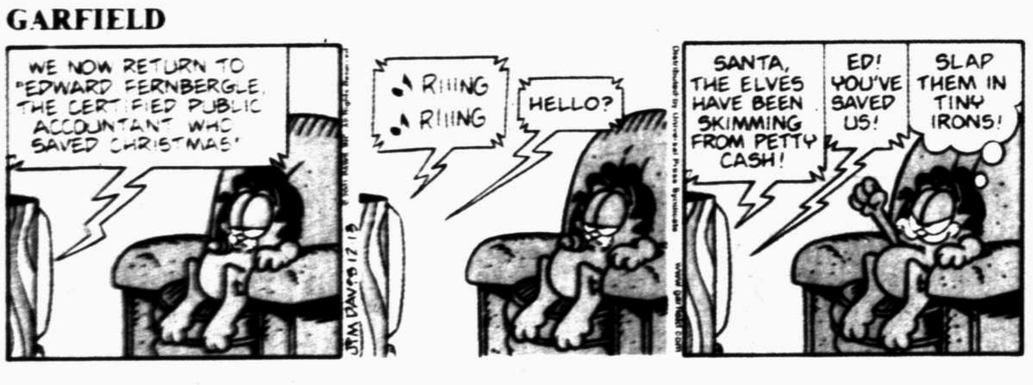

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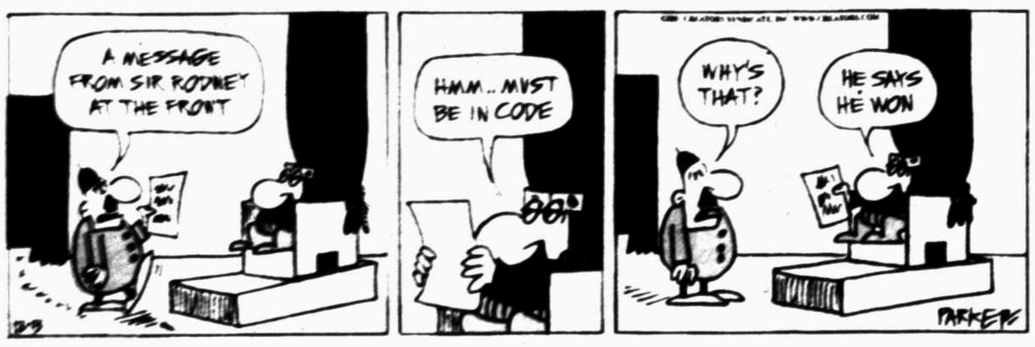

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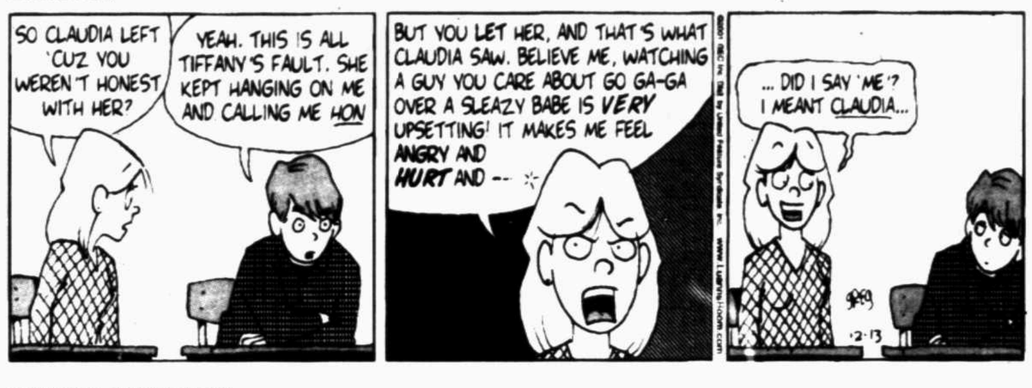

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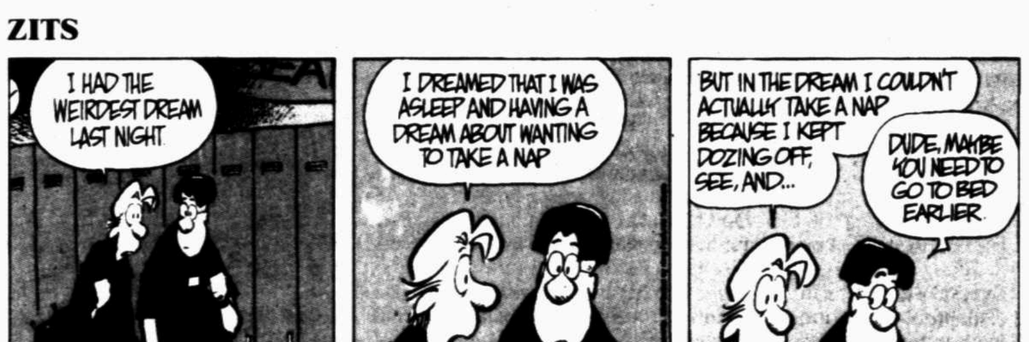

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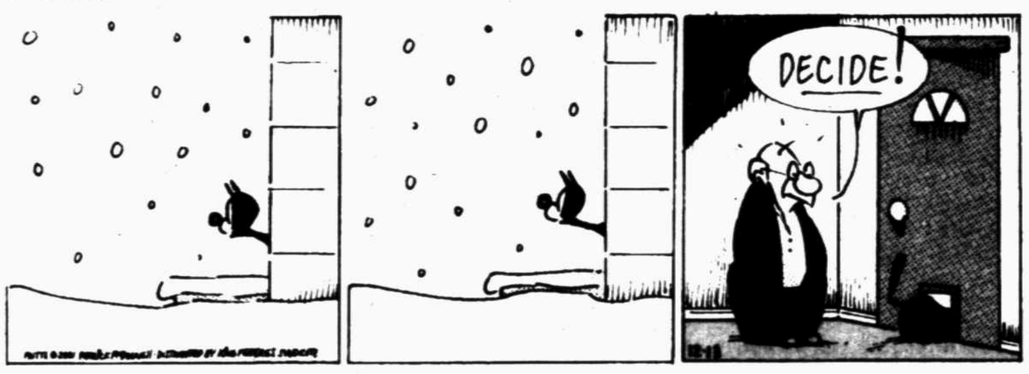

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Clooney says he made bad movies 'just to keep working'

LOS ANGELES — After 10 years of trying, **George Clooney** vaulted from television to the big screen. Then he immediately started repeating mistakes that had kept him struggling in mediocre television for so long.

Clooney said he always called himself a film actor even when he had done mostly television. After losing out on a big film part, he concluded, "You know what? I am a television actor. That's where I've succeeded, and there's nothing wrong with that. So I decided I had to do better television," Clooney told The Associated Press.

Clooney fought hard for "ER," the NBC series that launched him to stardom and opened doors for his movie career in the mid-1990s.

"Then I started doing sort of the same mistakes in film, which is I'd just take a job, a job and a job," just to keep working, he said. The results were bad movies such as "Batman & Robin."

"There was a time, which was after 'Batman & Robin,' which was the right time to go, 'OK, now if you're going to be a film actor, do better films,'" Clooney said. "It's mostly about working with better people, working with better scripts. That's usually the difference, I think."

Since then, Clooney, 40, has broken out with "Three Kings," "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" and "The Perfect Storm." His new film, "Ocean's Eleven," re-teams him with Steven Soderbergh, who previously directed him in "Out of Sight."

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LONDON — A new exhibition of letters and manuscripts of **J.R.R. Tolkien** gives insight into the very private man who wrote "The Lord of the Rings" trilogy.

Tolkien was a reluctant celebrity, and one of the letters that went on display at The British Library on Tuesday reveals his irritation at the loss of privacy that followed the success of his books — "The Hobbit" in 1937 and the trilogy in the 1950s.

Tolkien writes about how he is all set to move into a new apartment after his wife's death, but complains he no longer will be protected from "Hoopers, Snoopers, Goopers, press-gangs, phone-bugs, and transatlantic lion hunters and gargoyle-fanciers."

Some of the correspondence comes from notes to his grandson that accompanied Christmas gifts and money, and are written in his ornate, calligraphic hand, using a broad-nibbed pen.

Also on display are rare first edition copies of "The Hobbit," and the first illustrated edition of "The Lord of the Rings" trilogy.

"The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring," the first installment of the film version of the trilogy, had its world premiere in London on Monday. It opens in the United States on Dec. 19.

"We wanted to mark this occasion by displaying some interesting associated items," said Sally Brown, curator of modern literary manuscripts at the library.

"The letters show the affectionate family man that we do not glimpse in his fiction, and the books show how the stories have been illustrated before this big-screen adaptation," she said.

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The British Library official Web site: http://www.bl.uk/

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Singer **Freddy Fender**, who is battling health problems including hepatitis C, will have an operation next month to receive a kidney donated by his 21-year-old daughter.

"It's not that easy to ask someone for an organ," said Fender, who scored the '70s hits "Before the Next Teardrop Falls" and "Wasted Days and Wasted Nights."

The 64-year-old Fender, who lives in Corpus Christi, said Tuesday that he also needs a liver transplant because of cirrhosis. Doctors would like to do both operations at once to keep trauma to his body to a minimum, but he can no longer wait for a liver to become available.

"Freddy needs a kidney more than he needs a liver," said his wife, Vangie Fender. "He can't tolerate dialysis very well. It makes him weak."

Fender has dialysis every other day, and without a transplant, he will soon need it every day, said his publicist Kirt Webster of Nashville.

The transplant is scheduled for January at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. Fender is to receive the organ donated by daughter Marla Garcia of Jacksonville, Fla., who recently had a baby.

Fender has three other children, two of whom were ineligible because they have diabetes, his wife said.

"I don't have any words for how we feel about Marla volunteering," she said. "I get goose bumps every time I think about it. She is so young."

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LOS ANGELES — **Randy Travis** has tried his hand at acting lately, co-starring in the Western movie "Texas Rangers" and in episodes of the CBS drama "Touched by an Angel."

But that hasn't kept the country singer away from music.

"We have started recording one country album, another gospel album," he told AP Radio. "We have not finished either one, still looking for material. I'm also in the process of writing some."

Travis, 42, said he can write pretty much anywhere, anytime.

"I don't need anything really — a little quiet time. Sometimes it's there, sometimes it's not," he said. "The more that I spend time writing, the more the ideas come."

While Travis said he doesn't write strictly about his own life, "you can't help but get some of your thoughts in there. When you're making up a story, you can't help but put the way you feel or the way you see it."

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You're strong-willed and others often react. Be more gentle in what you say. You might read people too closely for their comfort. Allow others to come to you without revealing all of your understanding. You know how to be warm and caring without being demanding. Perfect this characteristic. If you are single, life is a barrel of surprises. If you are attached, empathize more often with a loved one. SAGITTARIUS knows how to get to you!

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You feel unusually inspired, resulting in a slew of calls, meetings and new appointments. You act as if there is no tomorrow; you're such a ball of fire. Understand someone's limitations and why this person responds as he or she does. Pitch in and help. Tonight: Are you tired yet? Slow down.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Success heads your way if you deal with others directly. Unexpected news at work energizes and helps you solve any problems on the way. Listen to important information or feedback from someone you deal with financially. Tonight: Take a break from all the holiday gatherings and people.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Don't rebel just because it works for you. Establish better groundwork leading into an idea. Let others reveal their true colors, and your decisions will be much stronger. Let go of insecurity. Step back from yourself. Tonight: Go along with someone's plans.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Your ability to handle money comes from your own tenacious crablike need for security. You don't have to announce this fact, but monopolize on this skill. A situation might make you feel insecure. Don't allow feelings or fatigue to get the best of you. Tonight: Early to bed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ A friend could disappoint you when you least expect it. Laugh and be light with a loved one or child. Don't kick the cat because you're mad at the dog. Express how you feel, and you will gain some release. Allow fun in; let go of anger. Tonight: Express your frisky side.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★ Tension builds at work or revolving around a health matter. You cannot be too thorough or too careful. You could be accident-prone. Express your frustration and anger. Stop, take a walk and center yourself. Restart your day from a new mental perspective. Tonight: Head on home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Others misunderstand you. You need to clear up a misconception or circumvent it by confirming what you hear. Don't stand on ceremony; rather, seek people out. Your voice puts a smile on someone's face. Tonight: At a favorite haunt.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You need to put a halt to a self-destructive pattern that might very well impact your wallet. You cannot count on someone's support anymore. Step up to first base and know that you're on your own. You can do it, too! Let go of negative habits. Tonight: Settle in at home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You might want to show off your stuff, and you will. In the face of change and surprises, you come through like a champ. Initiate conversations. You know what to do to bring out those around you. Your big personality could make someone jealous. Tonight: You get what you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★ Share more of your inner thoughts. Sometimes you make judgments that might not be valid or anchored. Feedback strengthens your ideas, helping you see loopholes. Fatigue causes you to be less than effective. Know when to say enough! Tonight: Early to bed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Friends cheer you on. Seek out information that could involve others. Meetings prove to be helpful, though a loved one or child could be upset by your lack of attention. Someone special might be having difficulties and could use some of your time. Tonight: Consider cloning yourself!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ All eyes turn to you. You're under the gun as many make demands that you might not be prepared to meet. Don't take it personally, but look for better organization. Call home and explain a delay or change in plans to a family member. Tonight: Burn the candle at both ends.

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Actor Dick Van Dyke (1925), singer Ted Nugent (1948), wife of Abraham Lincoln, Mary Todd Lincoln (1818)

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You Be the Judge

Both vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ 7
♡ 6 2
◇ A K Q 9 7 3
♣ A 8 5 3

WEST
♠ 6 3
♡ A K Q J 10 8
◇ 8 2
♣ K 10 2

EAST
♠ 8 5 4 2
♡ 9 5
◇ J 10 6 4
♣ Q 7 6

SOUTH
♠ A K Q J 10 9
♡ 7 4 3
◇ 5
♣ J 9 4

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1◇	Pass	1♠	2♡
3◇	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: King of ♡

Study the bidding and play of this deal. Did anyone err? If so, who and when?

The auction really cannot be faulted. With a solid six-card suit, South's bid of four spades on the second round was automatic.

West cashed the king and ace of hearts, East following with the nine and five, in that order, and continued with the queen. Declarer ruffed in dummy, and East overruffed and returned a low club. South inserted the nine, covered by the 10 and won with the ace. With the only entry to dummy's diamonds removed, declarer was forced to rely on a 3-3 diamond break. Unfortunately, West ruffed the third diamond and cashed the king of clubs — down one.

It might seem that South was the victim of good defense combined with an unfortunate lie of the clubs. But if you count South's tricks, there are 10 — six spades, three diamonds and the ace of clubs. Where South went wrong was wasting the entry back to his hand unnecessarily. How? By ruffing the third heart!

True, declarer was unlucky in finding East with the eight of spades. However, West's heart overcall and East's echo in the play marked West with six hearts. All South had to do to keep 10 tricks intact was to discard from dummy on the third heart!

Best defense is for East to ruff and shift to a club. Declarer wins in dummy with the ace, but he can now draw trumps by leading the seven of spades from the table to a high trump in hand and, once the enemy's fangs are extracted, cash three diamonds for 10 tricks.

By ruffing the third round of hearts in dummy, declarer telescoped 10 sure tricks to nine!

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS
1 Moby Dick pursuer
5 "That's __"
10 Critic's award
14 It's a long story
15 More than inconvenienced
16 Egg on
17 Hullabaloo
18 Crawling with crawlers
19 Lima, for one
20 Author who comes from a New Jersey city?
23 Capital near the Red Sea
24 Okays
25 Aquarium fish
28 Concede
31 Kyrgyzstan range
32 "The Pilgrim's Progress" author John
34 __ generis
37 Cartoonist who comes from an English city?
40 Fraternal fellow
41 Kind of kick
42 Ristorante order
43 Says assuredly
44 Rose part
45 Trunk item
48 Burn
50 Pop singer who comes from an Irish city?
56 Farmer's aids
57 Like most music
58 Hurried
60 Brown of publishing
61 Bring to mind
62 Some tub contents
63 Early discount gas chain
64 Measuring device
65 Rochester's love

DOWN
1 Fool
2 "Thirty days __..."
3 Exchange premium
4 Savage
5 Parallel
6 Expert
7 Chief Norse god
8 Sailor's concern
9 Prefix with derm
10 Renter's option, perhaps
11 "A nest of robins in her hair" source
12 Tiny type size
13 Flat rates
21 Harem room
22 False
25 Work with a chair, maybe
26 Israeli airline
27 Place for thinkers?
28 No voters
29 Unnatural, in a way
30 Pasture female
32 Nota __
33 Locale in a Beatles title
34 Diamonds, e.g.
35 Elbow-wrist connection
36 Pedestal figure
38 Float in place
39 Boot, for one
43 Rinks
44 Friend
45 One of the Deadly Sins
46 Mischievous type
47 Words of support
48 One of Gorgon's locks
49 Conger catcher
51 It's on the agenda
52 Sheltered nook
53 It's tied at weddings
54 Unctuous
55 Not e'en once
59 Buck's partner

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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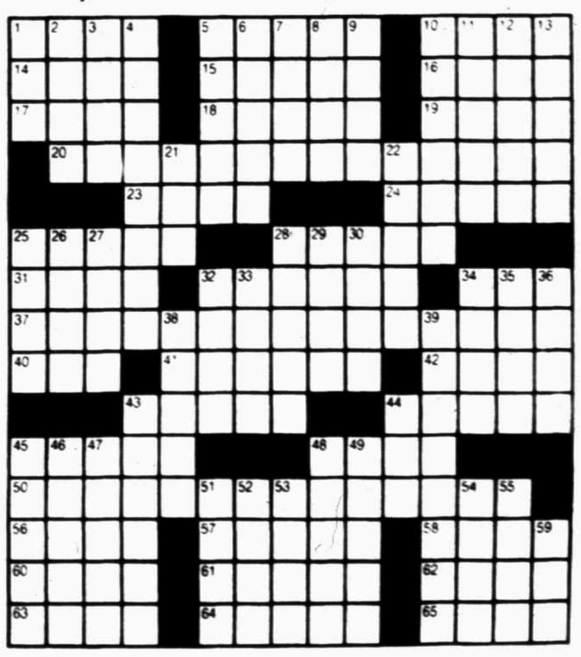

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Houston man condemned for killing Dallas officer executed

By Michael Graczyk
Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — A parolee convicted of killing a Dallas police officer during a robbery almost 14 years ago was executed Wednesday night.

Vincent Edward Cooks expressed love for his family and friends and apologized to his mother, Annie Daniels, for not being "a better son."

"It wasn't your fault I did the things I did," he said in an animated conversation with his mother. "At least I won't be here anymore. I'm going to miss you."

Cooks made no eye contact with relatives of slain officer Gary McCarthy, but seemed to maintain his contention that he was not the killer. McCarthy, a rookie officer, was killed while working an off-duty security job at a Dallas market.

"By them executing me, they aren't going to make it right," he said. Cooks repeated his complaints that initial witness identifications pointed to a killer who was smaller and shorter than the 6-foot, 300-plus-pound Cooks. "I don't weigh 180 pounds, 5-foot-7."

Cooks repeatedly exchanged "love you" and "see you later" with his mother, aunt and other relatives, smiling and laughing at times. He concluded by addressing the warden. "Do what you do, warden," he said. He took a deep breath, gasped, took two more shallow breaths and stopped moving.

He was pronounced dead at 6:28 p.m., 11 minutes after the lethal drugs began flowing.

Prosecutors who worked to convict the Houston parolee said they were confident they got the right man.

"There was no doubt in my mind that Cooks was the gunman," Janice Warder, a former assistant district attorney in Dallas County and now a state district judge in Dallas, said this week.

Cooks was the 17th and final Texas inmate to receive lethal injection this year, making the 2001 execution total in the state the lowest since three were put to death in 1996. Last year, a record 40 inmates were strapped to the gurney in the death chamber at the Huntsville Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Five already are on the schedule for 2002.

When he was arrested for fatally shooting McCarthy during a Feb. 26, 1988, robbery, Cooks, 37, was on parole after serving only nine months of a five-year term for aggravated assault for shooting at a Houston police officer. Two other men were arrested but Cooks was fingered as the triggerman.

McCarthy, 33, married, father of two and a former Baptist missionary fluent in several languages, was killed while working at a West Dallas grocery store.

"It was much too easy," Candy McCarthy, the slain officer's sister, said after watching the execution. "He had a very peaceful exit. He was able to lie on that gurney and visit with his family and make jokes and tell them how much he loved them. I thought it was much too humane."

McCarthy, known as "Stumpy" to his friends and fellow officers because of his muscular build, was accompanying the manager of the market to a bank to pick up $30,000 to be used for cashing checks. Followed in a car by the robbers, the officer, who was not in uniform, and the market manager were confronted by a gunman who demanded the money bag as they were about to enter the store.

McCarthy was fatally shot during the confrontation. The robbers fled without the cash.

A short time before the shooting, officers had questioned Cooks and his two companions — Tracy Stallworth and Tony Harvey — as their car was parked near the market. They had no reason to detain the trio but made note of the license plate. Given the descriptions of suspects after the shooting, authorities tracked the car to Stallworth's girlfriend. When Stallworth was arrested, court documents show he gave up Harvey and Cooks, who by then was back home in Houston.

"When you get caught doing something, you don't tell. It's a code," Cooks said from death row, where the 318-pounder with a gold-capped front tooth engraved with a star is known as "Big Tex." "If I knew, I wouldn't tell. They put me in here wrongfully."

Cooks, however, did acknowledge a string of similar robberies of store managers who cashed payroll checks.

"Nobody was hurt," he said. "It was easy money. I regret a whole lot I've done. But this case — they know they don't have the right man for this crime. They just want to clear the books."

Harvey and Stallworth each received 20-year prison terms. Cooks received a death sentence.

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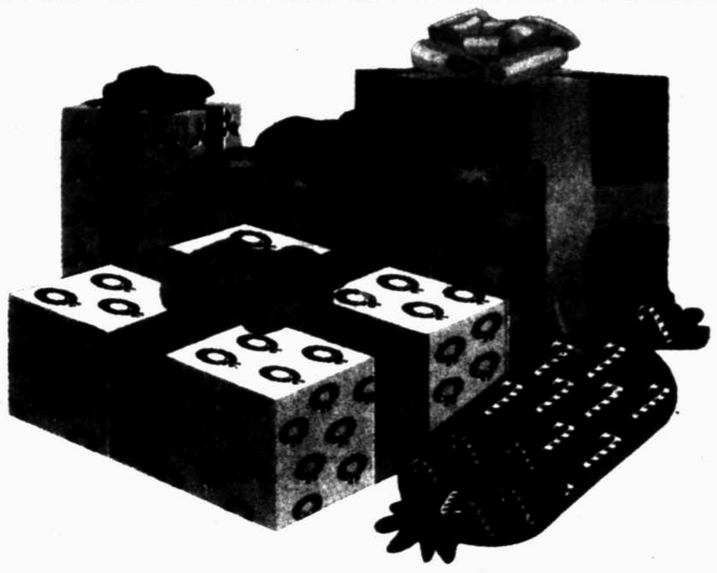

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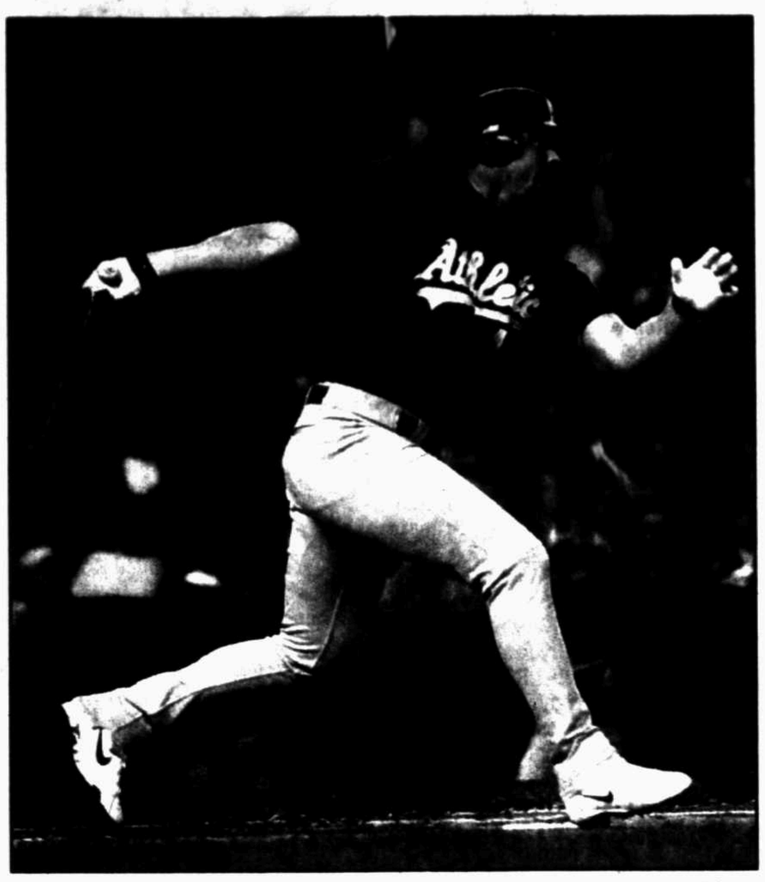

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Oakland Athletics' Jason Giambi's contract with the New York Yankees moved closer to completion Tuesday when the first baseman took a physical for the team in Tampa, Fla.

Yanks, Giambi ready to sign seven year deal worth about $120 million

By Josh Dubow
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — Jason Giambi is finally ready to officially join the New York Yankees.

After days of anticipation, New York planned a news conference Thursday at Yankee Stadium to announce a seven-year contract with Giambi worth about $120 million, a baseball official and a lawyer familiar with the talks said on the condition they not be identified.

Giambi's agent, Arn Tellem, traveled to New York on Wednesday to be in town for the news conference, the sources said.

One of the most feared hitters in the game, Giambi will fit perfectly for the Yankees as they try to add more power and patience into their lineup.

Giambi, 30, is the perfect combination of the two, leading the American League in on-base percentage (.477) and slugging (.660) last season. He replaces first baseman Tino Martinez, who hit 34 homers, but only had a .329 on-base percentage.

Giambi hit .342 with 38 homers and 120 RBIs overall last season, finishing second in voting for the AL MVP award after winning in 2000. His left-handed power stroke is ideal for Yankee Stadium with its short right field.

"He's just an outstanding hitter," said Seattle manager Lou Piniella, whose team lost the Yankees in the ALCS. "He had some monster years in Oakland. He would help any ballclub. Giambi is one of the dominating hitters in the game today."

The Yankees made Giambi their top target almost immediately after their World Series loss to Arizona. Manager Joe Torre, pitcher Mike Mussina, Hall of Famer Yogi Berra and New York Mayor and Yankees fan Rudolph Giuliani all made recruiting calls.

Money and the chance to win a World Series also played a factor in Giambi's decision. The Yankees knocked Giambi's Oakland Athletics out of the postseason the past two years.

At $120 million, the contract would have an average annual value of $17.14 million. That would be the fifth-highest in baseball behind Texas shortstop Alex Rodriguez ($25.2 million), Boston outfielder Manny Ramirez ($20 million), Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter ($18.9 million) and Chicago Cubs outfielder Sammy Sosa ($18 million).

Last spring, Giambi turned down a $91 million, six-year extension offered by Oakland because the A's refused to include a no-trade clause.

The Yankees have been busy since failing to hold a one-run lead in Game 7 of the World Series — a loss that left owner George Steinbrenner steamed.

"I'm not a good loser," Steinbrenner said moments after that game. "I believe in what Ernest Hemingway said: 'The way you get to be a good loser is practice and I don't want to practice.'"

Instead, Steinbrenner opened up his wallet and the Yankees have undergone their biggest roster overhaul since after the 1995 season.

New York also reached a preliminary agreement Wednesday on a $10 million, two-year contract with outfielder Rondell White.

Last Friday, the Yankees acquired third baseman Robin Ventura from the Mets for David Justice to replace the retired Scott Brosius, and also signed free agent reliever Steve Karsay.

Outfielders Paul O'Neill and Chuck Knoblauch also won't be back in 2002 as the Yankees try to upgrade an offense that finished fifth in the AL in runs scored last season.

The Yankees are also close to re-signing pitcher Sterling Hitchcock, and Steinbrenner met earlier this week with pitcher David Wells.

Baseball's average salary increases to more than $2 million

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — Baseball's average salary broke the $2 million barrier for the first time this season, and the New York Yankees led the major leagues with an average of nearly $4 million.

The final average salary of a major league player in 2001 was $2,138,896, according to final figures released Wednesday by the Major League Baseball Players Association.

That was up 12.8 percent from last year's average of $1,895,630 — the lowest rate of increase since 1998. Still, baseball passed the $2 million mark just nine years after reaching the $1 million. Twenty-five years ago, in the last season before free agency, the average was $51,501.

The Yankees, who won their fourth straight American League pennant but failed to win the World Series for the first time since 1997, paid an average of $3,930,334 to the 31 players on their Aug. 31 roster and disabled list.

Seven of the eight playoff teams were among the top 12 in average salary. The exception was the Oakland Athletics, 23rd among the 30 teams at $1,310,084.

Minnesota and Montreal, the teams most likely t urgeted for elimination by commissioner Bud Selig, had the two lowest averages for the second straight season: $1,128,470 for the Twins and $926,333 for the Expos.

The Yankees had the highest average for the third con-

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Former Cowboy Newton arrested on drug charges

By Joel Anderson
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS — Former Dallas Cowboy Nate Newton and two other men were arrested Wednesday on felony drug charges after two vehicles were stopped in Ellis County, the Dallas County Sheriff's Department said.

Newton

All three remained in the Lew Sterrett Justice Center late Wednesday, pending action by federal prosecutors, said spokesman Don Peritz.

Newton's arrest was the second in less than six weeks for the offensive lineman, who retired from pro football after the 1999 season.

At least 175 pounds of marijuana was found when officers stopped the two vehicles Wednesday afternoon on southbound Interstate 45 near Palmer, Peritz said. He did not know a breakdown of who was in which vehicle or in which vehicle or vehicles the mar-

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DALLAS COWBOYS

Cowboys' Swinton is a fast-running returner, not fast-talking salesman

By Stephen Hawkins
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Reggie Swinton has been cut by teams in four leagues and has worked his share of low-paying jobs, from selling meat door-to-door to working in warehouses.

Then the Cowboys offered him a tryout last summer, nearly four years after his college career ended and just days before he was to begin a job as a car salesman.

"I'd been cut six times already, but I figured I may as well give it a last chance," said Swinton, 26. "If I hadn't made it, I would have stopped. It would have been time to find a job working 9 to 5. I didn't want to, but I would have had to."

Instead of being a fast-talking salesman, Swinton is a fast-running kick returner.

With four games left, Swinton has 44 kickoff returns and 1,123 return yards. He's closing in on the single-season team records, Jason Tucker's 51 returns last season and James Dixon's 1,181 yards 12 years ago.

Swinton, who made his NFL debut with a 77-yard kickoff return in the season opener against Tampa Bay, is fifth in the NFL with a 25.5-yard average. He's also the league leader with a 14.6-yard punt return average that includes a 65-yard touchdown against Denver.

"He's the kind of guy that can set you up. He's got a real good burst and can go from a stop to a start very quickly," coach Dave Campo said. "He has made a tremendous amount of progress.

"I'm happy for Reggie Swinton because he was making about $6 an hour in a warehouse last year, and he knows what it means to be a part of the Dallas Cowboys. That's the part I like about him more than anything else."

Swinton, from Little Rock, Ark., is a lifelong Cowboys fan — just like most of his family.

He grew up dreaming of playing pro football, but after his record-setting career at Division I-AA Murray State, he wasn't drafted.

The Jacksonville Jaguars signed him as a free agent in 1998 but cut him before the sea-

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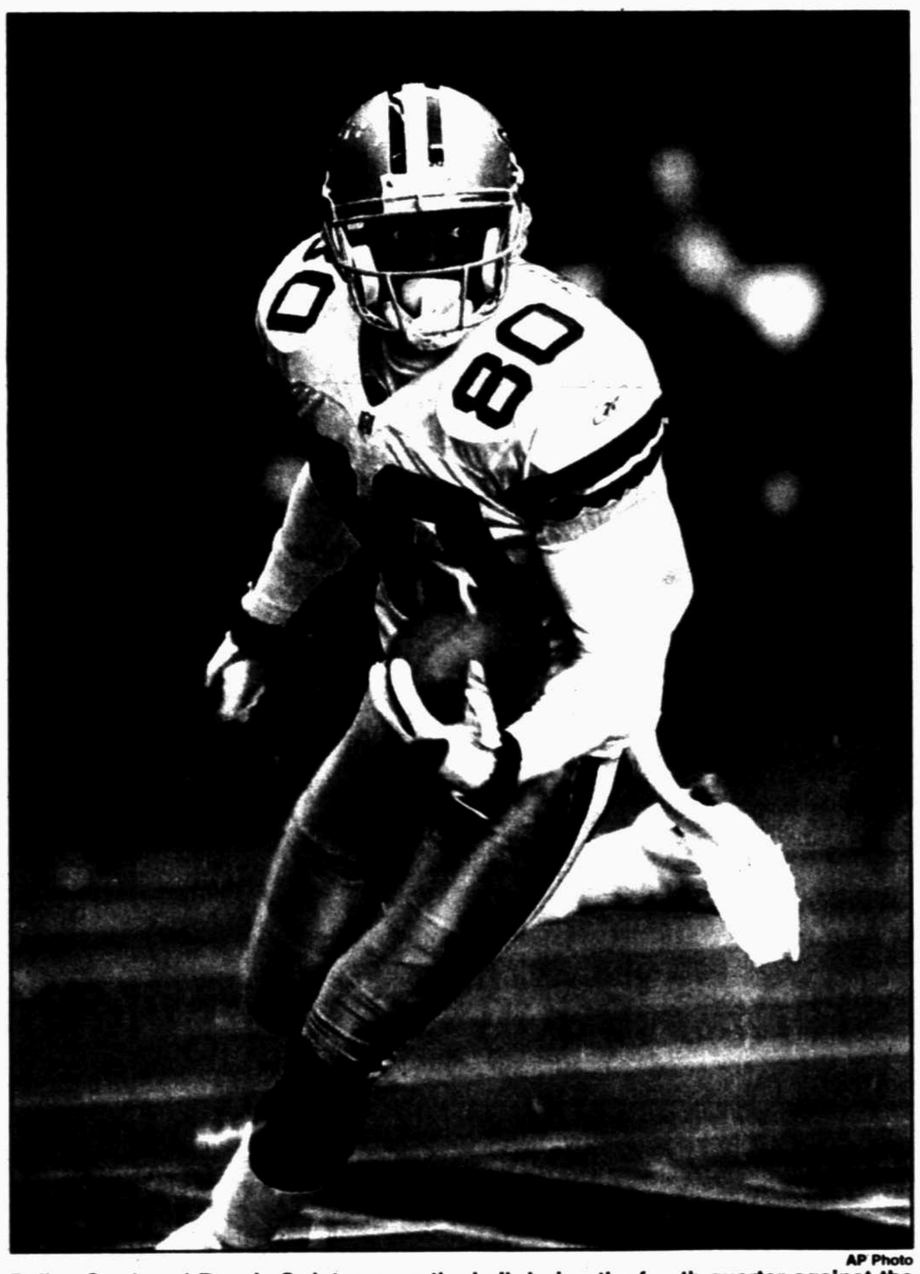

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Dallas Cowboys' Reggie Swinton runs the ball during the fourth quarter against the New York Giants in Irving on Sunday. Swinton has been cut by teams in four leagues and has worked his share of low-paying jobs before being signed by Dallas.

TERRY WILLIAMSON

Browning decides to leave football, growls for family life

David Browning was just a pup of a coach when Gil Bartosh brought him to Midland Lee in 1978 and I was pretty much of a pup myself at the Reporter-Telegram.

Time flies by, people move on — and some come back. It seems like I've know Browning, and his wife, Cheryl, all my life. I've often wondered how a fine lady like Cheryl ended up with a guy like David, but we all have skeletons in our closets, don't we? Cheryl's skeleton just happens to be in public view.

Williamson

Now, Cheryl will have to put up with the "retired" David Browning — at home. David Browning retired from coaching on Wednesday, leaving the Midland High head coaching job after six seasons. Here's hoping that Cheryl will just send him to the golf course instead of taking on the role of a pulling guard or referee.

Cheryl has been a good wife, moving here and there and back over the years. She whimpered little along the way, but there was that one balk when David decided to leave North Carolina and Appalachian State for Oklahoma State. I don't think she liked leaving the mountains, the scenery, the trees and the snow behind.

But, like football coach's wives everywhere, she let him depart with suitcase in hand, waving to him as he trekked from the house to the main highway to catch a ride into town. They were snowed in at the time and couldn't get the car out. Cheryl stayed behind to take care of moving. David is lucky she ever showed up in Oklahoma.

Browning won't be moving this time. That's called retirement. He's staying in Midland, and that's good because he owes me a round of golf.

The first time I ever saw David Browning in action was in preseason workouts at Lee in two-a-days. He was "barking" instructions to some Lee lineman. "Barking" is a good term to use. I swore then, and swear now, that Browning keeps gravel in his mouth. It is the perfect coaching sound — mysterious and threatening.

Things didn't change over the years. In his first practice as head football coach at Midland High in 1996, Browning still had the gravel in his voice. He can still "bark" with the best of them.

David says his decision to retire is a family issue and that "there is a little bit of a health issue involved." But he didn't want to elaborate on that or make a big issue of it. So, according to his wishes, we'll leave it at that.

Still, the news of his "retirement" caught me by surprise. After all, there will be 14 returning starters back next season for the Bulldogs. It's usually after 14 returning starters leave camp when you hang up the coaching cleats.

So, Browning will leave without having cleared the one hump he came here to jump. He wanted to put MHS in the state playoffs. He wanted to be the one to end the 50-year playoff absence.

And he came close — tantalizingly close. In fact, that's probably the most hurtful thing in all this. In three of the last four years, the Bulldogs needed just one more win, maybe just one more touchdown of getting to the playoffs. It raised expectations at Midland High without the ring. But his Bulldogs kept getting better with each passing year.

But he beat Odessa Permian twice in three seasons. Before that you have to go back to 1973 to find a Bulldog team that beat old Mojo.

But he never beat Lee or Abilene Cooper. A win over either one of those teams in three of the last four seasons would have done the trick for MHS. In 1999, MHS lost to Lee 35-28 and the game essentially ended when the Bulldogs threw an interception inside the Lee 10-yard line. Lee went on to win the state championship.

"I could probably take up politics and be elected mayor of Midland if we get into the playoffs," Browning once said.

The playoffs never happened, but MHS seems to be getting closer — sometimes painfully close. That's why I hate to see Browning stepping down at this time. I still have visions of 14 returning starters back for next season in a new stadium where new traditions will be built.

But without David Browning — he's Cheryl's problem now. I give her permission to quit buying the gravel.

Terry Williamson is sports editor of the Reporter-Telegram

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PROFESSIONAL SPORTS SALARIES

Average Salaries

NEW YORK (AP) — Average salaries in the four major sports, as compiled by the Major League Baseball Players Association, the NFL Players Association, the National Basketball Players Association and the NHL Players Association.

BASEBALL

Year	Average
1967	$19,000
1968	NA
1969	24,909
1970	29,303
1971	31,543
1972	34,092
1973	36,566
1974	40,839
1975	44,676
1976	51,501
1977	76,066
1978	99,876
1979	113,558
1980	143,756
1981	185,651
1982	241,497
1983	289,194
1984	329,408
1985	371,571
1986	412,520
1987	412,454
1988	438,729
1989	497,254
1990	597,537
1991	851,492
1992	1,028,667
1993	1,076,089
1994	1,168,263
1995	1,110,766
1996	1,119,981
1997	1,336,609
1998	1,398,831
1999	1,606,770
2000	1,988,034
2001	2,138,896

NFL

1970	$41,000
1972	45,000
1974	56,000
1976	78,000
1978	100,000
1980	117,000
1982	157,000
1984	279,000
1986	288,000
1988	307,000
1989	389,000
1990	430,000
1991	488,000
1992	551,000
1993	729,000
1994	674,000
1995	752,000
1996	807,000
1997	725,000
1998	$1,000,000
1999	$1,043,000
2000	$1,200,000

NBA

1989-90	653,000
1990-91	823,000
1991-92	1,003,000
1992-93	1,113,000
1993-94	1,296,000
1994-95	1,441,000
1995-96	1,636,000
1996-97	1,979,000
1997-98	2,297,000
1998-99	2,640,000
1999-00	3,180,000
y-2000-01	3,530,000

y-preliminary estimate

NHL
(Mixed Canadian and U.S. dollars)

1990-91	$271,000
1991-92	368,000
1992-93	467,000
1993-94	572,161
1994-95	733,000
1995-96	892,000
1996-97	984,500
1997-98	1,167,713
1998-99	1,297,649
1999-00	1,355,201
y-2000-01	1,400,000

y-preliminary estimate

Comparison by Baseball Club

NEW YORK (AP) — Average baseball salaries by club in 2001 and 2000 as compiled by the Major League Baseball Players Association. Averages included prorated signing bonuses and other payments not attributed to a specific year. Salary deferrals, buyouts and bonuses are increased or discounted.

	2001	2000
N.Y. Yankees	$3,930,334	3,656,542
Los Angeles	3,755,511	3,141,883
Boston	3,565,027	2,861,753
Cleveland	3,256,952	2,707,783
N.Y. Mets	2,998,090	3,115,549
Atlanta	2,956,695	3,127,992
Chicago Cubs	2,811,259	2,017,536
Seattle	2,769,003	2,075,165
Arizona	2,701,205	2,828,909
San Francisco	2,600,753	2,128,333
St. Louis	2,556,629	2,390,042
Houston	2,442,357	1,625,136
Toronto	2,423,486	1,984,039
Texas	2,397,688	1,870,723
Baltimore	2,151,758	2,131,260
Colorado	1,940,255	1,734,529
Philadelphia	1,766,070	1,386,510
Chi.W. Sox	1,739,206	1,360,172
Anaheim	1,726,087	1,619,719
Detroit	1,583,263	1,980,411
Cincinnati	1,358,813	1,298,459
Kansas City	1,314,246	798,242
Oakland	1,310,084	1,156,925
Pittsburgh	1,291,870	1,004,335
Milwaukee	1,275,571	927,610
San Diego	1,243,603	1,603,601
Florida	1,214,934	847,208
Tampa Bay	1,130,330	1,915,275
Minnesota	1,128,470	601,680
Montreal	926,333	767,420

By Position

NEW YORK (AP) — Average 2001 salaries by position, as compiled by the Major League Baseball Players Association. Averages included prorated signing bonuses and other payments not attributed to a specific year. Salary deferrals, buyouts and bonuses are increased or discounted. Figures include first basemen, second basemen, third basemen, shortstops, catchers and outfielders with 100 or more games at the position; designated hitters with 80 or more games as DHs; starting pitchers with 19 or more starts and relief pitchers with 10 or fewers starts and 25 or more relief appearances.

Position	Average	Plyrs
DH	$5,650,019	6
First base	4,622,617	24
Outfield	4,473,863	57
Shortstop	3,399,184	24
Third base	3,381,638	21
Starting Pitcher	3,228,719	115
Catcher	3,196,350	19
Second base	3,070,815	21
Relief Pitcher	1,510,904	170

By Service

NEW YORK (AP) — Average 2001 salaries by service group, as compiled by the Major League Baseball Players Association. Averages included prorated signing bonuses and other payments not attributed to a specific year. Salary deferrals, buyouts and bonuses are increased or discounted. The class with 2-to-3 years of major league service is divided into players eligible for arbitration and those not eligible.

Service	Average	Plyrs
0-1	$273,359	200
1-2	330,038	108
2-3	482,360	81
2-3 (arb)	1,179,271	17
3-4	1,526,071	78
4-5	2,452,352	71
5-6	2,830,307	56
6-7	4,107,617	55
7-8	4,192,680	47
8-9	4,247,322	42
9-10	4,425,543	39
10-11	4,756,124	25
11-12	4,753,030	27
12-13	6,056,208	25
13-14	7,007,053	6
14-15	5,268,595	16
15-plus	2,727,918	17

Yankees get a lot done at baseball winter meetings

■ New York reaches agreement with outfielder Rondell White.

By Ronald Blum
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — The New York Yankees were the only team getting a lot done at the winter meetings Wednesday, preparing to welcome Jason Giambi and reaching a preliminary deal to add outfielder Rondell White.

While Barry Bonds, Juan Gonzalez, Chan Ho Park, Gary Sheffield, Scott Rolen and Carl Everett waited for their futures to be decided, the two big signings announced Wednesday were Norm Charlton and Jose Guillen.

Charlton re-signed with the Seattle Mariners, the left-handed reliever agreeing to a $1.25 million, one-year contract. Arizona announced a $500,000, one-year deal with Guillen, a contract the outfielder agreed to weeks ago.

While there were no trades, the Yankees made plans for a Thursday news conference in New York to announce their seven-year agreement with Giambi, a deal worth about $120 million.

New York also reached a preliminary agreement on a $10 million, two-year contract with White, and closed in on a two-year deal for about $12 million with pitcher Sterling Hitchcock.

Anaheim discussed a deal to send third baseman Darin Erstad to the Chicago White Sox for Chris Singleton, right-hander Jon Garland and two minor leaguers. But there was no indication if the proposed trade would be completed.

There also was no word on whether the Dodgers would trade Sheffield of re-sign Park, the top pitcher on the free-agent market.

Park is represented by Scott Boras, who has kept an unusually low profile during the first four days of the five-day session. Boras' other big free-agent client, Barry Bonds, has no known offers other than a proposal to return to the San Francisco Giants.

Boston, needing to add pitching, gave free agent John Burkett a tour of Fenway Park.

"I was really impressed watching him pitch," Red Sox manager Joe Kerrigan said. "He's really a lot smarter pitcher now. He understands that pitching is more than power. He understands that pitching is more brains than brawn."

Boston continued talks with San Diego on a deal to send Everett, their unhappy outfielder, to the Padres for outfielder Ray Lankford.

Everett clashed with two Red Sox managers last season, batting .257 with 14 homers and 58 RBIs before his season ended Sept. 8 because of a knee injury. He is still owed $17.15 million over the next two seasons, a commitment that has made it difficult for Boston — his fifth organization — to find takers.

"He made it clear to us the last couple of weeks that he wants to play somewhere else," Red Sox general manager Dan Duquette said.

Duquette also met with the agent for free-agent second baseman Bret Boone, who has a $23.5 million, three-year offer to return to Seattle. It is not known if the Red Sox are interested.

Philadelphia considered deals for Rolen, eligible for free agency after next season. Manager Larry Bowa called Rolen the best third baseman ever, better than Hall of Famer Mike Schmidt — a former Phillies teammate.

Rolen doesn't want to discuss an extension with the Phillies, who have talked with Baltimore about a trade.

"I don't know if he's at the stage where he has decided to get out and pursue free agency," Bowa said. "If he is, there's nothing that could change his mind. It sounds like he wants to pursue free agency."

Among players eligible for salary arbitration, Milwaukee outfielder Mark Sweeney agreed to a $515,000, one-year contract.

SALARIES: Yankees biggest spenders

(From 1C)

secutive year and the seventh time in eight seasons. The Arizona Diamondbacks, who rallied to beat the Yankees in the ninth inning of Game 7 of the World Series, were ninth at $2,701,205.

Los Angeles, which finished third in the NL West, was second at $3,755,511, followed by Boston ($3,565,027), which wound up 13 1/2 games behind the Yankees in the AL East.

AL Central champion Cleveland was fourth at $3,256,852 and the New York Mets, third in the NL East at 82-20, were next at $2,998,090. Atlanta, which won the NL East, was fifth at $2,956,695.

Among other playoff teams, Seattle was eighth at $2,769,003, St. Louis was 11th at $2,556,629 and Houston was 12th at $2,442,357.

Tampa Bay had the biggest drop, from 15th place to 28th at $1,130,330. The biggest rise was six spots, with the Astros moving up from 18th and Kansas City going from 28th to 22nd at $1,314,246.

St. Louis, which won the NL Central, rose from 17th at $1,515,094 to seventh at $2,390,042.

The 12 biggest spenders all had winning records, but only four others did: Oakland (102-60), Philadelphia (86-76), Minnesota (85-77) and the Chicago White Sox (83-79).

In testimony before the House Judiciary Committee last week, Selig called for an overhaul of the sport's economic system, saying fans in many cities had lost "hope" and "faith."

Designated hitters were the highest-paid players, averaging $5,650,019. They were followed by first basemen ($4,622,617), outfielders ($4,473,863), shortstops ($3,399,184), third basemen ($3,381,638), starting pitchers ($3,228,719), catchers ($3,196,350), second basemen ($3,070,815) and relief pitchers ($1,510,904).

Players with two to three years of major league service who were not eligible for arbitration averaged $482,360, while those in that service class who were eligible averaged $1,179,271.

The union's study included 910 players who were on Aug. 31 rosters and disabled lists.

Jimy Williams returns to Boston

Associated Press

BOSTON — Jimy Williams was on his way in, and Joe Kerrigan was on his way out when they crossed paths at the baseball winter meetings Wednesday — the opposite of the way things went when Kerrigan replaced Williams as manager of the Boston Red Sox.

"I've heard people say they want to manage if the right job comes along," Williams said in his first public comments in Boston since he was fired on Aug. 16. "But, really, any job that comes along .... In this particular case, it's a special opportunity to go to Houston."

Williams, who was chosen as the Astros' manager on Nov. 1, was fired by Boston despite keeping the injury-plagued Red Sox in the playoff race. Kerrigan went 17-26 over the rest of the season, falling out of contention before winning the last five games to salvage a winning record.

Williams had not spoken of his firing since then. But an unusually large contingent was present to ask him about it during the managers' news conferences.

As Kerrigan was heading out after his 2 p.m. briefing, Williams was across the room at 2:30 with his oft-repeated mantra, "I'm here to talk about the Houston Astros."

Though he avoided talking about the Red Sox and his departure from Boston, Williams did have nice things to say about the local fans.

"I'm looking for a general address to send one Christmas card," he said. "I'd like to send a Christmas card to Boston saying, 'Thank you, fans.'"

But he had less flattering things to say about the notoriously labyrinthine roads and the aggressive drivers in the region, which he never got used to in 4 1/2 years here.

"There's a couple of rotaries down where I live. When I go around them, I think of Boston," he said. "But the drivers down there ...."

Kerrigan left the media session to meet with free agent pitcher John Burkett. The two were to sit down at Fenway Park, and Burkett reportedly wanted assurances that the Red Sox were taking steps to keep the clubhouse from becoming the circus it was last year.

After two years of clashes with general manager Dan Duquette, Williams was fired and replaced by Kerrigan, his pitching coach. But the change did little to quell the chaos in the clubhouse.

Outfielder Carl Everett, who is on the trading block this week, fought with both managers. Star pitcher Pedro Martinez also had a shouting match with Kerrigan before ending the season on the disabled list.

Kerrigan has said he thinks the problems were exacerbated by the team's slump.

Lehtinen leads Stars in victory

Associated Press

DALLAS — Jere Lehtinen scored two goals, including the game-winner with 2:18 remaining, to lift the Dallas Stars to a 4-3 victory over the Buffalo Sabres on Wednesday night.

Lehtinen scored his 12th goal of the season and 100th of his career when he knocked the rebound of Martin Rucinsky's shot past Sabres goaltender Martin Biron to snap a 3-3 tie.

Mike Modano had a goal and two assists for Dallas.

Jamie Langenbrunner scored the tying goal late in the second period for the Stars, 8-2-2 in their last 12 games.

Tim Connolly, Stu Barnes and Dmitri Kalinin had goals for the Sabres, 5-8-1 in their last 14.

Buffalo scored on two of its first three shots, and Dallas starting goaltender Marty Turco was replaced at 7:52 of the first period by Ed Belfour, who had been bothered by the flu over the past week.

Modano got the game's first goal at 3:15 when he banked a sharp-angle shot into the net off the skate of Biron for Modano's 14th of the season.

Barnes answered with his 10th goal 47 seconds later, firing through Turco's pads from low in the right circle. Kalinin scored at 7:33, beating Turco from the left circle for a 2-1 Buffalo lead.

Turco was coming off consecutive shutouts. Barnes' goal ended Turco's scoreless streak at 132 minutes and 16 seconds.

Lehtinen's power-play deflection 44 seconds into the second period tied it at 2.

Connolly's fifth goal off a 2-on-1 break at 6:38 of the second period gave Buffalo a 3-2 lead.

Langenbrunner knocked a loose puck past Biron from in front of the net for his fifth goal at 14:09 of the second to tie it.

LOCAL SPORTS

Fusion undefeated

Midland Fusion's '85 girls soccer team went undefeated in the Coaches Classic this past weekend.

Fusion beat the Dallas Texans (4-0), Genesis (3-1), Amarillo H.P.D. (1-0) and played the San Antonio Lions to a tie (no score reported).

Fusion finished its fall season competing in the Lake Highlands Girls Classic League in third place with a record of 6-2-2.

Tennis winners

WICHITA FALLS — A trio of young Midland tennis players had a good weekend at the Champs Tournament. Stephen Hilliard won the Boys 16, Jonathan Webb won the Boys 18 and Paul Hilliard made it to consolation semifinals.

Basketball

Boys
Freshmen

Lee Maroon 99, Nimitz 64. For Maroon: Joe Bob Ratliff 30, Greg Hughes 12, Devon Petterson 14, Shavar Bryson 13.

Lee White 96, Hood 40. For White: Jeremiah Fort 16, Tony Green 13, Brandon Long 13, Jamie McCoy 10, Courtney Greer 10, Chris Dickens 10.

Midland White 100, Ector 41. For Midland (2-2): Oman Loya 17, Justin Hamilton 17, Connor Wood 13, D.J. Atkins 10, Jaime Armendariz 10, Patrick Waylen 10.

Midland Purple 75, Bowie 31. For Midland (2-2): Josh Casteel 18, Tyler Timmons 10, Andrew Webb 10, Marcus Niblett 10.

Eighth Grade

Alamo Gray 58, Goddard Red 46. For Alamo: Trent Hines 14, Dillon Butvin 14, Preston Robertson 13, Rob Garner 11.

Abell Blue 53, San Jacinto Green 43. For Abell: Terence McCoy 15, Jarrod Cartmill 12, Ted Chambers 11.

Goddard Black 57, Alamo Red 50. For Goddard Black: Sam Robinson 18, Charles Roseberry 12.

Abell White 89, San Jacinto White 54. For Abell White: Leslie Ray 33, Steve Nomo 17.

Seventh Grade

Abell Blue 65, Alamo Gray 30. For Abell Blue: Garrett Smith 20, Zac Pitts 14, Dorian Middleton 12. For Alamo Gray: Sidney Beal 10, Brian Smith 10.

San Jacinto Gold 42, Goddard Purple 31. For San Jacinto: Matt Lubinski 14, Brett Bergman 10.

Abell Maroon 52, Goddard White 36. For Abell: Blake Deanda 11, John Thompson 10.

Abell Silver 49, San Jacinto Green 42. For Abell: Eddie Frazier 15, Price Williams 14. For SJ Green: Sell 14.

Alamo Red 32, Alamo White 27. For Alamo Red: Antwaun Pertile 14, Gabe Garcia 10. For Alamo White: Jeremy Liggins 11.

Abell White 70, Goddard Red 30.

Alamo Maroon 52, Goddard Black 43. For Goddard: Javarion Nix 11, Travis Stovall 10.

Girls
Freshmen

Lee White 42, Hood 20. For White: Caitlin Treider 14, Ashley Watson 13.

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

National Hockey League

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Islanders	16	8	5	2	39	88	77
N.Y. Rangers	17	13	2	2	38	97	98
Philadelphia	14	8	5	1	34	79	59
Pittsburgh	13	12	4	2	32	70	77
New Jersey	13	11	3	2	31	70	76

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	18	8	2	3	41	91	70
Boston	16	8	3	3	38	76	69
Ottawa	15	10	4	0	34	95	75
Montreal	13	11	5	1	32	75	73
Buffalo	13	16	2	1	29	86	84

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	15	12	4	3	37	85	94
Washington	12	14	5	0	29	88	95
Tampa Bay	12	15	3	1	28	61	66
Florida	7	17	2	3	19	57	87
Atlanta	6	18	4	2	18	68	114

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	22	6	2	1	47	99	73
Chicago	15	10	8	0	38	95	93
St. Louis	14	9	6	1	35	76	67
Nashville	11	15	5	0	27	80	84
Columbus	8	18	5	1	22	58	86

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Edmonton	17	9	4	2	40	87	70
Colorado	18	12	3	0	39	81	62
Calgary	15	9	6	2	38	81	74
Minnesota	11	12	5	2	29	78	90
Vancouver	12	17	4	0	28	84	89

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	15	7	5	3	38	88	72
Dallas	13	8	6	3	35	85	81
Phoenix	12	10	5	3	32	73	76
Los Angeles	9	14	5	2	25	74	76
Anaheim	9	17	4	1	23	68	86

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Wednesday's Games
Nashville 4, N.Y. Rangers 2
Carolina 4, Florida 1
Boston 4, Pittsburgh 2
Montreal 3, Atlanta 3, tie
Dallas 4, Buffalo 3
St. Louis 2, Chicago 2, tie
New Jersey 3, N.Y. Islanders 2, OT
Colorado 5, Columbus 1
Tampa Bay 3, Calgary 1
Vancouver at Anaheim, late.

Thursday's Games
Phoenix at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Boston at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Vancouver at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

Stars 4, Sabres 3

Buffalo	2	1	0	— 3
Dallas	1	2	1	— 4

First Period—1, Dallas, Modano 14 (Manson), 3:15. 2, Buffalo, Barnes 10 (Satan), 4:02. 3, Buffalo, Kalinin 1 (Kozlov, Afinogenov), 7:33.

Second Period—4, Dallas, Lehtinen 11 (Turgeon, Modano), :44 (pp). 5, Buffalo, Connolly 5 (Kozlov, Zhitnik), 6:38. 6, Dallas, Langenbrunner 5 (Verbbek, Brunet), 14:09.

Third Period—7, Dallas, Lehtinen 12 (Rucinsky, Modano), 17:42.

Shots on goal—Buffalo 8-7-3—18. Dallas 9-7-13—29. Power-play Opportunities—Buffalo 0 of 3; Dallas 1 of 2. Goalies—Buffalo, Biron 13-14-2 (29 shots-25 saves). Dallas, Turco (4-2), Belfour 9-8-6 (7:52 first, 14-13). A—18,532 (18,532).

Predators 4, Rangers 2

Nashville	1	2	1	— 4
N.Y. Rangers	1	1	0	— 2

First Period—1, Nashville, Delmore 11 (Johnson, Timonen), 16:07 (pp). 2, New York, Lindros 17 (Fleury, York), 17:21.

Second Period—3, Nashville, Eaton 2, 2:25. 4, Nashville, Delmore 12 (Ronning, Timonen), 6:07 (pp). 5, New York, Lindros 18 (York, Fleury), 7:01.

Third Period—6, Nashville, Fitzgerald 4 (Legwand, Yachmenev), 19:46 (en).

Shots on goal—Nashville 10-14-7—31. New York 10-11-9—30. Power-play Opportunities—Nashville 2 of 6; New York 0 of 4. Goalies—Nashville, Dunham 9-9-3 (30 shots-28 saves). New York, Richter 13-9-2 (30-27. A—17,778 (18,200).

Hurricanes 4, Panthers 1

Florida	0	0	1	— 1
Carolina	1	3	0	— 4

First Period—4, Carolina, Battaglia 6 (Hill), 1:09.

Second Period—2, Carolina, Battaglia 7 (Cole, Brind'Amour), 1:32. 3, Carolina, Gelinas 4 (Tanabe, Wesley), 6:24. 4, Carolina, Cole 5 (Battaglia, Tenabe), 18:49.

Third Period—5, Florida, Wiemer 4, 4:51 (pp).

Shots on goal—Florida 11-6-12—29. Carolina 4-10-4—18. Power-play Opportunities—Florida 1 of 6; Carolina 0 of 1. Goalies—Florida, Luongo 6-14-1 (9 shots-6 saves), Kidd (6:24 second, 9-8). Carolina, Barrasso 8-7-3 (29-28). A—10,281 (18,730).

Bruins 4, Penguins 2

Boston	1	2	1	— 4
Pittsburgh	1	0	1	— 2

First Period—1, Boston, Murray 11 (Thornton), 5:06. 2, Pittsburgh, Kovalev 10 (Lang, Rozsival), 11:43.

Second Period—3, Boston, Guerin 12 (Sweeney, Axlesson), 10:50. 4, Boston, O'Donnell 1 (Stumpel, Lapointe), 16:53 (pp).

Third Period—5, Pittsburgh, Kovalev 11 (Morozov), 1:07. 6, Boston, Guerin 13 (Thornton, Gill), 19:13 (en).

Shots on goal—Boston 14-16-11—41. Pittsburgh 8-14-12—34. Power-play Opportunities—Boston 1 of 1; Pittsburgh 0 of 3. Goalies—Boston, Grahame 2-1-2 (34 shots-32 saves). Pittsburgh, Hedberg 12-10-3 (40-37). A—13,397 (16,958).

Canadiens 3, Thrashers 3, OT

Montreal	1	2	0	0	— 3
Atlanta	0	0	3	0	— 3

First Period—1, Montreal, Asham 2 (Gilmour, Savage), 18:03.

Second Period—2, Montreal, Gilmour 1 (Savage, Rivet), 5:20. 3, Montreal, Souray 3, 19:46.

Third Period—4, Atlanta, Heatley 10 (Kovalchuk, Hrkac), 1:17 (pp). 5, Atlanta, Ferraro 5 (Kovalchuk, Heatley), 17:31 (pp). 6, Atlanta, Kovalchuk 13 (Heatley), 19:50.

Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—Montreal 9-19-4-2—34. Atlanta 12-7-16-2—37. Power-play Opportunities—Montreal 0 of 1, Atlanta 2 of 8. Goalies—Montreal, Hackett 3-0-1 (37 shots-34 saves). Atlanta, Hnilicka 5-12-3 (34-31). A—10,689 (18,545).

Devils 3, Islanders 2, OT

N.Y. Islanders	1	1	0	0	— 2
New Jersey	0	2	0	1	— 3

First Period—1, New York, Jonsson 4 (Yashin, Kvasha), 17:31 (pp).

Second Period—2, New Jersey, Sykora 6 (Niedermayer, Holik), 1:01. 3, New Jersey, Arnott (Sykora, Rafalski), 13:46. 4, New York, Peca 7 (Parrish), 16:04 (sh).

Third Period—None

Overtime—5, New Jersey, Niedermayer 5 (Gomez, Holik), 1:25 (pp).

Shots on goal—New York 6-8-6-0—20. New Jersey 9-9-9-3—30. Power-play Opportunities—New York 1 of 2; New Jersey 1 of 6. Goalies—New York, Osgood 13-9-4 (30 shots-27 saves). New Jersey, Brodeur 13-12-3 (20-18). A—14,424 (19,040).

Blues 2, Blackhawks 2, OT

St. Louis	1	0	1	0	— 2
Chicago	1	1	0	0	— 2

First Period—1, Chicago, Daze 18 (Karpovtsev, Sullivan), 1:12. 2, St. Louis, Mayers 4 (Stillman, Mellanby), 13:55.

Second Period—3, Chicago, Sullivan 9 (Daze), 6:23.

Third Period—4, St. Louis, Tkachuk 14 (Demitra), 3:10.

Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—St. Louis 7-5-13-3—28. Chicago 8-6-7-0—21. Power-play Opportunities—St. Louis 0 of 5; Chicago 0 of 4. Goalies—St. Louis, Brathwaite 5-5-4 (21 shots-19 saves). Chicago, Passmore 0-1-2 (28-26). A—14,000 (20,500).

Avalanche 5, Blue Jackets 1

Columbus	1	0	0	—	1
Colorado	1	1	3	—	5

First Period—1, Columbus, Sillinger 6 (Knutsen, Whitney), 3:05. 2, Colorado, Blake 9 (Hejduk, de Vries), 18:15 (pp).

Second Period—3, Colorado, Podein 6 (Reinprecht), 9:22 (sh).

Third Period—4, Colorado, Yelle 2 (Blake, Skoula), 7:35. 5, Colorado, Hejduk 8 (Tanguay, Foote), 9:27. 6, Colorado, de Vries 4 (Foote), 11:07.

Shots on goal—Columbus 11-4-5—20. Colorado 20-14-9—43. Missed penalty shot—Podein, Col, 13:42 second. Power-play Opportunities—Columbus 0 of 2; Colorado 1 of 3. Goalies—Columbus, Denis 5-7-3 (43 shots-38 saves). Colorado, Roy 13-9-3 (20-19). A—18,007 (18,007).

Lightning 3, Flames 1

Tampa Bay	1	1	1	— 3
Calgary	0	1	0	— 1

First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Richards 8 (Lecavalier, Prospal), 14:12 (pp).

Second Period—2, Tampa Bay, Andreychuk 5 (Olvestad, Neckar), 6:31. 3, Calgary, McAmmond 8 (Conroy, Kravchuk), 8:09.

Third Period—4, Tampa Bay, Taylor 4 (Cullimore), 4:52.

Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 5-10-6—21. Calgary 9-10-10—29. Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 1 of 3; Calgary 0 of 2. Goalies—Tampa Bay, Khabibulin 11-11-3 (29 shots-28 saves). Calgary, Whitmore 0-1-0 (21-18). A—13,913 (17,104).

NFL Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	9	3	0	.750	276	228
New England	8	5	0	.615	301	244
N.Y. Jets	7	5	0	.583	231	217
Indianapolis	4	8	0	.333	298	378
Buffalo	2	10	0	.167	205	332
Central						
Pittsburgh	10	2	0	.833	228	144
Baltimore	8	4	0	.667	237	214
Cleveland	6	6	0	.500	220	208
Tennessee	5	7	0	.417	238	294
Cincinnati	4	8	0	.333	163	234
Jacksonville	4	8	0	.333	207	210
West						
Oakland	9	3	0	.750	337	261
Denver	7	6	0	.539	284	267
Seattle	6	6	0	.500	202	254
San Diego	5	8	0	.385	287	263
Kansas City	3	9	0	.250	226	257

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	8	4	0	.667	279	155
Washington	6	6	0	.500	175	236
Arizona	5	7	0	.417	218	289
N.Y. Giants	5	7	0	.417	204	226
Dallas	4	8	0	.333	196	256
Central						
Chicago	9	3	0	.750	234	172
Green Bay	9	3	0	.750	282	195
Tampa Bay	7	5	0	.583	238	205
Minnesota	5	7	0	.417	247	287
Detroit	0	12	0	.000	214	319
West						
St. Louis	10	2	0	.833	358	190
San Francisco	9	3	0	.750	316	252
New Orleans	7	5	0	.583	281	249
Atlanta	6	6	0	.500	204	254
Carolina	1	12	0	.077	208	304

Saturday's Games
Arizona at N.Y. Giants, 12:30 p.m.
Oakland at San Diego, 4 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Atlanta at Indianapolis, noon.
Denver at Kansas City, noon.
Cincinnati at N.Y. Jets, noon.
Tampa Bay at Chicago, noon.
Minnesota at Detroit, noon.
New England at Buffalo, noon.
Jacksonville at Cleveland, noon.
Miami at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 3:15 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 3:15 p.m.
Green Bay at Tennessee, 3:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m.
Open: Carolina

Monday's Game
St. Louis at New Orleans, 8 p.m.

CHL Standings

NORTHERN CONFERENCE
Northeast Division

	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Memphis	17	3	1	31	80	53
Fort Worth	11	11	2	24	68	73
Bos-Shrevprt	10	12	1	21	69	77
Indianapolis	7	11	3	17	66	72

Northwest Division

	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Oklahoma City	13	4	4	30	84	65
Amarillo	9	12	3	21	68	90
Tulsa	9	13	0	18	59	67
Wichita	8	12	2	18	60	89

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE
Southeast Division

	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Austin	16	6	1	33	89	64
San Antonio	16	7	0	32	103	67
San Angelo	12	11	0	24	72	83
Corpus Christi	7	11	7	21	62	84

Southwest Division

	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Odessa	13	6	4	30	66	54
New Mexico	13	8	1	25	68	59
El Paso	12	10	1	25	74	79
Lubbock	8	8	6	22	65	77

Note: One point for loss in overtime or shootout. Overtime or shootout losses are only denoted in the OTL column, not the loss column.

Wednesday's Games
Tulsa 3, Fort Worth 0
Indianapolis 5, Bossier-Shreveport 4

Thursday's Games
No games scheduled

NCAA Volleyball

Division I Women's Tournament
Semifinals
Thursday, Dec. 13
At San Diego
Arizona (25-4) vs. Long Beach State (32-0)
Nebraska (31-1) vs. Stanford (31-2)

Championship
Saturday, Dec. 15
At San Diego
Arizona-Long Beach State winner vs. Nebraska-Stanford winner

College Basketball

Top 25 Men

No. 4 KANSAS 78, PRINCETON 62

KANSAS (7-1): Gooden 5-11 5-7 15, Collison 8-9 2-5 19, Hinrich 5-9 0-0 11, Miles 5-8 6-7 16, Boschee 2-10 0-0 5, Ballard 0-0 0-0 0, Langford 2-3 0-0 4, Nash 0-0 0-0 0, Carey 1-1 0-0 2, Simien 3-5 0-0 6, Lee 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 31-59 13-19 78.

PRINCETON (2-6): Bechtold 4-8 0-0 10, Logan 5-9 0-0 10, Robins 1-6 3-4 6, Wente 1-1 0-0 2, El-Nokali 0-3 0-0 0, Persia 3-7 0-0 9, Hegseth 0-0 0-0 0, Venable 4-10 3-3 11, Wallace 4-5 0-0 10, Neu 0-0 0-0 0, Stephens 1-1 0-0 2, Wysocki 0-2 0-0 0, Martin 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 24-53 6-7 62.

Halftime—Kansas 35, Princeton 29. 3-Point goals—Kansas 3-11 (Collison 1-1, Hinrich 1-3, Boschee 1-5, Langford 0-1, Lee 0-1), Princeton 8-26 (Persia 3-6, Wallace 2-3, Bechtold 2-6, Robins 1-5, Logan 0-2, El-Nokali 0-2, Venable 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Kansas 34 (Gooden, Hinrich 7), Princeton 24 (Bechtold 5). Assists—Kansas 19 (Boschee 5), Princeton 16 (Persia 5). Total fouls—Kansas 13, Princeton 17. A—6,861.

No. 15 IOWA 101, DRAKE 59

DRAKE (4-3): J.J. Sola 8-14 2-3 19, Knight 2-8 0-0 6, Danielson 5-8 5-8 15, Newman 0-2 0-0 0, McDonald 3-12 0-0 9, Welton 0-3 0-0 0, Randolph 2-3 0-0 5, A.Sola 1-8 0-0 3, O'Neill 0-0 0-0 0, Bancroft 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 21-58 9-13 59.

IOWA (8-3): Henderson 1-4 0-0 2, Evans 7-11 5-6 19, Reiner 2-4 3-5 7, Pierce 5-7 2-2 12, Recker 9-13 3-3 24, Leslie 1-1 0-0 2, Hogan 2-3 1-2 7, Worley 2-8 4-4 8, Boyd 4-6 0-0 11, Thompson 0-3 0-0 0, Sonderleiter 4-4 0-1 9. Totals 37-64 18-23 101.

Halftime—Iowa 55, Drake 30. 3-Point goals—Drake 8-24 (McDonald 3-7, Knight 2-4, J.J.Sola 1-1, Randolph 1-1, A.Sola 1-6, Danielson 0-1, Newman 0-1, Welton 0-3), Iowa 9-19 (Recker 3-5, Boyd 3-5, Hogan 2-2, Sonderleiter 1-1, Henderson 0-1, Thompson 0-1, Pierce 0-2, Worley 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Drake 28 (Danielson 6), Iowa 42 (Evans 10). Assists—Drake 17 (Knight, Newman 4), Iowa 25 (Henderson, Pierce, Recker, Leslie 4). Total fouls—Drake 19, Iowa 15. A—15,500.

Men's Scores

FAR WEST
BYU 101, Fort Lewis 53
Boise St. 77, Wyoming 74
Denver 63, Air Force 53
Nevada 85, S. Oregon 54
Pacific 52, Idaho 48
MIDWEST
Creighton 76, Nebraska 70
Iowa 101, Drake 59
Ohio St. 88, Santa Clara 41
SOUTH
Georgia St. 85, Campbell 71
Louisville 75, Coppin St. 49
South Alabama 68, Bethune-Cookman 55
VMI 90, Charleston Southern 69
W. Michigan 55, Virginia Tech 51
EAST
Boston U. 79, Dartmouth 58
Cent. Connecticut St. 107, Long Island U. 76
Harvard 70, New Hampshire 65
Kansas 78, Princeton 62
St. Bonaventure 97, Ohio 85

Top 25 Women

No. 5 IOWA ST. 82, IOWA 64

IOWA (6-3): Watson 9-17 0-1 18, Magner 1-9 0-1 3, Lillis 5-11 2-4 12, Faulkner 4-11 1-2 12, Meder 5-15 2-2 15, Armstrong 1-3 0-0 3, Calhoun 0-1 1-2 1, Bullock 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 25-69 6-12 64.

IOWA ST. (7-0): Gahan 4-10 2-2 14, Cofield 2-7 0-0 5, Welle 9-12 6-8 24, Wilson 10-18 8-9 29, Paustian 3-7 1-2 8, Cizek 0-1 0-0 0, Kriener 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 29-58 17-21 82.

Halftime—Iowa St. 31, Iowa 28. 3-Point goals—Iowa 8-26 (Faulkner 3-7, Meder 3-8, Armstrong 1-3, Magner 1-7, Calhoun 0-1), Iowa St. 7-19 (Gahan 4-7, Paustian 1-3, Cofield 1-4, Wilson 1-4, Kriener 0-1). Fouled out—Faulkner, Welle. Rebounds—Iowa 36 (Watson 9), Iowa St. 41 (Welle 17). Assists—Iowa 17 (Magner, Lillis 5), Iowa St. 17 (Paustian 6). Total fouls—Iowa 20, Iowa St. 15. A—12,579.

No. 13 COLORADO 81, WYOMING 57

WYOMING (3-4): Arsene 4-9 1-3 9, C.Bacon 5-17 1-1 11, McColl 3-6 2-2 8, Stucky 3-8 0-0 9, Wiersma 3-9 0-0 6, McCann 4-6 0-0 8, Pickup 2-3 0-0 4, Elliot 1-1 0-0 2, Ch.Bacon 0-1 0-0 0, McRee 0-1 0-0 0, Hippen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-61 4-6 57.

COLORADO (9-2): Bohman 3-5 2-2 8, Wirt 2-2 2-3 6, Hartshorn 4-10 1-2 9, Roulier 6-11 0-0 15, Nightingale 6-9 3-5 19, Fagan 0-2 2-2 2, Stafford 0-2 2-2 2, Johns-Richardson 0-0 0-0 0, Delepine 0-1 0-0 0, Scott 5-9 0-0 10, Spencer 0-0 0-0 0, Lini 0-0 0-0 0, Bjorklund 4-8 2-2 10. Totals 30-59 14-18 81.

Halftime—Colorado 40, Wyoming 25. 3-Point goals—Wyoming 3-14 (Stucky 3-7, McCann 0-1, Pickup 0-1, Wiersma 0-2, C.Bacon 0-3), Colorado 7-16 (Nightingale 4-6, Roulier 3-7, Fagan 0-1, Stafford 0-1, Scott 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Wyoming 29 (C.Bacon 11), Colorado 40 (Nightingale, Scott 6). Assists—Wyoming 15 (Pickup 5), Colorado 26 (Hartshorn 6). Total fouls—Wyoming 17, Colorado 11. A—1,170.

No. 14 MICHIGAN 74, TOLEDO 46

MICHIGAN (8-1): Pool 3-9 2-3 8, Bies 6-8 0-0 12, Smith 7-13 2-2 16, Jara 3-6 1-4 7, Ingram 8-11 1-2 19, Hauser-Price 0-1 0-0 0, Oesterle 0-2 0-0 0, Gandy 3-6 2-3 8, Mason 2-4 0-0 4, McPhilamy 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-61 8-14 74.

TOLEDO (3-5): Davis 1-10 0-0 2, Kahle 0-8 4-4 4, Herron 5-14 4-4 15, Blessing 0-1 2-2 2, Risinger 5-14 4-4 16, Brazzle 3-5 0-0 6, Hillis 0-1 1-2 1, Walker 0-4 0-2 0, Hoogendam 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 14-57 15-18 46.

Halftime—Michigan 33, Toledo 22. 3-Point goals—Michigan 2-10 (Ingram 2-4, Pool 0-2, Jara 0-2, Oesterle 0-2), Toledo 3-15 (Risinger 2-7, Herron 1-3, Davis 0-1, Kahle 0-1, Walker 0-1, Brazzle 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Michigan 47 (Smith 11), Toledo 29 (Risinger 9). Assists—Michigan 13 (Ingram 9), Toledo 5 (Herron 2). Total fouls—Michigan 13, Toledo 11. A—3,103.

Texas Women

TEXAS A&M 84, SAM HOUSTON ST. 71

SAM HOUSTON ST. (0-8): Jackson 3-7 0-0 6, Brown 6-13 6-9 20, Johnson, Ali. 6-10 12-16 24, Barker 5-10 0-0 11, Valentine 1-2 0-0 2, Denmon 1-1 1-1 4, Bradford 0-2 0-0 0, Betts 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 24-47 19-26 71.

TEXAS A&M (7-2): Williams 8-11 0-1 17, Derrick 6-8 0-0 12, Banahan 4-11 3-4 11, Rose 5-10 6-6 16, Washington 0-1 1-2 1, Cooper 4-8 2-2 10, Moore 2-7 1-2 5, Sims 3-7 0-0 6, Johnson, Ala. 0-4 0-0 0, Mitchell 3-8 0-3 6, Mason 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-75 13-20 84.

Halftime—Texas A&M 42, Sam Houston St. 25. 3-Point goals—Sam Houston St. 4-10 (Brown 2-6, Denmon 1-1, Barker 1-2, Jackson 0-1), Texas A&M 1-9 (Williams 1-2, Cooper 0-1, Banahan 0-1, Rose 0-2, Mitchell 0-3). Fouled out—Valentine. Rebounds—Sam Houston St. 36 (Johnson, Ali. 11), Texas A&M 36 (Banahan, Moore, Sims 5). Assists—Sam Houston St. 15 (Jackson 7), Texas A&M 23 (Williams 9). Total fouls—Sam Houston St. 17, Texas A&M 21. A—926.

Women's Scores

SOUTHWEST
Texas A&M 84, Sam Houston St. 71
FAR WEST
BYU 74, Oregon 58
Colorado 81, Wyoming 57
MIDWEST
Iowa St. 82, Iowa 64
Michigan 74, Toledo 46
Notre Dame 71, W. Michigan 48
Wright St. 78, Ohio 74
SOUTH
Bethune-Cookman 70, Savannah St. 56
Chattanooga 87, Tennessee St. 67
Coastal Carolina 76, Brevard College 54
Louisville 96, Coppin St. 45
N.C.-Wilmington 80, Coll. of Charleston 68
Virginia Tech 80, Radford 46
EAST
Fairleigh Dickinson 82, St. John's 52
George Washington 58, Rutgers 54, OT
Hartford 61, Cent. Connecticut St. 36
St. Peter's 65, Monmouth, N.J. 64
UMBC 52, Towson 38

NBA Results

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	13	7	.650	—
Boston	12	7	.632	1/2
New York	11	10	.524	2 1/2
Orlando	11	12	.478	3 1/2
Washington	9	12	.429	4 1/2
Philadelphia	8	13	.381	5 1/2
Miami	4	16	.200	9

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	13	6	.684	—
Milwaukee	11	7	.611	1 1/2
Toronto	12	10	.545	2 1/2
Indiana	12	11	.522	3
Charlotte	10	11	.476	4
Cleveland	9	12	.429	5
Atlanta	8	14	.364	6 1/2
Chicago	4	16	.200	9 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	15	4	.789	—
Minnesota	15	5	.750	1/2
Dallas	13	9	.591	3 1/2
Utah	10	12	.454	6 1/2
Denver	7	14	.333	9
Houston	7	16	.304	10
Memphis	5	15	.250	10 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	16	3	.842	—
Sacramento	17	6	.739	1
Phoenix	14	9	.609	4
L.A. Clippers	11	10	.524	6
Portland	10	10	.500	6 1/2
Seattle	10	14	.417	8 1/2
Golden State	8	14	.364	9 1/2

Wednesday's Games
Washington 82, Miami 80
San Antonio 108, Toronto 95
Minnesota 98, Utah 87
Phoenix 114, Sacramento 88
Seattle at L.A. Clippers, late.

Thursday's Games
Houston at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
New York at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Memphis at Denver, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Golden State, 8 p.m.

Spurs 108, Raptors 95

TORONTO (95): Peterson 6-12 0-2 12, Clark 7-12 0-0 14, Olajuwon 4-10 1-2 9, A.Williams 7-11 1-1 16, Carter 3-10 0-0 6, Montross 3-5 0-0 6, Childs 1-2 0-0 3, J.Williams 0-3 1-2 1, Curry 5-10 0-0 11, Murray 5-8 0-0 13, Bradley 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 43-86 3-7 95.

SAN ANTONIO (108): Bowen 3-7 1-2 10, Duncan 10-22 8-9 28, Robinson 3-7 3-3 9, Parker 5-9 0-0 11, S.Smith 7-11 2-3 17, Porter 2-2 0-0 4, McCaskill 0-2 0-0 0, C.Smith 4-8 1-1 10, Rose 4-6 0-0 8, Daniels 2-2 2-4 7, Parks 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 42-79 17-22 108.

Toronto	23	24	21	27— 95
San Antonio	20	34	32	22—108

3-Point Goals—Toronto 6-13 (Murray 3-6, Childs 1-1, A.Williams 1-1, Curry 1-3, Carter 0-2). San Antonio 7-15 (Bowen 3-4, Daniels 1-1, S.Smith 1-2, C.Smith 1-4, Parker 1-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Toronto 37 (Olajuwon, Peterson 6), San Antonio 52 (Duncan 13). Assists—Toronto 24 (A.Williams 7), San Antonio 19 (Parker 6). Total fouls—Toronto 18, San Antonio 13. Technicals—Childs. A—16,650 (20,557).

Wizards 82, Heat 80

MIAMI (80): E.Jones 3-11 4-4 10, Grant 3-8 2-2 8, Mourning 5-9 1-4 11, Jackson 8-15 0-0 18, Strickland 3-8 0-0 6, Ellis 6-10 2-2 15, Carter 1-8 0-0 2, Gatling 1-2 0-0 2, House 2-6 3-3 8. Totals 32-77 12-15 80.

WASHINGTON (82): Jordan 9-23 7-11 25, Laettner 5-8 3-3 13, White 3-4 0-0 6, R.Hamilton 10-19 2-2 23, Whitney 0-4 1-1 1, K.Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Lue 2-6 0-0 5, Davis 0-0 0-0 0, Haywood 1-2 1-2 3, P.Jones 3-5 0-0 6. Totals 33-71 14-19 82.

Miami	20	20	23	17— 80
Washington	25	24	22	11— 82

3-Point Goals—Miami 4-12 (Jackson 2-2, House 1-3, Ellis 1-4, E.Jones 0-3), Washington 2-5 (R.Hamilton 1-1, Lue 1-2, Whitney 0-1, Jordan 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Miami 45 (Grant 12), Washington 46 (Haywood 11). Assists—Miami 22 (Strickland 7), Washington 20 (Jordan 7). Total fouls—Miami 20, Washington 17. Technicals—Mourning, Jackson. A—20,674 (20,674).

Suns 114, Kings 88

SACRAMENTO (88): Stojakovic 2-8 2-2 6, Webber 8-18 4-4 21, Divac 1-4 1-4 3, Bibby 6-10 2-2 15, Christie 5-11 0-0 10, Turkoglu 2-8 0-0 4, Pollard 2-2 0-0 4, G.Wallace 4-8 1-2 9, Jackson 4-4 1-2 9, Smith 1-2 0-2 2, Cleaves 1-6 0-0 2, Price 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 37-83 11-18 88.

PHOENIX (114): Marion 10-20 1-2 21, Rogers 2-10 1-2 5, Tsakalidis 2-9 0-0 4, Marbury 7-12 0-0 15, Hardaway 9-16 1-1 19, Outlaw 0-1 0-0 0, Delk 8-16 3-3 21, Majerle 2-3 0-0 6, J.Wallace 7-13 5-5 19, Ford 1-2 0-0 2, Voskuhl 0-2 2-2 2. Totals 48-104 13-15 114.

Sacramento	14	25	26	23— 88
Phoenix	27	34	24	29—114

3-Point Goals—Sacramento 3-9 (Webber 1-1, Bibby 1-1, Price 1-1, Stojakovic 0-1, Christie 0-1, G.Wallace 0-1, Smith 0-1, Turkoglu 0-2), Phoenix 5-12 (Majerle 2-3, Delk 2-4, Marbury 1-3, Rogers 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 49 (Webber 12), Phoenix 62 (Marion 13). Assists—Sacramento 20 (Bibby 5), Phoenix 24 (Marbury 12). Total fouls—Sacramento 18, Phoenix 17. Technicals—J.Wallace. A—14,568 (19,023).

Timberwolves 98, Jazz 87

MINNESOTA (98): Garnett 9-21 6-6 24, Sm

AP Photo

Denver Nuggets head coach Dan Issel, right, makes a public apology during a news conference in Denver Wednesday for hurling a racial epithet at a fan after the Nuggets' loss to the Charlotte Hornets on Tuesday night. Nuggets general manager Kiki Vandeweghe, left, hangs his head.

Nuggets coach suspended four games for ethnic remarks to fan

By John Mossman
AP Sports Writer

DENVER — Nuggets coach Dan Issel was suspended for four games by the team Wednesday for shouting a profanity and insensitive ethnic remark at a fan.

Issel made the remarks as he walked off the court after a 99-96 loss to the Charlotte Hornets on Tuesday night. The coach responded to a taunt from the fan by yelling back, "Go drink another beer, you Mexican ...," adding an expletive at the end of the sentence.

The exchange was caught on videotape by KUSA-TV.

Team general manager Kiki Vandeweghe called the penalty "very severe."

"We take this very seriously," he said.

"Does it fix the situation? I think only time fixes the situation."

Issel makes just over $28,000 a game, so the suspension will cost the coach more than $112,000, Vandeweghe said.

At a news conference attended by several members of the Hispanic media and Hispanic community, a visibly upset Issel apologized. He called the confrontation "very stupid and regrettable."

"I apologize to the fans, to the Nuggets organization and the people of Denver for that uncaring and un-Christian-type comment," Issel said. "I take full responsibility for my actions and I'm sorry for the embarrassment it's caused my team, my family."

Choking up for a second time, he abruptly left the news conference, leaving Vandeweghe to answer questions.

John Calipari was fined $25,000 by the NBA in 1997, when he was coach of the New Jersey Nets, for making a similar comment to a Hispanic reporter.

"We took this many steps beyond what happened with John Calipari," Vandeweghe said.

The fan shouted at Issel as he left the court after the loss to Charlotte, the Nuggets' fifth defeat in a row and 14th of 21 games this season. It was unclear what the fan said.

Nuggets point guard Nick Van Exel tried to steer Issel away from the confrontation, but the coach stopped and shouted at the fan before he was hustled into the arena tunnel by assistant coach Mike Evans.

It has been a difficult week for the Nuggets. Besides the losing streak, they played their first game Tuesday night since Van Exel, their leading scorer, went public with his demand to be traded, saying he was sick of losing.

While noting that Issel's remarks were made "in the heat of the moment after another loss at the buzzer," Vandeweghe said the remarks were "obviously regrettable."

Before announcing the suspension, Vandeweghe spent much of the morning on the phone with Nuggets owner Stan Kroenke, league officials and state Sen. Robert Hernandez. The NBA asked the Nuggets to handle the matter internally.

"Mr. Kroenke feels very strongly about any type of racial comment," Vandeweghe said. "He let it be known it won't be tolerated."

When asked by reporters why Issel wasn't fired, Vandeweghe said:

"This guy has given his whole life to this organization. We did not think that throwing away 25 years invested in this league and this team was warranted. Do you forget about 25 years of service over five seconds?"

Issel has been a player, general manager and president of the Nuggets in addition to coach.

The money he will lose will go into the Nuggets' Community Fund, Vandeweghe said, to be distributed to the Denver-area community.

Assistant coach Mike Evans will take over the head coaching duties in Issel's absence, with consultant John MacLeod joining the bench.

More Sports/2D

Rockets reeling from injuries, losing streak

By Michael A. Lutz
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — Rudy Tomjanovich has been through some rough times with the Houston Rockets as a player and coach. This is one of them.

The Rockets have been riddled by injuries. They have an 11-game losing streak, their longest since 1977-78 when they had a 13-game skid and Tomjanovich, then a player, was punched in the face by Kermit Washington.

"We're caught in a catastrophe," Tomjanovich said Wednesday. "I've told these guys they don't deserve the situation we're in. Five guys we expected to be in the rotation are not there right now."

The Rockets lost Maurice Taylor for the season before it even began following surgery on his Achilles tendon.

"Right now, I have to say honestly that we have to steal games," Tomjanovich said. "You don't lose that many guys and not be that way. I've got guys that are just learning the NBA and they haven't even been to every NBA city and they're out there trying to help us win games."

Guard Steve Francis is out four to six weeks with a foot injury. Glen Rice is hobbled by recurring foot problems, center Kelvin Cato has a wrist injury and Jason Collier also is sidelined.

"It shows that Steve Francis plus one foot injury equals 11 straight losses," Mobley said. "We're young and struggling. We're hurting and we just have to deal with it."

The Rockets started the season with a legitimate shot at making the playoffs. They were moving forward after the loss of Hakeem Olajuwon to the Toronto Raptors with Francis as their leader.

That quickly changed with the mounting injury list. Their current skid is the longest current losing streak in the NBA and the third longest in team history, approaching their 17-game slump in 1967-68 when the San Diego Rockets finished 15-67.

Former Rockets point guard John Lucas, now coach of the Cleveland Cavalier, sympathized with former teammate Tomjanovich, after the Cavaliers held off the Rockets Tuesday night with a 107-102 victory.

"Rudy talked to me early in the year," Lucas said. "He was giving me some sympathy about our injuries. Now I'm returning the favor."

Lucas was the Rockets guard on the 1997-78 team when Tomjanovich was seriously injured by Washington's sucker punch.

"This reminds me of the 77-78 season after we won the Central Division the year before," Lucas said. "But Rudy will get this ship running. It's so early in the year. They'll get Cato back and Steve back by first of year they'll be in great shape."

The Rockets, once proud of their string of sellouts, now have watched their attendance dwindle and Tomjanovich searching for ways to keep his players energized.

"To the guy who doesn't see the game and doesn't see our guys diving on the floor, they pick up the paper and say 'the Rockets are horrible," Tomjanovich said. "Our guys might run into people that feel that way. I tell them and I show them I don't feel that way about them."

The Rockets fell behind 20 points early against the Cavaliers, which disturbed Mobley.

"I was really upset about the first quarter," Mobley said. "We went into the game oh-and-10 and we were flat. We should have known Cleveland would come right at us and we should have been in their faces from the beginning."

The Rockets eventually made a game of it before losing, which encouraged Tomjanovich.

"I went home last night and it's a loss and all that but I had a satisfied feeling that there was nothing left in their tanks," Tomjanovich said. "They expended it all out there on the floor and they did some really good things.

"The other team had to make big plays to win the game."

SWINTON: Rookie makes impact

(From 1C)

son started. He then got cut by two Canadian Football League teams the next year after playing only a couple of games.

Swinton got another chance at the NFL last year, but Seattle cut him. He didn't make the XFL team in Las Vegas last spring and then was even cut by the Arkansas Twisters of the Arena2 League, one of the lowest rungs of pro football.

But the Twisters called him back, and Swinton caught 85 passes for 1,463 yards and 33 TDs in 13 games.

Swinton earned about $200 a week playing arena football and also worked during the day for $8 an hour at a Little Rock warehouse.

Now he's playing for the Cowboys and making $209,000, the NFL rookie minimum salary.

"This is what dreams are made of," Swinton said. "I'm enjoying every second, every minute, every day of it."

There are no more door-to-door meat sales, getting paid daily based on how much he sold, or delivering windshields to auto body shops. He doesn't have to work in a fast food restaurant or other odd jobs.

But he's not spending much of his money.

"I know what it feels like to be broke, and I refuse to be broke again," Swinton said. "I know football doesn't last forever. I want to try to keep some money in the bank."

NEWTON: Former Cowboy arrested

(From 1C)

ijuana was found.

Newton, 39, of East Ellijay, Ga., and the other two men were charged with possession with intent to distribute marijuana, a federal charge, Peritz said.

A Nov. 4 arrest in St. Martin Parish, La., involved more than 200 pounds of marijuana.

In the Louisiana case, Newton was released on $100,000 on bond on a state charge of suspicion of possessing marijuana with intent to distribute.

In November on Interstate 10 about 110 miles west of New Orleans, authorities said Newton was driving the van that allegedly was weaving across the road when it was stopped.

Newton's lawyer in the Louisiana case, Howard Shapiro, said Wednesday night he hadn't been contacted by Newton and didn't know the circumstances surrounding the latest charges.

"I don't know why I'm not hearing from him," Shapiro said. "I've represented him in everything he's ever been involved in before. I have no reason not to believe I'm not representing him now."

Drug Enforcement Administration agents Wednesday flagged down Dallas County officers on I-635 in Dallas to ask for help in stopping the two vehicles, according to Peritz.

"By the time the deputies determined they were actually federal agents, they caught up to the vehicles and stopped them just inside Ellis County, as they left Dallas County," Peritz said.

Peritz had no information on what prompted DEA agents to the two vehicles.

Deputies did not indicate that the three men put up any resistance, Peritz said.

Also charged are Charles Deaundra Howard, 25, from Garland and Bruce Freeman-Canady, 30, from Jacksonville, Fla.

Shapiro said he's not quite sure what Newton's latest arrest could mean to his Louisiana case and vice-versa.

San Antonio defeats Raptors, 108-95

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — The Toronto Raptors played the second half against San Antonio without Vince Carter, and the Spurs took full advantage.

Tim Duncan scored 28 points and had 13 rebounds to lead the Spurs to a 108-95 victory on Wednesday night.

Steve Smith added 17 points, and Tony Parker 11 for the Spurs, who have won five straight. With the win, San Antonio improved to 15-4, the franchise's best record after 19 games.

"We played sound and I'm happy about that," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "We still have a long way to go. We have to play better this weekend."

Carter, who came in second in the NBA in scoring at 27 points per game, did not play in the second half after bruising his right calf in the second quarter. He finished with only six points on 3-of-10 shooting.

"It's real sore right now," Carter said. "I'm a strong player and actually in the second half I couldn't make it to the court. Oh well, that's the way it goes."

Alvin Williams scored 16 points, and Keon Clark added 14 for Toronto. Hakeem Olajuwon had nine points and nine blocked shots. Olajuwon's seven first-half blocks tied the record for most by a San Antonio opponent in one half.

"You never like to come out without your star," Toronto coach Lenny Wilkins said. "It just takes something out of what we do. He caught a knee in the calf. He was pretty sore and wasn't able to come back. That, plus we didn't have Antonio Davis, either. We were sort of handicapped."

San Antonio, which led 54-47 at halftime, opened the third quarter with a 18-9 run to lead 72-56 capped by Duncan's jump shot with 6:03 left in the period.

After Toronto cut the lead to 75-64, San Antonio closed the quarter with a 6-0 run to lead 86-68 on Antonio Daniels' 19-foot jump shot at the buzzer.

San Antonio stretched its lead to 21 in the fourth quarter, 96-75, on Charles Smith's three-point play with 8:25 remaining.

"Everybody had to pick it up," said Williams, who was 7-of-11 from the field. "San Antonio played well in the second half and deserved to win."

Toronto could get no closer than 11 points the rest of the way.

"The second quarter was a real turning point for us," Robinson said. "We really turned up the defense and did a better job covering the boards and challenging their shots much better."

Notes: The Raptors have now scored 100-or-more points in only two of the last 14 games ... Toronto played without injured forward Antonio Davis, who returned to Toronto on Wednesday with a sore left knee. He is questionable for Sunday's game with Washington. ... Carter came in with back-to-back 40-plus scoring games. ... Carter averaged only 16.5 points in two games against San Antonio last season.

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Crude rises

NEW YORK — Crude oil and petroleum products futures rose moderately at the New York Mercantile Exchange Wednesday after the Department of Energy released a largely supportive weekly inventory report.

The Energy Department's Information Administration reported earlier Wednesday that U.S. crude oil inventories shrank by 2.4 million barrels to 309.1 million barrels in the week ended Dec. 7, as imports dropped.

January crude oil futures rose 28 cents to close at $18.36 a barrel.

The Energy Department also reported an unexpected decline of 900,000 barrels in gasoline stocks, and a build of 2.3 million barrels in distillate stocks, which include heating oil and diesel fuel.

The report helped spur some buying interest, because most traders had anticipated an across-the-board increase in stocks, analysts said.

Petroleum products futures also rose, with the January heating oil contract advancing .59 cent to close at 50.58 cents and January gasoline futures moving up 1.11 cent to close at 51.72 cents a gallon.

January natural gas fell 8.4 cents to $2.719 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Part of the short covering was attributed to expectations that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will announce a production cut in the next few days in an effort to stem the slide in world oil prices.

OPEC has agreed to lower its quotas by 1.5 million barrels a day beginning in January if non-OPEC producers together cut their output by 500,0000 barrels a day. Non-OPEC producers Mexico and Russia have already pledged to cut; only Norway hasn't yet made a concrete offer yet.

Dollar lower

LONDON — The U.S. dollar fell against other major currencies in European trading late Wednesday.

The euro was quoted at 89.43 cents in late European trading, up from 88.86 cents Tuesday. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro traded at 89.39 cents.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Tuesday, included 126.20 Japanese yen, down from 126.24; 1.6490 Swiss francs, down from 1.6626; and 1.5659 Canadian dollars, down from 1.5761.

The British pound was quoted at $1.4439, up from $1.4353.

In midday trading in New York, the dollar bought 126.24 yen, and the pound was worth $1.4451.

Based on late European euro rates, the dollar was worth 2.1860 German marks, down from 2.1998; 7.3316 French francs, down from 7.3778; 2.4631 Dutch guilders, down from 2.4786; and 2,164.16 Italian lire, down from 2,177.79.

Gold rises

Gold traded in London at $273.50 bid per troy ounce, up from $272.35 on Tuesday. In Zurich the bid price was $273.35, up from $272.70. Gold rose 60 cents in Hong Kong to close at $273.35.

Silver closed in London at $4.31 bid per troy ounce, up from $4.27.

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Senators debate economic plan

By Curt Anderson
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats expressed a willingness Wednesday to consider President Bush's accelerated income tax cut as part of an economic stimulus compromise as long as the measure also contains a generous Democratic package for the unemployed.

Bush told reporters he was confident a deal could be struck to break the logjam with Senate Democrats.

"This administration is committed to helping the Congress do its job, and that is to respond to the economic times we find ourselves in," Bush said after a meeting with his economic team. In a break from his routine, Bush refused to answer reporters' questions.

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., told Bush at a White House breakfast meeting of congressional leaders he "might be able to sell something" on income tax cuts to rank-and-file Democrats if the jobless assistance portion is beefed up, according to a leadership source who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Most Democrats have sharply opposed Republican efforts to move up the effective dates of the rate cuts approved earlier this year as part of the 10-year, $1.35 trillion tax cut bill. Bush had wanted to accelerate all the rate cuts but is now proposing only to lower the 27 percent rate to 25 percent rate next year.

After the meeting, Daschle acknowledged "time is running out" to overcome differences on legislation to boost the lagging economy. "But I'm still hopeful we can resolve them in time to get this job done," he said.

For the growing ranks of unemployed, Democrats want the 13 extra weeks of jobless benefits Bush is now proposing as well as broad health insurance assistance and more federal Medicaid matching money for states.

"I think everything's negotiable at this point," said House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., who met over breakfast at the White House with Bush, Daschle, Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo.

The president is eager to pass an economic bill to bolster an economy hard hit by the Sept. 11 attacks and protect himself from political fallout.

"The president will continue to make every effort to break the logjam," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said.

Sen. John Breaux, D-La., said after a Tuesday night meeting between a group of centrist senators and Bush at the White House the president's proposal could be "a basis for a compromise that hopefully a significant number of Democrats could support, with a significant number of Republicans."

The revised White House proposal, which reflects many of the centrists' priorities, scales back the president's proposed tax cuts and increases aid to the jobless, including assistance with health insurance. With popular business tax breaks included, it would cost $93 billion in 2002 and $135 billion over a decade, according to congressional sources who asked not to be identified by name.

The package would extend unemployment benefits by 13 weeks and increase health care assistance for the jobless, partly through a tax credit for some insurance premiums. The president's original plan called for limited grants to states for these needs; House Republicans last week offered a $20 billion plan similar to the administration's new proposal.

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Rep. Richard Baker, R-La., chairman of the House Financial Services subcommittee on capital markets makes his remarks concerning the Enron bankruptcy during a hearing of the subcommittee on Capitol Hill Wednesday.

Lawmakers criticize Enron executives

By Marcy Gordon
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Lawmakers heaped criticism Wednesday on executives of collapsed Enron Corp., saying they enriched themselves through inside trading and slick financial gimmicks while running the energy-trading company into the ground.

Accounting firm Arthur Andersen LLP, Enron's longtime auditor, defended its work for the company but acknowledged that financial reporting practices must change. Andersen's chief executive said the firm notified Enron's audit committee on Nov. 2 of "possible illegal acts within the company."

As Congress opened its investigation of one of the biggest corporate failures in history, no Enron officials attended the hearing of the House Financial Services subcommittees on capital markets and oversight.

Kenneth Lay, the chairman and chief executive who is a friend of President Bush and a big campaign contributor, declined an invitation to appear. He said in a letter that he had to be at an Enron bankruptcy proceeding Wednesday.

The Securities and Exchange Commission, which is investigating Enron and Andersen's auditing of its books, filed an action in federal court Wednesday seeking to compel Enron's former chief financial officer, Andrew Fastow, to comply with a subpoena the SEC issued to him on Oct. 31. Fastow was the lead architect of complex partnerships that allowed Enron to keep some $500 million in debt off its books and let executives profit from the arrangements. The SEC wants Fastow to produce documents and testify under oath as part of its inquiry.

Fastow did not show up for a scheduled meeting with SEC attorneys on Wednesday, but he did appear at a press conference in New York beside David Boies, the prominent attorney who represented former Vice President Al Gore in last year's disputed election. The event was intended to quash speculation by some that Fastow may have fled the country.

Fastow made no substantive comments during the appearance.

Boies told reporters the former Enron executive would meet with the SEC once the two sides "negotiate on a mutually agreeable date."

Enron's swift descent into federal bankruptcy court left countless investors burned and thousands of employees out of work and with decimated retirement savings.

Late day trading stocks end higher

By Amy Baldwin
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Buyers still worried about the economy but unable to resist bargain prices went back to Wall Street late in Wednesday's session, giving stocks some modest, hard-fought gains.

Investors overcame their misgivings about earnings warnings from Merck and American Express, which had sent prices falling for much of the day.

"Investors want to be buyers at lower prices, and I guess we just hit lower prices," said Scott Bleier, chief investment strategist at Prime Charter Ltd. "There is a big desire to get money back to work on weakness, which is why the bouts of profit taking have been limited. Money wants to get into stocks."

The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 6.44, or nearly 0.1 percent, at 9,894.81, after falling as much as 81 earlier.

The broader market followed the same path, turning losses into gains in the last 30 minutes of trading. The Nasdaq composite index ended up 9.45, or 0.5 percent, to 2,011.38, having lost 26 points at one point. The Standard & Poor's 500 index inched up 0.31, or 0.03 percent, to 1,137.07, recovering from an earlier 10-point loss.

The Dow is 20.1 percent above its Sept. 21 low for the year of 8,235.81, which followed the Sept. 11 terror attacks. The Nasdaq is up 41.3 percent from its low; the S&P, up 17.7 percent.

"To come back from that kind of hit is a Herculean feat, and basically states there will be an economic recovery next year," Bleier said.

The market had two reasons for not trading significantly higher near Wednesday's close: Dow industrials Merck and American Express.

Merck fell $2.18 to $58.52, having on Tuesday projected no growth in earnings per share next year, mainly due to expiration of the patent on its key ulcer drug, Prilosec.

"The Merck warning took a toll on confidence," said Alan Ackerman, executive vice president of Fahnestock & Co.

American Express declined 84 cents to $33.42, after warning on Wednesday of weaker profits in the fourth quarter, and announcing 5,500 to 6,500 job cuts.

The market drew some strength from a positive outlook from Dow industrial Procter & Gamble. P&G soared $3.25 to $79.95, following an announcement Tuesday it expects to beat analysts' earnings estimates for the current quarter by 2 to 3 cents a share.

THE ECONOMIST

Texas metro areas look ahead to economic growth

By M. Ray Perryman

Back by popular demand, here's a look at economic projections for Texas' largest metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs). Forecasting is a difficult blend of art and science in the best of times. Given the current environment, it becomes an even more daunting task. The events of Sept. 11 continue to have a marked effect on economic activity; any time uncertainty is introduced, the economy reacts. As consumers and businesses respond to breaking news from the war on terror, we can expect some volatility. Nonetheless, there is every reason to believe the economies of the U.S., Texas, and Texas' metro areas will begin to recover and grow by mid-year 2002. Here's our latest set of projections for the largest metro areas.

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Over the next five years (2001-2006), broad-based growth is expected for the Austin-San Marcos area economy. Led by services; trade; and transportation, communications, and utilities (TCU), employment is projected to expand from an estimated 707,700 in 2001 to 803,600 in 2006. The metro area's population is likely to approach 1.42 million. Output (real gross product-RGP) is forecast to grow at a 4.59 percent yearly rate, significantly outpacing the anticipated expansion for the state of Texas of 4.05 percent. Although the manufacturing sectors will continue to show weakness in the very near term, a significant rebound is expected through the remainder of the five-year period.

The Perryman Group's five-year forecast for Dallas indicates healthy economic growth. Although manufacturing will continue to contract slightly over the next year, the overall economy is expected to see some growth in the very short term and build momentum over the next several years. RGP is projected to expand at a 4.33 percent per annum pace over the forecast period (2001-2006), while employment grows at a 2.46 percent annual clip. By 2006, total output is anticipated to approach $235.26 billion; employment will likely top 2.39 million. Growth leaders are expected to be TCU, trade, and services.

The next five years (1996 to 2001) are expected to bring notable growth to the Fort Worth-Arlington area. The services sector is likely to add more jobs than any other segment of the economy, but trade and TCU are expected to see the strongest expansion in output. Specifically, output in the Fort Worth-Arlington PMSA is projected to grow at a compound annual rate of 4.18 percent over the forecast horizon, reaching a level of $66.75 billion in 2006. Employment will likely expand at a 2.27 percent clip, totaling 929,900 by 2006.

TPG's forecast indicates slight growth over the very near term and increasing momentum over the remainder of the forecast horizon for the El Paso metro area. RGP is projected to expand by a yearly 3.42 percent through 2006, reaching a level of $17.86 billion. Employment is expected to grow by 1.75 percent per annum. Total wage and salary employment in the area is projected to reach 312,500 by 2006, up from approximately 286,600 in 2001. Key employment growth sectors are likely to be services, trade, and TCU.

Over the next five years, the Houston economy is forecast to grow at a healthy clip. Continued weakness is likely in the manufacturing segments, but recovery is expected in the later years of the forecast horizon. RGP is likely to grow at a 4.12 percent pace per annum, slightly exceeding the state's growth clip and reaching almost $243.95 billion by 2006. Employment will likely expand from an estimated 2,247,300 in 2001 to 2,517,100 by 2006. Strong employment gains are expected for the services, trade, and TCU segments.

The growth pace of output in the San Antonio MSA is forecast to be a notable 3.85 percent in RGP and 2.15 percent in wage and salary employment. Services, trade, and TCU will continue to lead the way in new job generation.

Two smaller metropolitan areas are likely to see economic gains surpassing the state average — the border cities of Laredo and McAllen-Edinburg-Mission. All in all, the border cities are expected to perform quite well as measured by output growth. Odessa-Midland is forecast to experience output growth approximately equal to (slightly above) the statewide figure.

Texas cities, like the rest of Texas and the U.S., are not going to escape the current period of uncertainty unscathed. Sept.11 gave our already weakened economy a decided jolt. However, the economic pulse of Texas remains strong. While growth will be hampered through the middle of next year, the outlook for the next five years remains very positive for Texas and its cities.

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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Tkr	Name	Last	Chg
A B C			
AtR	AAR	9 03	+ 18
ABM	ABM	29 72	– 76
ABN	ABN Amro	16 46	– 04
ABnpA	ABN pfA	25 31	– 04
ABnpB	ABN pfB	25 14	+ 14
ACE	ACE Ltd	37 50	– 30
ASW	ACLN Lt	33 25	+ 28
ACG	ACM Inco	7 33	
AMF	ACM MI	4 25	– 06
AES	AES Cp	14 39	+ 46
AESpC	AES pfC	d31 05	+ 05
AFL	AFLAC's	25 36	+ 45
AG	AGCO	15 70	– 38
ATGp	AGLCap pf	25 50	– 06
ATG	AGL Res	21 45	– 16
AKS	Ak Steel	12 26	+ 15
AMB	AMB Pr	25 56	– 25
AHS	AMN Hlt n	25 50	+ 30
AMR	AMR	23 00	+ 25
AOL	AOL TW	32 50	+ 50
APW	APW Ltd	2 03	+ 01
ASA	ASA Ltd	19 35	+ 10
T	AT&T s	16 50	– 15
AWE	ATT Wrls	13 40	+ 05
AVX	AVX Cp	23 51	+ 04
AXA	AXA s	22 08	– 09
ABT	AbtLab	53 04	–1 10
ANF	AberFitc	24 08	– 82
ABY	Abitibi g	7 65	+ 06
ACN	Accentre n	25 17	+ 41
AK	AckGrp	16 78	+ 13
AYI	Acuity n	12 00	– 58
ADX	**AdamsEx**	**14.20**	**...**
ASF	Adminstf	31 82	– 76
MKT	AdMkSv	18 79	– 76
AMD	AMD	18 31	+ 45
ASX	AdvSemi	5 07	+ 48
AEG	Aegon	26 40	+ 22
AET	Aetna	31 04	+ 40
ACS	**AffCmpSv**	**97.86**	**+.89**
AMG	AffMgrs	71 60	+ 80
AGR/A	Agere n	6 14	+ 17
A	Agilent	30 71	+1 42
AEM	Agnico g	9 82	+ 35
AGU	Agrium g	10 24	+ 10
AHO	Ahold	27 94	– 20
APD	AirProd	45 92	– 44
ABF	Airborne	13 90	+ 55
ARG	Airgas	15 36	– 09
AA	AirFran	6 79	+ 05
ALPpQ	**AlaPC pfQ**	**24.75**	**+.02**
APS	Alamosa	14 00	– 34
ALK	AlskAir	30 10	+ 65
ALB	Albemar	23 32	– 10
AOG	AlbrtE g	34 95	– 50
ACV	Alberto	42 39	+ 94
ABS	Albertsn	30 96	–1 10
AL	Alcan	36 62	– 13
ALA	Alcatel	19 10	– 24
AA	Alcoa	37 82	– 71
ARE	AlexREE	41 10	– 15
AYE	AlgEngy	35 13	+ 16
ATI	AllegTch	15 10	– 05
AGN	Allergan	74 03	–1 75
ALE	Allete	24 15	+ 14
AC	AllCap	50 78	– 29
ADS	AllData n	16 92	+ 02
AIQ	Alliimag n	10 38	+ 02
AWF	AllWrld2	9 59	+ 01
LNT	AlliantEgy	28 54	– 12
ATK	AliantT s	77 90	+4 35
ALD	AlliedCap	25 02	– 01
AW	AlldWaste	12 90	+ 15
AFC	AllmrFn	39 99	– 16
ALL	Allstate	31 28	– 22
AT	Alltel	61 85	– 19
ALO	Alpharma	24 14	+ 13
ALS	Alstom	11 40	– 31
ACH	AluChina n	d17 83	– 44
ABV	AmBev	20 95	
ABK	AmbacF	55 71	+ 39
DOX	Amdocs	32 35	– 75
AAE	AmdocsTr	29 19	– 06
AMH	AmerUs	35 75	+ 01
AHC	Amhlss	58 01	+ 48
AEE	Ameren	39 67	+ 35
AFA	AmrFMtl	8 30	+ 17
AMX	AmMovil n	18 78	– 30
AWA	AmWest	2 63	– 03
AEP	AEP	41 55	– 15
AXP	AmExp	33 42	– 84
AFG	AFnclGp	23 48	– 07
AM	AGreet	14 16	+ 10
AHP	**AHomeP**	**58.20**	**–.55**
AIG	AmIntGp	80 40	+ 70
PLB	AlPC	39 30	+ 06
CXT	AmMuTl	10 91	– 09
ASD	AmStd	67 19	– 68
AMT	AmTower	7 00	– 31
AWK	AmWtr	41 56	+ 11
ACF	Amerindt	26 25	–1 70
APU	Amerigas	21 55	– 19
ABC	AmerisBrg	57 70	+ 09
AME	Ametek	30 35	+ 35
APH	Amphenol	50 92	– 09
ASD	AmSouth	18 65	– 02
APC	**Anadrk**	**51.87**	**–1.83**
ADI	AnalogDev	45 91	+1 23
AU	Anglogld	18 10	+ 31
BUD	Anheusr	43 05	+ 35
AXE	Anixter	28 90	– 02
ANN	AnnTaylr	29 14	+ 49
NLY	Annaly	14 17	+ 12
ANR	AnnuityLf	24 42	– 11
ATH	Anthem n	47 86	– 34
AHR	AnthCap	10 26	+ 21
AOC	Aon Corp	34 63	– 36
APA	**Apache**	**46.75**	**–.71**
AIV	Apartmv	44 98	– 30
AOT	ApogentT	24 52	
ABI	ApplBio	32 33	– 92
AHG	Apria	22 99	– 51
ATR	Aptargp	33 03	– 42
LA	Aquila n	d15 71	– 94
ARA	Aracruz	18 57	– 56
RMK	Aramark n	26 00	+ 60
ACI	ArchCoal	20 20	+ 09
ADM	ArchDan	14 87	– 41
ASN	ArchstnSm	26 55	– 20
ARI	ArdenRlt	26 20	
AGY	Argosy	32 95	+ 55
AH	ArmorH	u26 51	– 34
ACK	ArmstHld	2 48	+ 05
ARW	ArrowEl	30 10	+ 20
ARM	ArvMerit	18 79	+ 11
ASH	Ashland	43 24	+ 25
AX	AsiaGlbl	1 46	+ 06
AZN	AstraZen	44 01	– 27
CGO	AtlasAir	16 10	+ 08
ATO	**ATMOS**	**19.85**	**+.03**
ATW	AtwdOcn	29 98	– 67
AN	AutoNatn	11 48	– 02
ALV	Autoliv	18 51	– 29
ADP	AutoData	59 50	+ 83
AZO	AutoZone	73 20	– 50
AVB	AvalonBay	48 47	– 77
AV	Avaya	13 50	– 11
AVE	Aventis	66 20	– 60
AVY	AveryD	54 38	– 31
AVL	Aviall	6 30	+ 39
AVA	Avista	12 11	+ 11
AVT	Avnet	25 80	+ 53
AVP	Avon	49 00	+ 09
AZR	Azrlar	16 89	+ 09
BBT	BB&T Cp	34 91	+ 07
BCE	BCE gs	22 69	+ 99
BHP	BHP Bill s	10 64	– 11
BJS	BJ's s	28 20	– 92
BJ	Bus Wrhs	41 51	+ 40
BMM	BMC	2 35	+ 23
BMC	BMC Sft	16 35	– 16
BP	**BP PLC**	**44.10**	**+.44**
BPT	BP Pru	13 96	+ 03
BRE	BRE	31 35	– 09
BTY	BT Grp n	36 85	– 62
BHI	Baker Hu	33 40	– 06
BEZ	Bakbor	20 99	+ 44
BLL	Ball	57 42	+ 68
BFT	BallyTotF	21 10	– 89
BBV	BcBilVArg	12 95	+ 10
BBD	BcoBrad	24 96	– 04
STD	BcoSnCh	8 85	– 04
ONE	BankOne	36 50	
BAC	Bk of Am	62 88	+ 43
BK	BkNY	40 63	– 11
BBX	BkAtl A	8 59	+ 09
BN	Barrick	26 34	– 02
BCR	Bard	60 10	– 05
BKS	BarnesNb	29 21	– 94
BRL	Barr Lab	76 55	
ABX	BarrickG	15 60	+ 43
BOL	Bausch	34 90	– 54
BAX	Baxter s	50 78	– 01
BVC	BayView	7 27	– 06
BSC	BearSt	57 85	–1 03
BZH	Beazer hm	75 75	+2 67
BEC	BeckCoul	43 17	– 36
BDX	BectDck	32 53	– 06
BLS	BellSouth	38 14	+ 32
BLC	Belco	17 62	– 02
BMS	Bemis	49 67	– 76
BHE	Benchmk	23 04	+ 24
BNO	BentonOG	1 30	– 05
BER	Berkley	53 38	– 89
BRK/A	**BerkHa**	**A69100.00**	
+500.00			
BRY	**BerryP**	**15.45**	**+.10**
BBY	BestBuy	67.20	–2 00
BS	vjBethStl	69	– 14
BEV	Beverly	7 67	+ 03
BLI	BigLots	10 10	+ 20
BVF	Biovail	53 82	– 97
BDK	BlackD	37 42	– 43
BKH	**BlkHlCp**	**31.40**	**+.15**
BKT	BlkIT	7 36	+ 04
BFK	BlkMulT n	13 88	– 21
BMN	BlkMTar	10 39	– 08
BNA	BlkNA	10 00	– 05
BGC	BlkStrTT	9 73	– 03
HRB	BlockHR s	40 90	+ 04
BBI	Blockbstr	25 55	– 55
BXG	Bluegreen	2 00	
BA	Boeing	36 80	– 27
BCC	BoiseC	32 20	+ 40
BGP	Borders	18 80	+ 31
BWA	BorgWarn	49 61	+ 06
SAM	BostBeer	u14 99	–1 00
BXP	BostProp	37 65	– 10
BSX	BostSci	25 17	– 73
BOW	Bowatr	48 12	+ 30
BNE	Bowne	12 65	– 38
BOY	BoykinL	7 24	– 01
BRP	BrasilTel	40 91	– 89
BGG	BrigStrat	41 46	– 48
EAT	Brinker s	27 48	– 42
BMY	**BrMySq**	**d50.45**	**–3.30**
BAB	BritAir	30 75	– 46
SEA	BritAqua	2 95	+ 05
BIO/A	BioPA	62 10	–2 34
BBH	BstechT	131 95	+ 10
BTX	Biotime	4 95	– 05
BL	BlairCp	20 50	– 50
BLM	Blimpie	2 74	+ 01
BTJ	BoltTech	4 65	– 25
WEL	BootsCts	45	– 03
BND	Bourdis	1 25	+ 25
BDE	BrdDrlg	20	+ 03
BTI	BrtATob	16 18	+ 27
BDH	BrdbdHTl	18 95	– 23
CDV	CD&L	33	– 03
TTV	Cabletel g	1 45	– 02
CBJ	Cambior	46	+ 02
CDN	CamBGE	29 15	+ 45
CC	CirCtyCC	u21 60	+1 02
KMX	CirCCar	21 99	+ 19
C	Citigrp	48 15	– 46
CpE	Citigp pfE	25 50	+ 01
CpV	Citigp pfV	25 30	
CpZ	Citigp pfZ	24 77	– 04
CZN	CitzComm	10 90	+ 22
CYN	CityNC	44 76	+ 24
CLE	ClairesStr	14 06	– 05
CMH	ClaytnH	15 89	– 11
CCU	ClearChan	48 29	– 08
CLX	Clorox	39 74	+ 58
COH	Coach	33 10	+ 15
COA	Coachmen	11 15	– 45
CGPpT	CstlpfT	d24 15	– 09
KO	**CocaCl**	**45.98**	**+.33**
CCE	CocaCE	19 29	+ 03
CDE	Coeur	68	– 02
CL	**ColgPal**	**56.96**	**+.33**
CKC	Collark	8 88	– 12
CNB	ColBgp	14 21	+ 28
CLP	ColonPT	30 81	+ 16
CDO	vjComdisco	44	– 02
CMA	Comerica	53 41	+ 29
CBH	CmcBNJ	77 30	– 46
CFB	CmcFdl	22 65	+ 22
CMCSK	CmclNL	13 18	– 17
CTV	ComScop	20 55	+ 36
CYH	CmtyHlt	24 30	– 55
CBD	CBD-Pao	19 40	+ 55
CPQ	Compaq	9 79	+ 30
CA	CompAs	35 79	+1 09
CSC	CompSci	48 10	–1 06
CRK	ComstkRs	6 15	– 06
CAG	ConAgra	22 94	+ 08
CIV	Conectiv	24 10	+ 09
COC	Conoco	26 77	+ 56
CNC	Conseco	3 82	– 20
CNCpT	Consc pfT	10 10	– 75
CNCpV	Consc pfV	9 65	– 72
CNCpH	Consc pfH	10 85	– 80
CNX	ConsolEgy	22 00	+ 12
ED	ConEd	37 52	– 13
STZ	ConstellA	s39 75	+ 57
CEG	ConstellEn	25 10	
CHL	ChinaMble	19 03	+ 38
CHU	ChinaUni	11 80	+ 17
CQB	vjChiquita	69	+ 01
CPS	ChoicePt	49 90	+ 08
CB	Chubb	66 15	+ 13
CHD	ChurDwt	26 00	+ 15
CBR	CIBER	8 90	
CIN	CINergy

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Thr	Name	Last	Chg
A-B-C			
ACTM	ACT Mf	1.50	-.10
ACTV	ACTV	d1.65	+.17
ADCT	ADC Tel	5.26	-.19
APCC	APC Ent n	25.25	-.17
ASTSF	ASTSF Tel	13.73	+1.35
ASMI	ASM Intl	19.05	-.03
ASML	ASML Hld	19.73	+1.06
ATYT	ATiTech	13.80	+.25
ATMI	ATMI Inc	26.06	-.08
ATPG	ATP O&G	nd3.35	-.98
AXTI	AXT Inc	16.85	+.20
ASTM	Astrom	1.03	+.01
ABGX	Abgenix	30.50	-1.54
ACLM	Aclaim	5.37	-.37
ACTL	Actel	21.02	-.08
ACTN	Acterna	3.39	-.09
ACPR	ActPerf	35.00	-.69
ACPW	ActPwr	5.53	-.58
ATVI	Activisn s	27.91	+.71
ACTU	Actuate	5.10	+.30
ACXM	Acxiom	14.20	+.25
ADPT	Adeptec s	15.95	-.58
ADLAC	AdelphC h	26.50	-.39
ADBE	AdobeSy	31.78	+.20
ADTN	Adtran	28.10	+.45
ADVP	AdvPCS s	27.30	+.15
ADGI	AdvDigInf	18.65	+.49
AFCI	AdvFCm	19.05	-.62
ADVS	AdventSft	52.75	-.09
AEGO	AdvisBd n	25.50	-.65
ARXX	Aeroflex	19.53	+.34
AETH	AethrSys	9.42	+.31
AFFX	Affymet	34.56	-1.19
ATAC	Aftmarkt	17.39	-1.39
AGIL	AgileSft	15.74	+.75
AGCS	AirGate	52.70	-.89
AkJAM	AkamaiT n	5.38	-.11
AkSY	AksysL	5.01	+.43
AKZOY	**Akzo**	**44.69**	**-.31**
AlMRI	AlbnyMlc	22.92	-1.80
ALEX	AlexBld	26.30	+.37
ALKS	Alkerm	23.65	+.64
ALGX	AllegTel	8.19	-.41
ALLY	AllGam su	28.75	+1.25
ALSC	AllianSemi	12.55	+.18
ARCC	AllRiser n	15	-.00
ALOY	Alloyinc	18.55	+.07
AHAA	AlphaInd	22.75	-.80
ALTR	AlteraCp	24.83	+.27
ALVR	Alvarion	3.55	
AMRN	AmarinCp	16.00	-1.55
AMZN	Amazon	11.91	-.33
AMBC	AmerBio	.91	-.14
AEOS	AEagleO s	24.04	-1.02
AMHC	AmHlthw s	36.15	-.35
AMSY	AmIS	16.78	+.26
APCC	APCwCnv	15.03	+.03
AMSWA	ASoft	u2.73	+.58
PATH	Ameripath	29.29	+.59
ASCA	AmerCas	22.46	+1.01
AMTD	AmrTrde	6.35	-.17
AMGN	**Amgen**	**64.39**	**+.09**
AMKR	Amkor	18.98	-.04
ANAD	Anadigc	16.60	-.25
ALOG	Analogic	37.45	-1.40
SLOT	AnchGm	64.00	+.79
ANDW	Andrew	22.34	+.43
ADRX	AndrxGp	71.85	+4.14
ANPI	Angtech	51.25	-.48
AAUK	AngloAm s	15.27	-.17
ANSR	ansthink	6.50	+.26
ANSS	Ansys	u27.00	-.35
APOL	ApolloG s	46.49	+.75
AAPL	AppleC	21.49	-.29
APPB	Applebee s	35.09	-.32
ADSX	ApldDig n	.38	-.02
AMAT	**AplldMatls**	**44.87**	**+.93**
AMCC	AMCC	13.38	+.23
ATHY	ApplidThry	20	-.02
ARQL	ArQule	12.75	-.10
ARNA	ArenaPh n	11.32	-.56
ARIA	AriadP	5.35	-.45
ARBA	Ariba	6.97	+.46
ARMHY	ArmHld	15.60	-.77
ARRY	ArrayBio n	13.95	+.47
ARRS	Arris	10.95	+.08
ARTG	ArtTech	3.93	.30
ATSN	Artesyn	8.64	-.02
ARTC	ArthroCr	16.98	+.22
ASFT	Artsft	1.60	-.05
ASCL	AscentialS	4.05	-.10
ASIA	AsiaInfo	18.23	+.48
ASKJ	AskJvs	2.83	-.04
ASPN	AspenTc	18.06	+1.04
ASPC	AstroniF s	24.79	-.03
ASPWR	Astrpwr	40.72	+.66
ASYT	AsytTch	12.60	+.05
ACLN	AtCalAir s	24.58	-.17
ATML	Atmel	8.33	-.13
ATRX	Atrix	22.91	-.11
AUDB	Audible	.85	+.06
AUSPX	Auspex	1.49	-.11
ADSK	Autodesk	40.29	-.45
AVNX	Avanex	7.75	-.02
AVNT	Avanti	16.79	-.37
AVAN	Avantimm	3.85	+.15
AVGO	AvantGo	1.85	+.35
AVEA	Averyo A	1.80	+.05
AVCI	AvticSys n	2.80	+.04
AVGN	Avigen	9.81	-.39
AVIR	Avifon	45.55	-.46
AWRE	Aware	6.52	+.43
ACLS	Axcelis	14.12	-.35
BEAV	BE Aero	9.06	+.21
BEAS	BEA Sys	17.58	+.50
BSYS	BISYS	61.20	+1.40
BLDP	BallardPw	30.89	+.44
BKHM	Bankmrth	21.70	-.09
BNBN	bannbl.com	1.53	+.16
BARZ	Barra s	44.75	+.15
BFRE	BarFree	2.20	+.20
BEQS	Be Inc	.09	-.01
BCON	BeaconP	1.16	+.35
BBBY	BedBath	31.70	-.38
BELM	BellMic	13.33	+.81
BVEW	BindVw	1.50	
BGEN	Biogen	54.87	-1.02
BLTI	BioLase	5.23	-.38
BMRN	BioMarin	12.45	-.21
BMET	Biomet s	28.26	+.20
BPUR	**Biopure**	**15.91**	**+.65**
BITS	Bitstrm	u6.35	+.80
BBOX	BlackBx	55.67	+1.64
BLUE	BlueMart	2.75	+.75
BORL	Borland	16.54	-.60
BRIO	BrioSftwr	2.70	+.40
BVSN	BroadVsn	3.36	+.01
BBDM	Brdcom	45.95	+.14
BRCM	BrcdeCm s	39.50	+1.18
BRKS	BrooksAu	41.00	-.33
TMBR	**BrownTom**	**24.00**	**-.37**
BDAL	BrukDalt	15.50	+.94
CCBI	CCBINet	12.92	+.54
CBRL	**CBRL Grp**	**28.69**	**-.32**
CDWC	CDW Cpt	52.65	+.53
CHRW	CH Robn	26.46	-.43
CMGI	CMGI	2.06	-.22
CNET	CNET	7.58	-.22
CNXS	**CNS**	**5.00**	**-.36**
CSGS	CSG Sys	35.04	-.07
CPTX	CTC Cm	5.48	-.37
CAMP	CV Therra	51.30	-3.23
CCMP	CabotMic	78.87	+.32
CFLO	CacheFl	2.80	+.75
CACI	CACI s	40.04	-.62
CALD	Caldera	1.32	-.21
CPKI	CalPizza	22.72	+1.03
CAMZ	Caminus n	20.00	
CLZR	Candela	3.75	-.04
CPST	CpstnTrb	4.11	+.01
CSAR	Carasstr	7.23	-.16
DFIB	CardiacSci	4.93	+.73
CRDM	Cardima	2.45	-.01
CDIC	CardDyn n	6.19	-.01
CECO	CareerEd s	34.20	+.56
CANI	Carreker	5.88	-.09
CASY	Caseys	14.20	+.20
CATT	CtpltCm	26.00	-1.65
CELG	Celgene	30.21	-1.13
CEGE	CellGens	21.64	-.88
CTIC	CellTherap	23.95	-.59
CTLM	Centillm	8.59	+.45
CBIZ	CentBusn	1.60	+.08
CEPH	Cephln	65.06	-1.01
CPHD	Cepheid	5.08	+.88
CERN	Cerner	51.50	-1.34
CERS	CerusCp	46.50	-4.49
CHRS	ChrmSh	5.14	+.07
CHTR	ChartCm	15.49	+.53
CHRT	ChrtSm n	29.03	+.88
CHKP	ChkPoint s	43.02	+2.12
CKFR	ChkFree	21.10	+1.05
CAKE	Cheesecak s	34.25	-.51
CHEL	ChelmGrp	92	+.23
KIDS	ChildCmp	5.71	+.02
PLCE	ChildPlc	26.40	-.78
CHINA	chndtcm	2.64	+.06
CHIR	Chiron	43.07	-.30
CWON	ChoiceOne	3.66	+.11
CTEC	Choicet	19.00	-3.29
CHRD	Chordnt	u8.85	+.20
CHRS	ChrisBrk	42.97	+.61
CIEN	CienaCm	11.97	-.06
CINN	CinnBell	13.50	-.80
CINF	CinnFin	37.73	+.37
CITAS	Cititas	47.76	+.33
CPCI	Ciprico	5.05	-.15
CIRUS	Cirrus	15.06	+.16
CSCO	Cisco	20.50	-.26
CITXS	Citrix	23.88	+.32
CWBI	CityBkg	14.00	-.80
CKSW	Cksw	1.41	+.24
COHR	Coherent	29.41	+.34
COLR	Colrstar	23.50	-.15
CMTO	Com21	1.89	+.02
CMCSK	Comc sp	40.17	+.18
CMRC	ComOne	4.00	+.24
CBSS	CompsBc	28.00	+.14
CGEN	Compgen	3.15	+.07
CMNT	CptNwk	18.80	+.82
CPWR	Compuwre	12.98	+.03
CMVT	Comverse	24.05	-.89
CEPT	ConcertS s	30.55	-.17
CNQR	ConcurTch	1.80	+.33
CCUR	ConcCm	16.73	+1.38
CNXT	Conexnt	17.30	+.08
CNCT	Connetics	10.93	+.33
CDDD	ConstI3D	.87	-.03
CPRT	Copart	34.03	-.72
CMTN	CopMntn	2.17	+.29
CORR	CorTher	24.46	-1.25
COMM	CoreComm	17	-.02
CORL	CoreCp	2.16	-.07
CORI	Corilliah	4.95	+.04
CORV	CorvisCp n	3.07	-.04
COSN	CoSine h	1.39	-.07
COST	Costco	40.75	-.58
COTT	Cott Cp	15.43	+.22
CMOS	CredSys	20.85	-.19
CREE	Cree Inc	26.21	+.20
CREO	CreoPrd	13.05	+.33
CPTH	CritPath	2.43	-.02
CRWN	CrwnMed	11.90	-.36
CBST	CubistPh	34.40	+1.17
CRGN	CuraGen	21.53	-1.10
CYLK	Cylink	2.27	-.29
CYMI	Cymer	27.45	+.29
CYTO	Cytogn	3.32	-.24
CYTC	Cytyc s	24.85	+.70
D-E-F			
DDIC	DDi Cp	12.97	+.21
DPAC	DPAC Tc	3.30	-.21
DSLN	DSL net	.80	-.02
DSPG	DSP Grp	22.15	+.26
DANKY	Danka	.96	+.03
DRAM	Dataram	9.00	+.25
DATA	DataTrak	3.13	+.13
DWSN	**Dawson**	**7.37**	**-.07**
DTEC	DelanoT	.80	+.03
DLIA	DeliasCp	5.43	-.06
DELL	DellCptr	29.18	+.12
DRTE	Dendrite	13.64	-.29
DTPI	DiamClust	13.06	+.01
DIAN	Dianon	52.87	+2.14
DIGE	DigeneCp	27.86	+1.59
DGIN	DigInsght	21.40	+.30
DIGL	DigLghtl	11.06	+.21
DRIV	DigRiver	17.56	-.74
DVID	DigVid	5.96	-.27
DTHK	DigITrnk	10.30	+1.61
DTAS	Digitas	3.40	+.05
DFXI	DirFocus s	29.16	-.39
DITC	DitechCo	5.78	+.44
DVIN	divineInc	.76	-.01
DCEL	DbsnCm	d7.19	-.48
DCTM	Documntm	17.80	+.26
DLTR	DlrTree	26.42	-.83
DORL	DoralFin	31.29	+.85
DCLK	DbleClck	12.26	+.11
DRXR	Drexlr	22.23	-.02
DSCM	drugstre	1.38	+.16
DPMI	DuPontP	40.65	-.89
DROOY	DurbanRo	1.15	+.03
EELN	E-Loan	1.76	-.00
EBAY	eBayInc	69.50	-.60
ECIL	ECI Tel	5.00	-.16
EPIQ	EPIQ Sys s	18.63	+1.93
LQNT	ESPS Inc	2.25	
ESST	ESSTech n	21.39	+.54
EUNI	eUnivrse	u5.15	+1.04
ERTH	ErthShll	2.25	-.05
ELNK	ErthLink	11.75	-1.87
EASY	EasyLink	4.25	-.01
ELON	EchelonC	13.47	-.04
DISH	EchoStar	26.90	+.84
ECLP	Eclipsys	14.00	+.85
EDSN	EdenSch	18.45	+.85
EDMC	EducMgt	36.74	-.76
EFDS	eFunds	16.25	+.73
EIDSY	Eidos	2.55	-.59
ELNT	Elantec	41.94	-.38
ELAS	ElastNet	44	-.01
EFCX	ElctFuel	1.72	-.02
ESIO	ElectSci	33.86	+1.76
ERTS	ElectrArts	62.82	-.36
ELBO	ElecBlq	u44.00	+1.80
EFII	Efii	22.46	+.61
ROEN	ElizArden	13.53	+.18
EMBT	EmbarTc	20.68	-.02
EMKR	Emcore	15.15	+.15
EMIS	EmisTch	26.11	-.96
EMMS	EmmisC	19.63	-.05
EMLX	Emulex s	40.70	+1.38
ENDP	EndoPhrm	10.99	+1.22
ENDO	Endocre	17.90	-.05
ENWV	EndWve	1.22	+.05
ENGA	Engage	.58	-.12
ENGI	EnginSup s	33.17	-4.73
ENTG	Entegris	10.50	-.50
ENMD	EntreMd	8.12	-.32
ENTU	Entrust	10.09	+.21
ENZN	Enzon	53.59	+.09
EPNY	Epiphny s	9.98	+.28
ERICY	**Ericsn Tel**	**3.85**	**-.16**
EEPC	Eurose	17.35	-.85
EVLV	EvlveSft n	4.34	+.15
EXAR	Exar	24.82	+.23
EXLN	eXcelon	1.10	-.02
EXEL	Exelixis	15.16	-.06
EXPE	Expedia	38.46	-1.60
ESRX	ExpScrpt s	42.80	-.52
EXTR	ExtrNetw	16.40	-.24
FFIV	F5 Netw	25.50	-1.85
FLIR	FLIR	43.30	-1.84
FSII	FSI Intl	8.56	-.63
FALC	FalconStr n	9.07	+.17
FTEK	FberNet	39	+.03
FITB	FifthThird	59.72	+.17
FILE	FileNet	18.44	-.11
FNSR	Finisar	12.99	+.58
FCFS	FstCashFn	7.09	+.92
FCGI	FstCnslt	14.90	+.35
FHCC	FstHlth s	22.30	-.84
FHRX	FrstHrizn s	24.63	+.90
FISV	Fiserv s	42.07	+.11
FTHL	FlagTkc	1.78	+.13
FLEX	Flextrn	27.35	-.27
FCOM	FocalCom	.58	
FDRY	Foundry	10.24	-.11
FMKT	FreeMkt	23.19	+.38
FRNT	FrntrAvr s	16.57	+.36
FTCG	FrntlCap n	12	-.00
FFEX	**FrozenFd**	**2.05**	**-.08**
FCEL	FuelCell s	14.95	-.15
G-H-I			
ZOOX	Gadzoox	d.69	-.07
GRMN	Garmin	19.40	+.30
GMST	Gemstar	26.94	+.66
GMGC	GMagic	.34	-.02
GNSS	Genmkcr u	67.50	+3.70
GENE	Genome	6.42	-.32
GNTA	Genta	13.15	-.39
GNTX	Gentex	26.97	-.34
GTNR	Gentnr	17.86	+.73
GENU	Genuity	1.59	+.03
GNVC	GenVec	5.21	-.04
GENZ	Genzyme s	57.50	-.50
GERN	GeronCp	d9.63	-.37
GETY	Gettylm	20.24	-.35
GIGM	GigaMed	2.40	+.15
GILTF	GilatSat	2.85	-.18
GILD	Gilead s	64.69	+.30
GIVN	GivenIm n	17.95	+1.15
GEMS	Glenayre	1.46	+.12
GLBL	Globllnd	7.48	+.38
GSPN	GlbeSpn	12.87	-.44
GBIX	GlobixCp	.58	-.01
GLCBY	GloboCabo	3.63	+.17
GLGS	GlycoGen	1.66	-.14
GOAM	GoAmern	2.89	+.40
GOLD	GoldFLtd	4.83	+.19
GSBNZ	GldStBc wt	1.25	+.01
GRIN	GrndToy s	3.95	+1.12
GLFD	GulfIndPh	11.75	+.10
GYMB	Gymbree	10.60	-.18
HAIN	HainCelest	27.00	+.65
HAND	Hndsprg	6.78	+.26
HLIT	Harmonic	13.71	-.04
HGMCY	HarmonyG	6.19	+.19
HPOL	Harrsint	2.26	-.02
HBIO	HrvrdBio	8.09	-.26
HDWR	Headwatrs	11.10	+.84
HSII	HealthStr	19.93	+.03
HSIC	HSchein	37.61	-.06
JKHY	HennyJk s	23.02	-.02
HEPH	HlthEden n	10.29	-.21
HLYW	Hlywd$	14.06	+.86
HOMS	HomeStore	2.33	+.04
HOTT	HotTopic s	31.09	+.23
HOTJ	HotJobs	8.47	+.17
HUGN	HumGen	32.16	-1.88
HBAN	HuntBnk	16.86	+.13
HTCH	HutchT	u25.10	+1.80
HYDL	HydrilCo	18.16	-.39
HYSL	HyperSolu	20.75	+.85
HTEK	HytekM	d1.57	-.21
IMNY	I-Many	8.85	+.24
ITWO	I2 Tech	8.79	-.21
ICOS	ICOS	57.70	-1.34
IDPH	IDPhrm s	67.29	-.48
IGEN	IGEN	33.30	-.62
IPCR	IPCHold	27.45	-.50
ITXC	ITXC Cp	8.70	+.67
IAWK	iAsiaWks	10	
IBAS	iBasis	1.62	-.08
IDNX	Identix	12.37	+2.12
ILXO	IlexOnco	26.74	-1.94
ILUM	Iluminet	39.86	+1.94
IMAT	Imatrn	1.86	+.01
IMCL	Imclone	68.14	-2.25
IMNX	Immunex	24.45	-.16
IMGN	ImunoGn	15.09	-1.28
IMMU	Imunmd	20.22	+1.00
IPXL	ImpaxLab	11.00	-.02
INCY	IncyteGnm	19.21	+.07
ICBC	IndpCmty	23.05	-.34
INDG	IndigoNV	7.04	+.01
IMCI	InfiniteGp	3.24	+.29
INSP	InfoSpce	2.35	-.02
INFS	InFocus	23.31	-.84
INFA	Informat	14.65	+.22
IARC	InfoArch	29	+.05
INMX	InforMax	3.02	+.25
INHL	InhaleTh	18.28	-.10
INKT	Inktomi	7.71	+.85
ISCA	InovGlne	36	+.04
INVX	**Innovex**	**3.97**	**-.03**
INRG	Inrange	14.45	+.45
INSIT	Insight	23.45	+.85
INSUA	InsilRc	24.26	-.79
INET	Instinet n	d7.56	-.07
IART	ItgLISci	26.40	-.69
ICST	IntgCirc n	21.07	-.23
IDTI	IntgSDv	24.75	+1.25
INTC	**Intel**	**34.06**	**+.69**
ICPT	InterCept	39.59	+1.79
IDCC	**InterDig**	**11.31**	**+.16**
INGR	Intgph	12.53	-.02
INLD	Interland	2.48	-.20
IMGC	Intermagn	26.94	+.49
ITMN	InterMune	48.30	-2.39
IFCI	IntFbcm	.30	-.03
ICGE	ItrnsCap	1.41	+.17
ISSX	IntntSec	32.73	+.04
IPIC	Interneur	8.14	+.09
ISIL	Intersil	37.51	-.77
ITRU	IntertrstT	1.10	-.04
INTV	IntVoeBr	12.70	-.79
IWOV	Intrwrn s	11.02	+.76
IBPI	IntrBiotc	2.96	-.10
TRQD	Intrdo	27.30	-1.12
ITRA	Intrawre	1.25	-.01
INTU	Intuit	43.52	-.04
INVN	InVision	u38.65	+5.22
IVGN	Invitrogn	61.75	+.26
IONA	IonaTch	22.99	-.26
ISIP	Isis	19.15	-1.13
ISLE	IsleCapri u	13.45	+.30
J-K-L			
JDEC	JD Edwr	14.87	+.31
JDAS	JDASoft	22.20	+2.54
JDSU	JDS Uniph	9.85	-.21
JNIC	JNI Corp	10.25	+.14
JAKK	JkksPac	18.75	+1.05
JOYG	JoyGlbl n	16.05	-.12
JNPR	JnprNtw	23.93	-.59
KLAC	KLA Tnc	56.31	-.64
KCIN	KPMGCns n	18.02	+.02
KANA	KanaSft	1.63	-.07
KFRC	Kforce	5.99	-.94
KNGT	KnightTrd	12.79	-.05
KNGT	KnightTr s	29.98	+.37
KOPN	KopinCp	16.03	-.06
KRON	Kronos s	u47.60	-2.45
KLIC	Kulicke	18.10	+.19
LTXX	LTX	24.30	
LRCX	LamRsch	24.85	+.30
LAMR	LamarAdv	37.70	-.71
LNTE	LanteCp	97	+.09
LATD	LatiCom	1.50	+.10
LSCC	Lattice	21.93	+.61
LWSN	LawsnSft n	17.80	+.65
LWIN	LeapWr	19.40	-.17
LEAP	Leapfrg n	13	
LTWC	Legato	12.88	+.61
LGTO	Legato	12.88	+.61
LVLT	Level3	6.82	+.23
LBRT	LibtyTch	12.03	+.33
LPNT	LifePth	30.67	-.77
LGND	Ligand B	16.51	-.98
LTBG	Lightbrd n	12.10	-.10
LNCR	Lincare s	25.82	-1.10
LLTC	LinearTch	44.05	+.17
LGVN	LogicVsn n	u14.45	+.26
LOOK	LkSmart n	1.70	+.45
LOCL	Loudcld n	3.61	-.04
LOUD	Loudeye	.76	+.01
LUME	Lumerlns	19.90	+.29
M-N-O			
FLSH	M-SysFD	11.50	+.62
MCKC	MCK Cm	1.35	-.07
MCSI	MCSI Inc	23.24	+1.27
MOGN	MGI Phr	14.07	+.91
MIHL	MIH Ltd	8.20	+.20
MIMS	MIM Cp	15.01	-.59
MROI	MRO Softu	23.76	-1.24
MRVC	MRV Cm	4.88	+.11
MNTG	MTR Gam	13.50	+.40
MACR	**Macrmdia**	**27.17**	**+1.71**
MVSN	Macrvsn	37.80	-.76
MAGS	Magal	13.71	+1.41
LAVA	Magma n	20.44	-.36
MANH	ManhAssc	30.91	-.21
MANU	Manugist	17.80	+2.35
MONI	Marcnfsi	1.43	+.09
MRVL	MarvellT n	39.10	+1.14
MATR	Matritch	2.97	-.02
MATX	MatrixPh	1.44	+.03
MONE	MatrixO	10.40	-.03
MTSN	Mattson	8.29	-.26
MXIM	Maxim	59.79	+1.89
MAXY	Maxygen	19.45	-1.65
MCAF	McAfee	u33.66	+.41
MCLD	Mcleod	1.41	-.05
MCDY	McDataA	27.45	+.65
MCDTA	McDataA n	26.78	+.23
MDTH	MedCath n	18.92	-.38
MEDI	MedImun	42.99	-.20
TAXI	MedalFin	7.60	-.05
MEDX	Medarex	17.47	-.20
MCCC	Mediacm	15.95	-.50
MDLI	MedLgc	.26	+.01
MENT	MentGr	24.91	-.12
MCTR	Mercator	8.35	+.67
MRCY	MrcCmp	41.36	-1.14
MERQ	Mercintr	35.53	+.67
MRGE	MergeTc	u5.16	+.32
MMSI	**Merrimd s**	**15.49**	**-2.09**
MESA	MesaAir	7.26	+.33
MESG	MessgeMd	.14	
MTSX	MetalStm	n21.75	
MEOH	Methanex	5.75	+.03
MTON	MtroOn s	33.41	-1.33
MFNX	MtrmglFb	.53	-.03
MICRL	Micrel	30.72	-.33
MICT	Microcll n	1.80	+.03
MCHP	Microchp	40.33	+.77
MUSE	Mcromse s	17.07	+.40
MSCC	MicSemi s	35.65	+.50
MSFT	Microsft	67.95	+.63
MICR	MicroStr	4.71	+.16
TUNE	Microtne	23.14	-.42
MIKN	Mikohn	8.68	+.98
MCEL	MillCell	6.00	+2.25
MLNM	MillPhar	23.40	-1.34
MCRI	Mlcrmln	11.64	-.39
MRVT	Miravant	10.15	-1.11
MDCC	MolecDev	20.10	+.94
MOLX	Molex	31.31	-.02
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Breadwinning wives enjoy happy marriages at home

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I must respond to "Confused Young Woman in Love," who wonders whether a relationship can work between a man and a woman who earns significantly more than he does.

Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

It most certainly CAN. I have been blessed 10 times over by a loving husband who made less than half what I did when we married. Today, eight years later, he's a stay-at-home dad, and I am the income provider.

My husband and I were both comfortable with who we were as individuals when we met. Our marriage has grown, and our love and commitment have deepened despite not only the income disparity, but also other areas of difference in our lives.

The ability to bring in money for the family is important, but not nearly as important as cultivating a loving, nurturing, supportive environment for yourself, your spouse and your family. That ability comes from the heart — and is not dependent upon how much money a person makes. — BLESSED IN DENVER

DEAR BLESSED: I agree. And many other couples will attest to that. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I make substantially more than my husband — about 30 percent more. You know what he thinks? He thinks I deserve MORE.

We are a team. Our incomes go toward supporting our family, and the more either of us makes, the better.

Were I that woman, I wouldn't hide my income, but neither would I bring it up. If he's the man she thinks he is, he won't care about her income when he learns what it is. Or, if it does bother him, he won't let it affect their relationship. A real man will get over it. — CATHY W. IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR CATHY W.: That's true. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Yes, it is possible to have a good relationship when the woman makes more money. I am a successful professional and earn a very good salary. My husband is an artist. He makes very little in the way of money.

When we married, relatives on both sides of the family predicted we would be divorced within two years. Ten years later, we are still together and the naysayers are the ones who are divorced.

I have a wonderful man who happens not to be rich in money, but he is rich in the inner qualities that are the most important. — BEEN THERE IN CANADA

DEAR BEEN THERE: You have your priorities in the right order, and I commend you for it. Thank you for the input.

DEAR ABBY: I am 53. Six months ago, the love of my life was killed in an automobile accident.

My question is, what are the possibilities and probabilities that I will find true love again in my lifetime? I have always felt that true love comes only once in a lifetime for a few — and never for most.

Am I being foolish to think that it could happen to me more than once? — HOPEFUL IN DENVER

DEAR HOPEFUL: Not at all! I'm a firm believer that people have more than one opportunity to find true happiness.

Please accept my deepest sympathy for your loss. Grief counseling or a grief support group will help you to put the rest of your life in perspective. Please don't wait.

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips, aka Abigail Van Buren, and daughter Jeanne Phillips. Their column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate, 4520 Main St., Kansas City, Mo. 64111.

Midland Panhellenic celebrates 50th anniversary

By Danielle C. Belton
Assistant Lifestyle Editor

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Mary Frances Driscoll, known as "Chan" to most, is president of the Midland Panhellenic Association and was part of its inception back in 1951.

Mary Frances Driscoll, known as "Chan" to most, didn't expect to be alive in 2001, let alone the president of the Midland Panhellenic Association after being part of its inception back in 1951.

"I didn't think I'd live this long, let alone work with Thetas (Kappa Alpha Theta) and Panhellenic this long," she said.

The organization is celebrating its 50th anniversary by doing what it always does: help young women get involved in Greek-letter organizations and start off on a good foot in college. Ms. Driscoll has been named president of Midland Panhellenic for this banner year.

Originally started by Ms. Driscoll of Kappa Alpha Theta, the late Lois Hamilton of Pi Beta Phi, the late Bettye Lynch of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Gene Ann Cowden Pettit of Zeta Tau Alpha, the organization was born out of the ideas of these women who were ready to get involved in their community.

"We were all at a tea party one afternoon. We were all new in Midland. We were all under 30. We all just moved to Midland. And we were all dying to do something besides housework," Ms. Driscoll said.

They would later meet at a friend's home to plan Midland's Panhellenic chapter, part of a much larger, but largely unknown Greek-letter affiliated organization. Panhellenic is a group that brings various chapters of Greek letter organizations together with more than 20 national sororities, Greek-letter groups for women. Midland Panhellenic began with four and now has 12 different sororities affiliated with their chapter.

Formed by the college-educated women who came to Midland during the oil industry boom, Panhellenic was meant to unite these very different women with various backgrounds. Now the organization mostly focuses on high school girls who are preparing for college and are interested in joining a sorority. Midland Panhellenic works to help these girls become acquainted with sorority chapters on college campuses.

"We all work together and help these young girls make a good adjustment at these huge universities they go to today," Ms. Driscoll said. "In that 50 years, Panhellenic has helped thousands of girls."

Greek-letter sororities are diverse; many are based in academics, athletics, leadership, community service and Christianity as well as Judaism. Once open to only the wealthy, sororities are now open to anyone with a recommendation from a hometown alumna. Many of the organizations offer scholarships after initiation and the Midland Panhellenic Association offers scholarships as well.

While some sororities are known as social organizations, even those typically have an academic message to them as well. Most sororities require their members to maintain a high grade point average and participate in study halls.

Midland Panhellenic holds one informational event in the spring for young women, the Panhellenic Forum, which in 2002 is scheduled for March 17. The event gives high school seniors and their mothers an overview of the sorority process as well as information about the various organizations.

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WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Boosters...

The **Midland High Baseball Booster Club** meets on the first Monday of every month at 7 p.m. in Conference Room 'A' at the high school. For information, call Debbie Elander at 685-3623...

The **Midland Lee Boys Basketball Booster Club** meets on the first Monday of each month. All meetings start at 7 p.m., but scheduling conflicts may displace the site from the library (the first option) to the cafeteria or the locker room. For more information, call 520-2069...

The Lee High School Soccer Booster Club will host a **Meet the Players Day** on Dec. 13. The event, which starts at 7 p.m. in the Lee cafeteria, will introduce the players and coaches of the boys' and girls' teams. Outback Steakhouse will provide hamburgers. Contact any player for tickets, or call Trey Shepherd at 688-6929 or 697-2504, or Darcy Knight at 699-0550, or Lori Fultz at 689-4205...

Basketball...

There is a **Men's Basketball League** being started at the Boys and Girls Club of Midland. Cost is $100 per team. The league will play games at the Taylor Park Boys and Girls Club facility. There are 10 games plus a tournament game. For more information call David Jones at 683-0050...

Registration has started for the **YMCA Winter League,** which starts play on Jan. 15. The league is for boys and girls in kindergarten through eighth grade. Fees are $25 for YMCA members and $38 for non-members. Registration ends Dec. 16. For more information, call the YMCA at 682-2551...

A **Men's Christmas Basketball Tournament** is going to be held Dec. 21-22 at the Boys & Girls Club of Odessa. It is a double elimination tournament and the entry fee is $110 for teams with an eight-man roster. Roster deadline is Dec. 17. For more information call Dr. Wright at 352-4101 or 550-6103 (home) or 332-7891 (work)...

Softball...

The **Texas Tech coaching staff** will conduct softball clinics Dec. 15 at the MUGS Complex in Midland. Two sessions will be offered: a hitting clinic from 9-11:30 a.m., and a pitching clinic from 1-3 p.m. Fees for the sessions are $40 for either session or $65 for both. The sessions are limited to the first 40 players who sign up, and registration begins 30 minutes before the 9 a.m. session. No phone number is available for more information...

XLR8, a girls' 16 and under competitive fastpitch softball team, is looking for players for the 2002 season. If interested, please call Don Manuz 520-8595 or 634-5151...

Umpires who are interested in working high school fastpitch softball games should meet at the MUGS Umpire Building at 7 p.m. Dec. 12. For more information, call Mack at 520-5961 or Al at 684-8481...

Baseball...

The **University of Texas** will host two baseball camps in December, both at Disch-Falk Field in Austin. The first will be a specialty camp Dec. 21-23 for ages 7-18. The second will be an advanced specialty camp held Dec. 28-30 for ages 14-18. Each camp will have three individual sessions, for hitting, defense and pitchers/catchers. Overnight accommodations are available for each camp. For more information, call (512) 471-3309 or e-mail howardh@mail.utexas.edu...

Umpires are needed to officiate high school baseball games. For more information, call Danny Garcia at 697-8409...

The **Midland Junior Baseball Association** will hold sign-ups for spring baseball on Jan. 26 and Feb. 2 at the Midland Community Center, located at 2300 Butternut Lane (off Scharbauer Drive by Lee Freshman School). Sign-ups will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Sign-ups can also be made at Stadium Sports. Call Robert Thomas at 688-3422 with any questions...

The Midland Winter Baseball Camp will be Dec. 26-28 at Zachery Field on the east side of Memorial Stadium. Cost is $100 for all three days or $40 a day. The camp is for players ages 7-12. Midland High's state championship coach Barry Russell will instruct ages 7-12 while Danny Jordan of the the Rockey Baseball Academy will instruct ages 13-18. Players from Southwestern, Rice, UT-Arlington, Oklahoma and Texas Tech will be at the camp. Call Russell at 570-6681 or 689-1337 or Jordan at 520-2821 or 352-3138 for more information...

Hill College in Hillsboro will host a **Pro Skills camp** on Dec. 22. The camp, for players in grades 9-12, will be run by college coaches and professional scouts. The fee for the camp is $80. For more information, call Lance Herring at (254) 582-2555...

Tennis...

After-school tennis programs are being conducted by Luis Valdez on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the Kimber Lea Swim and Tennis Club. The times for different ages and skill levels are as follows: third-sixth grade beginners, 4:30-5:30 p.m.; third-sixth grade intermediate and advanced players, 5:30-6:30 p.m.; seventh-ninth grade intermediate and advanced players, 6:30-7:30 p.m. A session for elite players is also planned for Tuesdays. For more information, call 580-8929 or 570-6245...

Pot Luck tennis matches will be held on Saturday mornings for adults of all skill levels at the Midland College Tennis Complex. Pairings will be made at 9:30 a.m., but players can come earlier to sign up or warm up. Cost is $1 for balls, plus $2 court fee for those who are not members of the Midland Tennis Club. Players don't have to call — they can just show up — but to get more information, call the Center at 687-4046 or Betty Lewis at 570-6511...

Midland Tennis Club is accepting membership dues. Members are allowed to participate in MTC tournaments and use the Midland College Tennis Center year round. MTC dues are as follows: adults $50, juniors (18 or younger as of Jan. 1, 2001) $30, family $125...

Soccer...

Midland Soccer Association is having spring sign-ups through Jan. 27 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Midland Soccer Association Office at 4400 N. Big Spring, Suite C-41. Cost is $45 per player for up to two players from the same household. There are family discounts for households which have three or more players registering at the same time. Players must be 4 years old on or by Dec. 31, 2001. First time players or those players who have skipped seasons must provide MSA a copy of their birth certificate at registration. For more information call MSA at 684-KICK (684-5425)...

Running...

The **Permian Basin Road Runners Club** is a non-profit, educational organization for runners living in West Texas and southeastern New Mexico. The club, which promotes distance running as a helpful exercise and a competitive sport, is a member of the Road Runners Club of America and the Athletics Congress. Membership is open to all runners, joggers or walkers, regardless of experience. The club sponsors monthly fun runs, specialized training, group runs and runs for charity. For information, call Penny Wasem at 697-6391. Web site is www.stormpages.com/pbrrc...

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $40 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is offering **water aerobics classes** Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Morning, afternoon and evening classes are available. Swimming skills are not required. All classes are open to the public. COM provides all equipment. Cost is $47.50 per month for single membership, or $70 for a couple. For more information, call Jeni Wood at 684-7755...

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The Midland YMCA is offering **water aerobic classes.** Early morning, morning and evening classes are available. No swimming ability is necessary to participate in these classes. For more information please call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

The Central YMCA is offering **arthritis water exercise classes.** Classes are on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at varying times during the day. For more information call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

The Midland YMCA, 800 North Big Spring, is offering **swimming lessons** for children and adults. All swimmers are grouped according to ages and ability. Private lessons are available upon request. Safety skills are taught to all swimmers at all levels. For more information, call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

Cycling...

The **Permian Basin Bicycle Association** meets monthly — at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month — at the Knights of Columbus Hall at the intersection of FM 1788 and WCR 602. Rides are held weekly, including Tuesday & Thursday at 6 p.m., fast/hard ride from corner of Loop 338 and State Highway 191 in Odessa; Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's Bikes in Midland (beginner's ride); Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's (medium and fast paced groups); Saturday at 7:30 a.m. from Loop 338 & Highway 191 in Odessa; Sunday at 7:30 a.m., breakfast ride from Golden Corral in Odessa; Sunday at 2 p.m., Flag Ranch Ride Mountain Bike Ride. Membership dues are $25 or $30 for a family. Call Peyton's Bikes at 699-1718 for more information...

Walking...

Midland Walkabout AVA Club is a new club to Midland and meets every fourth Monday of the month at the Midland Public Library in the upstairs meeting room at 7 p.m. AVA is the American Volkssport Association and is a walking club for all ages and levels of walking. The club will have the opportunity to take sanctioned walks all over Texas. Jack Rogers is the president and can be contacted at 570-0869...

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Both names are derived from the fish's shape. Its common name comes from an ability to open its lower jaw to an enormous degree, consuming prey nearly as big as itself. Living thousands of feet under the ocean surface, the loosejaws' ability to consume nearly anything is invaluable to its survival.

The "headlight fish" moniker, however, arises from its ability to move a light-emitting organ on its head. Located just below the eyes of this small, six-inch (15-centimeter) fish are two small, oblong features that produce light through bioluminescence. The loosejaws switches on its "headlight" by rotating open that organ, and turns it off by retracting it into its cheek.

These are also the only fish that can produce both blue and red light. While blue light travels farther in the inky depths, most other fish cannot see red light, giving the loosejaws an advantage as a hunter

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'Horns, Huskies look for Holiday redemption

By Bernie Wilson
AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO— The Texas Longhorns and Washington Huskies know that all they can do is pick themselves up, brush themselves off and get ready to play in the Holiday Bowl.

"The last time the two teams played someone else, they weren't very happy when they left the field," Texas coach Mack Brown said at a news conference Wednesday evening. "You want your seniors to finish well."

Texas had its national championship hopes wrecked in its 39-37 loss to Colorado in the Big 12 championship game on Dec. 1. In its last game, Washington was overwhelmed 65-7 by No. 1 Miami.

The consolation prize for both teams was a matchup in the Holiday Bowl on Dec. 28. It'll be a repeat trip for No. 9 Texas (10-2), which lost 35-30 last year to Oregon, and the third trip here in six years for No. 21 Washington (8-3). The Huskies lost their previous two Holiday Bowls, to Colorado in 1996 and Kansas State in 1999.

There's still a lot to play for, Brown said.

"You're trying to get momentum from this game back in the national picture next year," Brown said. "It affects your recruiting, it affects your spring training."

The Longhorns can become the fifth team in school history to finish with 11 wins.

Washington coach Rick Neuheisel doesn't want the Huskies to linger over their loss to the Hurricanes.

"You're going to take one on the chin every now and then, but hopefully not as extensively as we did down in south Florida," Neuheisel said.

"But while that will certainly serve as motivation to try to make amends and play our best in our next ballgame, I also want to serve as motivation the fact that we should be proud of ourselves for the season that we had."

Washington tied for second in the Pac-10 with Washington State and Stanford, earning the Holiday Bowl berth because it beat both the Cougars and the Cardinal.

Brown announced last week that senior quarterback Major Applewhite, the leading passer in Longhorns history, will start the Holiday Bowl.

After Chris Simms committed four turnovers against Colorado, Applewhite came on and nearly rallied Texas.

"I announced it quickly because we decided it was best for the team to get it out of the way before we start practicing tomorrow night, and I thought it was best for both kids," Brown said.

"And there's a lot of coaches in the state of Texas," he said, referring to the fans. "A lot of them."

Two of Texas' best players, tailback Cedric Benson and offensive tackle Mike Williams, knocked each other of the game in a collision trying to make a tackle on Simms' last interception. Both suffered stingers.

Brown said Williams will be fine, and that Benson's stinger was a little deeper. He'll know more about Benson's status at Thursday night's practice.

"They're working on him the best they can to see how he comes along," Brown said.

Tiger's tournament a tuneup for next season

By Doug Ferguson
AP Golf Writer

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. — For most of the 18 world-class players that Tiger Woods has assembled at Sherwood Country Club, the Williams World Challenge is golf's version of spring training.

Woods, host of the tournament that pays $1 million to the winner and $130,000 just for showing up, is trying to grow a goatee again. He attributes that to being lazy.

"It's the holiday season, and it's time to get all fat and plump," he said. "I'm not doing a very good job of that, but at least I'm trying."

David Duval figured this was a good week to test equipment. He has a new set of the half-cavity back Nike irons, wanting to try them in tournament conditions.

Davis Love III, the defending champion, didn't so much as pick up a golf club from the time the Tour Championship ended Nov. 4 until last Thursday. It is time to get rid of the rust and get ready for a new season.

Opening day is in three weeks at Kapalua.

"This starts the 2002 golf season for me because there's not much of a break between them," Love said.

Half of the field has qualified for the winners-only Mercedes Championship, while three other Americans will start a week later in Honolulu.

"I always try to plan two events in the offseason to break up the time off," said Jim Furyk, who also played in South Africa two weeks ago. "It's a great tournament, a great course and it's nice to come out and stay loose."

The rest of the field is from Europe, and Tiger's tournament is what it appears to be — an end-of-the-year perk.

As silly-season events go, this isn't a bad one to win.

The first two winners of the Williams World Challenge — Tom Lehman and Love — went on to win in their first month of the next season on tour. Both also had gone through some of the longest winning droughts of their career.

Coincidence?

"I don't think so," said Love, who closed with a 64 last year to beat Woods by two strokes. "I played two rounds with Tiger, two with Sergio (Garcia). If you beat guys like that, it makes you feel better about your game, and it makes you excited to go back and do it again. For me, it got me right out of the gate. I think the Williams had a part in it."

That kind of karma could bode well for Vijay Singh, Mark O'Meara, Fred Couples or Lee Westwood, four of the players in the field who didn't win on their home tour last year.

For Woods, this is more like an All-Star break.

The Williams World Challenge benefits the Tiger Woods Foundation, and he has no trouble rounding up the best players — 16 of the top 32 from the world ranking, with O'Meara and Couples added as wild-card selections.

Five players came over from Europe just for this event.

"They didn't come the first two years and didn't want to say 'no' to Tiger a third time," said Chubby Chandler, the agent for Westwood and Darren Clarke.

Despite his attempt at a goatee and his talk about getting fat and lazy, Woods' offseason was in the fall. He took a five-week break — part of that was due to the terrorist attacks knocking out three events — and last played three weeks ago in the Skins Game.

Hawaii beckons, followed by a trip to New Zealand and his California swing.

"I've been working on going back to the basics and getting my fundamentals sound," Woods said. "It's just paying attention to detail. Sometimes we get a little sloppy."

No detail has escaped him when it comes to his tournament. After Love won last year at Sherwood at 22-under-par, Woods instructed the superintendent to grow more rough and increase the speed of the greens.

"We're going to see a golf course that's a little more challenging," he said.

Based on the calendar, it's the final event of the year for Woods.

True, his statistics were down from 2000, and so were his victories. Still, he's not about to make any apologies for what he accomplished — winning the Masters to hold all four majors at the same time, winning The Players Championship and a World Golf Championship, leading the money list, winning the Vardon Trophy and collecting five more titles on the PGA Tour, plus another one in Europe.

"If I can do that the rest of my career, you can write 'slump' all you want," he said.

Green won't say about possible change in retirement plans

Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va. — It was Michael Jordan all over again. The only thing missing was the phrase "99.9 percent."

Darrell Green hedged with numbing effectiveness Wednesday, using long answers to avoid a short declaration as he dealt with a topic that's been simmering for weeks: Does he plan to call off his retirement and return for a 20th season with the Washington Redskins?

"Right now, as far as we stand, nothing's changed," Green said at the end of a long dissertation. The punch line sounded eerily like Jordan's "as of right now, I'm not playing basketball next season," and "99.9 percent chance that I won't," both uttered in April.

During a confusing five-minute session in front of his locker, Green seemed to say at one point that he is still planning to retire, then indicated a few seconds later that he is thinking about returning because fans want it.

"It's been very overwhelming wherever we go," Green said. "People are not saying, 'Congratulations on your retirement.' They're saying, 'Please come back.' I think any human being has to respond to that on some level. ... That means I have to think about it."

Spurrier gives Berlin go-ahead on transfer plans

MIAMI (AP) — Florida quarterback Brock Berlin has asked for and received coach Steve Spurrier's permission to transfer to another school.

"I'm all for Brock Berlin, and he needs to play two years of college football somewhere," Spurrier said Wednesday at an Orange Bowl news conference. "I think Brock can tell you he loves it at Florida. But he needs to play somewhere. I agree. It's not fair to him to back up Rex Grossman for four years."

Both Berlin and Grossman, the Associated Press Player of the Year, are sophomores and would graduate at the same time if they each stayed in school and neither took a redshirt year.

Berlin will be with the team through the Orange Bowl, when No. 5 Florida plays No. 6 Maryland. He is expected to make a decision a few days afterward.

He already has said he is considering his options.

"I've learned a lot these past two years," Berlin said last week. "And it just didn't work out the way I thought it would. I'm going to think it over and go from there."

Berlin's mother, Nancy, said Wednesday that her son is doing some soul searching as he prepares for final exams and the Orange Bowl.

"He wants to play," she said from her home in Shreveport, La. "He hasn't made any decisions. I'm sure he'd be open. He loves being a Gator. He loves the University of Florida. He loves the whole scene. Whatever decision he makes is going to be tough."

Mostly in mop-up duty, Berlin threw for 483 yards and nine touchdowns this season. His freshman year was pretty much a waste, when Spurrier burned his redshirt option early in the season, then didn't play him once Grossman emerged as the starter over Jesse Palmer.

Grossman, who finished second in the Heisman Trophy voting this season, should be the clear favorite to start next year. He threw for 3,896 yards and 34 touchdowns and became the first quarterback to hold the job the entire season at Florida since Danny Wuerffel in 1996.

That means Berlin has a big decision to make. He was a Parade All-American coming out of high school, and most experts viewed him as the next great Florida quarterback when he committed to the Gators.

It hasn't worked out that way, and Spurrier is being gracious.

As he does with all his players, he has told Berlin he will not force him to sit out two years if he transfers to another Southeastern Conference team, which is the custom when players go from one SEC school to another.

All players have to sit out at least one season when they transfer to another Division I-A school.

"I told him, he can go to any SEC team, FSU, Miami, South Florida, Central Florida, Penn State, anywhere," Spurrier said. "I don't believe in holding a young man back from a school he wants to go. Although some coaches differ with me on that."

Spurrier hasn't ruled out Berlin returning if Grossman decides to enter the NFL draft after the Orange Bowl. Grossman has said he plans on staying through his senior year.

"Who knows, Rex may go pro after the Orange Bowl," Spurrier said. "We don't know what's going to happen."

Spurrier said the starting job was open between Berlin and Grossman this preseason. Grossman performed better in practice and in scrimmages. He won the job and never gave it up.

"Rex got a chance to get in there first," Spurrier said. "He played a little better than Brock during the preseason. Brock understands that. He knows that."

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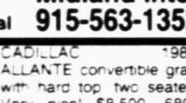
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MERCURY 1993 Villager GS. 7 Passenger mini van, tinted, rear air, 69.8K, power windows and locks, excellent shape. $4,900. 683-6528.

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DODGE 1998 GRAND Caravan. V6, some power options, air, champaign/ tan cloth, 69K, must see to appreciate. $12,000 OBO. 553-2377.

FORD 1991 AEROSTAR extended, 4 captains chairs, 1 bench, front and rear air. Very clean, 97K miles. $3,450. 687-3338.

CHRYSLER 1996 Town & Country. 58k, good condition, one owner, 3.8L engine, dual sliding doors, cloth interior. $13,500. 694-8796.

225 4x4 Vehicles

CHEVROLET 1994 Suburban 4X4, teal green / brown, fully loaded, well maintained. $8,200. 697-5639.

FORD 1982 Broncho 4x4. Rebuilt engine/ transmission/ transfer. $3,500. 687-4536.

2000 KAWASAKI Mule- Diesel, 4X4, lift kit with tires, winch, 4 gun racks, high seat, many accessories. $10,000. 634-1844, 349-8978.

JEEP 1987 Wagoner Limited. Good condition, new oversized tires, new radiator, Flow Masters, Kenwood CD Deck, 2- 12" Kenwood subs, 4- 6.5" speakers. $3,200. 520-2851.

DODGE 1989 RAM Charger. 83,000 miles, excellent condition. $4,500. Call 694-7121.

DODGE 2000 RAM 1500 Sport Off Road- Red, 5.9 V8, loaded, bed liner, KC lights, roll bar, tool box. $21,500. 699-4245.

DODGE1988 DAYTONA, 4X4, with camper shell, good condition, $2,400. Please call 620-8132.

FORD 1976 BRONCO power steering, auto transmission, front disc brakes, Limited slip- front and rear. $7,200. 697-1885.

FORD 1988 BRONCO II XL, 173,890 miles, AM/ FM cassette. Call 697-1634.

JEEP 1978 CJ5, 6 cylinder, soft top, good condition, great hunting vehicle, $3,300. Please call 354-2345 or 270-1059.

JEEP 2000 WRANGLER red, 34K, 6 cylinder, soft top. $18,700. Excellent condition! Please call 563-1274 for more information.

CHEVROLET 1995 Crew Cab, standard transmission, 106K, good clean truck, perfect Christmas gift. $10,300. 687-3338.

DODGE 1997 Ram Sport. Single cab, white, V8, automatic, CD, Custom wheels, 70K miles. Good condition. $11,500. obo 683-7656.

JEEP 1987 WRANGLER, 4 cylinder, white, soft top, bikini top, new Goodrich tires, very good condition. $4,300 firm. 639-6012.

JEEP 2000 WRANGLER Sport- 4X4, Burnt Orange/ black hard top, loaded, CD, automatic, A/C, rear defrost, 18K. $20,900. 686-8387, 915-395-2262.

225 4x4 Vehicles

FORD 1984 Bronco. New engine, new transmission, Holly carburetor, Edlebrock high rise, Headman headers, mags. $3,995. 689-2123 after 6 pm.

JEEP 1980 CJ7 AMC 304 V8, totally redone inside/ out! Hard/ soft, bikini top. $11,800. Must see to believe! 699-1903.

JEEP 1998 Wrangler, soft top, CD, sound bar, new tires, 6 cylinder, automatic transmission, 31K miles, $15,500, Alan 697-2282/ 697-7407.

JEEP 1989 CHEROKEE LTD. 4X4 fully loaded, $3,750. OBO Please call 694-2424 home or 685-5756 office.

230 Commercial Vehicles

2000 DORSEY STEEL 48'x 102" flatbed, spread axle, air ride, two boxes, 17 winches, new condition. $16,000. 459-2499 or 559-3664.

235 Vehicles $3,000 & under

BUICK 1984 Park Ave, good condition, 4 door, light brown, new top. $1,500. Call 685-0578.

CADILLAC 1982 Biarritz Eldorado. One owner, excellent condition driven daily. $2,895. See at 802 S. Garfield or call 570-7065. Serious only please!

FORD 1987 Super cargo, van, good for industrial type work. $1,995. 694-2601.

GMC 1990 Jimmy- 4.3 V6 engine, automatic, 2 door, blue, good condition. $2,500. 694-9222.

PLYMOUTH 1989 Grand Voyager, sliver, gray interior, one owner, 105,250 miles, $1,200. 699-6744.

VOLVO 1988 DL 240, great shape, one owner, 93,700 miles, priced at $3,000. 697-1012.

CHEVROLET 1976 One owner, 1/2 ton, l/w bed, 6 cyl. standard. New paint, 64K, $2,500. 683-9413.

CHRYSLER 1989 LeBARON convertible, recent red paint job, gray interior, good tires, runs good, $2,000. 238-1476.

CHEVROLET 1991 S-10 Blazer- Conversion, 4 door, 4.3 V6, 152K, $2,500. 694-9893, 5 pm.

FORD 1986 F350, with utility box, diesel, low mileage, good tires $3,000. O.B.O. 683-6904.

SOLD

DODGE 1987 Aries, 80,000 miles, good shape, very clean. $995 Call xxx-xxxx.

FORD 1975 F- 250 390, runs, $1,200. Needs a little work. Call for information 697-1347.

FORD 1976 Long Bed Pickup. Ugly, but runs great! Excellent work truck! $1,225. Please call 697-5920.

FORD 1990 TEMPO 4 door, standard, 110K, good tires, $1100. Please call 349-1646.

235 Vehicles $3,000 & under

FORD 1995 ASPIRE, new tires, CD, good condition, great gas mileage. $1995. Please call 520-7304.

GEO 1995 METRO. 66k miles, CD, tinted windows, excellent gas mileage $3,000 firm. 238-2620. See at 715 W. Cuthbert.

HONDA 1987 ACCORD LXi, all power, sun roof, new timing belt, Cv joints, 148K, $2,750. 694-1192.

MAZDA 1987 B-2200 pickup, runs good, new tires. $1000. Please call 349-3311.

MAZDA 1991 PICK up Z-2200, needs minor repairs. $1200. Please call 694-7168.

MERCURY 1993 TOPAZ good condition 85K miles. $2100. Please call 522-7842.

MITSUBISHI 1986 MIGHTY Max pick- up. 87K original, 5 speed/ new air. Meant. $2,300. O.B.O. 687-2084/ 686-0003 (work) leave message.

NISSAN 1991 240 SX. New tires, new brakes, runs great! CD player. $2,500. 683-0905.

TOYOTA 1989 Camry, one owner, new brakes, muffler,m good tires, maintenance records available, $2,750. call 694-5511.

MERCURY 1963 Comet, 4 door, green, 3 speed, new tires/ brakes/ starter/ battery and more. Rebuilt transmission, $1,500. 699-4254.

FORD 1989 CROWN Victoria, low mileage, great condition, 27- 30 mpg. $2,995. Please call 699-7720.

CHEVROLET 1991 Beretta. Air conditioning, V6, CD player, nice car. No dents or scratches, good interior. $2,450. 352-6134.

240 Motorcycles

1995 ZX6R NINJA. Lowered chrome wheels, 2 matching helmets, excellent shape. $3,500. 620-9244, 661-9432, leave message.

SUZUKI 1995 800 Intruder. 3k miles, excellent condition. $3,300. Steve 688-1012, home 697-6732.

HARLEY Davidson 2001 FDX, Black and chrome. 1,000 miles. Will sell for payoff. 682-5779.

HARLEY DAVIDSON 1996 Heritage Softtail. FLSTC. Custom colors. $14,000. 664-9564.

HONDA 1994 HELIX Scooter. 650 miles, like new, black. $2,000. Call 684-5418, after 7 pm.

HONDA 2000 VFR-800 FI, yellow/ black. Book $7400. Selling for $6800 mint condition, less then 5000 miles. Please call 262-3579.

240 Motorcycles

KING COBRA MX 50cc race bike, 1999 model. Race ready, super fast. 7-8 legal. $2000. OBO. 687-2553 or 683-7860 (Billy).

SOLD

1996 YAMAHA 4 wheeler, 4x4 Big Bear 350, like new, CB, Gun Racks, Camo Cover. $3,500. Call xxx-xxxx.

HONDA 2001 XR80 Dirt Bike. Like new. $1,375. 915/558-3002, cell 557-7080.

1999 HARLEY DAVIDSON 883 Sportster XLH. 13,000 miles, touring seat, many extras, excellent condition, asking $7200. Call evenings 915-687-2656.

2001 HARLEY DAVIDSON Dyna Wide- Glide. 6K miles, completely chromed out. Beautiful bike. Asking $22,000 obo. 570-4307.

YAMAHA 2000 R-6, excellent condition, like new, 950 only! $6,500. Call 915-352-5600.

245 Trailers Utility

2001 40' DOVE tail float goose neck trailer. Twin jacks, two spare tires, triple, spring assisted ramps, tool box in neck. Safety chains, quick disconnect neck. Two, 12,000 pound axles, good tires, vacuum breaks. Great hot shot or farm trailer. $8900. 687-5683.

250 Recreational Vehicles

1983 ROCKWOOD pop up tent trailer, good condition, $1,200. Call 687-0707 for information.

2002 32' COUNTRY CHARM travel trailer, fully self contained, washer/ dryer, air, awnings, fully loaded, non-smoker. Extra clean! $13,800. 806-236-0730.

1998 GULFSTREAM 31.6FT. Fifth- wheel with super slide, queen bed and ceiling fan. Lots of extras, excellent condition. $20,000. 683-0032.

NEWMAR DUTCH STAR 34'- 11K, driver assist, Onan generator, Ford chassis ,V10, 275 HP/ warranty. Dual A/C., TV's, rear monitor, hydraulic jack leveling- inside/w- touch control. Fantastic vent/w rain sensor, side awning. Rear bedroom, neat bath. Non smoker/ pets /exterior shower. 697-7579.

1998 TRADEWINDS MUST Sell! (Illness) Diesel- 300hp, 6 speed, auto loaded, washer/ dryer. 32K, 16' slide out. $93,500. 682-8655.

TRAVELCRAFT motor home, 22', excellent condition, self contained, generator, 460 engine, $12,900. obo. Call 550-7644.

260 Boats & Motors

1995 POLARIS Jet Ski. 2 seater, red/ white, low hours, excellent condition, 750cc. Trim, gauges and cover. $2,200. 915/639-6012.

260 Boats & Motors

1982 17' DYNA TRAC Bass Boat. 150HP evenrude, motor recently rebuilt. Asking $2,500. Mercury. Looks, runs great, lake ready, extras. $2300. Call evenings. 915-687-2656.

CUSTOM CRAFT 1984, center console, 17' fiberglass boat, 50HP Mercury. Looks, runs great, lake ready, extras. $2,300. Call evenings. 915-687-2656.

1984 SKEETER Starfire, 18' bass boat, 200 HP Mercury, trolling motor, live well, good condition. $6,500. 915-756-2433/ 915-756-2884.

280 Auto Services

FORD 6.9 and 7.3 diesel engines with warranty. $2,650 each. 713-918-5811.

290 Parts & Accessories

TONNEAU cover for short bed Dodge truck and bed mat. Holley and Quadrajet Carburetors. 689-0644.

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REBUILT ENGINES $999 installed. Most Cars. Free Towing. 3 Year Warranty. *Auto repairs done also!* USA Automotive 520-7766

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BEWARE Of Anyone who tries to sell you information about Government & Postal Job Vacancies. This info. is free... call 478-757-3000 (24 Hours). A public service message from the Midland Reporter-Telegram & the FTC.

307 Work From Home

EARN UP TO $1,500- $6,500 month part- time/ full- time working from home. 888-402-6675. MagnificentMoney.com

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307 Work From Home

CHECK BEFORE YOU COMMIT!

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HOME-BASED Business Opportunities. Solid, ethical 20 year old company. $500- $5,000/ month part/ full time. Free information booklet. 800-273-1266.

WANTED SERIOUS People to work from home- up to $1,000 to $5,000/ month part time, full time. 1-888-207-9765.

WORK FROM home up to $1,500 month part- time. $5,000 month full- time. Mail order/ internet. 877-266-8559. www.lmhomebody.com

310 General Help Wanted

Attention Readers:

See other opportunities under Classification 170, Schools and Instruction.

ARE YOUR hours this good? No nights, no weekends or holidays! Monday- Friday daytime hours. Insured car required. Mileage paid. Call Merry Maids, 522-2002 for interview appointment.

NEW TODAY

ASSISTANT BODY shop manager needed. Must be detailed, have strong work ethic and be able to handle multiple tasks. Microsoft Word/ Excel proficiency and automotive background a plus. Send resumes to Box J-5184, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

BECOME A PART OF OUR TEAM- We are a Janitorial Company and we have a Project Manager position waiting for you! If you are organized, hard working, dependable, and have excellent problem solving capabilities and communications skills, we want to hear from you. Call 1-800-524-0290 EOE.

PERMANENT PART TIME Merchandiser needed to service retail stores in the Midland/ Odessa area. Must be available for an 8 hour day (8- 5). No evenings or weekends. 1-2 days per week. $7.50/ hour + mileage to 1st store and home. Please Fax resume to (713)955-0856 or mail to Brann-NRS/DA, 10605 Grant Rd., Houston, TX 77070.

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BLIND BOX REPLIES

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Readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to: "Classified Supervisor" & the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it. If you have any questions please call 682-6222. We do not open or screen any mail that has a blind box number on the envelope. The Midland Reporter-Telegram shall not be responsible for any disclosures of information, loss of responses or misdirection of responses.

CDL REQUIRED- helpers for water well drilling and cathodic protection company. 561-8703.

DETAILER/ PORTER. Bilingual Porter/ detailer needed for used car lot, good team attitude needed. Benefits plus sale advancement opportunities. Call Mr. K at 694-9246.

FULL-TIME Maintenance person. A/C certified, live on-site, drug free. Please call 694-7252.

NEW TODAY

HOUSEKEEPERS Wanted. Must work weekends and holidays. Apply in person at the Comfort Suites, 4706 N. Garfield.

KENT KWIK
24 Hour * Job Hotline
520-4053 ext. 371

LITTLE Caesar's Pizza is accepting applications for Assistant Manager at $6.50 to start, and for deliver drivers at $6.00 plus $0.50 plus tips. 1000 N. Midkiff.

NEED EXPERIENCED Hot asphalt roofer, and sales person. Please come by 308 E. Louisiana week days 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

NEEDED EXPERIENCED bilingual leasing agent, part- time, Monday through Saturday. 697-6039. Debbie.

NEEDED, EXPERIENCED person in bathroom remodeling and General Construction. Please call 697-5953.

NOW ACCEPTING applications in all positions. Old Monterey Cafe, 523 E. Illinois. 570-6169.

NOW HIRING part time Bus Person for evening shift. Great school job. Apply in person only at 723 West Wadley. Michael's Charcoal Grill.

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OFFICE EQUIPMENT Company is seeking service technician. Experience preferred but will train the right individual. Must have neat appearance and a good driving record. Please call XXX-XXXX.

HIRED

XXXXXXX is accepting applications for an evning dishwasher. Apply in person at xxx-xxxx.

SONIC DRIVE IN

Now taking applications for all positions, all shifts. Put some extra $$$$ in your Christmas stocking! Apply in person 4201 North Midland Drive.

TEACHERS needed. Must have at least 2 years paid experience in childcare center. Great benefits, health insurance, college scholarships. Earn up to 12 days off. Nonsmoking environment. Apply 100 Austin or call 520-8888.

THE DALLAS Morning News has home delivery routes available. Part time, easy money, must have transportation and phone. Call 699-0000.

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MARTY'S MARKETPLACE

Leading you to the best bargains in Midland and the area!

410 Miscellaneous Sales

6X10 ORIENTAL style rug, black with floral design, very thick, beautiful, high quality $125 687-2046.

DISNEY VACATION- 7 days, 6 nights at Ramada Good for one year Sacrifice $199 620-1617.

RENT A Santa for all occasions Please call 570-4360

HANDMADE AFGHAN- great X-Mas gift $20 Please call 694-6259

★ BIBLE TALK "How far was the road up to Calvary?" 915-520-0381 Free recorded message.

AMERICAN AIRLINE vouchers, $400 Selling for $200 or best offer Good through December 31. 915-689-2680.

10" TABLE SAW with 52" Biesemeyer Fence and large table top, cabinet storage under table, good condition $300 684-7159.

HEAVY DUTY dark laminate conference work table, seats 6- $75 570-6780.

NEW TODAY

CHRISTMAS TREE $20, baby bed $75 High Chair $20, Ab roller $15 50lbs bear bow, $145 570-0279 leave message if no answer.

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DEARBORN GAS heater The Crest model DRC-300M- unvented $150 xxx-xxxx.

SPECIAL PURCHASE- 3 person spa/ hot-tubs $62.00 a month, 40 year limited warranty, Delivery/ financing 915-563-3108

NEW TODAY

MUST SELL 60" RCA big screen TV, just over oneyear old, $1000 Cash only! 683-0911

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SPACE SAVER Treadmill in excellent condition $150 Please call 689-4299

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"BLUE STUFF"

RELIEVES PAIN!!! New Emu Oil Gel seen On TV Free samples Odessa-580-5145

EXERCISE HEALTHY with a treadmill Non motorized $65 Call 682-4950

CHRISTMAS TREE, American Pine, 6 1/2 foot All accessories $50 Please call 520-5960

WESTIN NERF Bars- For 1999 Chevrolet or earlier model crew cab- black- $100 682-1709.

SONY XBR TV- 35" direct view, top of the line, console TV 2 years old, originally cost $2,995 asking $1,800 Reason for selling, "I bought a 40" Sony." 697-6767

12'x24' garage/ workshop $86.00 a month Delivery and financing available 915-563-3108

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NEW TODAY

CAR SPEAKERS- Four Pioneer, 6x8, Ford vehicles receipt available $100 682-1709

CANDLE MAKING Equipment 150 lbs wax melter (new) Kiln, ceramic candle holder molds inventory Bath and body products, lots of miscellaneous equipment Craft or retail show ready $3000 520-5946

ARTIFICIAL CHRISTMAS tree, 7 foot, Ashland Pine Like new condition, includes stand, $50 522-7494, 694-2628.

SLIDE IN shower bench/ bedside commode combination Like new! $45.00 Please call 689-0243

SPECIAL PURCHASE- 8'x8' storage buildings $25.00 a month Free local delivery 915563-3108

TANNING BED vertical 105 hours Excellent condition, $1000 Please call 268-1997 or 267-2501 (Big Spring)

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

FURNITURE SALE

3205 Maxwell Dr.
Maxwell at Marmon

Leather Sofa	$600.00	
Sectional Sofa with Hide-A-Bed	$500.00	
Wing-Backed Chairs	$250.00	each
Chair with Ottoman	$250.00	
Twin Beds	$ 50.00	each
Upholstered Headboards and Matching Bedspreads	$125.00	each
Classic Dressing Table with Stool	$750.00	
Bedside Table	$200.00	
Silk Upholstered Chair	$250.00	

Other miscellaneous furniture, linens, pictures and home accessories.

Friday, December 14 - 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 15 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

JANE FONADA'S "Walk to Music" Manual Fitness Treadmill- $175 Call 694-0733.

RANCH MINK 2 hats, brown leather coat mink collar, both size 8 Call Laura, 682-9495

413 Jewelry & Furs

BEAUTIFUL 1 ct. Marquis cut diamond ring Serious inquiries only 689-4491

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CRYSTAL Fox, Silver Fox fur jacket size medium Fits 8, 10, 12 $350 Also curly lamb jacket, medium- $50 XXX-XXXX

LADIES GOLD President Rolex Diamond Bezel & Lapis face $8,000 Day 684-3759/ night 694-4284

2 CARAT DIAMOND Solitaire, emerald and diamond dinner ring. Inquire at Houck's Jewelry.

WHITE GOLD swirl diamond wedding set and white gold diamond watch. See at Randy's Jewelry, San Miguel Square, # 172

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

HAIR STYLIST needed, nice location good parking. Please call for more information 685-6003.

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TURN YOUR Old American coins into holiday cash Call Scott 685-3445

420 Good Things To Eat

GARDENDALE PECAN- We buy pecans we also have new crop fresh shelled pecans FM 554 Gardendale 550-7609

NEW TODAY

FRESH PECANS, harvested 12/08/01 Burketts in shell $3.00 pound 561-8687 (leave message) or 620-2160 (pager)

432 Household Furniture

WALL UNIT in good condition $50 Please call 684-8779

JENNY LIND Baby Bed and mattress, changing table, chest- maple finish. Like new $300 (retail over $500) Call 684-8170 before 8 pm.

COFFEE TABLE and end table set, Spanish style, iron legs, wood top $100 699-0371

BEAUTIFUL Wrought iron COFFEEr table with glass Imported from Mejico, $850. See to appreciate Please call 683-7210

NEARLY NEW 90" couch, striped white and light beige, pillows $150 Please call 687-3873.

NEW TODAY

TWO MAUVE Recliners- $100/ both. Good shape. 682-5428.

CARVED OAK dining room from Begium, inlayed table, 6 chairs, china cabinet with leaded doors, large buffet 699-0511

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BEAUTIFUL ANTIQUE bedroom suit, full size bed, dresser, vanity, and mirror $425 O.B.O. Call 520-5045

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LEATHER couch, button tufted burgundy antique buffet treadmill $350 each 1202 West Golf Course 685-1202

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MATCHING SOFA and love seat, navy blue/ burgany and taupe $375 for both Call 689-8332

Call Classified to add *NEW TODAY* on your Classified Specials for only $3.00 Extra 682-6222

BABY FURNITURE, dresser and crib, excellent condition, $150. 697-1394 after 5pm.

2 LIGHT MAUVE recliners, good condition, $130 for pair. Please Call 570-5561.

FORMAL MARBLE Dining room table, cream with 8 matching chairs, $3,000. 682-9119.

435 Household Appliances

KENMORE WASHER and dryer, almond color, large capacity Good condition $300. Please call 631-5517.

★ FREE REMOVAL Of appliances 550-6540 Sale- washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezer $75-up Free delivery one year warranty

WASHER AND dryer set, work good $100/ set. 684-6321

GAS STOVE $100. Gas dryer $100 Electric $50 Please call 683-3013

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BRAND NEW Kenmore stove, gas range, 3 year warranty- $500 Year old side-by-side refrigerator with ice maker/ water in door, 2 years of warranty- $800 686-1064

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KENMORE 20 CUBIC feet refrigerator. Good condition. $150. Please call XXX-XXXX.

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BATTING CAGE- net and poles $100. Brand new men's ice skates, size 9. $175 new, asking $75. Miscellaneous roller hockey equipment Call 697-4828.

9 DEGREE BIG Bertha Hawk Eye Titanium firm flex. #3 and #5 Big Bertha Steelhead plus firm film. PW- #9 Steelhead X-14 irons Calloway bag, many tees, Nike rag. Paid $1,600. Asking $1,000 O.B.O. Pager (915)567-9767.

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NEW TODAY

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3 FREE- 7 week old Cocker Spaniel puppies Not papered. xxx-xxxx

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SIBERIAN HUSKY puppies, males & females, five weeks, full blood, no papers. $135. 522-1664.

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AKC REGISTERED Cocker Spaniels- Just in time for Christmas $100 Deposits now being taken $300. 682-6775/ 687-3634 after 7pm.

1005 N. MIDKIFF- BIRDS, cages supplies. Finches, parakeets, Lovebirds, hand fed Cockatiels, Crickets and mealworms. 520-8858.

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PEACOCKS & PEAHENS, chicks and full grown. Males $50. Hens $35. Please call 683-3616

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1989 WW 2 horse trailer. Escape door, wood paneled, padded, new floor, tires, wiring, sliding side window panels. $1,750. XXX-XXXX.

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V I P Employment Services 686-9722 Industrial Workers needed Long/ short term assignments

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311 Medical Help Wanted

NEW TODAY

A job you'll love ... we do.

Nurses Unlimited at Manor Park Senior Life Care is now accepting applications for immediate employment for CNA's and Companion Sitters to serve our clients in the Midland area. Experience preferred, flexibility a plus. Differential pay for weekend and night shifts where applicable. Great working conditions, great pay. Help us make a difference in our clients lives. Call Cindy or Donna at 522-5080.

CRANE MEMORIAL Hospital is taking resumes for a Laboratory Medical Tech Lab Director. Contact Susie at 915-558-3555.

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LVN'S, RN'S for home health, pediatric hours. Excellent pay, insurance/ profit sharing. Call Complete Home Health Care @ 915-570-8899

311 Medical Help Wanted

NEW TODAY

NURSE III

TX Department of Human Services is accepting applications for a Nurse III in Midland. The position performs nursing work in the Pre-Admission Screening and Annual Resident Review (PASARR) program and provides technical and professional consultation services. Salary is $2,950 per month. Minimum qualifications require a license to practice as a registered nurse in Texas, plus two years of full time experience as a practicing registered nurse and one year experience working directly with persons with mental retardation or developmental disabilities. **The full-time experience working directly with persons with mental retardation or developmental disabilities does not have to be performed as a registered nurse. The experience may occur before, during, or after the registered nurse experience. This position requires travel 30-40% of the time, some overnight.

Please pick up application and a copy of the job posting (SO-095-01-051) at the TX Department of Human Services office located at 900 West Wall Street, Midland or a TDHS office in your area. To ensure consideration, applications must be in the Abilene Human Resource Services no later than December 28, 2001. Mail your application to P.O. Box 6635, Abilene, TX 79608. Questions regarding this position may be directed to our Human Resource Services office at (915)690-2216. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer.

For a complete listing of our jobs available visit our website at www.dhs.state.tx.us/regions/02/employment

311 Medical Help Wanted

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY Respiratory Therapist LVN, Phlebotomist or EMT Excellent pay, paid vacation, benefits. Please call 567-8183 or fax resume to 684-7003.

ODESSA KIDNEY Dialysis Center Patient care technician and Dietitian needed. Good benefits. Send resume or apply at Midland Dialysis Center Fax 915-687-5008 731 W. Wadley Bldg K Suite 130 No phone calls please.

PERMIAN BASIN Dialysis Center Odessa currently has a full time R.N. position available. Graduate of School of Nursing (R.N.) Current state licensure and minimum of 6 months experience in Hemodialysis. 1 year experience in Hemodialysis. 1 year experience in medical surgical nursing preferred. Great benefits- 401K plan, medical, dental insurance, paid vacation. Apply in person at 1501 E. 8th St. or fax resume to 915-580-4259

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311 Medical Help Wanted

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Permian Basin Dialysis Center- Midland currently has 2 full time R.N. positions available.

A Charge Nurse for the facility and an **Acute Dialysis Nurse** to work at the acute units in the Odessa/ Midland hospitals. Graduate of School of Nursing (R.N.) Current state licensure & minimum of 6 months experience in Hemodialysis. 1 year experience in medical/ surgical nursing preferred. Great benefits- 401K plan, Medical/ Dental insurance, paid vacation. Apply in person at 4200 W. Illinois #140, Midland or fax resume to 522-2308

PT, PTA & ST

The Weston Group has immediate openings for licensed PT's, PTA's and ST in the crane, Odessa and Midland areas. Our company is continuing to grow and we are looking for dynamic professionals to fill these positions. Contact Bridget at 800-944-9782 extension 42 or fax resume to 717-948-0966

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312 Professional Help Wanted

NEW TODAY

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Bacheior's degree in a related field working with children and families required. Bilingual preferred. Reimbursed travel within a 17 county area serving families in their home. Salary $1,908 monthly. E.O.E. Call for application or pickup at High Sky Children's Ranch, Families Together, 8701 West County Road 60. (915)520-8370

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Tax and financial planning public practice specializing in individuals and their trusts, corporations, partnerships, foundations, gift and estate tax returns. Position requires individual seeking long term position with 3-5 years tax experience. Lacerte + Microsoft Office knowledge helpful. Salary 40+ DOE. Resume to: amcguire@amcguire.com or to fax 915.685.3954

312 Professional Help Wanted

Manager & Assistant Manager Sales Counselors

LA Weight Loss, one of the fastest growing companies in the industry, is looking for personable, friendly, outgoing, motivated, energetic, caring individuals for our Midland center. Qualified managerial candidates must have a strong background in the sales/service or weight loss industry. Must possess leadership qualities and the ability to train a highly professional staff. Strong communication skills a must. FT/ Pt. Excellent compensation package includes paid training, very competitive salary, PLUS BONUSES and benefits. Advancement opportunities available. Please call 806-457-1055 or fax resume to 806-457-1053.

312 Professional Help Wanted

NEW TODAY

POSITION OPEN for experienced accountant at a CPA office. Public experience a must. 332-9128

LOCAL CPA firm seeks CPA with 3- 5 years experience in taxation. Part- time position. Fax resume and salary history to Harrell & Lupardus, 915/683-3882, or mail to 901 W. Indiana, Suite A, Midland, TX 79701.

316 Sales Help Wanted

HOLIDAY CASH

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CPA/Candidate with auditing experience. Must be a motivated self-starter and computer literate.

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Douglas C. Bunnell, CPA
P.O. Box 10833
Midland, TX 79702
Fax 915-685-0096
dcbcpa@apex2000.net

314 Clerical Help Wanted

DATA ENTRY general office duties, filing, computer skills. Must be able to work until 7pm. Apply after 10am. 602 North Baird, Suite 200.

EXPERIENCED RECEPTIONIST for medical office. Full-time. Duties include answering phones and scheduling appointments. Nonsmoking environment. Bilingual preferred. Fax resume and salary requirements to (915)520-8379.

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OPENING FOR full- time clerical position with busy insurance office. Employee benefits paid in full, bilingual. Please send resume to P.O. Box 3856, Midland, TX 79702.

PART TO full-time bookkeeper needed with Quickbook experience. Salary DOE. Starting 20-30 hours per week. Send resume to P.O. Box 4725, Midland, TX 79704.

ALARM MONITOR

Wanted: Local Alarm Company looking for alarm monitor to work full-time in a non-smoking environment. Must have clean police record. Hours are 12:00 AM to 8:00 AM Friday through Tuesday. Starting salary is $7.50 per hour. Send resume or come by 1011 W. Washington, Midland, TX 79701 or call 570-0188.

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316 Sales Help Wanted

RECEPTIONIST NEEDED for doctor's office, part time limited. 9:00 am. to 4:00 pm. Sundays only! Please bring resume to 1816 N. Midland Dr.

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SECRETARIAL POSITION- The successful applicant MUST have excellent typing, computer, telephone and communication skills. Applicant will be dependable and have a goal to broaden their capacities. Nice working environment with good benefits. Send resumes with references to 9918 West I-20, Midland, TX 79706.

316 Sales Help Wanted

LICENSED AGENTS Needed $75,000 + per year. 915-522-1218.

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OFFICE EQUIPMENT Company is seeking service technician. Experience preferred but will train the right individual. Must have neat appearance and a good driving record. Please call xxx-xxxx

316 Sales Help Wanted

Home Furnishings Sales
Join our team of sales professionals at the most innovative speciality store in West Texas. We need hardworking, ambitious people who understand style and design. We provide fully paid health insurance and salary- plus-commission with first year earning potential of over $40,000. If you have applicable experience and are willing to work full time including Saturdays, drop off your resume at DOMAIN in The Colonnade, Garfield & Loop 250, Midland.

320 Skilled Trades

ESTIMATOR/ PROJECT MANAGER
Estimator/ Project Manager for commercial HVAC and plumbingconstruction company located in Amarillo. Scope of job includes estimation, purchasing, submittal and tracking of commercial HVAC jobs. $1,200.00/ week, health insurance and company vehicle. Send resume to Box J-5180, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

IMMEDIATELY NEEDED: Gas Plant operator/ maintenance position for a refrigerated-lean oil plant and gathering system at Stanton, Texas. Prefer working knowledge of gas engines, compressors, pipeline repair, and orifice meters. Send resume to Dan Meacham, 2873 FM 829, Stanton, Texas or fax to (915)498-3423

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HIRING TRACTOR/ Dump Trailer Driver. Requires CDL, non smoking truck, 24 years plus. Call (915)682-6947.

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350 Situations Wanted

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341 Child Care Providers

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695 Oilfield Misc

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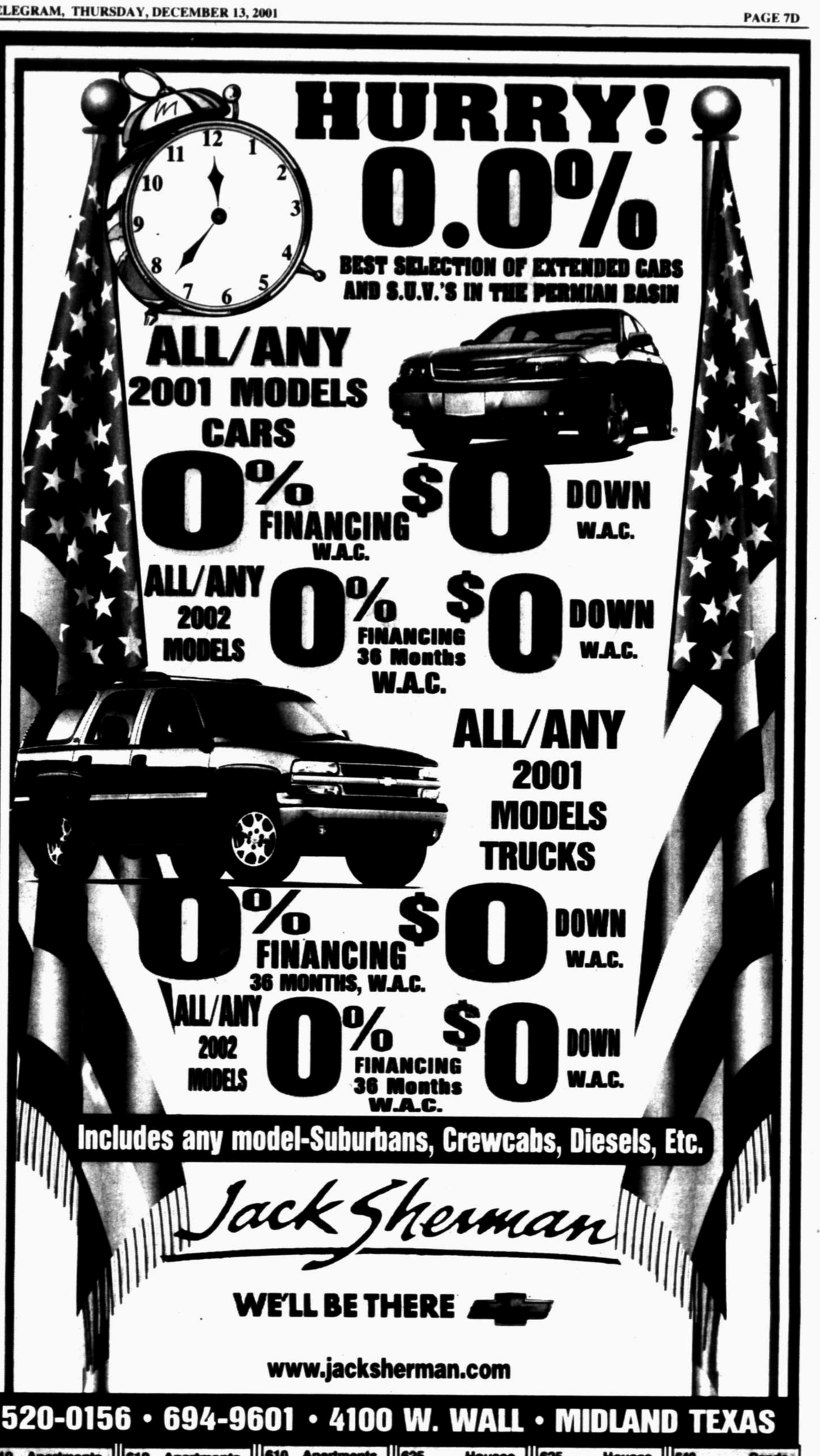

RETAIL SALES

Christmas Sale
All Merchandiser Reduced 25%

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401 E. NOBLE Thursday, Friday Saturday, 8-? Name brand infant through adult clothing, toys, more!

79703

106 SOUTH DEWBERRY- Saturday and Sunday 8:00am- 5:00pm. Moving Sale! Everything must go!

79705

3305 CAMERIE Friday Saturday, Sunday 8-? clothes, toys, and miscellaneous stuff

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