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End of an era ...

Don't expect too many sentimental tears Friday night

Editor's Note: This is the second of a two-part series documenting the history of Memorial Stadium, which will host its final regular season football game Friday night between Midland High and Midland Lee.

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

At the end of Friday night's football game between Midland High and Midland Lee at Memorial Stadium, one of the two schools will have clinched a berth for the third playoff spot out of District 4-5A.

Either Midland High will break a 50-year drought without making the playoffs or Lee will make its ninth straight postseason trip and have a shot at winning its fourth straight state title. It would be a fitting send-off for Memorial, which the two schools will depart after this season to play their home games at the under-construction Scharbauer Sports Complex.

So expect a few sentimental tears to be shed over the sheer emotion of both going to the playoffs and leaving a longstanding landmark behind, right?

Think again.

"I think it's a dump" is Lee Coach John Parchman's assessment of Memorial, a stadium where despite the success of the Rebels over the last few seasons is a place they don't exactly feel at home.

"We don't look at it like a home stadium," said Parchman of Memorial. "We don't even have room to dress there in the girl's track locker room. We have to dress (at the locker room on the Lee campus)."

The stadium is Lee's home field for games played in Midland, but since it was erected 12 years before Lee opened, it was strictly Midland High's home field from 1948-60. Because Midland High used the facility as a locker room for games and practices, that forced Lee into the far more cramped visitor's dressing room in the southeast corner of the stadium.

Parchman, who has been the head coach at Lee since 1995 and also served a previous four-year stint as a Lee assistant, says it is standard operating procedure for his team to spend as little time as possible in the dressing room.

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Midland Memorial Stadium, built in 1948, will host its last home game Friday night when Midland Lee plays Midland High.

'I think Midland is the greatest place in the world to live.' — Jenna Welch

Jenna Welch, mother of First Lady Laura Bush, was on hand Wednesday morning at the unveiling of the new road sign on State Highway 191.

Photos by Tim Fischer

Story by Stewart Doreen

About the sign ...

The highway signs, which are brown and white are — with one exception — 4'X 8' in size and read "Welcome to Midland, Hometown of President George W. and Laura Bush, Where the Sky's the Limit."
The five locations are:

- State Highway 158 facing westbound traffic;
- Business Interstate 20 facing westbound traffic;
- State Highway 349 facing southbound traffic;
- Rankin Highway facing southbound traffic;
- Highway 191 facing eastbound traffic.

First lady's mother makes appearance at sign dedication

Midland's Jenna Welch, mother of first lady Laura Bush, was on hand Wednesday as the city paid tribute to two of its own — President George W. and Laura Bush.

Making a rare public appearance, Ms. Welch turned a special ceremony along Highway 191 where one of five highway signs honoring the president and first lady were unveiled to the public — into something much more memorable.

"She is just a great woman. I was just in a good mood sitting next to her," City Councilman Bill Dingus said.

Midland Mayor Mike Canon said, "She is a longtime, dyed-in-the-wool Midlander, and this is her home. It was an honor to have her come here today."

Ms. Welch told those in attendance she "was pleased and proud they are being recognized in this

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Older voters, north Midland key in ED win

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

When it came down to it, the Citizens for a Better Midland had to sell the city's older voters on the need for an economic development sales tax.

They did, even surprising themselves with their eventual success. Throw in convincing wins in precincts throughout central and northern Midland, and that is how the ED sales tax election became a 2,551 vote rout.

The fact is Midland's older electorate is consistently a difference-maker. In previous sales tax elections, it has been a proposition killer. Midland's older citizens vote on a regular basis, and it was no different in this election. According to Midland County Elections Administrator Pat Hastup, at least 50 percent of those who voted early were 60 years old or older.

ED sales proponents held a 674-vote lead after early voting.

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Early voting proves to be good indicator of election outcome

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

For those opposing the economic development sales tax, it only seemed like those supporting Midland City Proposition No. 1 voted early and often.

The reality is they voted early, late and at all times in between. That is how elections are won by 17.91 percent.

However, the early voting didn't hurt at all. If anything, the 4,265 votes "for" compared to 3,591 "against" set a tone for Election Day and carried on Midland's tradition of deciding elections earlier rather than later.

"It was nice," said Midland Chamber of Commerce President

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Weapons found in junior high student's backpack

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

A male student at Abell Junior High School is now in the custody of Cedar Youth Home after Midland Independent School District police found an unloaded gun in his backpack.

The boy, 14, is being charged with a third degree felony possession of a firearm as well as two other charges for carrying a carbon dioxide powered pistol and a small pocket knife. Police said the gun was a .25 automatic pistol, which is a short-barrel firearm more commonly known as a "Saturday night special."

MISD District Chief of Police Dan Walkenshaw said anonymous sources turned the boy into police.

"This came as a Crime Stoppers tip to the principal by someone who had probably heard this person say (something about the gun)," Walkenshaw said.

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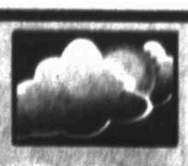
A look inside



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J.D. Luckie exonerated by grand jury in probe

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Luckie

Investigator J.D. Luckie was exonerated of any wrongdoing on Wednesday when a 12-person Midland County Grand Jury returned a no-bill following an investigation into allegations that he had misused forfeiture funds entrusted to him by District Attorney Al Schorre.

"It's a good feeling," Luckie, 52, said late Wednesday afternoon in the presence of his counsel, Midland lawyer Brian Carney, in Luckie's Criminal Investigation Division (CID) office.

Luckie said he had "made some accounting mistakes" in handling funds in carrying out his investigations for the district attorney.

However, "It upsets me that my integrity was questioned," Luckie said.

'John Hyde and all the other judges over there are very honorable people. They had to call in a special prosecutor. They did the right thing. That's the way it is supposed to be done.'

— J.D. Luckie,
criminal investigator for Al Schorre

The probe into Luckie's alleged mishandling of the funds was spurred earlier this year in an auditor's report by then-Midland County Auditor Carole Wayland.

The report was submitted to Schorre and then to the Texas Rangers, the investigative arm of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Texas Ranger Jess Malone turned his findings over to Sweetwater lawyer Frank Conard, a former Sweetwater-based district attorney and court-appointed special prosecutor in the Luckie case.

Conard presented evidence and eight witnesses, including Ms. Wayland, to the grand jurors.

Ms. Wayland, who was county auditor from 1995 to mid-2001, said prior to her testimony she hoped the jurors would "just look at the evidence and the facts that are presented and evaluate it fairly without the bias of it being within the district attorney's office."

Neither Ms. Wayland nor Schorre offered any comments immediately following the grand jury's deliberation and decision that cleared Luckie.

But Carney said he was "glad that Ms. Wayland wanted this issue to be treated fairly.

"But it's too bad that fairness was not extended to the district attorney's office and Mr. Luckie while she accumulated her

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All-purpose drugs tested for germ, radiation, chemical terror

By Jeff Donn
Associated Press

American smart bombs zero in on programmed targets in Afghanistan. Bioterrorism protection at home may demand drugs that do just the opposite — kill just about any germ target in sight.

Some researchers are trying to fashion such universal drugs. They would combat a wide spectrum of germs, the immune system breakdown from radiation, and maybe chemical agents of terrorism, too.

One researcher, Dr. Ken Alibek, understands the need better than most. A medical doctor specializing in microbiology, he was once scientific director of the Soviet program in germ warfare.

Alibek came to oppose germ weapons after 17 years of work and emigrated to the United States in 1992. He is now president of Hadron Advanced Biosystems in Manassas, Va.

"I knew the problem of biological weapons," he said this week in strongly accented English. "There's a huge number of different agents. I knew vaccines wouldn't be a perfect approach."

Still, the quest for broad-spectrum drugs runs against the medical mainstream, which is intent on realizing German researcher Paul Ehrlich's 90-year-old dream of targeting "magic bullets" at specific microbes.

"Instead of a magic bullet, we are making a better fort," said virologist Roger M. Loria, who researches all-purpose drugs at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond.

Scientists have explored the idea for decades. Often focusing on bolstering the immune system, they hoped to find all-in-one treatments for common ills like cancer, pneumonia or flu, or to mitigate side effects from chemotherapy or radiation treatments. Over the last several years — and especially in recent weeks — worries about terrorism have motivated the search for such drugs. However, they are mostly in early testing and wouldn't be ready for two years, at best.

While universal drug candidates vary, they tend to work in a common way: by revving up the body's broad, innate defensive shield against foreign germs or their toxins. Unlike antibiotics, most of these new drugs would not directly attack an invader. Unlike vaccines, they would not confine their attack to a narrow group of germs remembered by the immune system.

Still, skepticism has run deep among health authorities. It was only last year that Alibek landed a $3.3 million Defense Department contract to research such drugs. And last month, his company announced another grant — $800,000 from the National Institutes of Health — to focus on anthrax.

Alibek is experimenting with immune-signaling proteins known as cytokines and with peptidoglycans, bulky molecules that form the cell wall of germs and touch off immune defenses in people. Alibek says he has carried out successful early laboratory testing for anthrax and a relative of smallpox.

He is trying to deliver such drugs by inhalation to send them where they are most needed against airborne bioterrorism germs — and to limit any allergy-like side effects elsewhere in the body.

At the Virginia campus, Loria is testing androstene steroids as broad-spectrum drugs. He says these hormones appear to block the action of cortisone, the immune-braking steroid known for its ability to ease inflammation.

Loria says such steroids work in the laboratory against viruses, bacteria and parasites. A single injection enabled 70 percent of mice to survive a herpes bug that otherwise would have killed all of them, he says. He suspects the drugs might work similarly on bioterrorism germs.

Studying ways to protect soldiers, Defense Department researchers have published findings showing that such drugs also preserve the immune systems of mice exposed to radiation. It is immune system damage that often kills people exposed to heavy radiation, because it invites infections.

"If you can correct the immune damage, the patient can heal himself," said Robert Marsella, vice president of Hollis-Eden Pharmaceuticals in La Jolla, Calif. The company has acquired rights from Loria and others to develop such drugs. It has progressed to human testing against HIV, malaria, hepatitis, a skin cancer precursor and other conditions.

Jeanette Roberts, a chemist at the University of Utah's College of Pharmacy in Salt Lake City, took a different approach. She tested the power of the amino acid cysteine, a component of the liver's toxin-fighting glutathione, to help disarm a germ poison. Glutathione works by donating an electron to stabilize overactive free radicals, molecules that proliferate dangerously under toxic stress.

Cysteine is normally toxic, too, but Roberts chemically rolled it into a ring to mask its presence until needed. She said the approach might work with everything from botulism toxin to nerve gas.

Glutathione is already sold as an antioxidant dietary supplement.

Another supplement under serious academic study as an all-purpose drug is silver. It has been hawked for decades as a popular remedy for a variety of ailments, so microbiologist Ron Leavitt at Brigham Young University balked three years ago when a company first asked him to test its solution scientifically.

"I said, 'Go away!'" he recalled in an interview. "I fully expected it not to do a thing."

Reluctantly agreeing, he compared the silver compound to the common antibiotic tetracycline in action against 11 germs. In each case, he says, the silver compound worked as well or better. Leavitt says he doubted his own findings, so he did the experiments again — and again. The results were the same against those strains and nine others. One was E. coli, another potential agent of terrorism.

The interested company, American Biotech Labs of Alpine, Utah, has begun to test the solution for anthrax and ear infections, says spokesman Keith Moeller.

Leavitt says silver, at the levels used in the solution, appears to be toxic to germs but safe for people. He plans to extend his experiments to animals. He suspects the silver acts as a catalyst, perhaps promoting a reaction that short-circuits a germ's energy metabolism.

One potential drawback, he said, is the danger of killing desirable germs, like those that protect the skin and mouth against disease microbes. Immune-regulating drugs are less likely to show this disadvantage, because the immune system knows pretty well how to tell friendly forces from those of the enemy.

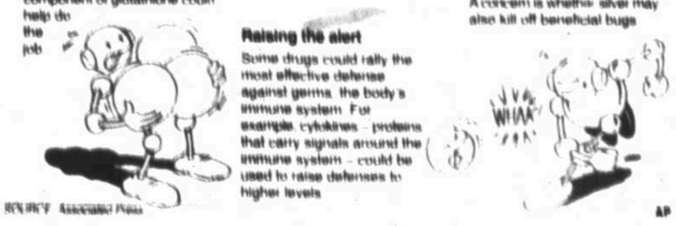
Developing the all-purpose defender

Breaking from the traditional strategy of using drugs that target a single type of germ or virus, researchers are working to create drugs that fight a range of invaders. Though years from readiness, these universal drugs could someday combat germ weapons and a host of other agents

Germ purge
Toxins in the body create unstable molecules that do damage as they proliferate. Glutathione, naturally produced by the liver, stabilizes these molecules. An amino acid component of glutathione could help do the job

Raising the alert
Some drugs could rally the most effective defense against germs, the body's immune system. For example, cytokines – proteins that carry signals around the immune system – could be used to raise defenses to higher levels

Precious poison
In low doses, silver is apparently very toxic to germs, yet safe for the body. In a solution, silver may work by short-circuiting the germ's mechanism to create energy. A concern is whether silver may also kill off beneficial bugs



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JURY: Luckie served as peacekeeper in Kosovo

Midland County to serve as a United Nations peacekeeper and commander in war-ravaged Kosovo.

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information three years in hindsight."

Conard said the amount in controversy was about $1,200.

"Obviously, they (the jurors) did not believe that he intended to commit theft of those funds," he said.

Conard said "one of the problems" in the case "seems to have been that regular, annual audits were not being performed (through Ms. Wayland's County Auditor's Office).

Audits "typically would be done to keep up-to-date with the money that's being spent and where," he said. The apparent lack of regular audits "compounded the problem."

But, Conard said, "The method in which that (forfeiture) fund was being administered was, perhaps, a little slipshod.

"And that also has been resolved" and corrected by the district attorney's office.

"Regular audits would have brought this out so that it could have been addressed in a more timely fashion," Conard said. "That's my perspective. There are some procedures that have now been corrected both in the district attorney's office and in the auditor's office to see that these kind of things don't happen in the future."

Since midyear, after the Midland judicial district judges did not renew Ms. Wayland's two-year contract, the judges appointed Julie Schumacher, 29, county auditor.

Ms. Wayland, 47, and Ms. Schumacher were among several witnesses who appeared before the grand jury in its 9 a.m.-to-4 p.m. session in the Midland County Courthouse. Other witnesses included Rose Johnson and Mary Wheeler, secretaries in the district attorney's CID; Fred Stubbs, Schorre's chief investigator; Valerie Newsom, who had been Ms. Wayland's first-assistant auditor; Malone, the Texas Ranger who investigated the case; Schorre and Luckie.

Conard said his investigation indicated Luckie had "overpaid the reimbursements" he had made into the forfeiture account.

"He made reimbursements for the overpayments that he received for (certain) expenses" during his investigations as a district attorney's investigator "over some period of time in small amounts that added up to about $1,200," Conard said. "It's not one big lump sum missing. It was not a large amount of money."

In wake of the grand-jury probe, "Hopefully, the county will be able to recognize that the district attorney's office is trying to do their job for this community," Conard said. "I know there's a new auditor" in Ms. Schumacher. "And, hopefully, the problems with getting the annual audits done will be resolved, and this county can move forward and take care of things. I hope that the county can get beyond this and go on with its business."

In acknowledging he had "made some accounting mistakes," Luckie said Ms. Wayland had also "made some mistakes." For example, "Were she doing her job, she would have seen that it (an airline ticket) was (paid by) my personal credit card and not a travel voucher."

Luckie said Midland County's Texas Judicial District Judges John Hyde, Willie DuBose, George "Jody" Gilles and Dean Rucker are honorable.

"When it came up for renewal of her (Ms. Wayland's) contract, they decided not to renew it," Luckie said. She had been salaried at $52,416. "And they had more facts and figures than I did.

"John Hyde and all the other judges over there are very honorable people. They had to call in a special prosecutor. They did the right thing. That's the way it is supposed to be done."

The grand jury returned its no-bill to Hyde, who presides over the 238th Texas Judicial District Court and who, as administrative judge, had appointed Conard as special prosecutor.

Carney, who is former chairman of the Midland County Republican Party, said, "Obviously, the district judges did the right thing in not renewing her (Ms. Wayland's) contract.

"It seems as though as soon as Ms. Wayland's contract was brought up, subject to non-renewal, that these three years of records seemed to appear where there was a discrepancy," Carney said. "Only until then was it brought up. And that was inappropriate — making the allegation against the district attorney's office and those responsibilities given to Mr. Luckie by Mr. Schorre."

Luckie, who has more than 30 years in law enforcement, was a Midland Police Department detective before 1985 when Schorre, then Midland County's newly-elected district attorney, hired Luckie as an investigator. He currently is salaried at $54,900 and is a licensed pilot who has flown for a drug-task force.

For a year in 1999 and 2000, Luckie gained a leave from

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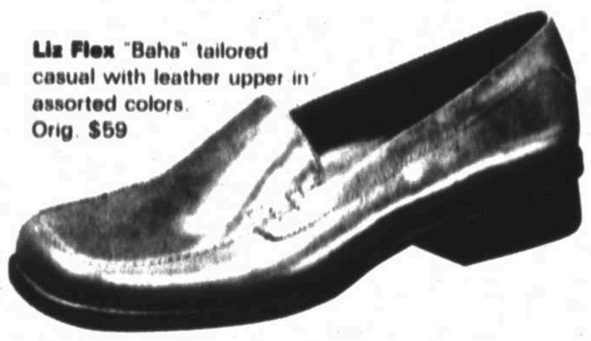

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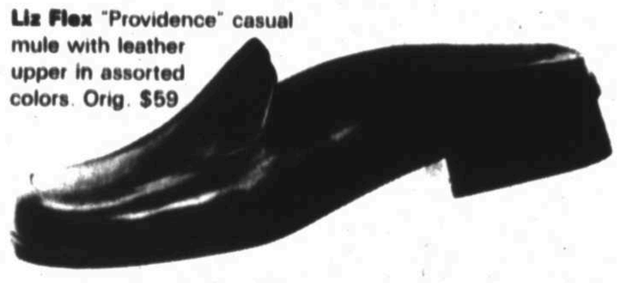

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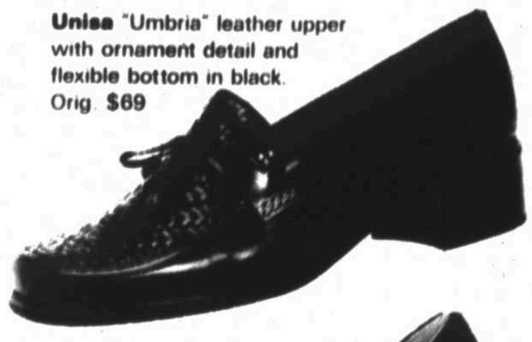

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Midland forecast

3-day forecast

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Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Sunny
High 65	High 63	High 73
Low 40	Low 45	Low 47

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and windy conditions. Temperatures are expected to turn cooler. Expect highs in the mid-60s with temperatures falling into the 50s during the afternoon. Winds will come from the north at 20 to 30 mph. For tonight, expect partly cloudy skies and lows around 40.

Friday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and highs from 60 to 65.

Saturday's forecast calls for mostly clear skies and lows in the 40s with highs in the 70s.

The high on Wednesday reached 80, while the low dropped to 53. The record high for Nov. 7 is 88 set in 1963. The record low is 22 set in 1938.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall	0.00 in.
Rainfall	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	8.28 in.
Normal total (year to date)	13.92 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	80
Low	53
Normal high	69
Normal low	42

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

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AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

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SIGN: Mrs. Welch says America's current situation 'a momentous time'

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way." She later told the members of the news media, "I know they would be proud to know that their hometown appreciates where they are and what they are doing."

Reacting to high praise for her daughter and son-in-law has been commonplace for Ms. Welch, still a Midland resident. Before the Bushes occupied the White House, they resided in the governor's mansion in Austin.

But since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, the spotlight has intensified, and more eyes are focused on the first couple. Not shying away from his duties, President Bush has received high marks during America's crisis and his popularity has risen accordingly.

"Both of them are very focused," Ms. Welch said. "They don't let things overwhelm them very easily. Of course, it is an overwhelming job."

Canon said the rest of America is finding out what many around Midland, West Texas and the rest of state already knew.

"He is a great leader," Canon said. "I knew George was tough and knew he would be able to rise to the occasion when Sept. 11 came. There was no question in my mind. He has great advisors and great people working with him. He has the fortitude to accept the challenge and face it head on. I think America is seeing that."

As for Ms. Welch's impressions on America's current situation — its war against terrorism and the tougher times at home — she calls this a "momentous time." The history books inevitably will agree.

"It is a really scary event having terrorists we can't defend ourselves against very easily," Ms. Welch said.

However, she envisions change down the line, a return to what Americans are used to.

"It will pass, and it will be a safe country," she said.

Ms. Welch has been to Washington, D.C. recently, although she claims to be far removed from the Washington scene. Listening to her, that is easy to see. She is a mother — and mother-in-law — first and foremost. Wednesday, she slipped up once and called President Bush "George" instead of "president."

She also seems at ease in Midland.

"It is comforting for me to be out here," Ms. Welch said. "I think Midland is the greatest place in the world to live."

Midland enjoys double-digit growth from September sales tax receipts

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

Not even the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 proved to be a match for Midland's economy which showed a double-digit percent improvement over the same month last year, according to the November sales tax figures.

According to the state comptroller's office, the city of Midland collected approximately $1,396,133, which was 12.03 percent better than November of 2000 when the city collected $1,246,163. It is a difference of $149,971.

What makes November's collection most remarkable is sales tax revenue is generated by sales tax income from two months before collection. So November's revenue is based on sales tax income taken from September.

"The bottom line is I am very pleased," city of Midland Finance Director Troy Gifford said. "We have been on a 6, 7 or 8 percent increase track, and I was expecting it to be about even because of the tragedy. In retrospect, we remembered this is a quarterly payment period, one where the quarterlies (smaller companies and businesses which turn in sales tax receipts every quarter instead of every month), in addition to the monthlies, pay. They would have had their regular and normal sales in the first two months of that three month reporting period. That had to have helped moderate the effect of the (Sept. 11) situation.

"Then the only other thing I feel is the people responded to our president's message and resumed life as normal pretty quickly after the event. Perhaps, in addition to some people being very conservative following that event, maybe there were other people who went out and did some preparedness shopping. All those taken together created a pleasant surprise."

Assistant City Manager Tommy Hudson also credited "Bush's Country" for not backing down during what could have been a bad month.

"We took his statement wholeheartedly," Hudson said. "That would explain why we had that increase this month, and why Sept. 11 didn't affect the numbers."

The November collection was another indication of a Midland economy that appears to be prospering, while much of the rest of the country appears headed for a recession. The city experienced its seventh straight positive collection. It is also the 17th time in the past 20 months that an increase has been recorded from the same month of the previous year.

The city of Odessa also continued to experience positive numbers. Odessa received $1,191,969 — 12.64 percent improvement from the same month last year. It was the city's eighth straight positive month, eighth double-digit increase in the past 10 months and 20th sales tax increase in the past 22 months.

Not included in this month's Midland figures are the sales tax receipts used to pay for the Scharbauer Sports Complex. On April 1, 2000, the city's sales tax rate was increased a quarter-cent to 8 percent. Proceeds of the extra sales tax will be issued to pay off the debt from the bonds which will be used to build the $45 million, dual-stadium facility. To date, Midland has collected approximately $4.96 million.

In November, the amount dedicated to pay off the complex was $349,033.45. Last month, the city received $1,018,243, which resulted in approximately $254,560.75 being set aside to pay off the complex. This month's figure raised the most recent 12-month total to $3,382,039.

To pay the debt on the bonds, the city is planning on receiving between $2.8 and $3 million each year. City Manager Rick Menchaca has said that estimate was conservative enough so there should never be any difficulty in meeting those numbers on an annual basis. Any surplus can be held over for years when the sales tax returns decline or for the early retirement of the debt.

WIN: Two out of 13 precincts against tax

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meaning somewhere along the way, the campaign won over a portion of those older voters.

"The mature bloc have always been strong voters and this time around we didn't know where they stood," said Citizens for a Better Midland Chair Jerry Morales. "It was amazing how many of them kept saying, 'We want to see our grandchildren stay here and see our children stay.'"

The Citizens for a Better Midland could see some progress. They turned the seniors' cries into a campaign theme and got Clayton Williams to relay that to the rest of Midland.

Again it worked.

Winning more older voters than in either of the two previous sales tax elections was a reason the proposition not only won, but dominated.

Across the board, only two of 13 precincts didn't favor the quarter-cent hike. In 1997, nine of 14 precincts hosted more voters opposing the ED sales tax proposition.

They won more areas of town and produced the swing needed to create a 4,128 vote turnaround from the vote in 1997.

In northern Midland (located north of the Loop), precincts 204, 204A, 211, 211A, 408, 408A and 409 were consolidated into a large precinct just like four years ago. In 1997, there were 51 more "for" votes from that area. During this election, that area stepped up with 731 more votes for the proposition.

Precincts around Midland College created a similar swing. In 1997, precincts 206, 207, 207A, 207B, 210 and 210B accounted for a negative margin of 308. During this past election, proponents outweighed the opponents by 616 votes. That is a monumental swing of 924 votes.

"People had a greater curiosity," explained District 1 representative LuAnn Morgan. Her representative area includes the two precincts listed above. "They were more inquisitive, asking more questions, wanting to learn more. That's what I saw more of."

In central Midland (around Lee High School), precincts 403 and 405 accounted for a swing of 804 votes.

In old Midland (around San Jacinto Junior High), precincts 205, 211, 211A and 402 accounted for a 553-vote swing.

"We didn't think central Midland would be a good polling place for us," Morales said. "We looked at past elections through our polling. We targeted the north and west sides of town."

Those four areas of town proved very critical when the night was done. First, they were the most active — the only four to attract 2,000-plus voters and the only precincts to respond with a voter turnout of 30 percent or better. The city as a whole turned out at a 24.8 percent clip.

Most important for ED proponents, from those four areas of town was created a crucial 3,012 favorable swing compared to 1997's ED sales tax election.

There were two precincts which tallied more votes against the proposition. Both were located just north of Wall Street in the south and southwest portion of Midland.

Still the deficits weren't as great as 1997 and definitely not large enough to put a dent in the momentum made in other parts of town.

EARLY: 50 percent of early voters 60 years old or older

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Marvin Wynn of the 674 vote lead after early voting. "I remember four years ago when it came in the opposite, almost to the percentage point, and it held all night. We didn't have any positive votes as the ballots came in."

Midland's early voting patterns went beyond the 1997 ED sales tax election. Final results in local elections in 1996 (the airport terminal), 1999 (sports complex), 2000 (MISD school bond) and 2001 (mayoral) did not venture far from the path laid out during early voting.

"I thought it was over (after the early voting)," Midland Mayor Mike Canon said. "I have been through two other elections over the past two years, and after those elections, I could have left after the early voting, too," noting the final percentages just don't change much from the early voting totals.

In 1997, the opposition picked up 54.6 percent of the vote after the early voting ballots were counted.

On Tuesday, proponents had carried a comparable 54.29 percent, indicating victory was on its way.

"That is always good news," said Midland City Councilman Berry Simpson of the early voting advantage. "If you are on the losing side of something, you always hope that will be the first time the rule of thumb doesn't work."

Tuesday, that wasn't the case. If there was a surprise after the early voting numbers were released, it was that the eventual spread got significantly larger.

After early voting, proponents held a 674 vote lead (8.58 percent). That lead expanded after the Election Day votes were counted. In fact, supporters of the ED sales tax dominated Election Day by 1,877 votes or nearly a 2 to 1 margin. The margin of victory after all precincts reported was 17.91 percent, more than twice the early voting advantage.

"I was encouraged after early voting, but it was a cautious optimism," Citizens for a Better Midland Chair Don Tomlin said. "As the numbers came in, I started feeling more comfortable."

There was good reason to feel comfortable. It was over early.

Early Voting Impact

	For	Against
1996 Airport Bond		
Early	5,347	1,402
Total	10,776	2,418
1997 Economic Development		
Early	2,587	3,113
Total	5,695	7,272
1999 Sports Complex		
Early	4,717	3,147
Total	9,925	6,577
2000 MISD Bond		
Early	3,695	9,371
Total	5,591	13,904
2001 ED Sales Tax		
Early	4,265	3,591
Total	8,395	5,844

FOUND: Student faces at least one year expulsion

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"It's still under investigation." He added he wasn't at the school when the arrest was made.

MISD Superintendent Robert Nicks said the severity of the offense is not decreased even though the gun was not loaded.

"The gun was not loaded. Basically, based on the information I received this afternoon, the gun was not operable," Nicks said. "That will not minimize the seriousness of the situation. That's utilizing zero tolerance. We are taking this thing very seriously."

Under federal law pertaining to guns on school grounds, the weapon must be in the school's actual structure, said Walkenshaw.

"It has to be in the school, and it was in the school in the backpack," Walkenshaw said. "The student has been arrested for this charge and has been placed in Culver Youth Home."

The student faces at least one year expulsion for the charge, said Ricardo Torres, executive director of secondary education.

"Under our code of conduct, it is a level four offense, and the student, once given due process, would face expulsion for one year," Torres said. "Federal law requires that when a firearm is involved, the expulsion is to last for one year.

Torres said a level four offense is the most serious offense and requires a recommendation for expulsion for the student.

While the student will remain in Culver Youth Home until the investigation is complete, he will face the felony weapons possession charge as well as two other minor charges for carrying the knife and CO2 gun.

STADIUM: Memorial's capacity 10,830; Ratliff's 20,000-plus

(From 1A)

be it before games, at halftime or after the game. Indeed, after the games are over, the Rebels are out of the building as quickly as Elvis.

The visitor's locker room is located under where the visiting crowd sits, which means fans of the out-of-town team facing the Rebels are less than hospitable during halftime, when certain Lee offensive or defensive units have to hold discussions outside of the dressing rooms.

"You can get people pouring Cokes on you from the stands when you're trying to make adjustments," said Parchman. "It's something we've learned to deal with and we never used it as an excuse."

While the stadium has officially been Midland High's home field (ironically, Lee is designated as the home team for the last game at Memorial), MHS Coach David Browning doesn't have that much more of a generous opinion about it. Browning has seen it from both sides, having been an assistant at Lee from 1978-85 and leading MHS since 1996.

"The great thing about this is that we're not going to be playing (at Memorial) after this season," said Browning. "It's the oldest facility we play at. It was built in an era when it served its purpose but it doesn't have adequate facilities for a visitor."

Browning says the stadium is adequate for his team, and the home locker room is much bigger than that of the visitors. Although the field house was renovated in 1992, Browning says the locker room facilities still need to be updated and the roof is susceptible to leaking.

Add the fact that a swamp cooler is the only device that can cool the locker room down and the comfort level of playing at home diminishes greatly. Browning doesn't feel Memorial reflects well on Midland throughout the rest of 4-5A.

"This is 4-5A, one of the supreme districts in the state," said Browning. "Shouldn't we have a facility which reflects that?"

Of course, it doesn't help Memorial that it is only a 20 minute drive away from the West Texas football shrine of Odessa's Ratliff Stadium, one of the nation's most famous high school fields. Whereas Ratliff can easily accommodate more than 20,000 fans, Memorial's capacity has remained officially at 10,830 people for more than 40 years.

Lee has assumed the mantle from Ratliff occupants Odessa Permian as the premier West Texas high school football program, but the stadium doesn't reflect much in the way of a program's success.

Memorial Stadium: A look back in history

Here is a history of the important changes and renovations in the history of Memorial Stadium, which will host its final high school football game Friday night when Midland High and Lee meet.

1942: Midland Independent School District purchases land for future use at Cuthbert and N Streets.
1947: Football field, west side stands and press box constructed; East side stands moved from former home field on Midland High campus.
1948: First game played at Memorial between Midland High and El Paso Valeta on Sept. 10. MHS wins 21-20.
1953: Field house built.
1957: East stands cut in half and moved to end zones, new permanent stands built on east side.
1958: New press box built.
1966: West side of stadium installs restrooms, concession stands and a press box addition.
1970: Weight room added to field house.
1976: Speaker poles and a new public address system installed.
1982: Field house lockers replaced.
1983: Restrooms added to east side.
1984: All-weather track and new pole lights installed.
1985: Structure of stadium repainted; addition made to girls track dressing room, which also serves as football visitor's dressing room and Lee's home locker room.
1988: Six portable aluminum bleachers purchased.
1990: Southeast concession stand installed.
1991: New scoreboard and PA and sound system installed.
1992: Added brick front to west side stands; renovated field house.

"The seating capacity is not enough for our high schools now," said Wilson Heidelberg, executive director of auxiliary services for the Midland Independent School District.

Heidelberg, who grew up in Midland and has worked for MISD for 30 years and in his current capacity since 1982, says talk of needing a new stadium dates as far back as the mid-1970s. In 1994 the Reporter-Telegram conducted a poll among readers to see if they wanted a new stadium. As age has set in, the disparity between Memorial and other 5A stadiums has become increasingly pronounced, making the facility no more comfortable for spectators than participants.

"I know how hard it is to maintain, but the fact is the bleachers are worn out," said Heidelberg. "For years now we've been trying to keep the thing structurally sound. It gets harder and harder to maintain something with that much age on it."

As the football season wears on, the stadium surface gets increasingly chewed up as well, although that's no surprise considering it's used almost every week during the fall. But the football field is only half the problem.

If Memorial is seen as somewhat lacking in terms of hosting football games, it literally comes up even shorter for track meets.

"The track at the stadium is not a regulation track," said Heidelberg. "It does not have the right number of lanes (only seven instead of eight) nor are they the right width."

Tevis Herd, a Midland attorney who ran track at MHS before graduating in 1960, remembers when the Memorial track had a cinder surface, but says it has always been only seven lanes. The fact that the lanes are so narrow has made it difficult for hurdle events to take place.

An improvement was made in 1984 to convert the track to an all-weather surface at a cost of almost $100,000. However, the once prestigious Tall City Relays haven't taken place the last couple of years, and since Memorial has the only serviceable track in town, Herd, a track enthusiast, is concerned about what might need to happen for top flight events to return to Midland.

"If this is going to be the track (at Memorial) it would take some adjustments to the seating facilities on the east side," said Herd.

Memorial will continue to be maintained by MISD, and Heidelberg says the facility will most likely be used for Midland High football practices and non-varsity contests. The MHS track team also will continue to use it for practices, as the cross country team also does.

Heidelberg says there have been no long-term discussions over the future of the stadium, but he's not going to particularly miss the work he's had to do with it.

While it might not be particularly missed after tonight (MHS or Lee could conceivably host a playoff game within the next two weeks), Memorial has been responsible for some great moments in Midland football for the last 53 years, and regardless of what one might think of it, Memorial figures to get a proper farewell tonight.

"The only good thing is when it's full and the fans are really rocking," said Parchman. "Those are the memories we have, of the fans and the winning, not of the stadium itself."

E.J. Holub, the former Dallas Texan-Kansas City Chief who actually made his pro football debut at Memorial in an exhibition game and now lives in Greenwood, will be at Memorial for the MHS-Lee game. Holub, who now works for Texas Tech in scouting players in the area as potential recruits, understands if there are going to be mixed emotions.

"There's change in everything," said Holub. "I was sad to leave Dallas when the Texans left for Kansas City but everything is for the best.

"Football gets bigger and bigger each year. The name of the game is money and the more people you get to come to the games the better."

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Bloomberg turns to most daunting task so far — planning for New York's future

By Timothy Williams
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NEW YORK — Michael Bloomberg's upset victory in New York's mayoral race will test the central premise of his campaign — that a man who built a major media company from the ground up can now rebuild a city with a devastated downtown and a fragile economy.

The 59-year-old billionaire Republican — who touted his complete lack of political experience as one of his greatest strengths — will assume control of the nation's largest city during one of the most difficult periods in its history.

On Wednesday, Bloomberg was frank about the challenges, including the likelihood of getting a lot less sleep.

"When the alarm went off, I think I moaned a little bit, and rolled over and thought to myself, 'You know, if I hadn't been so fortunate, I'd be able to sleep in a little more,'" he said.

The short list of decisions Bloomberg faces represents the kind of political minefield that would make even a veteran politician question the wisdom of a career in public service.

His first priority will be to nurse a city still recovering from the World Trade Center attack back to financial and emotional health — and at the same time, seek creative solutions to successive years of projected $4 billion budget deficits. Even so, Bloomberg saw no reason Wednesday to rule out grand schemes such as an expensive new sports stadium.

"This is the Big Apple," he said at his first news conference as mayor-elect. "We are a city of big projects, of big ideas, of big complexes and a big heart."

The tasks in front of Bloomberg are not all new. The businessman, whose experience with unions has been minimal, must negotiate new contracts with the police and teachers unions; do something about the city's failing 1.1-million student school system; and begin the delicate work of trying to heal racial and ethnic rifts in one of the most diverse communities in the world.

He must do all this while filling the shoes of Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who in the wake of the Sept. 11 attack has been elevated from a modestly popular incumbent to civic sainthood.

At least Bloomberg can point to a fairly broad coalition of support among city voters: Exit polling found that he ran even with Democratic opponent Mark Green among Hispanic voters and picked up about one-quarter of the black vote in Tuesday's election.

It was this breakdown in the traditional Democratic coalition, the $50 million or more that Bloomberg spent on the race and Giuliani's backing that turned Green from odds-on favorite to loser and gave control of City Hall to Bloomberg.

Fifty-five days before he takes office, most of Bloomberg's plans remain thin.

He supports raises for police and teachers but has refused to say how much. He wants to move city workers out of Manhattan to free up prime downtown office space for companies, but it is unclear how that would happen. He says he will not raise taxes and will continue the city hiring freeze, but has not said how he will bridge the projected deficits.

Voters, who identified the jobs and the economy as the most important issues in exit polls Tuesday, were willing to take a chance anyway.

"Bloomberg was not a typical politician — and voters were looking for someone who had the experience to help turn the economy around," said Lee Miringoff, director of polling at the Marist Institute of Public Opinion.

It remains an open question whether Bloomberg can adapt from a maverick businessman to a mayor who governs by consensus.

He said he likes to delegate authority and listen to new ideas, though some employees at the Bloomberg financial news service have complained about the company's management structure and what they perceive as resistance to change.

Though Bloomberg is expected to depend heavily on Giuliani and his advisers, the mayor-elect has already shown a degree of independence by speaking with some of the city's top minority political figures, including Rep. Charles Rangel and Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer — two men Giuliani almost never spoke to.

Bloomberg also said he would be willing to meet with the Rev. Al Sharpton — something Giuliani never did in eight years.

"I think he needs to reach out to everyone. He said he would. We'll see," Sharpton said.

AP Photo
New York mayor-elect Michael Bloomberg, standing with neighborhood resident, Anthony Santamaria, left, addresses the news media outside a subway station, in the Bensonhurst section of the Brooklyn borough of New York, Wednesday. Santamaria holds a newspaper article from earlier in the year when he challenged Bloomberg to return to the campaign stop if elected mayor.

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Midland gained momentum with this week's vote

Midland voters ought to be congratulated for approving the quarter-cent sales tax that will serve as a key building block as we begin to look forward to our city's economic future.

The economic development tax is not a panacea for all that ails our local economy.

It won't bring overnight results.

But it is an important tool with which our city has needed to arm itself.

In the balloting, 8,395 voters officially said, "yes" to the economic development sales tax. We suspect a number of those voters had switched to the favorable column after voting against a similarly proposed economic development sales tax in the 1990s. We welcome them to the city's team of positive, forward-thinking visionaries.

Frankly, we had been growing fearful Midland was becoming a town of negative thinkers. Letting ourselves fall into that pit would mean the almost certain downfall of the community which we love so much.

Plenty of people put a lot of sweat and energy into the victory celebrated Tuesday night.

Notably, there was restaurant owner Jerry Morales who almost singlehandedly in the sweltering months of summer hustled up the signatures needed on a petition that put the economic development issue on the ballot.

Then there was oilman Don Tomlin who took on the chairmanship of Citizens for a Better Midland and kept his group's positive mood in place even after the initial enthusiasm waned and the Sept. 11 terrorist attack drew attention away from local matters. Tomlin kept his eye on the ball and kept the campaign churning at a critical time.

There were plenty of other behind-the-scenes players who made this a successful effort.

But if there is one person who can be singled out, it's that Midland voter who carefully, unselfishly considered this issue.

That's the voter who still believes Midland is a great place to raise a family.

That's the voter who still understands we all have to give a little to get a lot.

It's the voter who understands we can no longer sit around and fantasize about the good old days and who has come to the realization Midland must look to the future and set its own aggressive course.

It's that voter who went to the polls, understood the issue and cast his ballot, making the crucial difference in Tuesday's election.

Midland gained some momentum on Tuesday. There's no looking back from here.

We have two final words for the voters who enabled the passage of the economic development tax: Thank you.

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Nov. 8, the 312th day of 2001. There are 53 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 8, 1923, Adolf Hitler launched his first attempt at seizing power with a failed coup in Munich, Germany, the "Beer-Hall Putsch."

On this date:

In 1837, Mount Holyoke Seminary, a college exclusively for women, opened in South Hadley, Mass.

In 1889, Montana became the 41st state.

In 1932, New York Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt defeated incumbent Herbert Hoover for the presidency.

In 1933, President Roosevelt created the Civil Works Administration, designed to create jobs for more than four million unemployed.

In 1942, Operation "Torch" began during World War II as U.S. and British forces landed in French North Africa.

In 1950, during the Korean conflict, the first jet-plane battle took place as U.S. Air Force Lt. Russell J. Brown shot down a North Korean MiG-15.

In 1960, Massachusetts Sen. John F. Kennedy defeated Vice President Richard M. Nixon for the presidency.

In 1966, Ronald Reagan was elected governor of California.

In 1988, Vice President George Bush won the presidential election, defeating Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis.

In 1994, midterm elections resulted in Republicans winning a majority in the Senate while at the same time gaining control of the House for the first time in 40 years.

Ten years ago: The European Community and Canada imposed economic sanctions on Yugoslavia in an attempt to stop the Balkan civil war.

Five years ago: Three days after his re-election, President Clinton said at a news conference that there always are "a lot of hard feelings" after elections, but he urged Republicans to put aside politically charged investigations and work with him to balance the budget and enact campaign finance reform.

GEORGE WILL

Silliness alive and well in judicial circles

WASHINGTON — Six days before Sept. 11 purged much of the silliness from public life, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, famously imaginative and frequently reversed, outdid itself. Rummaging around in the U.S. Constitution, it discovered that male inmates in prisons have a "fundamental" right to procreate by artificial insemination.

Will

However, female prisoners do not have the corresponding right. And the 9th Circuit is uncharacteristically reticent about whether males can exercise this right only with an actual spouse, or also with a significant other. It is unclear why, as a matter of constitutional law, as the 9th Circuit imagines it, that difference should make any difference.

William Gerber, 41, resides in a California prison, where, as a "third strike" felon, he is serving a life sentence for his third conviction, this time for making terrorist threats, using narcotics, negligently discharging a gun and illegally possessing a gun as an ex-felon. Chafing at the way imprisonment interferes with his social life, two years ago he sued, charging a violation of his civil right to send some of his semen to a Chicago sperm bank that would impregnate his wife.

In early September, a three-judge panel of the 9th Circuit ruled, 2-1, that Gerber is correct — James Madison and the others in Philadelphia 214 years ago did indeed provide just such a right. Joined by Stephen Reinhardt, another judge who provides the U.S. Supreme Court with steady work reversing 9th Circuit rulings, Judge Myron Bright explained how "the right to procreate survives incarceration."

California regulations — which Bright, remarkably, given his penchant for activism, has not rewritten — forbid conjugal visits for prisoners serving life sentences. But, Bright notes, the Supreme Court has several times affirmed the "fundamental" nature of the right to procreate — at least, Bright judiciously adds, "outside the prison context." But he says that context is constitutionally irrelevant because no "legitimate penological objectives" are served by not recognizing Gerber's procreative right.

In 1942 the Supreme Court struck down Oklahoma's Habitual Criminal Sterilization Act, saying that prisoners have a constitutional right to retain their procreative abilities for use after incarceration. Bright says that ruling, by stressing the "fundamental" nature of the procreative right, "lends support" to the notion that prisoners retain "some form" of such right in prison.

Although the San Francisco-based 9th Circuit is a factory for manufacturing novel rights, Bright inexplicably accepts that prisoners have no constitutional right — given his jurisprudence, why ever not? — to conjugal visits. Neither is there, he says, a constitutional right for women inmates to be impregnated. "We cannot," he says, "ignore the biological differences between men and women."

However, prison authorities understandably worry that women prisoners will now claim that the Constitution's guarantee of equal protection of the laws will confer upon them the right to be inseminated, which will create substantial burdens for prison administration. And when that claim is made, as surely it will be, Bright surely will say that niggling administrative matters cannot interfere with the enjoyment of "fundamental rights." He already says: "It is simply impermissible to restrict the constitutional rights of one group because of fear that another group will assert its constitutionally protected rights as well."

Dissenting, Judge Barry Silverman, who has a dry sense of humor — and needs it, given the Through the Looking Glass logic of many of his 9th Circuit colleagues — wrote: "This is a seminal case in more ways than one" because "the majority simply does not accept the fact that there are certain downsides" — a delicious choice of words — "to being confined in prison." One of them is "the interference with a normal family life."

Yes, he says, the Constitution's proscription of "cruel and unusual punishments" protects prisoners from measures such as forced sterilization. However, that hardly establishes "a constitutional right to procreate from prison via FedEx."

Silverman does not subscribe to the jest that inmates retain only two rights in prison — the right to serve their time and the right not to be exposed to secondhand smoke. However, Silverman quotes Wisconsin's Supreme Court: "Incarceration, by its very nature, deprives a convicted individual of the fundamental right to be free from physical restraint, which in turn encompasses and restricts other fundamental rights, such as the right to procreate."

Before Gerber gets his heart set on fatherhood, he should consider this: In the five terms from 1996 through 2000, the U.S. Supreme Court reviewed 90 rulings from the 9th Circuit, and reversed 77 of them.

Now, will a post-Sept. 11 sobriety restrain the 9th Circuit's silliness? Don't be silly.

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WILLIAM SAFIRE

U.S. must prepare for worst-case scenarios

WASHINGTON — The United States has a history of preparing for dire contingencies. Our nation's first provision for potential death can be found in the Constitution's office of vice president. Twenty-five amendments later, we came up with a constitutional way to replace a president in a coma or going insane.

Congress used its power in modern times to reconfigure presidential succession, thereby ensuring that elected officials — the House speaker and president pro tempore of the Senate — were in line after the vice president. By tradition, when Congress and the Supreme Court assemble to hear the president's State of the Union address, one official in the line of succession ostentatiously remains away from the great assemblage — a reminder of the possibility of disaster.

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Of late, we have the joshing of Dick Cheney for spending so much of his time "at an undisclosed location," but the precaution has gained a nervous undertone: what if there were a nuclear or biological attack on the "command and control" of our polity? As a result of the anthrax scare, the Supreme Court met recently for the first time outside its marble edifice built in 1935, and the unthinkable is being thought about seriously: Do we have backup?

When I worked at the White House, speechwriters were crushed to learn we were not among those to be rushed to an underground facility in case of nuclear exchange. (President Nixon would have had to ad-lib his way out of the crisis.) And as we saw on Sept. 11, arrangements are still in place for the swift removal of many leaders from places of vulnerability.

But even assuming today's scary scenarios to be overdrawn, we should treat the recent attacks as a wake-up call. We should be doing as our founders did to ensure governmental function in event of calamity.

Start with something obviously necessary and easy to do: as Professor Lawrence Butler suggests in a D.C. weekly, The Hill, the Senate should make its majority leader the president pro tem. The tradition of having the senior member taking the post made Strom Thurmond at 98 and now Robert Byrd at 83 third in line for the presidency; sometimes tradition asks too much. An amendment to the Presidential Succession Act is all it would take to bring Congress into modern times.

If the Supreme Court were unable to meet, or if a majority of new justices were unable to be readily confirmed by the Senate, we would need a plan in place to keep the highest tribunal functioning.

Most cases could wait, but some might call for speedy judicial review on high. The present court should make its views known about emergency succession; why should the judiciary be the only unprepared branch? One idea is for the current court to designate a shadow Supreme Court, made up of the chief judges of the federal appeals courts. That would have the advantage of geographical dispersion.

We're a big, roomy country. Physically decentralized government, tied together electronically, would be the strength of our nation if D.C. were paralyzed. House members at home in their districts could be called into virtual session, as could the Senate; debates could be on the Internet, deals made in conference calls and votes taken (as they now are) electronically.

The Senate has a way of replenishing its ranks quickly, by appointment of the state governor. But the Constitution requires the House to hold special elections, which take months; that could be brought up to date with a constitutional amendment to permit replacement by governors, to match the Senate practice. Alternatively, a vice representative — an unpaid alternate elected with the congressional representative — might be the answer, serving from the local district in the event of radioactivity or contamination in D.C.

I believe the current alarmism is mistaken. The Sept. 11 attacks will lead to missile defense, suitcase-bomb defense and the systematic destruction of terror networks and regimes. The anthrax mailing and subsequent fears will be countered by breakthroughs in immunology and an invigorated public health system. Victory in the war on terror will inspire and finance a campaign to wipe out all infectious disease.

Still, in case of setbacks, it never hurts to be politically prepared.

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ART BUCHWALD

America's new power brokers: security people

The big battle in America on the home front is security vs. freedom. What makes it so important now is that it affects the social status of every citizen in the country.

Gloucester, who is now in airport security, is a very happy man.

"I'm working class and I can tell the middle and upper class what to do or not do."

"In what respect?"

"As a security guard, people have to obey anything I tell them. For example, despite their wealth and title, if I tell them they can't go through that door, they can't go through it. They have to go through the other door I tell them to, which is two miles away. If I make the passengers open up all their baggage, they have no choice. I don't make a lot of money, but I get a lot of respect."

Buchwald

"I should think so. The lower class must be having a ball feeling that power."

"We're better off than we have been in the past. Take underpaid doormen in apartment houses. They used to take a lot of guff from the tenant. Now doormen give out guff. You can't get upstairs in the elevator if they don't want you to."

"Do you need a lot of education to be in the security business?"

"You don't have to be a nuclear scientist to search the trunk of someone's car or spend 12 hours a day as the bodyguard of a movie star. I know guys who don't have a high school education who are now searching in the mail for anthrax spores."

"Is there any difference between security people who wear uniforms and those who don't?"

"American women are much more attracted to guys in uniforms. Because of the war, they stand taller and look sharper. I know a guy who guards the pandas at the zoo. In the name of security, gals are crazy about him."

"What is the most important thing for someone in charge of keeping the home front safe?"

"First I would say you have to have good feet. Most security people have to stand on their feet eight to 12 hours a day. Secondly, you must be prepared to shoot a suspicious person if he fits the FBI profile, and thirdly, you must have a sense of humor."

"The Senate voted 100 to 0 to federalize security at airports. The House voted 286 to 139. What's the difference?"

"The House had information the Senate didn't have."

"Does being a security guard give you the perks that the upper class no longer have?"

"It certainly does. Where else but in America can you win the power struggle for seven dollars an hour?"

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Whom to Write

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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GOVERNOR: Rick Perry (R), State Capitol Building, Austin, Texas 78701 or call (512) 463-2000, Fax (512) 463-1849.

Musharraf leaves generals to keep calm in Pakistan

By Greg Myre
Associated Press

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — With violent protests at a minimum and key opposition clerics in detention, President Pervez Musharraf is confident enough to take his first foreign trip since Sept. 11, leaving his military government to deal with any threats at home.

In visits to Paris, London and New York, Musharraf was making the case for a "short and more targeted" war in Afghanistan and urging a break in the U.S.-led bombing campaign when the Muslim holy month of Ramadan begins in about 10 days.

By backing the U.S.-led military campaign, Gen. Musharraf has won favor with the West for the first time since seizing power in a 1999 coup. But he has faced ongoing demonstrations by Islamic groups sympathetic to the ruling Taliban in neighboring Afghanistan.

A nationwide day of protest is set for Friday, but the size and intensity of the demonstrations has waned and there have been no violent outbursts in the past several weeks.

"The government won't tolerate violence or disruption of normal public life," Interior Minister Moinuddin Haider, a retired general, said Wednesday evening on Pakistan TV.

While Musharraf's position appears strong, he slipped out of Islamabad like a man on an undercover mission.

His plane left just after dawn Wednesday, hours before it was expected to take off. Shortly before he departed, the country's mobile phone system was mysteriously cut in another apparent security move.

The general then made brief, unannounced stops in Iran and Turkey en route to Paris, his advertised destination.

Most analysts believe there's broad consensus that Musharraf is in firm control.

"His position is comfortable," political analyst Kaiser Bengali said.

He predicted no general would attempt a coup at a time when Musharraf enjoys the backing of the international community, particularly the United States. Washington imposed economic sanctions on Pakistan because of its nuclear weapons tests.

"If I were a general, I would never attempt a coup now," Bengali said.

The government has tolerated opposition rallies, but warned religious leaders not to make provocative statements calling for the ouster of the government. Dozens of those who refused to comply have been placed under house arrest or travel restrictions.

Qazi Hussein Ahmed, leader of Pakistan's largest religious party, Jamaat-e-Islami, was ordered confined to his home, but continued to address rallies by telephone.

To keep Ahmed from speaking out, Pakistan authorities moved him Tuesday to a government guest house 30 miles south of the western city of Peshawar. The Tanda Dam guest house, normally reserved for visiting dignitaries and officials, is not only comfortable but also allows the government to keep a close watch on Ahmed — and keep him off the phone.

Such moves have brought Western criticism in more normal times, but the United States and other governments have only praise for Musharraf these days.

While Musharraf is away, Irshad Hassan Khan, chief justice of the Supreme Court, serves as acting president.

But in Pakistan, the real power rests with the army, and Gen. Mohammed Yusuf, his trusted vice chief of army staff, is in charge of the military.

Musharraf, the army chief, appointed Yusuf to the post a month ago as part of an army reshuffle that sidelined top officers viewed as Islamic ideologues.

For Musharraf, the trip is an opportunity to solidify his transformation from a military ruler largely shunned by the West to an indispensable ally in the war in Afghanistan.

Just last year, U.S.-Pakistan relations were so frosty that former President Clinton refused to allow pictures or TV footage showing him meeting Musharraf during a brief stopover in Pakistan.

But now, Musharraf can expect the royal treatment. He has already won the lifting of U.S. economic sanctions and pledges of debt relief as part of a series of measures aimed at propping up Pakistan's sluggish economy.

He'll be looking for additional political and economic support from both the Americans and the Europeans, specifically grants, loans, debt relief and import concessions.

During their meeting at the U.N. General Assembly debate in New York this weekend, Musharraf will also be pressing President Bush to ease up or halt the bombing during Ramadan, though Bush is not expected to take the advice.

AP Photo

Pakistan's President Gen. Pervez Musharraf arrives in Istanbul at the start of a trip that will take him to France, Britain and the United States for talks with European and U.S. leaders, Wednesday. Musharraf said he would be making a case for a swift end to the U.S.-led war in Afghanistan to avoid tensions in Islamic countries if the campaign extends into Ramadan.

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Online diary describes plight of people with AIDS in China

By Martin Fackler
Associated Press

The writer tells of humiliations universally known in the world of AIDS, like the company that sacked an AIDS sufferer and then disinfected all the toilets, and of habits that evolve directly out of everyday Chinese life, such as not letting his lips touch his chopsticks when eating with friends from shared dishes.

SHANGHAI, China — The 27-year-old man traces the beginning of his nightmare to a drunken night two years ago, when a colleague took him to one of Shanghai's dozens of illegal brothels disguised as beauty salons.

Two months later, he learned he had the AIDS virus.

Like many with AIDS in China, he has not told friends and family for fear of losing his job and shaming his parents. But many in China know about him anyway, because rather than suffer in silence, the university-educated engineer has begun chronicling his lonely struggle on the Internet.

"My Final Battle," updated about twice a week on a Shanghai Web site, gives a rare look at life with AIDS in China. It also coincides with an abrupt switch of communist government policy from pretending there is no epidemic to confronting it head on.

The diary of the man who calls himself Li Jiaming has created a sensation in online chat rooms and state media, drawing attention to discrimination against people with AIDS.

His real name is secret and he gives no clues to his identity. But Zhu Weilian, manager of Rongshu.com, where the diary appears, said he has talked to the author's doctors and confirm the diarist is real and has AIDS.

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"I have learned special strategies that allow me to continue life with my friends," he said in a telephone interview arranged by the Web site's managers.

"Living with AIDS is a life of loneliness," said the soft voiced, articulate author. "If you tell the truth, you face discrimination that will rob you of everything you have. All you'll have left is the disease."

The online diary has been visited 2.2 million times in a country with 27 million Internet users since the first entry appeared four months ago, the site's operators said.

"Li Jiaming has washed off some of the shame of having AIDS, but it is still very difficult to tell the world," said Pei Le, who edits the diary for Rongshu.com.

Fear of ostracism is so intense in China that most HIV infections go unreported. While 26,058 people have been reported with the virus, the Ministry of Health says the true number is closer to 600,000.

In August, the government gave up insisting AIDS isn't a problem in China and confirmed that the virus is spreading, especially among drug users and in the flourishing sex trade.

But even though authorities have announced a campaign to train health workers and educate the public, many Chinese still hide their disease even to the point of avoiding medical treatment. Doctors say some patients have been dismissed from jobs or schools and even refused treatment by hospitals when their infection was revealed.

"Ordinary people are terrified of AIDS. If they know there is an HIV carrier living nearby, they will cut off all contact with him," said Dr. Pan Qichao, who treats AIDS patients at the Shanghai Municipal AIDS Surveillance Center.

The diary alternates in tone between anger at discrimination and despondency about the toll of AIDS — "Aizibing" in Mandarin Chinese.

The author writes a friend infected with the virus took out his rage by advertising in newspapers for girlfriends and having unprotected sex with some of them.

He says he had a girlfriend but ended the relationship before they ever had sex because he feared exposing her to the virus.

He writes that doctors have told him he is showing early symptoms of AIDS, including memory loss that causes him to lose his train of thought mid-sentence.

Because like most Chinese he can't afford Western anti-AIDS drugs, he takes traditional medicines, including herbal teas and a bitter melon that doctors say slows the virus' advance.

He vows to live a normal life as long as possible. What he fears most is that his parents will be made to suffer for his disease.

"I will devise a way to make it look like I died a natural death," the diary said. "I can't bear to see my parents living under the accusing gaze of others."

Postings on the Web site have praised the author for opening China's eyes to the tragedy of AIDS. So have the state media.

The diary revealed "the cloud of shame that still cloaks the disease," said the Shanghai Daily.

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Midland, Odessa officials train for disaster

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

The mission was daunting. Midland officials were ordered to respond to a series of oil industry explosions. And then there was the threat of terrorist use of sarin gas, which prompted city, county and law enforcement entities to act quickly.

It was all a test, of course, but the scenario to train emergency responders could not have come at a better time.

An intricate and detailed scenario outlined in computer printouts presented the Midland emergency response team with the problems. Everyone from the police to the health department were given responsibilities.

The task was to become prepared in case a real disaster occurs.

Part of the preparation for an emergency such as weapons of mass destruction, involved the establishment of an emergency operations center (EOC) in the basement of the Midland Police Station. In the EOC, they planned strategy and delegated efforts to respond to the specific threat to Midland and Odessa.

Also in the EOC, a large screen showed the scenario's latest movements. Another wall held a giant map of Midland. The screen showed what they had to deal with.

"Midland reports what appears to be high tech bomb equipment located on a train car located at Loop 250 and Business 20. MPD sending units to investigate on scene," the information on the screen reads.

Personnel from the Department of Public Safety, the Midland Fire and Police Department, county commissioners, the county auditor, the city manager and other members of the city of Midland administration waited for information to perform their duties in the clogged room.

Midland County Fire Marshal Dale Little is also the emergency management coordinator in the event of an emergency. He headed up efforts, giving the room-full of people information on the latest events stemming from the scenario.

"We've had two requests," Little said to the group. "One, Tina (Jauz, City of Midland public information officer) has taken care of. We have a request from CNN. The other is for the fire department."

Little said they were to begin moving residents from Mission Dorado Country Club.

The scenario is not an off-the-wall fantasy. In fact, it is very detailed as designed by a team from the National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center (NERRTC). According to NERRTC, the goals of the training were to gain control of the incident, care for the mass of people and decontaminate affected areas.

In the scenario, a highly organized drug cartel using terror to traffic drugs had a suspected presence in Midland. The scenario further detailed the drug cartel's manufacture of sarin gas transported in

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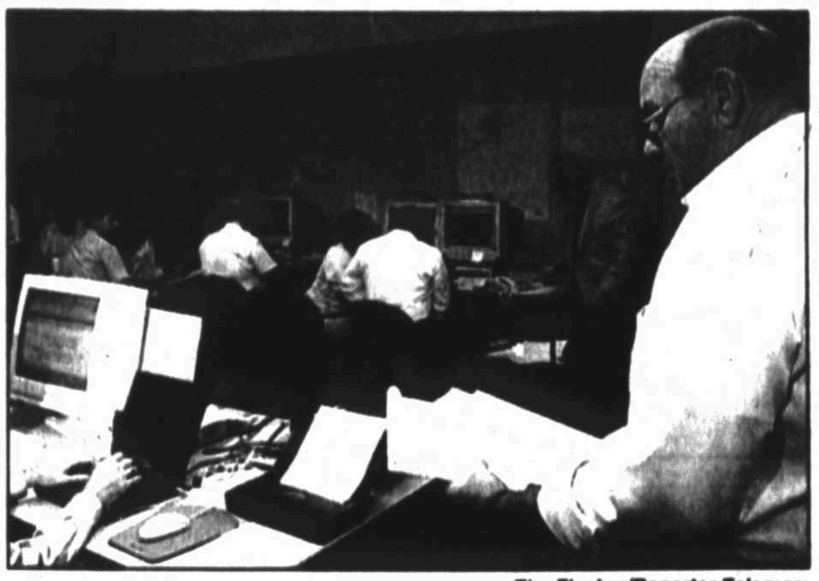

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Dale Little talks through one of the scenarios worked through during the Weapons of Mass Destruction seminar Tuesday afternoon.

Tech comes to Permian Basin to tackle rural medicine woes

By Hillary S. Condon
Staff Writer

In response to the ever-decreasing number of medical health professionals in rural West Texas areas, the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center is continuing to expand its services in both Midland and Odessa.

"The main thing we can do is increase the number of students in rural areas," said Robin Satterwhite, regional dean of the School of Allied Health. "The most difficult thing is trying to attract any types of practitioners to those areas."

In addition to a center in Odessa with a School of Allied Health, a School of Nursing (and a nursing center) and a School of Medicine, with capabilities for specialties in Family and Community Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics and Obstetrics and Gynecology, the Health Sciences Center has expanded to Midland.

There is now an Internal Medicine Clinic in North Midland, and the Physician Assistant Program is on the campus of Midland College.

"If we're going to be in Midland, the most logical place to be is at Midland College," Satterwhite said. "It was certainly encouraged by Midland College ... they were looking for an opportunity to collaborate."

The collaboration at Midland College is a state-of-the-art medical sciences facility, with half of the building used by Midland College, and the other half for the Tech program.

In the Physician's Assistant program, Tech offers an entry-level master's degree program for 31 months, with the ultimate goal of graduating students who are prepared to practice rural health care.

"In West Texas, it's inescapable," said Dr. Jack Runyan, director of the Physician Assistant program. "Our students must do 12 months of clinical rotations ... in rural health care clinics."

Other TTUHSC programs are working to combat the problems rural Texans have with health care. In addition to operating the Permian Basin Nursing Center, which focuses on primary care and rural health both in the center and in the community, the School of Nursing is conducting surveys to identify the specific medical needs of the individual communities.

"I found out that a lot of folks out in West

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ABOVE: Narinder S. Bhatia, M.D., assistant professor of pediatrics at Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in Odessa, listens to Hope Sullivan's lungs as her father, Jason Sullivan, holds her. LEFT: Physical Therapy assistant professor Sherie Rodriguez, center, helps Kim Morris and Jamie Hennessey on a worksheet during lab work. BELOW: Andy Watzl works on fellow physical therapy student Tamra Bullard during a lab course.

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Grants to improve Midland College computer system

By Hillary S. Condon
Staff Writer

More than $200,000 in state grants from the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board will help Midland College improve its computer network infrastructure campus-wide, MC officials say.

Associate Vice President of Information Technology Dennis Sever said the grants, which include $85,612 for Midland College's Murray Fasken Learning Resource Center, $106,197 to upgrade the MC campus computer network and $25,000 to develop a plan that will allow the Midland community to compete for an additional $500,000, will all help Midland College's computer network to be upgraded to a more modern technology level.

"Technically, we are moving from a shared, system-wide 10-megabit network to a switched, one-gigabit backbone with 100 megabit to the desktop system," he said.

What that really means is a 10-fold increase in network performance for the college. Once it is operational, Sever said, everyone on campus should see an improvement.

A portion of the funds will be used to replace the network electronics in the Learning Resource Center, and will provide access to the LRC's online cat-

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Candle blamed for house fire

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

Fire investigators determined the cause of a blaze just one day after the fire gutted the home of George Olgin in the 4700 block of Comanche Drive Tuesday night.

Fire Inspector Michael Cota said the fire was started by a candle in the living room of the home.

"We went and investigated (Wednesday), and we found a table that usually had glass inserts," Cota said. "One of those tables had a piece of plywood instead of the glass inserts. This candle was not in a container."

Olgin, 41, was asleep when the flames started to burn his hair. He said the flames woke him from his sleep.

"I just thought I had to get out," Olgin said.

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TDH urges Texans not to get flu vaccinations to relieve anxiety

By Kasey Kelly
MRT Correspondent

With anxieties about anthrax high, more and more people seem to be flocking to their local doctor's offices for, if nothing else, peace of mind. To ease their minds, some citizens are even requesting a flu vaccination.

Dr. Charles Bell, Texas Department of Health executive deputy commissioner, said Texans should not get the flu shot to keep from getting a sore throat and fearing it's a sign of anthrax. Sore throat is one of several symptoms that can be common to a number of illnesses, including the flu and inhalation anthrax.

Not just one specific illness has brought Midlanders down though. People across the city seem to be suffering from a number of different ailments, including congestion, headaches, sore throats, nausea, vomiting, fever and lethargy, some of which are associated with flu.

"I'm miserable," said Midlander Kiandra Evans. "After a few days of this I went to the doctor, thinking I might have the flu. He said what I have is viral and there is nothing they can give me for it."

Backing an advisory from the Centers for Disease Control and prevention (CDC), the Texas Department of Health (TDH) has urged Texans not to get a flu vaccination as a way of relieving anxieties about anthrax.

'Preventing the flu by getting a flu shot doesn't mean you won't get a sore throat, and getting a sore throat certainly doesn't mean you have anthrax. Only one organism causes anthrax. A handful of organisms cause the flu. But, there are hundreds of other organisms that can cause a sore throat.'

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A public run on flu vaccine prompted by anthrax anxieties could leave many high-risk Texans unvaccinated.

Nationally, flu vaccine manufacturers report about half of the 80 million doses ordered have been delivered, with most of the balance expected by mid-November and the rest in early December.

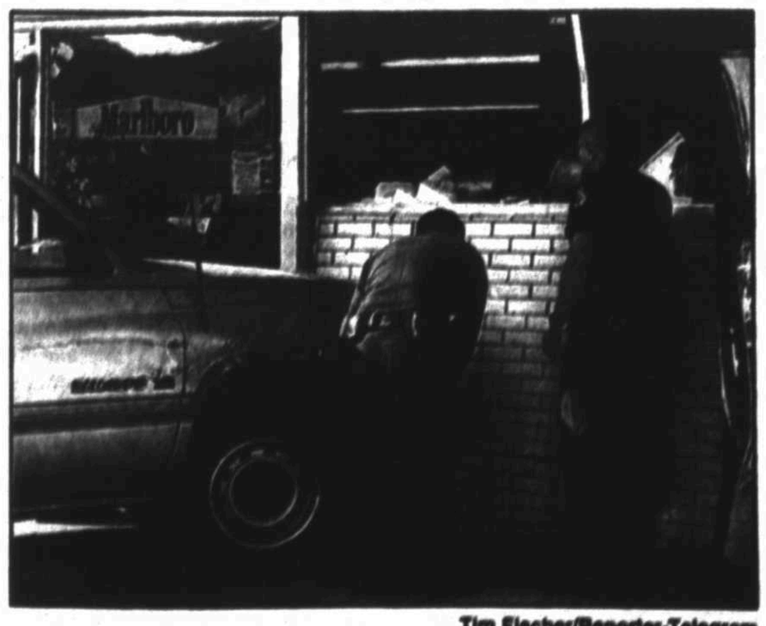
"I think we've already got in everything we're supposed to get," said Sal Garcia, director of Midland's Health and Senior Services.

The agency conducted a clinic Friday in which 550 people were vaccinated for the flu, wiping out the supply of vaccinations.

An estimated 5 million doses have been ordered by Texas health care providers. TDH has received 56 percent of its 350,000-dose order for use by local public health departments.

Bell urged Texas public and private health care providers to honor CDC and TDH recommendations that top priority for the flu shot be given to people who are at high risk of severe complications, including death, should they get the flu.

Not a drive-in



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
No one was injured in a one-car accident that crashed into the front of Don's Delicatessen Wednesday morning. The accident caused major structural damage to the front of the store, breaking out windows, cracking the wall and damaging a soda machine in front of the store.

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Area briefs

Meeting set

The American Lung Association Better Breathing Club will meet today at 11:30 a.m. at Westwood Medical Center.

Robin Anderson, RN, director of medical affairs with the state office of the American Lung Association of Texas, will discuss recent articles published by the American Thoracic Society.

There will be no meeting in December, 2001.

For additional information, call Donald Hill at 522-2273.

Forum

Midland College will host a college forum from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, at the Scharbauer Student Center. The forum will provide all Midland seniors an opportunity to meet with college representatives from across the United States. There is no charge to attend. For more information, call Peggy Kayser at 520-6073.

Today's Agenda

Hospice of Midland, support group for grieving daughters, 911 W. Texas, 682-2855.

Midland Business Builder Chapter of BNI-Business Network International meet 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at Gerardo's Casita, 2407 N. Big Spring. 699-8053.

Midland Early Birds Chapter of BNI-Business Network International meet 7-8:30 a.m. at Sidekicks & Legends, 6 Desta Drive. 699-8053.

POLICE REPORTS

Compiled from staff reports

Aggravated sexual assault of a child:
Harold English, 48, of Ponca City, Okla. was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 8:45 a.m. Monday in the 400 block of South Main Street on a charge of aggravated sexual assault of a child. Bond: $5,000.

Violation of parole:
Lawrence Glover, 21, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 3:20 p.m. Monday in the 500 block of Air Park Road on a charge of violation of parole. No bond.

Violation of parole:
Jimmy Melton, 42, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 10 a.m. Monday in the Midland County Parole office on a charge of violation of parole. No bond.

Injury to a child:
Ramsey Mitchell, 18, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 10 a.m. Monday in the 6200 block of East Highway 80 on a charge of injury to a child. No bond.

Theft less than $1,500:
Aretha Taylor, 32, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 4 p.m. Monday in the 2900 block of West Illinois Avenue on two counts of theft less than $1,500. No bond.

Violation of parole:
Lynne Bainter, 44, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday in the 1900 block of North Midland Drive on a charge of violation of parole. No bond.

Violation of probation:
Sulton Bradley, 41, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday in the 200 block of North Main Street on a charge of violation of probation. No bond.

Possession of a controlled substance:
Ramon Gomez, 32, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 2:40 p.m. Tuesday in the Ector County Jail on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. No bond.

Violation of probation:
Alex Plasencia, 18, of Pecos was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday in the Midland County Probation office on a charge of violation of probation. No bond.

Forgery of a financial institution:
Chelsea Richardson, 18, of Big Spring was arrested by Howard County Sheriff's deputies at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday in Howard County on a charge of forgery of a financial institution. No bond.

Violation of probation:
Lawrence Wyatt, 22, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies at 2:40 p.m. Tuesday in the Ector County Jail on a charge of violation of probation. No bond.

OBITUARIES

Dr. William Butler Dawkins Cooper

Dr. William Butler Dawkins Cooper died November 3, 2001 at Carolinas Hospital System after a brief illness.

He was born December 7, 1918 in Gaffney, SC as the proud son of Rev. Hugh Harry and Helen Ernestine Richardson Cooper.

As a gifted scholar, he graduated from Wilson High School in Florence, SC. He received his college education while in attendance at Lincoln University of PA and Claflin College, where he graduated with honors obtaining his Bachelors of Science Degree in Chemistry and Biology. He graduated from McHarry Medical College in Nashvile, TN in 1944 as a physician in the field of general medicine. He was also a talented Jazz Saxophonist.

Dr. Cooper gave his life to Christ at an early age, remaining actively involved in church ministries. He was a lifelong member of Hollowell U.M. Church in Midland, TX and St. Paul UMC in Dallas, TX. He worshipped at Cumberland UMC where he was an integral supporter. At the time of God's calling, "Doc" was active in various professional and social organizations, and a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

In 1941, he was united in marriage with his high school and college sweetheart, Cecelia Remelle Taylor and to this union four loving children were born: Harriette, William, Jr. (Skipper), Helen and Robert. Robert preceded him in death. In 1971, another devoted daughter, Anatha became a special part of his life.

Dr. Cooper was an accomplished Physician and Captain in the USAF at Perrin AFB in Texas in the early 1950's.

He first practiced medicine in Sulphur Springs and Dallas, Tx. In 1952, he settled his family in Midland, TX, where he opened his heart to the Black Community when he established the Cooper Memorial Clinic. He diligently practiced as one of the two of Midland's Black Physicians for 28 years. He proudly became known as "Doc" and attained success as one of West Texas' most highly skilled Black Physicians.

He was united in marriage to Alta Ruth Taylor from 1961 to 1972.

"Doc" was also chairman of Permian Plastics Products Co. He retired his medical practice to return to his home in South Carolina. He has worked as a Counselor and Teacher at Sumter Developmental Learning Center for the mentally and physically handicapped and at South Carolina Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. He was a loyal employee at Smith's Funeral Home, Inc of Florence, and a wonderful mentor to Master J. Lawrence Smith II, at the time God called him to his final home.

In 1992, "Doc" was united in marriage to the late Bertha Sumter Cooper, until her death in 1999.

The surviving legacy that "Doc" Cooper has left to cherish his memory are his children: Harriette Brown (Carl) of Kingstree; William B.D. Cooper, Jr. "Skipper" (Myra) of Long Beach, CA; Helen Hicks (Raymond) of Dallas, Tx; and Anatha Keeler of Nashville, TN; grandchildren, Che' Hicks (Keisha); and Cecelia Hicks; great grandchildren, Jasmine and Che' Hicks, Jr. all of De Soto, TX and a host of wonderful relatives and friends.

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.

Ruby Alise Brown Love

Ruby Alise Brown Love, 92, of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, November 6, 2001, in a local nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be at 11:00 AM Friday, November 9, 2001, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Dennis Teeters, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

She was born on May 15, 1909, to Christopher C. and Ida Price Brown in Lincoln County, Mississippi. She married Lynn Heith and he preceded her in death in April of 1930. She then married Edwin W. Love in 1932 and he preceded her in death on April 26, 1972.

Mrs. Love came to Howard County in 1923. She was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church of Big Spring.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Marie and Carl Cochrane of Asheville, North Carolina and Sue and Harry McBride of Farmington, New Mexico; two daughters-in-law, P. D. Heith of Big Spring and LaVerne Heith of Tyler; eleven grandchildren, Lynn Heith Phillips, Ann Heith McCann, Robert E. Heith, Karen Heith Stewart, Kay Heith Johnson, David Heith, Lloyd Cochrane, Gayle Cochrane Secreast, Joyce Cochrane Earnhart, Martin McBride and Kelli McBride King; twenty great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; two sisters, Sarah Hancock of Big Spring and Ruth Steadman of Odessa; numerous nieces and nephews and a very special friend, Val Carrillo of Big Spring.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; her sons, R.L. Heith and Cecil Heith; a grandson, Kevin Charles McBride; a great-grandson, Matthew Johnson; a sister, Eva Nell Dunn and a brother, Cecil Rankin Brown.

Pallbearers will be Tommy McCann, Perry Phillips, Bobby Heith, Martin McBride, David Heith and Lloyd Cochrane.

The family suggests memorials to: First Baptist Church, 705 W. FM 700, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or the donor's favorite charity.

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

DEATH NOTICES

Cynthia Vogel

Cynthia Lynn Bramlett Vogel died Saturday, Nov. 3.

Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. today, Nov. 8, at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church with Skip Hedgepeth officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park with Ellis Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Ms. Vogel was born May 2, 1953 in Austin to James and Sandy Bramlett. She graduated from Seminole High School in 1971, where she was a tennis star. Following graduation from Seminole High School, she joined the Air Force. She later graduated with a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. Ms. Vogel coached tennis at Trinity and for MISD at Midland junior high schools and at Midland High School. She was the head tennis coach at MHS.

She is survived by her husband, Bobby Vogel; her children, Brandy Bruzgo of Langhorne, Pa. and Hunter Hazen of Key West, Fla.; step-children, Gina Vogel and Jeremy Vogel of Midland; her mother, Sandra Br... ett Basham and her husband Bill of Midland; two sisters, Barbara Starnes of Odessa and Jill Bramlett of Plano; one brother Jeff Bramlett of San Antonio; a grandson, one nephew and one niece.

Memorials may be directed to the Bone Marrow Transplant Program, in care of the Baylor Foundation, Baylor or Charles A. Sammons Cancer Center, Texas Oncology, P.A. Dallas, Texas 75246 or Home Hospice.

Charles Fryar

BIG SPRING — Charles Neil Fryar, 72, died Tuesday, Nov. 6, in a Stanton nursing home. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on June 16, 1929 in Big Spring and married Betty Blissard on May 22, 1948 in Big Spring. He had live in the area all his life. He had farmed until retiring in 1998. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Stanton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence Walker and Venna Mae Daniels Fryar.

Survivors include two sons, Danny Fryar of Stanton and Steve Fryar of Big Spring; one brother, Dale Fryar of Big Spring; one sister, Ina Faye Kuhlman of Lenorah; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater West Texas Chapter, 4400 N. Big Spring, Suite C-32, Midland, Texas 79705.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. today at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Ira Wilson

SARASOTA, Fla. — Ira B. "Barney" Wilson, 88, formerly of Midland, died Oct. 28. Services were held at Palms Memorial Park. Palms Funeral Home handled arrangments.

He was born Nov. 7, 1912, in Commanche and moved to Sarasota in 1968 from Midland. He was retired from the Texas Highway Department. He was an Army veteran of World War II and was a prisoner of war for three years in Germany. He was a member of Tatum Ridge Baptist Church.

He is survived by two stepdaughters, Rosie Turner and Bonnie Cyr, both of Sarasota; and a sister, Irene Woodruff of Midland.

Donations may be directed to Tatum Ridge Baptist Church.

Kyle Peterson

LAMESA — Kyle Peterson, 44, died Tuesday, Nov. 6, at his residence.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 9, at First United Methodist Church in Lamesa with the Rev. Herry Hurst officiating, assisted by the Rev. David Black. Burial will be in Lamesa Memorial Park at 10 a.m., Friday, Nov. 9.

Peterson was born July 30, 1957 in Lamesa. He graduated from Klondike High School in 1975. He farmed in Dawson and Lubbock counties and was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Lamesa.

He is survived by his his parents, Don and Mary Lane Peterson; two daughters, Christine Lane Peterson of Midland and Kelsie Porter of Levelland; one son, Bobby Bellows of Lubbock; and one brother, Kent Peterson of Lamesa.

FIRE: Olgin suffered only minor burns on his hands

(From 1B)

Cota said Olgin was lucky to escape the blaze, which blocked exits from the back and front doors. Olgin jumped from his bedroom window to escape the fire. Olgin suffered only minor burns on his hands.

Upon arrival, EMS crews were worried Olgin's daughter might have been in the home. Fortunately, she had stepped out to get something to eat when the fire struck.

While the fire left no one with injuries, the blaze did gut the majority of the home. On Wednesday, the home was left with little but wet carpet and charred remains. Every room was affected by the fire. A ceiling fan's burned blades drooped from its base and barely stayed attached to the ceiling where fire burned enough of it away to reveal most of the attic. A vinyl coat hanging on a rack was fried and solidified in a bedroom.

Olgin refused transportation to Midland Memorial Hospital and was treated at the scene.

TECH: Many courses can be completed via Internet

(From 1B)

Odessa are having to drive a long way to get health care," said nursing student Troy Gray. "A lot of the folks in West Odessa are underserved and have a minimal income, and it makes it hard on them to even make it to health care facilities."

School of Nursing Assistant Professor Carol Boswell said the shortage of nurses has prompted the school to emphasize rural care, which mostly consists of the primary care of patients — the maintenance of medications and chronic illnesses, day-to-day illnesses, immunizations, routine checkups and disease prevention.

"We've been real good about finding out what their medical needs are and fulfilling those needs," she said. "Here in Odessa, we've set up a consortium that looks at the shortage, particularly in nursing, because that's the shortage that the whole nation is facing."

In addition to stressing the rural needs, the center also has expanded its technology to attract more rural students. The HealthNet and Telemedicine programs allow rural clinics to consult with TTUHSC specialists, and most of the Bachelor's of Science in nursing degree can be completed over the Internet.

TRAIN: Scenarios end at noon today

(From 1B)

beer bottles.

"It is highly probable that the (cartel and the terrorist organization) are working in concert to conduct a terrorist incident in the Midland/Odessa, El Paso, and or Brownsville area to further their criminal and ideological goals," the scenario revealed.

In the scenario, numerous microwave towers were sabotaged or damaged, disabling cell phone traffic. Of additional concern was the possible threat to the Permian Basin International Oil Show at Ector County Coliseum.

Wednesday's scenario became even more intensive and draining to the participants who — while performing their normal duties — also had to work with the scenario.

As the make-believe violence escalated killing firefighters and law enforcement officers, each department worked to gather body bags, manage decontamination and dispatch fire crews to scenes where sarin gas was killing people. The flurry of flying papers and ringing phones kept most of the officials busy. A phone call to the officials from the city's health department indicated a need for 100 body bags at one point.

Ms. Tina Jauz said the scenario, while draining, was good training to test their skills.

"It has been a good learning experience, just all the departments communicating together," Ms. Jauz said. "They might be sitting a few feet away in the room, but you don't always know what is going on in the room."

Little, emergency management coordinator for the county and this training, said he was happy with the response by all personnel.

"I think the coordination has been great," Little said. "We've all learned a lot. I've never seen cooperation like we've had. Midland, Odessa, the state, the feds, everybody. It has been great."

The scenario will continue until noon today in a final assessment session. In 45 days, a second assessment is due from NERRTC to officials from Midland and Odessa. The inclusive judgment assesses the capabilities and preparedness of Midland and Odessa's abilities to communicate and to respond in the scenario.

MC: Money for TIF grant comes from phone bills

(From 1B)

alog of resources, as well as Internet access for students and staff in the distance learning and multi-media classrooms and general purpose computer, writing, reading and language labs. The upgrades will also benefit Midland College's distance learning students in Fort Stockton, Big Lake, Iraan and Ozona, who access the LRC's holdings over the Internet.

Midland College Vice President of Institutional Advancement Eileen Piwetz said grants like these help the college to be competitive in technological advancements.

"With the pace of technology, the changes, the development of the college — without these external funds, the college would not be able to keep the pace and stay state-of-the art as far as how we teach our students," she said. "We could not prepare students, nor could we compete, without this external funding."

The TIF grants are issued from funds subtracted from local phone bills. The agency receives approximately $150 million per year in revenues from telecommunications assessments to disburse over a 10-year period. To receive the disbursements, the recipients must use the funds to address needs of rural and/or other under served populations. Sever said he's excited the fund will be returned to the community.

"We are anxious to obtain as much of the TIF grant funding as possible," he said. "This represents a return of our money the phone bill assesses to our community."

TODAY'S FUNERALS
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Police chase burning tractor-trailer through Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — Police arrested the driver of a flaming lumber truck Wednesday after chasing the stolen rig for more than 90 minutes as it careened across highways and through neighborhoods.

At one point, a police officer fired shots at the cab of the tractor-trailer as it slowed. But the truck pulled away.

Several officers finally pulled the driver out after the truck after it apparently pulled over near a bridge where traffic was restricted by construction.

No injuries were reported during the chase that took a circuitous route through the nation's ninth-largest city, home to 1.2 million residents.

The chase began shortly after police responded to an aggravated robbery call in south Dallas, police spokeswoman Diana Watts said. Officers saw the owner of the truck hanging off the back of the rig as it was being stolen. The owner fell off, but he didn't appear to be seriously injured, Watts said.

During the chase, flames and thick black smoke erupted from the truck, which was loaded with a forklift, plastic piping, wood and other construction materials. It was unclear how the fire started, Watts said.

Police did not immediately release the driver of the stolen truck's name, his condition or what charges he was arrested on.

"He had enough time to draw a crowd. When he came by he waved, he yelled, he was honking his horn," witness Jorge Villarreal told KDFW-TV.

Police at one point instructed schools near the route to keep children at schools until the chase had ended. The truck missed a small school bus by just feet at one point.

The chase was covered live nationally for nearly 40 minutes on CNN and Fox News Channel.

The Federal Aviation Administration is investigating whether television stations in the Dallas area violated restrictions on news helicopters, which have been banned from operating within a 22-mile radius from the nation's largest airports as a result of the Sept. 11 attacks.

Pilots violating the rules risk losing their licenses.

AP Photo

A stolen semi truck loaded with construction materials and on fire crosses an intersection Wednesday afternoon in South Dallas. Police arrested the driver of the flaming lumber truck after chasing the stolen rig for more than 90 minutes in a chase that took a circuitous route through the nation's ninth-largest city, home to 1.2 million residents.

Grand jury indicts man for anthrax hoax

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A federal grand jury indicted William Oneal Holden of Fair Oaks on Wednesday, accusing him of an anthrax hoax aimed at a person he had been feuding with.

Holden, 51, is charged with mailing a threatening communication.

An affidavit alleges that Holden delivered a package containing white particles to a Mail Boxes, Etc. in Bexar County to be mailed to someone in Austin. After Holden left the package, employees found the white substance and the words, "Watch the white powder" on it.

Holden said the mailing was a joke.

Holden could face up to five years in prison and a fine of $250,000 for the federal offense. He remains free on $50,000 bond.

The case is being investigated by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

Residents vote in record numbers to dissolve city's ED corporation

PAMPA (AP) — Pampa residents have voted to dissolve the city's economic development corporation.

The balloting Tuesday brought a record turnout of 3,190 of the city's 12,410 registered voters, or about 25 percent. The PEDC vote was 1,786 to 1,404 for dissolving the entity.

In September, residents gathered enough signatures on a petition asking for an election to vote on the dissolution of the PEDC, which has been operating in Pampa since April 1992.

Several Pampa citizens had questioned the financial condition of the PEDC, claiming the organization was $2.5 million in debt. It also came on the heels of National Pig Development (USA) efforts to move to Gray County.

The half-cent sales tax collected to fund the PEDC will continue to be collected until the debt is retired. A new economic development corporation cannot be formed until then. Pampa officials estimated the debt will be retired in about five years.

Jerry Foote, acting vice president of the PEDC board, said he was disappointed with the election outcome, "but I believe everybody involved did what they thought was best for the community."

Foote told the Pampa News he hopes residents will rally to help Pampa's economy survive and prosper.

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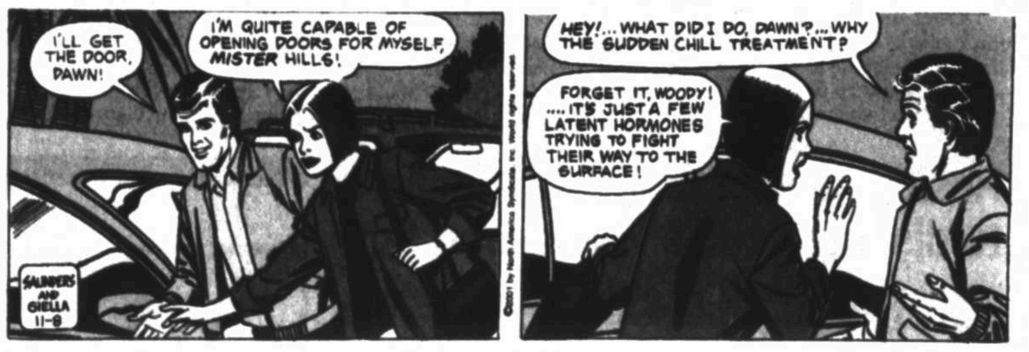

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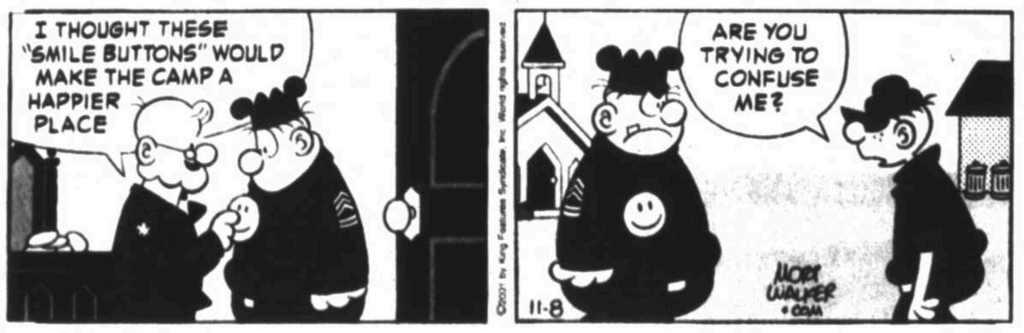

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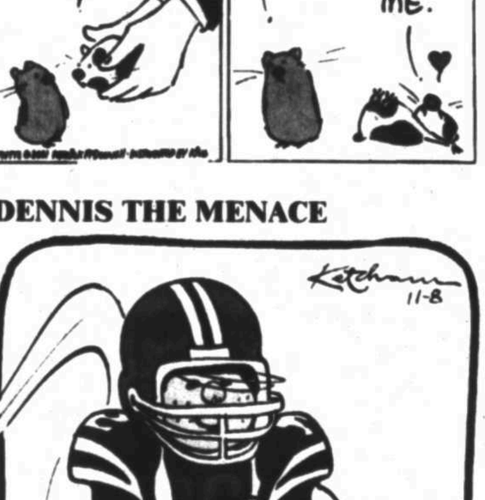

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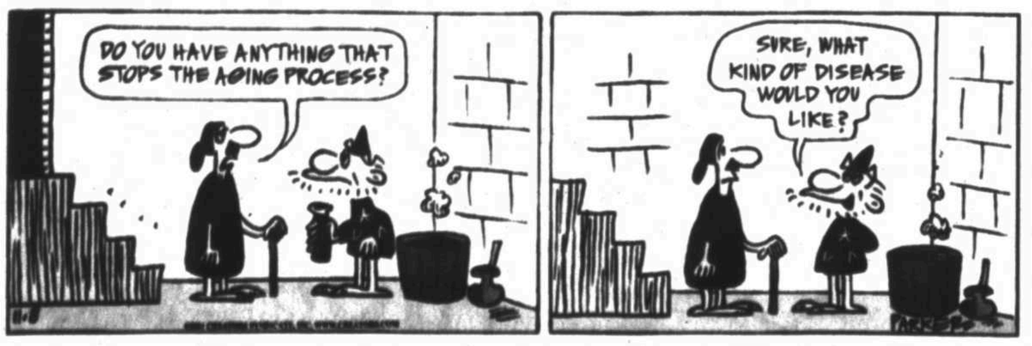

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DILBERT

Physicians: Doctors need to educate public to allay fears

By Connie Mabin
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Physicians need to be better educated so they can calm patients nervous about anthrax and other threats of bioterrorism, a group of doctors discussing bioterrorism said Wednesday.

The physicians, a committee made up of members of the Texas Medical Association, also said local, state and federal officials need to work with doctors and other health care providers to better prepare for possible attacks.

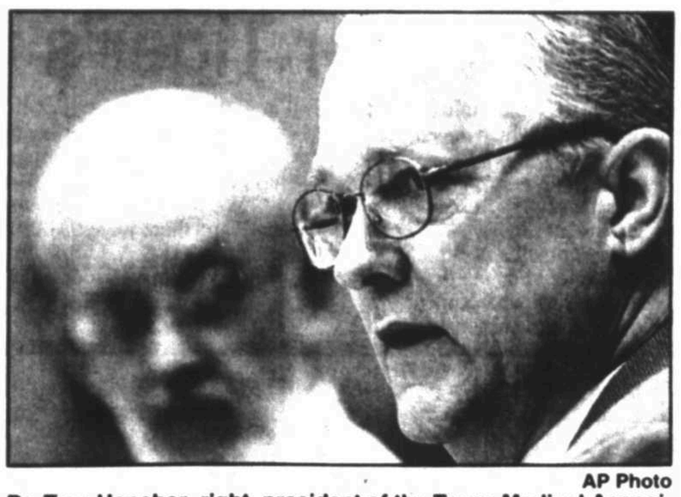
"I think my main mission is to calm down these 20 million Texans who are scared to death of anthrax," said Dr. David Morgan of the Central Texas Poison Center in Temple.

The group will draft recommendations for health care providers and others on how to improve bioterrorism preparedness and education in Texas, said chairman Ronald Blanck, president of the University of North Texas Health Science Center in Fort Worth.

The doctors discussed ways they can arm fellow physicians with complete and accurate information about preventing, recognizing, treating and reporting anthrax, small pox, plague and other bioterrorism threats.

Members also talked about helping the public understand anthrax.

One idea was to develop multi-language, simple pamphlets for patients listing facts and misconceptions about the disease. It would include facts such as a runny nose and sore throat are symptoms of a cold or flu but not anthrax, for example.



AP Photo
Dr. Tom Hancher, right, president of the Texas Medical Association, gives the charge to the association's Task Force on Bioterrorism on Wednesday, in Austin. The group's first meeting was aimed at discussing what the medical community can do to better prepare for bioterrorism. On the left is Dr. Ronald Blanck, from Fort Worth, who chairs the task force.

The task force's first meeting included discussions ranging from public education to having enough hospital equipment should a chemical or biological attack result in tens of thousands of casualties.

"We don't know what agent could be used," said Dr. Charles Haley of the Health Care Financing Administration in Richardson. "So we need to be smart and respond rapidly when there is an event."

Clear and quick communication with public health agencies in all levels of government, hospitals, physicians, law enforcement, the veterinary community and others is paramount, the physicians said.

"As physicians and physician associations we are the front line of defense," said Tom Hancher, president of the 37,000-member Texas Medical Association. "It's been said we're the eyes, ears and the stethoscopes to meet these challenges and I think that's absolutely true."

The committee also heard from the state's new health commissioner, Dr. Eduardo Sanchez.

Sanchez reviewed a $12 million plan to improve the state's ability to prepare for and respond to bioterrorism after a Texas Department of Health report concluded the state was ill-prepared.

The department wants to add staff, upgrade laboratory equipment and improve training, among other things.

"This would take us a long way toward being prepared," Sanchez said.

Judge voids jury's $75 million award to Mexican heiress

LAREDO (AP) — A retrial has been ordered in a case in which a Webb County jury awarded a Monterrey, Mexico, heiress $75 million in a lawsuit against her stepmother.

Cristina Brittingham Sada de Ayala had claimed her stepmother, Ana Maria de la Fuente de Brittingham, owed her money based on an unpaid promissory note for $34 million signed by Brittingham.

Following a three-week trial in May, a jury ruled in favor of Ayala.

Judge Elma Salinas Ender set aside the judgment Monday and granted a new trial for Brittingham's countersuit.

Brittingham claims her stepdaughter forged the promissory note on Brittingham's pre-signed stationary and says she never received the loan.

Ayala is the daughter of Mexican industrialist Don Juan R. Brittingham, who died in January 1998. He married Brittingham in 1986.

Ender did not cite a reason for granting the defense motion for a new trial.

The court has not scheduled hearings for the second trial.

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This spring Texas legislators considered — and the Public Utility Commission is working to implement — measures that would ensure more customers throughout the state have access to advanced telecommunications services — like high-speed Internet access — at reasonable prices.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Augusta National keeps flame burning for Tiger's foundation

AUGUSTA, Ga. — **Tiger Woods** is still reaping rewards from the Masters.

Augusta National chairman Hootie Johnson announced Tuesday that the club is donating $500,000 to the Tiger Woods Foundation, which supports community-based programs that promote health, education and welfare of children.

"At Augusta National, we continue to support those organizations that are equipped to make informed decisions on the use of the donations for the good of the game," Johnson said. "Tiger's commitment to serve as a role model in this mission will have a huge influence on America's youth and the future of the game of golf."

Augusta National already has pledged $3 million to charity this year, including $1 million to the First Tee program.

"I never expected this, and I am thrilled that Augusta National has come through in support of the Tiger Woods Foundation in such a big way," Woods said.

Woods is a two-time winner of the Masters, including his victory this year that made him the first player to win four straight professional majors.

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LONDON — **Samuel L. Jackson** likes to wear his kilt "Scottish style" — without underpants — he said at the world premiere of "The 51st State."

Decked out in the distinctive Scottish garment and a wool sweater at the West End opening, Jackson said Tuesday that only cold weather and certain camera angles forced him to break with local tradition during filming.

"The kilt is extremely comfortable and quite warm as the material is thick and there's lots of pleats," the 52-year-old actor said. "I have been wearing it Scottish style, though sometimes it's too cold or risky for the camera shot."

"The 51st State," a comedy-action movie about an American who braves British crime rings in a bid to introduce a new designer drug to the country, was filmed mostly on location in Liverpool, England.

Jackson's character, Elmo McElroy, dons a kilt for parts of the movie.

"The 51st State," also staring Emily Mortimer and Rhys Ifans, is scheduled for release in the United Kingdom on Dec. 7 and in the United States in 2002.

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NEW YORK — **Larry Hagman** is known for playing the powerful, conservative J.R. Ewing on "Dallas."

But in real life, the actor talks openly about the hallucinations he experienced the first time he dropped acid.

"This cave door opened up right in front of me — I mean it was really real — and there were octopuses guarding the gates and a lion with feathers and it could fly. It was very, very scary," Hagman told AP Radio.

"And I looked up to my left and my grandmother who'd been dead for, like, 25 years was sitting up and she kind of levitated in the sky above me and she says, 'Don't worry about it — go with the flow.'"

The 70-year-old actor recently had another vision: He saw Linda Gray, who played his wife Sue Ellen on "Dallas," do her nude scene in the London production of "The Graduate," in which she plays Mrs. Robinson.

"She looks absolutely stunning," Hagman said. "It's done with proper lighting and everything but you can see just about everything. She's a beautiful woman and she takes care of her body. She's 61 now and she looks absolutely sensational."

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NEW YORK — **Brad Pitt** would seem to have it all — great career, great looks, great wife in Jennifer Aniston.

But the actor said he spent a year and a half in treatment, though he won't specify why.

"I crashed and burned, so I wanted to understand how I operate," Pitt told Vanity Fair magazine for its December issue.

"I came from a place where you had to be crazy to go to a crazy doctor, and my background is very few words — actions speak for the words. It's just as important what's not said as what is said. We don't talk about our feelings that way. ...

"I've thought about pulling a Mariah Carey, but I know too much now," Pitt said, referring to the pop singer's hospitalization this year for an emotional breakdown.

Later, the 37-year-old actor said, "I was just joking."

Pitt co-stars with George Clooney, Matt Damon and Julia Roberts in Steven Soderbegh's remake of "Ocean's 11," which opens Dec. 7.

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BURBANK, Calif. — **Martina McBride** says she's seeing displays of patriotism that are "almost surreal" at times.

"Everything has taken on a different meaning" since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the singer told AP Radio. "For the first time in my life, I'm really feeling the patriotism and what it means to be an American, so it's an emotional thing to sing the national anthem now."

The 35-year-old has been singing in concerts around the country, and responding to invitations to sing patriotic songs at sports and other events.

"We were doing the (national) anthem on 'Monday Night Football' and there were 60,000 people all waving American flags and chanting, 'U-S-A, U-S-A.' It's like something you'd see in a movie, you know. It was such an incredible experience," she said.

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Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TV TONIGHT

THURSDAY EVENING — NOVEMBER 8, 2001

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(3) KMID	2	3	2	News CC 137	Wheel of Fortune 717	Whose Line? 4750	Whose Line? 601	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire (iTV) ∩ 'G' 8663		Primetime Thursday (N) CC 8427		News CC 9345088	Nightline (N) 46295446	Politically 3814601	(:38) Cheers 1783427
(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	King of the Hill 65311	Raymond 56663	Family Guy CC 39408	Tick 'Pilot' 'PG' 85175	Temptation Island 2 (Part 2 of 2) '14' CC 86021		Cops '14' CC 79243	Blind Date 38069	Jerry Springer '14' CC 31412		Suddenly 81088	Spin City ∩ CC 31243
(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 1311	Ent. Tonight 2663	Survivor: Africa A fifth person is voted out. 17359		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (N) CC 93779		Agency "Deadline" (N) ∩ 'PG' CC 49953		News 5881088	(:35) Late Show Faith Evans (N) ∩ 'PG' 93967069		Late Late 8138494
(9) KWES	9	9	9	News 1717	Seinfeld ∩ CC 2069	Friends (N) CC 6156	Will & Grace CC 1953	Will & Grace (N) ∩ 2576	Just Shoot Me (N) 4311	ER "If I Should Fall From Grace" (N) ∩ '14' 59359		News 3153330	(:35) Tonight Show ∩ '14' CC 20320885		Late Night '14' 8504446
(12) KMLM	42	12	19	Prince 15595	John Hagee 39175	Update With 70934	Sam Soleyn 35359	Light of the Southwest 68663				Hour of Healing ∩ 87798		Update With 52514	Church 93021
(13) KOCV	36	13		Newshour With Jim Lehrer CC 134682		West Tex Jrnl 458514	Business Schl 173311	Frontline "Gunning for Saddam" (N) ∩ 601779		Mystery! "Second Sight" CC (DVS) 614243		Business Rpt. 490750	Telecourse 416798	GED Connection CC 650205	
(10) WGN		10		Fresh Pr. 645069	Fresh Pr. 629021	Allan Quatermain and the Lost City of Gold (PG, '87) ★½ Richard Chamberlain. ∩ 859363				News ∩ CC 180717		In the Heat of the Night "Quick Fix" CC 150576		Matlock "The Heist" ∩ (Part 2 of 2) CC 459327	
(11) WTBS		11	11	Fresh Pr. 423953	Friends ∩ 'PG' 414205	A Few Good Men (R, '92) ★★★½ Tom Cruise, Demi Moore, Jack Nicholson. A Navy lawyer defends two Marines in a comrade's death. 59953934						Pro Birds (:15) (PG-13, '90) ★★ Nicolas Cage, Tommy Lee Jones, Sean Young. 33219040			
(18) UNI		42	13	Carita de Angel (SS) 91576		Amigas y Rivales (SS) 84601		Derecho de Nacer (SS) 60021		Los Meliches 80885		Primer Impacto 80972	Noticiero Univ. 66392	El Super Blablazo (SS) 33137	
(20) DISC		20	26	Wild Discovery: Whitetail Deer: Survivors 796446		Ghost Detectives 'G' 230205		Mysteries of the Unexplained 249953		Science Mysteries 269717		Justice Files "Under the Influence" 239576		Ghost Detectives 'G' 212069	
(21) AMC		21	31	Three Stooges 136040		The Lion in Winter (PG, '68) ★★★★ 9308040				The Friends of Eddie Coyle (:15) ★★½ 86483205				Lot 968576	Satan Never
(22) TNN		22	35	Mad TV ∩	Mad TV ∩	Star Trek Gen. 452311		Used People (PG-13, '92) ★★½ ∩ 472175				Star Trek: The Next Generation 945866			Mad TV ∩
(23) TNT		23	28	Pretender CC 994972		Law & Order ∩ 445021		NBA Basketball Philadelphia 76ers at Houston Rockets. 671330					NBA 276088	The Golden Child 824934	
(24) CNN		28	22	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire (N)	The Point (N) 876021		Larry King Live 892069		Special Report 872205		Greenfield	Moneyline	Larry King Live 841595	
(26) BET		26	33	106 & Park	BET.com	Way We Do It 704311		Oh Drama! 720359		Comicview 700595		BET Tonight 703682		Midnight Love 603243	
(27) DISN		27	41	Smart House ('99) ★★ Ryan Merriman, Katey Sagal. (TVG) CC 6795069			Troop Beverly Hills (:35) (PG, '89) ★★ Shelley Long, Craig T. Nelson, Betty Thomas. CC 20875865			Mr. Headmistress (:20) ('98) ★★ Harland Williams. (TVG) CC 71451311				So Weird 430224	Hoops 338427
(28) ESPN2		63		College Basketball 1235021			Hoops	College Basketball 3517576				Strongman	Strongman	NBA 2Night	NHL 2Night
(29) ESPN		29	30	Gameday 175779	College Football Air Force at Colorado State (Live) CC 564156					Sportscenter CC 816934				Sidelines 964750	2-Minute Drill 938595
(30) USA		30	38	JAG "Blindside" ∩ 'PG' CC 327330		Mr. Holland's Opus (PG, '95) ★★★ Richard Dreyfuss, Glenne Headly, Jay Thomas. A music teacher shapes the lives of his young charges. ∩ CC 738779						Martin CC 683408	Martin CC 692156	Living Single 142576	Larroquette 109021
(31) FX		31		Buffy Vampire 3883243		Practice CC 1456446		Practice CC 1432866		Married...	Married...	Ally McBeal ∩ 1455717		Wildest Police 6106381	
(32) A&E		32	25	Law & Order "The Wages of Love" 'PG' 781514		Biography "Enzo Ferran" (N) 'G' CC 258601		Biography "Ferdinand Porsche" (N) 'G' 234021		Patrol "Dead Man's Mirror" 'G' CC 254885		Law & Order "Computer Virus" 'PG' CC 257972		Biography "Enzo Ferran" 'G' CC 207137	
(33) TLC		33	21	Medical Detect 857525	Medical Detect 152917	Misdiagnosis of Death 'PG' 454779		Tornado: Survival 'PG' 463427		Superstorms 'G' CC 443663		Misdiagnosis of Death 'PG' 446750		Tornado: Survival 'PG' 412953	
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(43) FSN		43	29	Totally NASCAR 14663	You-See This! 38243	Mavericks 11088	NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Dallas Mavericks. From American Airlines Center in Dallas. (Subject to Blackout) (Live) 502514					SW Sports Rpt. 51408	Sports Report 60156	Last Word (N) 10576	Best-Sports 64021
(44) COM		44		Daily Show 4802663	Ben Stein 4826243	Raising Arizona (PG-13, '87) ★★★ Nicolas Cage, Holly Hunter, Trey Wilson. 7586682				Real Com 7564663	Pulp Comics 9302791	Daily Show 6319601	N.Y. Friars Club Roast of Hugh M. Hefner 4474953	Primetime 9596595	
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Pressure builds. You might worry about what to do in an important situation. You can count on a partner, who does everything possible to make your life easier. Unexpected developments could upset the apple cart. Tonight: Change plans, if need be.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Carefully establish limits with a well-meaning associate who might go overboard trying to please you. On the other hand, this person could expect the same from you. Excitement surrounds work. Tonight: Head home as soon as you can.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Deal with unanticipated events with your normal alertness and spontaneity. Your co-workers rise to the occasion, demonstrating a true sense of flexibility and freedom. Clear out any hassles with a talk or a phone call. Tonight: Out and about.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Caring builds within your immediate circle. Pitch in at work. Add to office morale by bringing in cookies. Your sense of humor helps you work through a money matter quickly. Realize another's financial limits. Tonight: Curb a tendency to go to excess.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Though you might be sure about what you want, others seem to put obstacles in your path. Still, be gentle with those close to you. Creating an uproar won't help, anyway. Allow yourself to be as spontaneous as another. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Take your time with associates. You could feel as if you have had enough and you want to pull back. Your nerves could be frazzled when dealing with work and people in general. Know when to close your door or vanish. Cut out early if possible. Tonight: Relax.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Get together with friends, and socialize to your heart's content. If a child or loved one acts in an unpredictable manner, be understanding. This person could be jealous and could need you more than you realize. Tonight: Make a meeting.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Planetary changes make you unusually attractive and verbal. Use this increased charisma and wit to add to your public or professional profile. Think in terms of image and long-term success. Your family or a roommate follows an unpredictable path. Tonight: Work late.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Reach out for those at a distance. Listen carefully to someone. You could be surprised. You also might take someone's comments the wrong way. Try to take emotionalism out of the mix. Detachment provides many more solutions. Tonight: Take in a movie

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Deal directly with an associate or partner. Money might be a critical issue — far more than you realize. Mobilize good will in a meeting. Think in terms of the overall good. Everyone has a different idea. Listen, but cut your losses if you need to. Tonight: Allow someone to treat you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Your unpredictability unnerves others. You see the results. Perhaps cutting back from knee-jerk reactions could help. Bosses or someone you respect gives you important feedback regarding this issue. You have a friend in the right places. Tonight: Do what another requests.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Dig into work. Do whatever you need to do to clear out work. Reach out for someone at a distance. You find that others are delighted to hear from you. Make plans to get together with others. Sign up for a workshop or seminar. Bone up on a favorite topic. Tonight: Do an errand or two on the way home.

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44 Filmed over
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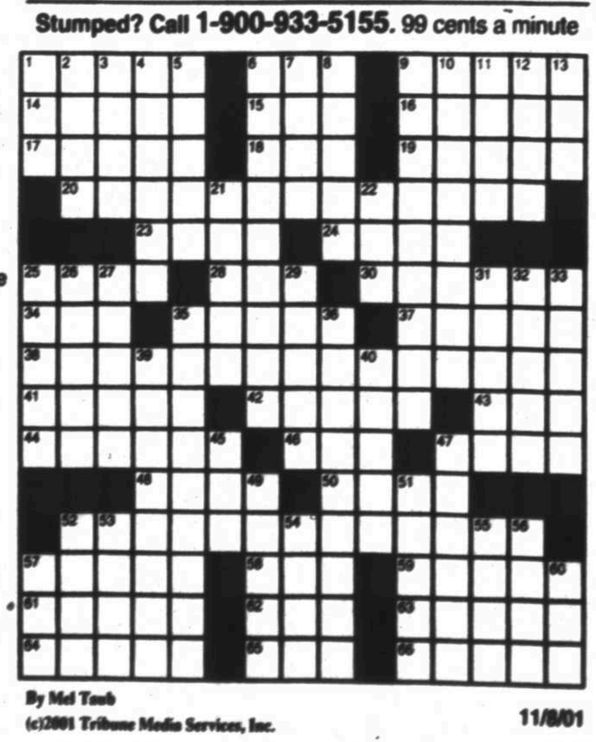

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♡ Void
◇ 10 9 7 6 4 3
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EAST
♠ J 10
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SOUTH
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The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
2♣	3♠	Pass	Pass
4♡	Pass	6♡	Pass
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Opening lead: King of ♠

Freak hands can produce strange results. This deal is from the annual Hong Kong Inter-Cities team event.

Two clubs was an artificial game force and the rest of the auction was natural. North thought that two aces and three-card support for South's suit was ample to raise to slam. At the other table, a similar auction led to the heart slam, and declarer lost a trick in each long suit for down one.

Where Fu Zhong was declarer for a multinational team, the opening lead was the king of spades, taken with dummy's ace. Declarer decided that West had to have a highly distributional hand for the vulnerable jump to three spades, so at trick two he led a club from dummy and, when East followed with the nine, inserted the 10 from hand. When West followed, the club suit was established and South now turned his attention to trumps.

Declarer crossed to dummy by overtaking the king of diamonds with the ace and led a heart. East followed with the four and declarer tried the nine from hand. The result was highly gratifying, and Zhong collected the rest of the tricks to score an overtrick.

Once declarer read the club position correctly, the best the defense could do was to hold declarer to 12 tricks. One way for East to do this would be to split the club honors, forcing declarer to use dummy's diamond entry to take the club finesse. Or East could have split the heart honors to achieve the same result. Not that it mattered since making a slam at one table which went down at the other is a huge swing.

Focus is on differences as campaign to Dec. 1 runoff starts

By Pam Easton
Associated Press

HOUSTON — A day after voters decided Houston's first black mayor should be in a runoff election with a councilman who could become the city's first Hispanic mayor, both men stressed their differences.

"There is a clear difference between the two of us in what we believe," two-term incumbent Lee Brown said Wednesday, pointing to his support for affirmative action, after-school programs and construction of new sports arenas.

Cuban-born challenger Orlando Sanchez said he too believes in the goals of affirmative action but takes a different approach to achieving them. As far as after-school programs, Sanchez said he supports them when they work. But he said Brown has mismanaged the city and voters should give him the chance to repair it.

"I think our issues were the right issues," Sanchez said. "Our campaign did nothing but take off like an airplane. We've got great momentum.

"What people want is someone who will roll up their sleeves, eliminate the waste and talk straight to the people," Sanchez said. "Of all the citizens who voted, almost 60 percent voted against the incumbent and for change. We are going to get our fiscal house in order, get our traffic moving again and take pride in our city again."

Brown collected 125,187 votes, or 44 percent, in Tuesday's election, edging Sanchez, with 115,965, or 40 percent. Another councilman, Chris Bell, had 45,737, or 16 percent. Three other unfunded candidates shared less than 1 percent of the votes.

Since neither Brown nor Sanchez received 50 percent of the vote, the political opposites will face each other in a runoff Dec. 1.

Brown, 64, campaigned last year for Al Gore, the Democratic presidential candidate. Sanchez, 43, is a conservative Republican.

Bell, a Democrat, said he would meet with both and then make an endorsement based on the issues.

"It could be quite a slugfest and I suspect it will be," Bell said of the runoff campaign.

Political analysts say the runoff will be based on partisan politics in what is officially a nonpartisan race.

"Brown is going to try and paint Orlando Sanchez as much farther to the right than most of the voters in Houston to make sure none of the moderate Democratic vote goes to Sanchez," said Kent Tedin, chairman of the University of Houston political science department.

"Even though this is a nonpartisan race, a lot of it has been driven by partisan politics and some identity with race," he said. "There hasn't been any overriding issue."

Tatcho Mindiola, the director of the University of Houston's Center for Mexican-American Studies, said Sanchez's story of leaving Cuba with his family after the Castro takeover and of finding success in America is playing well among Houston Hispanics.

"Hispanics want a piece of the action. They are the new kid on the block and that apparently is more important to them then the issues," Mindiola said. "For Mexican-American voters it's the opportunity to vote for a cousin."

But Tyrone Tillery, an associate professor of history and race relations at the school, said he doesn't agree that Mexican-Americans, who make up the majority of Houston's Hispanic population, are overlooking the issues because of Sanchez's ethnicity.

"He is a Republican and the majority of the Hispanic community is Democratic. They know which party looks out for their best interest," Tillery said. "It is too simplistic to say because Sanchez is Hispanic it is going to pull Hispanics into his campaign. When the difference is made that Sanchez is a conservative Republican who represents the middle class, many Hispanics will realize that their interest is with the Democratic candidate."

Brown will have walk a fine line, Tedin said.

"If it looks as if he is attacking Orlando, it will look like a black candidate attacking a Hispanic and I see that as being counterproductive," Tedin said. "The issue will be what will moderate white voters do? Are they going to move from Chris Bell to Orlando Sanchez, who is seen as the outsider, because there is dissatisfaction with the incumbent? It will be a very difficult decision and it will be hard to predict."

Mindiola and Tillery say the outcome will depend on how well Brown mobilizes his Democratic supporters in the coming weeks.

"He has the advantage," Mindiola said. "It's his race to lose."

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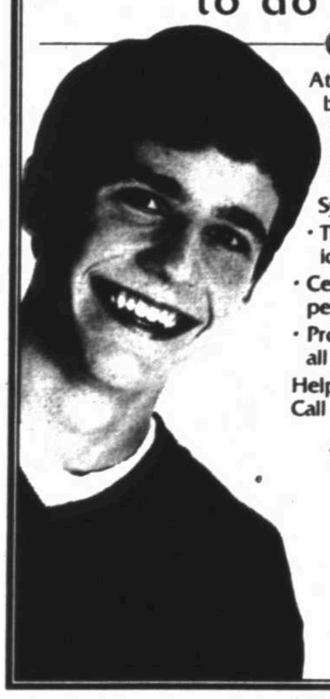

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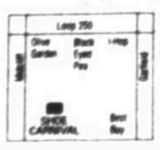

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Leaf gets start against Atlanta

By Stephen Hawkins
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Quincy Carter is doing what most rookie quarterbacks do, standing on the sidelines carrying a clipboard.

But the Dallas Cowboys were hoping he'd be the starting quarterback.

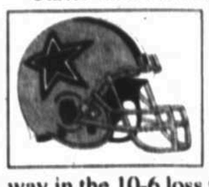
A thumb injury and torn left hamstring have limited Carter to less than five quarters of play and forced Dallas (2-5) to do the quarterback shuffle once again.

Ryan Leaf will start Sunday at Atlanta, giving the Cowboys four different starting quarterbacks in the same season for the first time ever.

Carter hasn't lost favor with the Cowboys. Owner Jerry Jones and coach Dave Campo both said Carter will start once he recovers, probably early December.

"I look at him as our quarterback, because we feel he has all of the tools necessary and we still feel that when he has his opportunity, he will grow and become a very good quarterback," Campo said.

Plus, the Cowboys still have to get a real evaluation of Carter, who could start throwing passes again this week but won't be participating in team drills.



Carter was the first person drafted in April by the Cowboys (second round, 53rd player overall). He became the starter when Tony Banks was suddenly cut after just two preseason games.

After playing all of the way in the 10-6 loss to Tampa Bay in the season opener, when the game plan was very limited for his first start, Carter bruised the thumb on his throwing hand in practice and missed two games.

He tore his hamstring in the first quarter of his return Oct. 7 at Oakland.

Carter was just 10-of-24 passing for 38 yards with two interceptions in his two starts. He ran seven times for 37 yards.

"Mr. Jones understands what kind of person I am and what kind of player I'm going to be when I get some more kinks out as far as running the offense and being in the NFL," Carter said. "It makes me feel good to have management on my side."

Anthony Wright started three games, but aggravated a chronic knee sprain and had season-ending surgery.

Clint Stoerner was the starter the last two games, throwing interceptions on four straight second-half drives in last weekend's 27-24 overtime loss at the New York Giants.

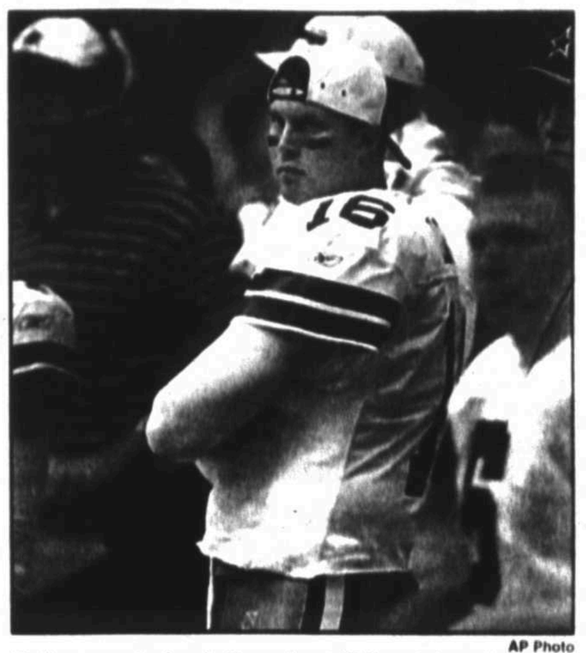
Leaf, the No. 2 overall pick by San Diego in 1998 getting another chance in Dallas, will get his shot as the starter until Carter gets back. He was 4-for-8 passing for 85 yards after replacing Stoerner late last weekend.

While Campo and Jones are both high on their rookie, they've made it no secret that they are evaluating for the future.

"I want Ryan to walk out this weekend and next weekend and have outstanding games, get himself going, get his confidence going and help us get something going," Campo said. "At that point, we get Quincy back and we'll get more of an evaluation of things.

"We have a great situation because hopefully we'll have two or three quarterbacks."

And maybe a clear No. 1 by the start of next season.



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Dallas quarterback Ryan Leaf (16) watches from the sidelines during the 17-3 win over the Arizona Cardinals at Texas Stadium in Irving on Sunday. Leaf will make his first start for the Cowboys this Sunday.

AREA FOOTBALL

Teams fight for playoff spots

Mustangs, Steers continue to fight for playoff berth

By Jay Peden
Sports Writer

With only one game left for each of District 4-4A's eight football teams, only two things are certain: Frenship has clinched a playoff berth, and winless Levelland is out of the running.

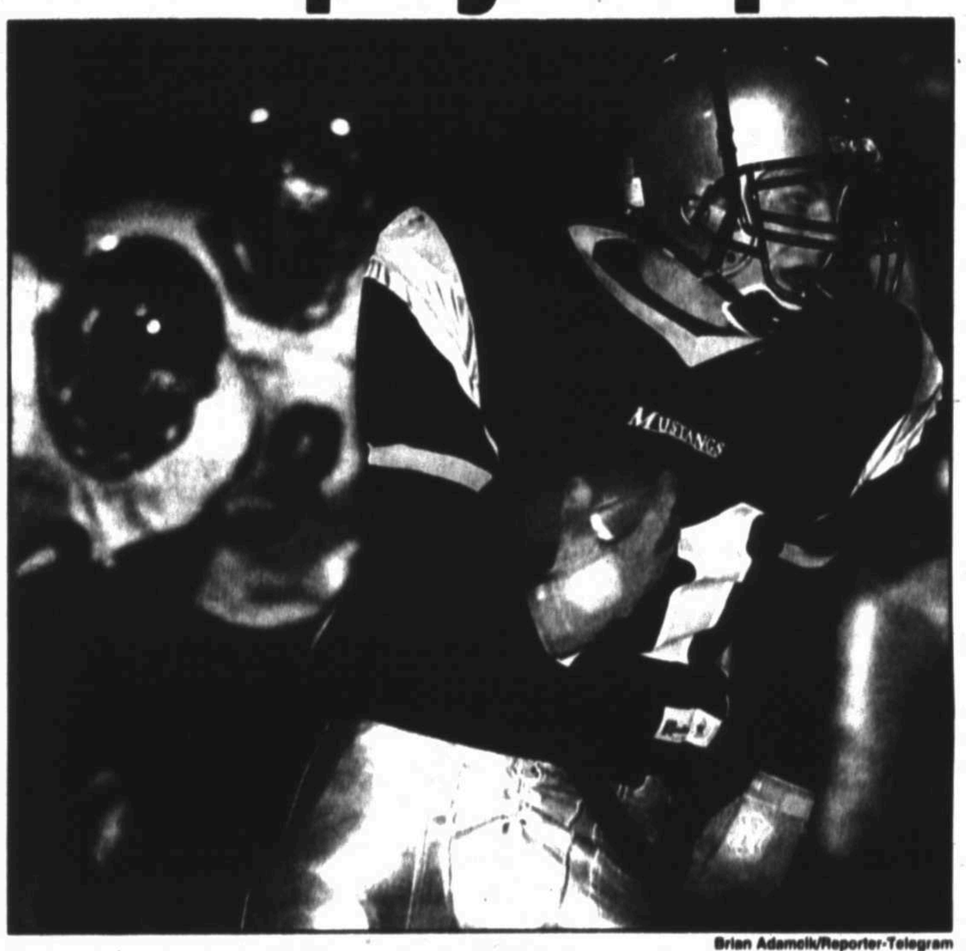
All of the other six teams are fighting for two playoff spots. Plainview is 4-2, and five other teams are tied for third at 3-3: Big Spring, Andrews, Snyder, Lubbock Estacado and San Angelo Lake View.

On the surface, the playoff hopes for Big Spring and Andrews are similar. For each, if it wins, it has a chance to make the playoffs; if it loses, its season is finished.

But Andrews' path is much easier for several reasons, the first of which is this week's opponent. Andrews (4-5) hosts Levelland (0-9) at 7:30 p.m. Friday, while Big Spring (3-6) must travel to play Frenship (7-2) at 7:30 p.m. Friday. In the other two games in the district, Lake View plays at Plainview and Estacado plays at Snyder.

Andrews' only losses to the other teams in the six-team quagmire were close ones — 9-7 to Estacado and 46-42 to Plainview — giving the Mustangs an advantage in many of the tie-breaking scenarios that involve three or more teams. Those ties are broken by comparing deficits in games between all the teams involved in the tie. In District 4-4A, the maximum number of points that can be used from each game is 15.

All the scenarios favor Andrews, coach Mike Lebby said, except "if Frenship beats Big Spring, if Estacado beats Snyder and if Plainview beats Lake View, then it's a two-way tie (with Andrews and Estacado) and we're out because we lost to Estacado, 9-7. That's the only scenario that we can't get in — and of course we've got to win."



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Andrews running back J.J. Hays rushes upfield during a game against Lubbock Estacado earlier this season. The Mustangs will host Levelland this Friday at 7:30 p.m., at the Mustang Bowl.

Big Spring's chances aren't as good, and not just because its opponent is tougher. Big Spring lost to three of the five teams it could be tied

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Rangers hope to gain share of district title

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

The Greenwood Rangers will be going for a slice of the District 3-3A pie at 7:30 p.m. Friday when they travel to play the Denver City Mustangs.

With three teams deadlocked at 3-1 in the district, there is a possibility of having two teams share the district title. Greenwood hopes to be at least one of those teams.

Here's the scenario. If Greenwood beats Denver City and Lamesa beats Seminole, then Greenwood and Lamesa share the title and Denver City still goes to playoffs because it is the only team in the district that has solidly clinched a playoff spot due to positve points. Greenwood can be knocked out of the playoffs if it loses on Friday, Seminole wins by 15 and then loses the coin flip, according to Greenwood coach Bob Purser. Lamesa, like, Greenwood can be knocked out the same way as the Rangers.

"We just need to take care of our business on Friday," said Purser whose team is 7-2 overall.

What's exciting about this Friday for the Rangers is that they still have a lot to play for. Maybe their hopes for a district title was hampered a little when they lost to Lamesa two weeks ago. But with Denver City surprising Lamesa last week, 32-23, it's given the Rangers renewed hope for that first district championship since 1995.

"I was a little surprised with the way Denver City beat Lamesa, but after watching the game film on that game, I could see why," Purser said. "Denver City is pretty good. The only team they've lost to in district has been Brownfield, but they really haven't given up too many points."

The Mustangs (8-1 overall) have only given up 74 points all year and have been outscoring district opponents 118-38.

"The defense appears to be their strength," Purser said. "They are really aggressive and they've got a lot of team speed. They just run to the ball and have a lot of kids who play hard."

Greenwood's defense isn't too shabby either, giving up only 82 points all year and outscoring opponents 155-52. Keep in mind that of those 52 points given up in district, 39 of which were scored by Lamesa.

That defense will have to keep an eye on Mustangs quarterback Armando Galvan, who is a dangerous playmaker out of the backfield, especially when he scrambles.

Last week, the Greenwood Rangers bounced

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Students unlikely to be charged for post-game scuffle

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Prosecutors do not expect to file any charges involving a melee that broke out after Texas Tech's 12-0 victory over Texas A&M.

As many as 1,000 people rushed the field at Jones SBC Stadium on Saturday, tore down a goal post and attempted to send it through the stands in an area primarily occupied by A&M fans.

"It's in the best interest not to file criminal charges against anybody in the outcome of that," Lubbock County District Attorney Bill Sowder said in a story in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal's Thursday edition. "Each school would have the ability to review the conduct of their students and determine if any action on their part would be required."

Sowder also said charges also will not be filed against a Texas A&M student who punched Mike McKinney, Gov. Rick Perry's chief of staff.

McKinney, the father of Texas A&M senior center Seth McKinney, required eight stitches above one eye. Sowder called McKinney a "violent participant" in the football scuffle.

In police reports released Wednesday, Reginald Wallace, the student who hit McKinney said he was trying to prevent fighting when McKinney shoved him and hit him with binoculars.

Wallace told the officer he got angry and punched McKinney in the eye, the Houston Chronicle reported in Thursday's editions.

McKinney threatened to use his "high governmental position" to get back at local police, according to witness statements.

"After the separation of the two men, (McKinney) proceeded to make threats to the police and other stadium workers that they will hear about this later because of some high governmental position that he held," student Nicklos Beihl told police.

The Houston Chronicle reported that another A&M student, Andrew Gamble, said Wallace had gone over the rail and was trying to get back into the stands when McKinney tried to hit him with binoculars. Gamble said Wallace was trying to identify himself as an Aggie.

Witness Andrea Ann Luhm said she was standing 5 feet away, and McKinney was "forcefully" keeping Wallace out of the stands when Wallace appeared to have swung his fist in self-defense. She later went on to report that McKinney "made clear that he worked for the government and that he was going to press charges."

Perry spokeswoman Kathy Walt told the Houston Chronicle that McKinney disputed the witness statements that he was exceptionally aggressive and threatened to use his government position for retaliation.

"Dr. McKinney disputes the descriptions that some of those involved in the melee have given," Walt said.

She said McKinney says he did not throw his official weight around.

McKinney said Monday that he didn't plan to pursue charges.

According to witness statements, after the goal post came down, Tech students stood with it directly in front of the Aggies and were chanting a derogatory slogan.

"During this chant, parents and a few students from the A&M section decided to throw ice violently directly into the faces of the Tech students," Beihl said in his

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OSCAR LEROY

Crossland's defense key to Mustangs' success

As the Midland Christian Mustangs continue to roll up the big offensive numbers this season, it has become quite easy at times to overlook the work of the Mustang defense.

But make no mistake, opponents by now have not overlooked the work of Midland Christian middle linebacker Cody Crossland. Last week, the 6-foot-2, 190-pound junior had a monster game in a 46-14 win by Fort Worth Christian by being in on 28 tackles, 14 of which were solo.

LeRoy

For that performance, Crossland is this week's Reporter-Telegram Area Player of the Week.

That kind of effort by Crossland has been the norm this year with 129 total tackles this season. But Crossland doesn't take all the credit for his success.

"If it wasn't for J.D. Machacek, Jacob Cannon and other guys on the line, I wouldn't have had half of that total," Crossland said. "They're the only reason I'm making the plays. If I wouldn't have the guys I play with, I wouldn't have had as much success. They're just a bunch of hard-nosed guys that want to get out and get the job done. They just want to win and don't care about stats. It just so happens that I'm the person that's making the plays."

Midland Christian coach Greg McClendon said much of his team's defensive scheme is geared around his middle linebacker.

"We ask a whole lot out of him all year long and he's made a ton of plays for us," said McClendon about the leading tackler on his team over the last two years. "He can key on anybody we ask him to. He's just a real disciplined player. The big things you get from Cody is sideline to sideline coverage and consistency."

Crossland is just looking to get better as he has one more year left of high school ball. He's improved every season so far, ever since cracking the starting lineup four games into his freshman year.

Just this past summer, McClendon said Crossland spent a lot of time in the weight room in order to get stronger.

But what McClendon appreciates just as much, if not more, is what kind of person Crossland is. McClendon said that Crossland is different off the field than when he's on the field.

"Off the field, he's a quality person with great character," McClendon said. "On the field, he'll get after you."

On Friday, McClendon will be looking for Crossland's rough side when the Mustangs battle Dallas First Baptist in the TAPPS 4A bi-district playoffs.

Other notable performances from last week:

It just wouldn't be right to do this column without mentioning the work of Garden City's Curtis Eggemeyer, who had another outstanding performance last week with 252 yards on 25 carries and four touchdowns in a 27-0 win for Roby.

Greenwood sophomore Dawson Wilber, filling in for the injured Brandon Smith at quarterback, helped the Rangers to a 49-13 blowout of Brownfield with 111 yards rushing and four touchdowns.

Big Spring's Josh Mathews is becoming another regular here with his outstanding play. Last Friday, the junior tailback rushed for 257 yards on 31 carries and a touchdown to help Big Spring stay alive in the playoff race with a 24-14 win over Snyder.

In Trinity's 28-7 TAPPS 3A playoff victory, Clint Adcox continued his outstanding play with 173 yards on 35 carries and two rushing touchdowns. Adcox also picked off two passes, one of which was returned 50 yards for a score.

Stanton got its first district win of the season and the Buffaloes got a workhorse performance out of Nick Griffin, who rushed for 160 yards on 26 carries in Stanton's 22-19 victory over Forsan.

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MHS' Ward, Pavlis garner honors on all-4-5A volleyball

Staff Report

After finishing second in District 4-5A, the Midland High volleyball team outshone even champion Abilene High on the all-district lists.

Four Midland High seniors made the first team or received an equivalent honor. Sheramie Ward was named the Outstanding Setter, Aubrey Pavlis was honored for Outstanding Defense, and Jessi Hollums and Ashley Burns were first-team selections.

Kanesha Francis of Abilene High, a senior, was named the Most Valuable Player, but only one other Lady Eagle made the first team: junior Calli Corley.

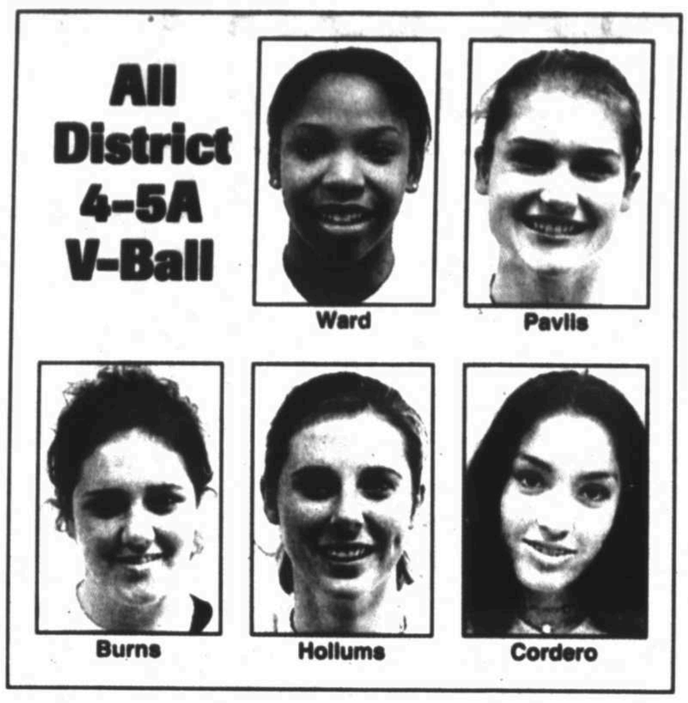
Midland Lee landed one girl, senior Bella Cordero, on the first team.

AHS lost to Amarillo Tascosa, 16-14, 15-5, Tuesday night in the regional quarterfinals. The all-district lists were released after the season was over for AHS, the district's last team left in the playoffs.

Abilene Cooper's Laura Cramer, a junior, joined Ward and Pavlis among the "Outstanding" group as Outstanding Hitter.

Nita Vannoy of San Angelo Central was named the Coach of the Year for guiding the Lady 'Cats from a fifth-place finish last season to the brink of the playoffs this season. Central tied for third with Abilene Cooper but lost a district playoff with Cooper for the district's third spot in the state playoffs.

Apart from the four girls who were either MVP or Outstanding, there were eight first-team selections. The second team has eight more girls, including MHS junior Katie Decker and Lee senior Audra Hocutt.



District 4-5A All-District Volleyball Team

Most Valuable Player: Kanesha Francis, sr., Abilene High.

Outstanding Hitter: Laura Cramer, jr., Abilene Cooper.

Outstanding Setter: **Sheramie Ward, sr., Midland High.**

Outstanding Defense: **Aubrey Pavlis, sr., Midland High.**

Coach of the Year: Nita Vannoy, San Angelo Central.

First Team: Tyki Shorts, sr., Odessa High; Calli Corley, jr., AHS; Jessi Hollums, sr., MHS; Ashley Burns, sr., MHS; Bella Cordero, sr., Midland Lee; Jennifer Flores, sr., Abilene Cooper; Lindsay Huling, sr., Central; Nichole Ayana, jr., Central.

Second Team: **Katie Decker, jr., MHS**; Andrea Moon, sr., Central; Jody Blong, sr., Cooper; Lacey Phillips, soph., Odessa Permian; Kelly Brophy, sr., AHS; Alison Utley, sr., AHS; **Audra Hocutt, sr., Lee**; Juli Wrinkle, sr., OHS.

Honorable mention (Midland players only): **Mandy Gaines, sr., Lee; Casey Dolan, sr., Lee; Amber Zant, jr., MHS; Leah Robison, jr., MHS.**

Bulldogs, Rebels place eight total on all-4-5A tennis

Staff Report

The Midland High tennis team had six first-team selections, while the Lee tennis team had two first team selections in the Fall Team Tennis All-District 4-5A squad recently released.

The selections are based on each individual's results through the course of the fall tennis season. The final selections are done by the District 4-5A tennis coaches committee.

For Midland High, Marcos Valdez, Anthony Kent and Stephen Hilliard were first team boys singles players.

In girls singles, Laura Innerarity from Midland High and Lee's Megan Boyd were first team selections.

Valdez shows up again in boys doubles with partner Kirk Logan as first team selections.

Both MHS and Lee placed girls doubles teams on the first team as MHS was represented by Laura Innerarity and Ashley Shannon, while Lee had the duo of Megan Boyd and Stacey Moore.

District champion Abilene High led 4-5A with 11 first team all-district selections.

On the second team Midland High had seven selections, while Lee had five.

The Rebels also had two honorable mention selections, while MHS only had one named to the honorable mention.

Here are the 2001 Fall Team Tennis All-District 4-5A selections.

First Team

Boys Singles — 1. **Marcos Valdez (Midland High)**; 2. Nathan Johnson (Abilene High); **3. tie, Anthony Kent (MHS)**, and Brent Eaton (AHS); **4. tie, Stephen Hilliard (MHS)**, and Chris Kiser (Permian); 5. Terrance Nolan (San Angelo Central); 6. tie, Quentin Walker (AHS), and Aaron Howard (PHS).

Girls Singles — 1. Megan Langston (AHS); 2. Kama Scott (AHS); **3. Laura Innerarity (MHS)**; 4. tie, Catherine Roark (AHS), and Sarah Byrd (Abilene Cooper); 5. Emily Antilley (AHS); **6. Megan Boyd (Lee)**.

Boys Doubles — 1. Bryce Hicks/Nathan Johnson (AHS); **2. Marcos Valdez/Kirk Logan (MHS)**; 3. Hunter Williams/David Carillo (CHS).

Girls Doubles — 1. Megan Langston/Kama Scott (AHS); 2. Jessica Paup/Catherine Roark (AHS); **3. tie, Laura Innerarity/Ashley Shannon (MHS), and Megan Boyd/Stacy Moore (Lee)**.

Mixed Doubles — 1. Quentin Walker/Rachel Anderson (AHS).

Second Team

Boys Singles — 1. Stewart Walther (SAC); **2. tie, Jonathan Webb (MHS)**, and Dago Flores (SAC); **3. tie, Michael Henthorn (MHS)**, Hunter Williams (CHS), and Steven Campbell (SAC); 4. Taylor Choate (SAC); **5. Carlos Morales (MHS)**; 6. Justin Oostveen (SAC).

Girls Singles — 1. Morgan Smith (CHS); 2. Lindsay Hoefer (CHS); 3. Jessica Paup (AHS); **4. Marianne Reeves (MHS), and Landon Viney (Lee); 5. tie, Emily Buck (Lee)**, and Deanna Carillo (CHS); 6. Rachel Anderson (AHS).

Boys Doubles — **1. tie, Anthony Kent/Jonathan Webb (MHS), and Kyle Czirr/Michael Henthorn (Lee)**; 2. tie, Stewart Walther/Steven Campbell (SAC), and Bob Girard/Jason Kiser (PHS); **3. Stephen Hilliard/Carlos Morales (MHS)**.

Girls Doubles — 1. Morgan Smith/Stephanie Hoefer (CHS); **2. Emily Buck/Landon Viney (Lee); and Lindsey Madden/Marianne Reeves (MHS)**; 3. Paree Radillo/Sara Byrd (CHS).

Mixed Doubles — **Gareth Morton/Ashley Vasicek (MHS).**

Honorable Mention

Boys Singles — Joel Morgan (PHS), Jason Kiser (PHS).

Girls Singles — **Lauren Wilson (Lee); Katie Benton (LHS); Natalie Madden (MHS)**, Andrea Popelka (CHS).

Boys Doubles — Wade Morgan/Aaron Howard (PHS).

Dallas, San Jose skate to 2-2 tie

Associated Press

DALLAS — The Dallas Stars have won three consecutive Pacific Division titles. The San Jose Sharks are determined to end that streak.

Owen Nolan's short-handed goal midway through the second period lifted the Sharks into a 2-2 tie with the Stars on Wednesday night.

The Sharks maintained a five-point lead over Dallas in the Pacific, although the tie ended San Jose's five-game winning streak. San Jose beat St. Louis, another Western Conference power, on the road Tuesday night.

Jere Lehtinen scored twice for Dallas, 1-2-1-2 in its last six games.

Lehtinen's power-play tally gave Dallas a 2-1 lead at 6:38 of the second period.

But Nolan picked up a loose puck in the neutral zone while the Sharks, were on the penalty kill, skated in alone and beat Dallas goalie Ed Belfour at 9:27 of the second period for the tie.

The puck slid slowly into the neutral zone off the stick of Stars defenseman Sergei Zubov and to Nolan, who anticipated the play perfectly and found himself in the clear. Nolan faked Belfour, then shot between the goalie's pads for his sixth goal.

"Zubie stopped it, which actually helped," Nolan said. "It was one of those plays where I was in the right place at the right time. He was taking away the corners and looked really big. But he always gives the five hole, so by the time I hit the blue line, that's where I'd decided to go."

The Stars got the only goal of the first period at 5:24 on Lehtinen's rebound. Belfour was credited with an assist, the 23rd of his career and first since Feb. 11, 2000, against St. Louis.

The Sharks tied it at 1 when Scott Thornton converted a 2-on-1 break at 4:57 of the second period for his sixth goal.

Dallas went in front 2-1 on a power-play goal at 6:38 of the second period when Zubov's shot from the point deflected off the shaft of Lehtinen's stick. The goal was Lehtinen's sixth of the season.

Notes: The Stars said defenseman Jyrki Lumme will be back with the team on Thursday to resume practice after missing five games during a leave of absence to visit his family in Finland. Lumme's wife and two children will remain in Finland because his wife is concerned about flying to the United States. ... Stars center Mike Modano left the game late in the second period due to back spasms and did not return.

Tapani files for free agency

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Veteran right-hander Kevin Tapani has filed for free agency after the Chicago Cubs declined to exercise his $6.5 million option for next season, triggering a $500,000 buyout.

Tapani, who will be 38 next year, was 9-14 with a 4.49 ERA in 29 starts this season.

"It was the right decision. I agreed with it," said Tapani, acknowledging the Cubs were looking to the future.

TECH: Fan punches McKinney

(From 1C)

statement.

"Once the A&M fans ran out of ice to throw, a few Tech student climbed into the stands and tried to bring the pole up into the stands," his statement said. "The A&M students started to hit the first Tech student and after two or three seconds, five people were beating this particular Tech student."

Sowder said he feels that Tech President David Schmidly is taking proper action to prevent such incidents from occurring again.

As of Wednesday, nine students had turned themselves in, Michael Shonrock, vice president for the Division of Student Affairs, told the Avalanche Journal.

RANGERS: Smith returns from injury

(From 1C)

back with a 49-13 stomping of Brownfield. Against the Cubs, Dawson Wilber, filling for injured Brandon Smith at quarterback, rushed for 111 yards and four touchdowns.

"Dawson had a great game," Purser said. "He did a good job coming into the game like that and playing like a champion. I would have no problem having Dawson handle the quarterback job."

Dawson, who also plays linebacker, will more than likely get the QB job fulltime next year. But for now, the job still belongs to Smith who returns after sitting out last week with a knee injury he suffered against Lamesa. Smith apparently just suffered a deep bruise in the back of his leg when a player rolled on him.

The assignment for Smith and the rest of the Rangers offense against the Mustangs is to move the football. Purser feels if his team can move the ball against the Mustangs then his team has a chance.

RANGER NOTES: If Greenwood secures that playoff spot it will play either Crane or Alpine. If it's Crane, then they'll play next Friday in Monahans. If it's Alpine, both teams will head to San Angelo for a Saturday game.

Stanton ends its season at Seagraves

It's been a tough year for the Stanton Buffaloes but they could end it on a good note when they travel to Seagraves to face the Eagles at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

The Buffs (2-7 overall, 1-3 in District 3-2A) look to close out the 2001 season on a two-game win streak after beating Forsan, 22-19, last Friday.

"It was good to get that win considering it was the last game at home," said Stanton coach Mark Cotton.

Now the Buffs will face a Seagraves team which has had its own problems at 2-7 and 1-3. Cotton said that despite Seagraves' record, the Eagles do have plenty of talent.

"I thought they had the second best talent in the district," Cotton said. "They had some injuries but they do a good job of running the football and playing good defense.

"I just want our kids to finish on a good note this Friday."

As has been the case for most of the season, Stanton won't be 100 percent healthy as quarterback Victor Hernandez is out for this game with an injury, while starting lineman Ty Smith has a broken thumb.

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	3	1	.750	—
Boston	3	2	.600	1/2
Miami	2	2	.500	1
New York	2	3	.400	1 1/2
Orlando	2	3	.400	1 1/2
Washington	2	3	.400	1 1/2
Philadelphia	0	4	.000	3

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	3	0	1.000	—
Detroit	4	1	.800	—
Indiana	4	2	.667	1/2
Toronto	3	2	.600	1
Charlotte	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Chicago	1	3	.250	2 1/2
Atlanta	1	4	.200	3
Cleveland	1	5	.167	3 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	4	0	1.000	—
Dallas	4	1	.800	1/2
Houston	4	1	.800	1/2
San Antonio	3	2	.600	1 1/2
Utah	2	4	.333	3
Denver	1	3	.250	3
Memphis	0	4	.000	4

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	4	0	1.000	—
Sacramento	4	1	.800	1/2
Golden State	2	3	.400	2 1/2
Phoenix	2	3	.400	2 1/2
Portland	2	3	.400	2 1/2
Seattle	2	3	.400	2 1/2
L.A. Clippers	1	3	.250	3

Wednesday's Games
Toronto 109, Golden State 92
New York 82, Cleveland 64
Boston 104, Washington 95
Indiana 116, Sacramento 104
Detroit 97, Chicago 73
Utah 96, Atlanta 89
Memphis at L.A. Clippers, late

Thursday's Games
San Antonio at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Seattle at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Denver at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Portland, 9 p.m.

Raptors 109, Warriors 92

GOLDEN STATE (92): Jamison 3-12 3-7 10, Fortson 3-14 2-2 8, Dampier 4-13 1-2 9, Sura 1-5 2-2 5, Hughes 5-11 1-1 11, Richardson 5-9 5-6 16, Mills 2-7 2-3 7, Murphy 3-7 8-10 14, Foyle 0-2 0-0 0, Blaylock 0-2 0-0 0, Jackson 3-7 5-6 11, Arenas 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 29-90 30-41 92.

TORONTO (109): Peterson 9-13 1-2 21, A.Davis 5-14 4-4 14, Olajuwon 2-8 0-0 4, Carter 12-24 9-10 39, A.Williams 4-12 1-3 9, Childs 1-1 0-0 2, Clark 0-4 0-2 0, Murray 4-9 0-0 10, J.Williams 1-4 2-3 4, Bradley 2-3 0-0 4, Arroyo 1-3 0-0 2, Montross 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-95 17-24 109.

Golden State 25 26 20 21 — 92
Toronto 23 29 35 22 — 109

3-Point Goals—Golden State 4-10 (Jamison 1-1, Richardson 1-1, Mills 1-1, Sura 1-3, Hughes 0-1, Arenas 0-1, Blaylock 0-2), Toronto 10-21 (Carter 6-9, Peterson 2-4, Murray 2-6, A.Williams 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 63 (Fortson 14), Toronto 70 (A.Davis 16). Assists—Golden State 19 (Hughes, Blaylock, Sura 4), Toronto 33 (Carter 6). Total fouls—Golden State 18, Toronto 29. Technicals—Golden State Defensive Three Second, Golden State coach Cowens, Mills, Jackson, Childs 2. Flagrant fouls—Jackson, Clark. Ejected—Childs. A—18,887 (19,800).

Knicks 82, Cavaliers 64

CLEVELAND (64): Mihm 2-11 3-6 8, Murray 5-14 2-4 12, Doleac 2-5 0-0 4, Miller 5-15 5-6 15, Person 0-3 0-0 0, Davis 4-10 1-2 9, Skinner 2-2 0-0 4, Coles 1-4 2-2 4, Jones 3-7 0-0 8, Langdon 0-5 0-0 0, Trepagnier 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 24-77 13-20 64.

NEW YORK (82): Sprewell 6-12 1-2 14, Thomas 4-9 1-2 9, Spencer 0-1 4-6 4, Houston 6-14 0-0 14, Jackson 2-4 0-0 6, Weatherspoon 2-8 5-6 9, Anderson 1-3 0-0 2, Ward 3-5 3-3 12, Harrington 5-7 0-2 10, Postell 0-2 0-0 0, Knight 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 30-66 14-21 82.

Cleveland 14 20 13 17 — 64
New York 19 20 22 21 — 82

3-Point Goals—Cleveland 3-12 (Jones 2-3, Mihm 1-1, Person 0-2, Murray 0-2, Langdon 0-4), New York 8-15 (Ward 3-5, Houston 2-2, Jackson 2-3, Sprewell 1-3, Anderson 0-1, Postell 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Cleveland 52 (Murray 10), New York 51 (Thomas 9). Assists—Cleveland 13 (Miller 5), New York 22 (Jackson 5). Total fouls—Cleveland 18, New York 18. Technicals—Cleveland Defensive Three Second 2, Cleveland coach Lucas. A—19,763 (19,763).

Pacers 116, Kings 104

SACRAMENTO (104): Stojakovic 11-16 9-10 36, Pollard 2-5 0-1 4, Divac 5-14 2-5 12, Christie 3-10 8-12 14, Bibby 8-17 3-4 19, Funderburke 3-8 0-0 6, Turkoglu 5-8 0-0 11, Jackson 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 38-81 22-32 104.

INDIANA (116): Rose 8-14 2-2 18, O'Neal 5-17 6-6 16, Foster 1-3 4-4 6, Miller 5-11 7-7 20, Tinsley 5-9 0-0 10, Croshere 5-8 0-0 11, Best 3-5 0-0 6, Rogers 0-1 0-0 0, Harrington 11-14 0-1 22, Bender 3-6 0-0 7. Totals 46-88 19-20 116.

Sacramento 28 30 29 17 — 104
Indiana 25 30 31 30 — 116

3-Point Goals—Sacramento 6-14 (Stojakovic 5-6, Turkoglu 1-2, Jackson 0-1, Christie 0-2, Bibby 0-3), Indiana 5-11 (Miller 3-6, Bender 1-1, Croshere 1-2, Rose 0-1, Tinsley 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 55 (Divac 10), Indiana 41 (O'Neal 9). Assists—Sacramento 22 (Divac 6), Indiana 32 (Tinsley 8). Total fouls—Sacramento 20, Indiana 27. A—15,309 (18,345).

Celtics 104, Wizards 95

WASHINGTON (95): Nesby 0-4 0-0 0, Jordan 12-26 8-10 32, Laettner 13-17 3-3 29, Whitney 1-5 1-1 4, R.Hamilton 7-14 4-4 19, Simmons 0-2 0-0 0, Jones 0-1 2-2 2, Alexander 1-3 0-0 2, Lue 3-6 0-0 7. Totals 37-78 18-20 95.

BOSTON (104): Walker 11-15 8-9 31, Pierce 6-16 0-0 14, Battie 1-4 2-2 4, Anderson 7-14 2-2 17, Johnson 7-15 0-0 16, Palacio 4-9 0-1 8, Blount 2-6 0-0 4, Strickland 3-5 3-3 10. Totals 41-84 15-17 104.

Washington 19 23 26 27 — 95
Boston 22 26 27 29 — 104

3-Point Goals—Washington 3-12 (Lue 1-1, R.Hamilton 1-3, Whitney 1-4, Jordan 0-1, Nesby 0-3), Boston 7-15 (Pierce 2-3, Johnson 2-6, Walker 1-1, Anderson 1-1, Strickland 1-1, Palacio 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Washington 41 (Jordan 8), Boston 47 (Walker, Johnson 10). Assists—Washington 18 (Lue 5), Boston 23 (Walker 9). Total fouls—Washington 20, Boston 21. Technicals—Boston Defensive Three Second. A—18,624 (18,624).

Pistons 97, Bulls 73

DETROIT (97): M.Curry 2-2 0-0 4, Wallace 3-7 5-8 11, C.Robinson 7-15 4-4 23, Barros 6-10 0-0 14, Stackhouse 2-8 2-3 6, Rebraca 5-8 5-7 15, Barry 2-4 0-0 6, Atkins 4-7 0-0 8, Williamson 3-5 0-0 6, Moore 0-2 2-2 2, White 1-2 0-0 2, Alexander 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 35-71 18-24 97.

CHICAGO (73): Mercer 4-15 1-1 9, Oakley 2-5 0-0 4, Chandler 1-5 3-4 5, Anthony 3-6 2-2 9, Hoiberg 5-10 0-0 11, Miller 4-9 1-2 9, Fizer 2-3 0-0 4, Hassell 4-6 1-2 10, Ollie 0-4 1-1 1, E.Curry 1-3 6-8 8, Baganc 0-0 1-2 1, Guyton 1-4 0-1 2. Totals 27-70 16-23 73.

Detroit 23 25 22 27 — 97
Chicago 22 21 16 14 — 73

3-Point Goals—Detroit 9-20 (C.Robinson 5-8, Barry 2-4, Barros 2-4, Stackhouse 0-2, Atkins 0-2), Chicago 3-8 (Hassell 1-1, Anthony 1-2, Hoiberg 1-3, Mercer 0-1, Guyton 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 53 (Wallace 12), Chicago 39 (Oakley 9). Assists—Detroit 25 (Stackhouse 8), Chicago 18 (Anthony 9). Total fouls—Detroit 24, Chicago 26. Technicals—C.Robinson, Chicago Defensive Three Second. A—17,023 (21,711).

Jazz 96, Hawks 89

ATLANTA (89): Abdur-Rahim 9-20 7-8 25, Crawford 4-12 5-6 13, Mohammed 7-14 6-9 20, Vaughn 1-5 5-6 7, Davis 3-6 0-0 9, Mottola 1-5 1-2 3, Glover 2-4 2-3 6, Bowdler 1-2 0-0 2, D.Johnson 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 30-71 26-34 89.

UTAH (96): Marshall 11-13 2-3 24, Malone 10-23 6-7 27, Ostertag 2-4 0-0 4, Stockton 2-7 5-6 9, Lewis 2-3 0-0 4, Crotty 2-5 0-0 4, Amaechi 2-7 4-6 8, Starks 3-9 0-0 6, Russell 2-8 3-3 8, Kirilenko 1-5 0-0 2. Totals 37-84 20-25 96.

Atlanta 24 20 25 20 — 89
Utah 26 24 20 26 — 96

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 3-8 (Davis 3-5, Crawford 0-1, Glover 0-1, D.Johnson 0-1), Utah 2-8 (Malone 1-1, Russell 1-5, Crotty 0-2). Fouled out—Abdur-Rahim. Rebounds—Atlanta 47 (Mohammed 13), Utah 54 (Malone 9). Assists—Atlanta 15 (Vaughn 8), Utah 29 (Stockton 11). Total fouls—Atlanta 23, Utah 25. Technicals—Malone. Flagrant fouls—Crawford. A—17,538 (19,911).

CHL Standings

NORTHERN CONFERENCE

Northeast Division

	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Memphis	4	2	0	8	22	19
Bossier-Shrev	4	4	0	8	25	26
Fort Worth	3	2	1	7	15	17
Indianapolis	2	5	2	6	29	31

Northwest Division

	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Oklahoma City	7	0	2	16	35	26
Amarillo	4	3	2	10	32	29
Wichita	4	3	0	8	18	21
Tulsa	2	5	0	4	17	23

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Southeast Division

	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
San Antonio	7	3	0	14	39	28
Austin	6	2	0	12	34	25
San Angelo	3	4	0	6	18	27
Corpus Christi	1	5	2	4	15	30

Southwest Division

	W	L	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Odessa	4	1	3	11	26	19
El Paso	4	3	0	8	24	22
New Mexico	4	3	0	8	23	22
Lubbock	3	3	2	8	27	31

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

Thursday's Games
Lubbock at Odessa
San Angelo at Corpus Christi
Wichita at Memphis
Fort Worth at Austin

Transactions

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Exercised their 2002 options on the contracts of 1B-OF Jeff Conine and LHP Buddy Groom.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Named Ken Stauffer midwest scouting supervisor.

DETROIT TIGERS—Released RHP Dave Borkowski and re-signed him to a minor league contract.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Fired Gary Denbo, batting coach.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Signed RHP Rocky Coppinger, RHP Ismael Villegas, INF Jose Flores, INF Chad Meyers and OF Michael Warner.

TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with hitting coach Rudy Jaramillo on a three-year contract and C Brad King, INF Eddy Martinez, and INF Juan Silvestre to minor league contracts.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Declined to exercise their 2002 option on the contract of RHP Russ Springer.

CHICAGO CUBS—Declined to exercise their 2002 option on the contract of RHP Kevin Tapani.

COLORADO ROCKIES—Agreed to terms with RHP Scott Elarton on a one-year contract.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Declined to exercise their 2002 options on the contracts of RHP Doug Brocail and RHP Pedro Astacio.

NEW YORK METS—Named Bob Apodaca pitching coach of St. Lucie of the FSL.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Named Scott Trcka and Jim Bretz to their amateur scouting staff.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Declined to exercise their 2002 options on the contracts of 1B Andres Galarraga and RHP Mark Gardner.

International League

INDIANAPOLIS INDIANS—Named Bill Fulton assistant general manager, director of marketing and Randy Lewandowski assistant general manager, director of operations.

BASKETBALL

NBA

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Placed G Bryant Stith on injured list. Activated G Jeff Trepagnier from the injured list.

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS—Placed F Lamar Odom on the suspended list.

WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Announced the retirement of F Loy Vaught.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS—Placed S Tony Driver on injured reserve. Signed S Pierson Prioleau.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Waived DB Dyshod Carter and DT Cedric Killings. Signed DT DeVone Claybrooks and DB Earthwind Moreland from the practice squad. Signed DE Felipe Claybrooks to the practice squad.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Signed RB Shyrone Stith. Released WR Tony Simmons. Signed WR Bobby Newcombe to the practice squad.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Waived S Delvin Brown. Signed DB Renard Cox.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed CB Zeldae Lathridge.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Placed WR Curtis Jackson on injured reserve.

OAKLAND RAIDERS—Placed CB Eric Johnson on injured reserve. Activated CB Brandon Jennings.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

COLORADO AVALANCHE—Activated D Adam Foote from the injured list. Sent D Jaroslav Obsut to Hershey of the American Hockey League.

MONTREAL CANADIENS—Recalled D Francis Bouillon from Quebec of the AHL.

NEW YORK RANGERS—Assigned RW Rico Fata and D Sylvain Lefebvre to Hartford of the AHL.

PHOENIX COYOTES—Assigned RW Tyler Bouck to Springfield of the AHL.

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Assigned D Christian Laflamme to Worcester of the AHL.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Assigned C Nikolai Antropov to St. John's of the AHL.

VANCOUVER CANUCKS—Waived G Martin Brochu. Signed G Peter Skudra.

American Hockey League

HOUSTON AEROS—Recalled F Dominic Forget from Houston of the CHL.

LOWELL LOCK MONSTERS—Assigned D Harlan Pratt to Florida of the ECHL.

PHILADELPHIA PHANTOMS—Recalled C Alain St. Hillaire from Trenton of the ECHL.

QUEBEC CITADELLES—Signed D Francois Beauchemin.

WORCESTER ICECATS—Assigned RW Brad Voth to Peoria of the ECHL.

Central Hockey League

CHL—Suspended Wichita F Vladimir Hartinger one game for an elbowing incident on Nov. 7.

CORPUS CHRISTI ICE RAYS—Released F Mike DeGurse, F Jeff Cheeseman and D Derek McKinlay. Signed F Layne Roland, Ryan Davis and Jarret Zukiwsky.

FORT WORTH BANDITS—Waived D Grady Manson.

INDIANAPOLIS ICE—Waived F Justin Kearns. TULSA OILERS—Waived F Mark Shalawylo.

United Hockey League

UHL—Suspended Missouri F Ben White for three games for high-sticking in a game on Nov. 2, New Haven F Jay Hebert four games for elbowing and Fort Wayne F Kevin Holliday two game for high-sticking in games on Nov. 4.

ADIRONDACK ICEHAWKS—Waived D Eric Boyle and RW Kris Waltz.

West Coast Hockey League

ANCHORAGE ACES—Signed F B.J. Stephens. Waived F Avishai Geller.

KNOXVILLE SPEED—Traded D Geno Parrish to Port Huron for D Lee Cole.

COLLEGE

CHATTANOOGA—Announced the resignation of Mark Leen, wrestling coach. Named Franky James interim wrestling coach.

FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON—Suspended men's basketball G James Felton indefinitely for an undisclosed violation of athletic department rules.

FLORIDA GULF COAST—Named Chris Highfield men's assistant basketball coach.

FRESNO STATE—Announced men's basketball PG Chris Sandy has been ruled academically ineligible until the spring semester.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE—Signed baseball coach Ty Harrington and softball coach Ricci Woodard to three-year contracts.

UCLA—Announced RB DeShaun Foster has been declared ineligible for competition by the school and will miss Saturday's game.

Area Standings

District 9-1A

Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Roscoe	9	0	505	26	1.000
Garden City	8	1	266	58	.888
Robert Lee	8	1	330	90	.888
Roby	6	3	231	109	.666
Sterling City	1	8	84	349	.111
Rotan	1	8	79	309	.111

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
*-Roscoe	4	0	251	19	1.000
Robert Lee	3	1	86	83	.750
Garden City	3	1	126	29	.750
Roby	2	2	99	89	.500
Sterling City	0	4	12	210	.000
Rotan	0	4	28	161	.000

Last Week's Results
Garden City 27, Roby 0; Robert Lee 34, Sterling City 0; Roscoe 66, Rotan 6

This Week's Games
Roscoe at Garden City, Roby at Robert Lee, Sterling City at Rotan
End of Regular Season
*clinched playoff spot

District 7-1A

Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Iraan	9	0	362	49	1.000
Rankin	6	3	251	141	.666
Marfa	4	4	164	137	.500
Wink	4	5	176	222	.444
Fort Hancock	1	6	50	291	.142
Fort Davis	0	9	45	354	.000

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
x-Iraan	4	0	218	12	1.000
Marfa	3	1	103	69	.750
Wink	2	2	73	72	.500
Rankin	2	2	102	94	.500
Fort Hancock	1	3	36	172	.250
Fort Davis	0	4	26	140	.000

Last Week's Results
Rankin 50, Fort Davis 13; Marfa 49, Fort Hancock 0; Iraan 45, Wink 6

This Week's Games
Marfa at Rankin, Fort Davis at Iraan, Wink at Fort Hancock
End of Regular Season
x-clinched district championship

District 3-2A

Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Coahoma	8	1	328	104	.888
Colorado City	6	3	199	114	.666
Plains	5	4	235	154	.555
Forsan	2	7	144	258	.222
Seagraves	2	7	136	259	.222
Stanton	2	7	88	295	.222

Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
*Coahoma	4	0	130	18	1.000
*Colorado City	4	0	105	13	1.000
Plains	2	2	99	49	.500
Seagraves	1	3	69	116	.250
Stanton	1	3	31	128	.250
Forsan	0	4	40	107	.000

Last Week's Results
Stanton 22, Forsan 19; Coahoma 39, Seagraves 8; Colorado City 14, Plains 7

This Week's Games
Stanton at Seagraves, Coahoma at Colorado City, Plains at Forsan
End of Regular Season
*clinched playoff spot

District 3-3A

Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Denver City	8	1	234	74	.888
Greenwood	7	2	335	82	.750
Lamesa	6	3	326	165	.666
Brownfield	4	5	109	133	.444
Seminole	2	7	99	215	.222
Slaton	0	9	63	304	.000

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
*Denver City	3	1	118	38	.750
Lamesa	3	1	149	56	.750
Greenwood	3	1	155	52	.750
Seminole	2	2	48	112	.500
Brownfield	1	3	47	122	.250
Slaton	0	4	30	165	.000

Last Week's Results
Greenwood 49, Brownfield 13; Denver City 32, Lamesa 23; Seminole 28, Slaton 27, 2OT

This Week's Games
Greenwood at Denver City, Lamesa at Seminole, Slaton at Brownfield
End of Regular Season
*clinched playoff spot

District 4-4A

Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Frenship	7	2	279	131	.750
Snyder	5	4	211	167	.555
Plainview	5	4	255	204	.555
Andrews	4	5	198	146	.444
Estacado	4	5	159	224	.444
Big Spring	3	6	232	235	.333
Lake View	3	6	125	306	.333
Levelland	0	9	147	325	.000

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
*Frenship	5	1	198	82	.833
Plainview	4	2	194	154	.600
Andrews	3	3	160	108	.500
Big Spring	3	3	160	158	.500
Lake View	3	3	91	145	.500
Snyder	3	3	120	133	.500
Estacado	3	3	135	147	.500
Levelland	0	6	139	200	.000

Last Week's Results
Andrews 28, San Angelo Lake View 9; Big Spring 24, Snyder 14; Lubbock Estacado 37, Plainview 23; Frenship 56, Levelland 21

This Week's Games
Levelland at Andrews, Big Spring at Frenship, San Angelo Lake View at Plainview, Lubbock Estacado at Snyder
End of Regular Season
*clinched playoff spot

TAPPS District 1-4A

Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Mid. Christ.	9	1	462	89	.900
Denton Liberty	8	1	281	121	.888
FW Christian	3	7	218	232	.300

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
x-Dent. Liberty	2	0	49	14	1.000
***Mid. Christ.**	1	1	66	49	.500
FW Christian	0	2	14	49	.000

Last Week's Results
Midland Christian 46, Fort Worth Christian 14; Denton Liberty Christian 27, Fort Worth All Saints 14
End of Regular Season
x-clinched district championship
*clinched playoff spot

This Week's Games

TAPPS 4A Bi-district playoffs
Midland Christian at Dallas First Baptist, Dallas Christian at Denton Liberty Christian

TAPPS District 1-3A

Regular Season Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
x-Mid. Trinity	6	3	304	137	.666
Faith Christian	3	5	149	240	.375
*Lub. Christian	2	7	86	358	.222
San Jacinto	1	8	147	381	.111

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
x-Mid. Trinity	3	0	159	33	1.000
*Lub. Christian	2	1	79	85	.666
San Jacinto	1	2	57	79	.333
Faith Christian	0	3	36	134	.000

X-clinched district championship

Last Week's Results

TAPPS 3A Bi-district Playoffs
Midland Trinity 28, Grapevine Faith Christian 7; Tyler T.K. Gorman 52, Lubbock Christian 3

This Week's Game

TAPPS 3A Quarterfinals
Midland Trinity vs. San Antonio Cornerstone at Eden (Saturday)

Jacks Watch

Tonight's Game
Lubbock Cotton Kings at Odessa Jackalopes, 7 p.m., Ector County Coliseum.

Records
Jackalopes 4-1-3, Cotton Kings 3-3-2.

Radio
KMCM (FM 96.9). Broadcast Time - 6:50.

Last Five Games
Odessa 3, Corpus Christi 1
San Angelo 4, Odessa 3, SO
Amarillo 5, Odessa 4, SO
Tulsa 4, Odessa 3, SO.
Odessa 4, Wichita 0

Next 10 Games

Tonight	Lubbock	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	at El Paso	8:05 p.m.
Nov. 10	El Paso	7 p.m.
Nov. 15	Amarillo	7 p.m.
Nov. 16	Corpus Christi	7 p.m.
Nov. 17	at San Angelo	7:05 p.m.
Nov. 21	a Lubbock	7:05 p.m.
Nov. 23	at New Mexico	8:11 p.m.
Nov. 24	at El Paso	8:05 p.m.
Nov. 29	Lubbock	7 p.m.

Sports on TV

Today

COLLEGE FOOTBALL — Air Force at Colorado St., 6:30 p.m., ESPN.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL — IKON Classic, Temple vs. Florida, 5:30 p.m., ESPN2.

IKON Classic, Arizona vs. Maryland, 8 p.m., ESPN2.

BASKETBALL — Denver Nuggets at Dallas Mavericks, 7:30 p.m., FSN.

Philadelphia 76ers at Houston Rockets, 8 p.m., TNT.

What's on Deck

Today

JUCO BASKETBALL – Midland College men at Howard College, 7 p.m.

Midland College women at Utah Valley Classic.

Sports Briefs

Astros decline to exercise options on Astacio, Brocail

HOUSTON — Pedro Astacio's $9 million option was declined Wednesday by the Houston Astros, who elected to pay a $1 million buyout.

Houston also declined a $2.5 million option on Doug Brocail, another right-handed pitcher.

Astacio, 31, was acquired along with cash on July 31 from the Colorado Rockies for right-hander Scott Elarton and catcher Garett Gentry.

Astacio was 2-1 with a 3.14 ERA in four starts for Houston before he was placed on the disabled list Aug. 29. An MRI revealed a partial tear of the labrum in his right shoulder. He missed the rest of the season.

Astacio was 8-14 with a 5.09 ERA in 26 starts overall last season.

Brocail, a reliever, began the year on the disabled list after straining his right hamstring during in spring training.

After Brocail, 33, felt discomfort in his right elbow, he underwent an MRI on April 17 and it revealed a full tear in the medial collateral ligament and a partial tear of the flexor tendon. He had season-ending surgery on April 27 to repair the elbow damage.

General manager Gerry Hunsicker said the Astros would explore re-signing both players for the 2002 season.

Emmitt still questionable because of sprained knee

IRVING — Emmitt Smith missed practice again Wednesday because of his sprained right knee and said he didn't know if he would play in the Dallas Cowboys' game this weekend at Atlanta.

"Mentally, I would try to practice today. Physically, my leg isn't going to allow me to do it," Smith said. "It's not even my decision. This thing here (knee) has to actually act right for me to go do it."

Smith didn't know when he would try to practice, but said he wouldn't want to play Sunday without first taking part in some drills.

The Cowboys listed Smith as questionable, just like they did before he missed last Sunday's 27-24 overtime loss at the New York Giants.

Before missing the game at New York, Smith had missed only two other games because of injury in his 12-year NFL career. He has played in 176 games and his 15,564 career yards rushing are 1,162 behind Walter Payton's NFL record.

Smith missed the 1994 regular season finale against the Giants because of a strained left hamstring, but the Cowboys had already clinched a playoff spot and he played in both postseason games after that. He also sat out Nov. 14, 1999, against Green Bay because of a broken right hand.

Smith was hurt during the Cowboys' 17-3 win over Arizona on Oct. 28 when he was tackled after a 1-yard gain in the final two minutes.

National Football League

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	5	2	0	.714	153	137
N.Y. Jets	5	3	0	.625	157	175
Indianapolis	4	3	0	.571	200	197
New England	4	4	0	.500	185	160
Buffalo	1	6	0	.143	122	195

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	5	2	0	.714	120	78
Baltimore	5	3	0	.625	141	129
Cincinnati	4	3	0	.571	120	136
Cleveland	4	3	0	.571	132	118
Tennessee	3	4	0	.429	129	180
Jacksonville	2	5	0	.286	114	115

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	6	1	0	.857	189	133
San Diego	5	3	0	.625	206	146
Denver	4	4	0	.500	192	182
Seattle	3	4	0	.429	118	158
Kansas City	2	6	0	.250	164	172

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	4	3	0	.571	145	98
N.Y. Giants	4	4	0	.500	148	140
Washington	3	5	0	.375	111	193
Arizona	2	5	0	.286	99	166
Dallas	2	5	0	.286	116	147

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	6	1	0	.857	162	95
Green Bay	5	2	0	.714	168	105
Minnesota	3	4	0	.429	138	165
Tampa Bay	3	4	0	.429	138	119
Detroit	0	7	0	.000	110	197

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	6	1	0	.857	207	115
San Francisco	5	2	0	.714	174	155
New Orleans	4	3	0	.571	148	134
Atlanta	3	4	0	.429	135	151
Carolina	1	7	0	.125	118	169

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

Monday's Game
Baltimore at Tennessee, 8 p.m.

NFL Injury Report

Sunday

BUFFALO BILLS (1-6) AT NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (4-4) — Buffalo Bills: OUT: S Tony Driver (knee-injured reserve). QUESTIONABLE: FS Keion Carpenter (rib); T Jonas Jennings (foot); DT Leif Larsen (elbow); G Jerry Ostroski (leg). New England Patriots: OUT: MLB Bryan Cox (leg); WR Curtis Jackson (ankle-injured reserve). DOUBTFUL: QB Drew Bledsoe (chest); T Matt Light (shoulder); T Greg Robinson-Randall (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: WR Terry Glenn (leg); FS Antwan Harris (ankle); DE Willie McGinest (leg); DT Anthony Pleasant (flu); TE Rod Rutledge (ankle); NT Richard Seymour (leg). PROBABLE: G Joe Andruzzi (chest); WR Troy Brown (foot); FS Je'Rod Cherry (shoulder); DE Bobby Hamilton (knee); CB Terrance Shaw (leg); RB Antowain Smith (knee); OLB T.J. Turner (leg).

CAROLINA PANTHERS (1-7) AT ST. LOUIS RAMS (6-1) Carolina Panthers: OUT: OLB Kory Minor (knee); MLB Dean Wells (calf). DOUBTFUL: CB Deveron Harper (hamstring). QUESTIONABLE: QB Chris Weinke (shoulder). PROBABLE: OLB Dan Morgan (ankle). St. Louis Rams: OUT: OLB Don Davis (wrist). DOUBTFUL: WR Damon Griffin (hamstring).

CINCINNATI BENGALS (4-3) AT JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (2-5) — Cincinnati Bengals: OUT: WR Chad Johnson (clavicle). QUESTIONABLE: DT Tony Williams (foot). PROBABLE: CB Robert Bean (hamstring); CB Tom Carter (knee); OLB Canute Curtis (knee). Jacksonville Jaguars: OUT: FS Ainsley Battles (knee). QUESTIONABLE: RB Fred Taylor (groin); OLB Edward Thomas (hamstring); MLB Joe Tuipala (quadricep). PROBABLE: QB Mark Brunell (quadricep); OLB T.J. Slaughter (knee/ankle).

DALLAS COWBOYS (2-5) AT ATLANTA FALCONS (3-4) — Dallas Cowboys: OUT: SS Tony Dixon (ankle); DE Ebenezer Ekuban (back). DOUBTFUL: QB Quincy Carter (hamstring). QUESTIONABLE: RB Troy Hambrick (shoulder); CB Izell Reese (hamstring); RB Emmitt Smith (knee). PROBABLE: WR Joey Galloway (foot); DE Peppi Zellner (groin). Atlanta Falcons: QUESTIONABLE: FS Ronnie Bradford (knee); QB Chris Chandler (ribs); T Michael Thompson (foot). PROBABLE: CB Ashley Ambrose (hamstring); DT Travis Hall (ribs); CB Conrad Hamilton (knee); FS Chris Hudson (ankle); RB Maurice Smith (shin).

GREEN BAY PACKERS (5-2) AT CHICAGO BEARS (6-1) — Green Bay Packers: QUESTIONABLE: T Chad Clifton (ankle); WR Donald Driver (quadricep). PROBABLE: NT Gilbert Brown (quadricep); SS LeRoy Butler (chest); TE David Martin (turf toe); WR Bill Schroeder (ankle). Chicago Bears: QUESTIONABLE: T Blake Brockermeyer (knee); G Chris Villarrial (hip). PROBABLE: DT Robert Newkirk (ribs); RB Anthony Thomas (toe).

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS (2-6) AT NEW YORK JETS (5-3) — Kansas City Chiefs: OUT: T Victor Riley (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: WR Derrick Alexander (ribs); OLB Lewis Bush (abdomen); DE Duane Clemons (knee); DT Nate Hobgood-Chittic (ankle); OLB Gary Stills (groin). PROBABLE: CB Ray Crockett (hand); WR Larry Parker (hamstring); G Marcus Spears (elbow); WR Chris Thomas (calf). New York Jets: QUESTIONABLE: WR-KR Santana Moss (knee); G Randy Thomas (ankle).

MIAMI DOLPHINS (5-2) AT INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (4-3) — Miami Dolphins: OUT: DT Jermaine Haley (thumb); SS Brian Walker (thumb). QUESTIONABLE: WR Dedric Ward (foot). PROBABLE: CB Jamar Fletcher (ankle); OLB Twan Russell (quadricep). Indianapolis Colts: QUESTIONABLE: RB Edgerrin James (knee); MLB Rob Morris (knee); WR Jerome Pathon (foot). PROBABLE: DE Chad Bratzke (ankle); G Steve McKinney (head); OLB Ryan Phillips (ankle); RB Dominic Rhodes (knee).

MINNESOTA VIKINGS (3-4) AT PHILADELPHIA EAGLES (4-3) — Minnesota Vikings: OUT: LB Fearon Wright (shoulder). DOUBTFUL: G Corbin Lacina (calf). QUESTIONABLE: SS Robert Griffith (ankle); DT Willie Howard (knee). PROBABLE: RB Michael Bennett (ankle); G David Dixon (calf); OLB Lemanski Hall (hip); OLB Ed McDaniel (hip); WR Randy Moss (ankle); WR Troy Walters (knee); NT Shawn Worthen (toe). Philadelphia Eagles: QUESTIONABLE: RB Correll Buckhalter (shoulder); OLB Mike Caldwell (calf); WR Dameane Douglas (quadricep). PROBABLE: FS Rashard Cook (Achilles); TE Chad Lewis (quadricep); WR Gari Scott (ankle); DT Corey Simon (groin); WR James Thrash (hip); MLB Jeremiah Trotter (leg); CB Troy Vincent (dehydration).

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS (4-3) AT SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS (5-2) — New Orleans Saints: QUESTIONABLE: TE Cameron Cleeland (ankle); FS Richard Newsome (ankle); T Willie Roaf (knee). PROBABLE: QB Aaron Brooks (foot); DE Willie Whitehead (knee). San Francisco 49ers: OUT: TE Greg Clark (hamstring/back). RB Jonas Lewis (groin); CB Anthony Parker (shoulder). QUESTIONABLE: C Ben Lynch (ankle); DT Reggie McGrew (ankle). PROBABLE: QB Jeff Garcia (elbow/knee); T Scott Gragg (knee); C Jeremy Newberry (ankle); DE Chike Okeafor (ankle).

NEW YORK GIANTS (4-4) AT ARIZONA CARDINALS (2-5) — New York Giants: OUT: P Rodney Williams (wrist). PROBABLE: DT Keith Hamilton (shoulder); DT Lance Legree (chest). Arizona Cardinals: OUT: TE Terry Hardy (shoulder); WR Rob Moore (hamstring); P Scott Player (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: CB Tom Knight (hamstring); SS Justin Lucas (ankle); FB Joel Makovicka (knee); SS Pat Tillman (ankle); OLB Zack Walz (back). PROBABLE: CB Corey Chavous (knee); K Bill Gramatica (shoulder).

OAKLAND RAIDERS (6-1) AT SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (3-4) — Oakland Raiders: OUT: QB Bobby Hoying (elbow); CB Eric Johnson (leg). QUESTIONABLE: OLB Elijah Alexander (knee); G Mo Collins (leg); FS Anthony Dorsett (knee); WR David Dunn (quadricep); FB Jon Ritchie (groin); RB Tyrone Wheatley (knee); G Steve Wisniewski (ankle); CB Charles Woodson (toe). PROBABLE: DE Tony Bryant (hip); RB Randy Jordan (toe); T Barry Sims (foot); DE Josh Taves (knee). Seattle Seahawks: OUT: RB Ricky Watters (shoulder). QUESTIONABLE: DT John Randle (knee); FS Marcus Robertson (hamstring). PROBABLE: TE Russell Stewart (ankle).

PITTSBURGH STEELERS (5-2) AT CLEVELAND BROWNS (4-3) — Pittsburgh Steelers: QUESTIONABLE: T Wayne Gandy (hamstring); CB Jason Simmons (hamstring); RB Amos Zereoue (shoulder). PROBABLE: RB Jerome Bettis (wrist); WR Plaxico Burress (shoulder); ILB John Fiala (groin); CB Hank Poteat (foot). Cleveland Browns: OUT: DE Keith McKenzie (foot). QUESTIONABLE: CB Corey Fuller (ankle); MLB Wali Rainer (ankle).

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (5-3) AT DENVER BRONCOS (4-4) — San Diego Chargers: OUT: WR Tim Dwight (collapsed lung). QUESTIONABLE: TE Freddie Jones (ankle). PROBABLE: RB Terrell Fletcher (ribs); FB Derrick Harris (hamstring); SS Rodney Harrison (ankle); T Vaughn Parker (groin); MLB Carlos Polk (shoulder/ribs); MLB Orlando Ruff (neck); RB LaDainian Tomlinson (ankle). Denver Broncos: QUESTIONABLE: WR Kevin Kasper (ankle). PROBABLE: G Lennie Friedman (knee); QB Brian Griese (ribs); DE Kavika Pittman (shoulder).

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS (3-4) AT DETROIT LIONS (0-7) — Tampa Bay Buccaneers: OUT: NT Anthony McFarland (knee). QUESTIONABLE: WR Jacquez Green (groin). PROBABLE: CB Donnie Abraham (back); CB Ronde Barber (hamstring); OLB Derrick Brooks (foot); RB Warrick Dunn (hamstring); DT Warren Sapp (shoulder). Detroit Lions: OUT: MLB Stephen Boyd (back). DOUBTFUL: MLB Clint Kriewaldt (concussion). QUESTIONABLE: SS LaMar Campbell (hamstring); DT Luther Elliss (elbow); G Stockar McDougle (foot); RB James Stewart (ankle).

Monday

BALTIMORE RAVENS (5-3) AT TENNESSEE TITANS (3-4) — Baltimore Ravens: OUT: WR Pat Johnson (clavicle). QUESTIONABLE: DT Sam Adams (knee); RB Terry Allen (ankle); QB Elvis Grbac (chest); DE Michael McCrary (knee); CB James Trapp (leg); T Sammy Williams (knee). Tennessee Titans: OUT: WR Justin McCareins (ankle); WR Chris Sanders (back); DT John Thornton (shoulder). QUESTIONABLE: WR Eddie Berlin (shoulder); SS Blaine Bishop (foot/hand); OLB Keith Bulluck (ankle); WR Kevin Dyson (toe); MLB Randall Godfrey (knee); TE Erron Kinney (calf); G Bruce Matthews (ankle); TE Shad Meier (hand); DT Joe Salave'a (shoulder).

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Islanders	11	1	1	1	24	45	26
N.Y. Rangers	8	7	1	0	17	41	49
New Jersey	7	4	0	1	15	36	33
Philadelphia	6	5	3	0	15	42	32
Pittsburgh	6	7	2	1	15	32	40

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	9	4	1	1	20	47	35
Boston	7	3	3	2	19	32	27
Ottawa	7	6	1	0	15	46	38
Buffalo	6	7	1	1	14	36	38
Montreal	5	7	2	0	12	30	39

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	8	6	1	2	19	42	45
Washington	5	8	2	0	12	34	41
Florida	4	8	2	1	11	32	43
Tampa Bay	4	8	1	1	10	26	35
Atlanta	3	8	1	2	9	29	49

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	13	1	0	0	26	55	29
Chicago	10	4	3	0	23	55	45
St. Louis	7	4	3	0	17	40	34
Nashville	5	8	2	0	12	37	43
Columbus	2	9	4	0	8	26	46

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Calgary	10	2	0	2	22	43	28
Edmonton	10	5	1	1	22	47	35
Colorado	7	8	1	0	15	37	38
Minnesota	5	5	3	1	14	38	43
Vancouver	6	9	1	0	13	45	48

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	8	3	4	1	21	46	37
Dallas	5	5	3	3	16	37	41
Phoenix	5	5	3	2	15	29	36
Anaheim	6	7	1	0	13	35	37
Los Angeles	4	8	1	2	11	38	40

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

Wednesday's Games
New Jersey 3, Atlanta 2
Florida 2, Pittsburgh 0
San Jose 2, Dallas 2, tie
Detroit 3, Phoenix 1
Calgary at Anaheim, late

Thursday's Games
Minnesota at Boston, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Carolina at Washington, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
Colorado at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
Nashville at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Calgary at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

Sharks 2, Stars 2, OT

San Jose 0 2 0 0 — 2
Dallas 1 1 0 0 — 2

First Period—1, Dallas, Lehtinen 5 (Audette, Belfour), 5:24.
Second Period—2, San Jose, Thornton 6 (Sundstrom), 4:57. 3, Dallas, Lehtinen 6 (Zubov, Modano), 6:38 (pp). 4, San Jose, Nolan 6 (Ragnarsson), 9:27 (sh).
Third Period—None.
Overtime—None.
Shots on goal—San Jose 10-7-7-5—29. Dallas 10-12-7-3—32. Power-play Opportunities—San Jose 0 of 3; Dallas 1 of 6. Goalies—San Jose, Nabokov 7-3-3 (32 shots-30 saves). Dallas, Belfour 4-6-3 (29-27). A—18,532 (18,532).

Red Wings 3, Coyotes 1

Detroit 0 1 2 — 3
Phoenix 0 0 1 — 1

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Detroit, Olausson 2 (Shanahan), 13:19 (sh).
Third Period—2, Detroit, Fedorov 8 (Shanahan, Lidstrom), :55. 3, Detroit, Maltby 1 (Chelios), 1:33. 4, Phoenix, May 2 (Kolanos), 2:33.
Shots on goal—Detroit 14-10-7—31. Phoenix 8-3-6—17. Power-play Opportunities—Detroit 0 of 5; Phoenix 0 of 4. Goalies—Detroit, Hasek 9-3-0 (17 shots-16 saves). Phoenix, Burke 5-5-3 (31-28). A—15,023 (16,210).

Devils 3, Thrashers 2

Atlanta 2 0 0 — 2
New Jersey 1 1 1 — 3

First Period—1, Atlanta, Kallio 1 (Tamer, Ferraro), 2:24. 2, Atlanta, Kallio 2 (Domenichelli, Hrkac), 4:46. 3, New Jersey, Brylin 2 (Holik, Salomonsson), 12:29.
Second Period—4, New Jersey, Holik 3 (Rafalski, Brodeur), :47 (pp).
Third Period—5, New Jersey, Holik 4 (Salomonsson), 18:16.
Shots on goal—Atlanta 10-7-8—25. New Jersey 2-9-10—21. Power-play Opportunities—Atlanta 0 of 2; New Jersey 1 of 2. Goalies—Atlanta, Rhodes 0-3-1 (21 shots-18 saves). New Jersey, Brodeur 7-5-0 (25-23). A—12,448 (19,040).

Panthers 2, Penguins 0

Pittsburgh 0 0 0 — 0
Florida 0 1 1 — 2

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Florida, Worrell 2 (Kozlov, Bure), 9:11.
Third Period—2, Florida, Adams 1 (Hagman), :24.
Shots on goal—Pittsburgh 5-7-5—17. Florida 5-13-12—30. Power-play Opportunities—Pittsburgh 0 of 5; Florida 0 of 1. Goalies—Pittsburgh, Hedberg 6-6-1 (30 shots-28 saves). Florida, Luongo 4-5-1 (17-17). A—16,164 (19,088).

NHRA

Driver Standings

Top Fuel
1. Kenny Bernstein, 1,984
2. Larry Dixon, 1,930
3. Doug Kalitta, 1,564
4. Gary Scelzi, 1,529
5. Mike Dunn, 1,498
6. Darrell Russell, 1,452
7. Doug Herbert, 1,171
8. Tony Schumacher, 1,120
9. David Grubnic, 843
10. Rhonda Hartman Smith, 791

Funny Car
1. x-John Force, 1,953
2. Whit Bazemore, 1,650
3. Ron Capps, 1,417
4. Del Worsham, 1,378
5. Tony Pedregon, 1,350
6. Bruce Sarver, 1,251
7. Frank Pedregon, 1,117
8. Gary Densham, 1,073
9. Tommy Johnson Jr., 1,072
10. Dean Skuza, 1,055

Pro Stock
1. Warren Johnson, 1,504
2. Jim Yates, 1,401
3. Bruce Allen, 1,266
4. Mike Edwards, 1,265
5. Mark Osborne, 1,202
6. Mark Pawuk, 1,190
7. Jeg Coughlin, 1,182
8. Kurt Johnson, 1,160
9. Ron Krisher, 1,150
10. George Marnell, 982

Pro Stock Motorcycle
1. Angelle Savoie, 1,214
2. Antron Brown, 1,141
3. Matt Hines, 929
4. Craig Treble, 893
5. GT Tonglet, 766
6. Shawn Gann, 753
7. Reggie Showers, 666
8. Geno Scali, 642
9. Steve Johnson, 598
10. Mike Berry, 460

Pro Stock Truck
1. Bob Panella Jr., 1,099
2. Greg Stanfield, 965
3. Randy Daniels, 950
4. Jeff Gracia, 764
5. Mike Coughlin, 708
6. Todd Patterson, 694
7. Taylor Lastor, 663
8. Don Smith, 647
9. Scott Perin, 583
10. Victor Cagnazzi, 539

(x-clinched championship)
Nov. 11 — Automobile Club Finals, Pomona, Calif.

Tennis

Fed Cup

Wednesday's Results
At Parque Ferial Juan Carlos I Madrid, Spain
Surface: Clay-indoors

POOL A

Russia 2, Czech Republic 1

Singles

Kveta Hrdlickova, Czech Republic, def. Elena Bovina, Russia, 3-6, 6-1, 8-6.

Elena Dementieva, Russia, def. Denisa Chladkova, Czech Republic, 6-4, 4-6, 6-1.

POOL B

Belgium 3, Germany 0

Singles

Justine Henin, Belgium, def. Martina Muller, Germany, 6-3, 6-1.

Kim Clijsters, Belgium, def. Bianka Lamade, Germany, 6-3, 6-1.

Spain 3, Australia 0

Singles

Conchita Martinez, Spain, def. Alicia Molik, Australia, 2-6, 6-0, 7-5.

Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, Spain, def. Nicole Pratt, Australia, 3-6, 6-1, 6-1.

Major League Baseball

Free Agents

NEW YORK (AP) — The 138 players who have filed for free agency. Eligible players may file through Nov. 19:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

ANAHEIM (4) — Gary DiSarcina, ss; Jorge Fabregas, c; Pat Rapp, rhp; Ismael Valdes, rhp.

BALTIMORE (3) — Jose Mercedes, rhp; Alan Mills, rhp; Tim Raines, of.

BOSTON (10) — Rod Beck, rhp; Dante Bichette, of; David Cone, rhp; Darren Lewis, of; Hideo Nomo, rhp; Troy O'Leary, of; Joe Oliver, c; Hipolito Pichardo, rhp; Bret Saberhagen, rhp; John Valentin, 3b.

CHICAGO (6) — Harold Baines, of; Jose Canseco, of; Cal Eldred, rhp; Alan Embree, lhp; Bill Simas, rhp; David Wells, lhp.

CLEVELAND (5) — Dave Burba, rhp; Marty Cordova, of; Juan Gonzalez, of; Kenny Lofton, of; Rich Rodriguez, lhp.

DETROIT (1) — Roger Cedeno, of.

KANSAS CITY (2) — Luis Alicea, 2b; Gregg Zaun, c.

MINNESOTA (1) — Todd Jones, rhp.

NEW YORK (7) — Scott Brosius, 3b; Sterling Hitchcock, lhp; Chuck Knoblauch, of; Tino Martinez, 1b; Luis Sojo, 2b; Randy Velarde, 2b; Mark Wohlers, rhp.

OAKLAND (6) — Johnny Damon, of; Ron Gant, of; Jason Giambi, 1b; Gil Heredia, rhp; Jason Isringhausen, rhp; Greg Myers, c.

SEATTLE (10) — David Bell, 3b; Bret Boone, 2b; Pat Borders, c; Jay Buhner, of; Norm Charlton, lhp; Stan Javier, of; Al Martin, of; Mark McLemore, 2b; Aaron Sele, rhp; Ed Sprague, 3b.

TAMPA BAY (1) — Chris Gomez, ss.

TEXAS (4) — Tim Crabtree, rhp; Chad Curtis, of; Pat Mahomes, rhp; Ruben Sierra, of.

TORONTO (2) — Tony Fernandez, 3b; Jeff Frye, 2b.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

ARIZONA (5) — Albie Lopez, rhp; Mike Mohler, lhp; Reggie Sanders, of; Russ Springer, rhp; Bobby Witt, rhp.

ATLANTA (11) — Kurt Abbott, 2b; John Burkett, rhp; Ken Caminiti, 3b; Julio Franco, 1b; Steve Karsay, rhp; Keith Lockhart, 3b; Javy Lopez, c; Steve Reed, rhp; Rey Sanchez, ss; Rudy Seanez, rhp; John Smoltz, rhp.

CHICAGO (9) — Ron Coomer, 1b; Delino DeShields, 2b; Ricky Gutierrez, ss; Matt Stairs, of; Kevin Tapani, rhp; Todd Van Poppel, rhp; David Weathers, rhp; Rondell White, of; Eric Young, 2b.

CINCINNATI (3) — Joey Hamilton, rhp; Pete Harnisch, rhp; Jose Rijo, rhp.

COLORADO (3) — Brian Bohanon, lhp; Dan Miceli, rhp; Jay Powell, rhp.

FLORIDA (2) — Ricky Bones, rhp; John Mabry, of.

HOUSTON (11) — Moises Alou, of; Kent Bottenfield, rhp; Vinny Castilla, 3b; Tony Eusebio, c; Mike Jackson, rhp; Orlando Merced, of; Scott Servais, c; Bill Spiers, 3b; Ron Villone, lhp; Jose Vizcaino, ss; Mike Williams, rhp.

LOS ANGELES (4) — Terry Adams, rhp; James Baldwin, rhp; Jesse Orosco, lhp; Chan Ho Park, rhp.

MILWAUKEE (3) — Mark Leiter, rhp; James Mouton, of; Devon White, of.

MONTREAL (3) — Rob Ducey, of; Randy Knorr, c; Bob Scanlon, rhp.

NEW YORK (0)

PHILADELPHIA (4) — Ricky Bottalico, rhp; Dennis Cook, lhp; Brian L. Hunter, of; Todd Pratt, c.

PITTSBURGH (3) — Francisco Cordova, rhp; Josias Manzanillo, rhp; Omar Olivares, rhp.

ST. LOUIS (5) — Bobby Bonilla, of; Carlos Hernandez, c; Mike James, rhp; T.J. Mathews, rf; Craig Paquette, 3b.

SAN DIEGO (4) — Tony Gwynn, of; Rickey Henderson, of; Dave Magadan, 3b; Chuck McElroy, lhp.

SAN FRANCISCO (8) — Barry Bonds, of; Jason Christiansen, lhp; Eric Davis, of; Andres Galarraga, 1b; Benito Santiago, c; Jason Schmidt, rhp.

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LOCAL SPORTS

XLR8 wins Fall Shootout

XLR8 won the 14-under division of the Midland Softball Association Fall Shootout held over the weekend at Bill Williams Softball Complex.

XLR8 went undefeated through five games in the tournament, beating NXS, 2-0, in the championship game.

XLR8 members: Shanna Dees, Katie Griffin, Abby Holmquist, Erin Manuz, Jessica Montoya, Chortney Nichols, Megan Reed, Aimee Russell, Brandy Weckworth and Kaitlyn Witte. Coach: Don Manuz.

Ex-Bulldogs lead teams

Two former Midland High basketball standouts played well for their college teams in recent exhibition games.

Charles Tatum scored 28 points in Arkansas' Red-White game. The junior hit 6-of-13 shots from behind the three-point line.

Kirby Lemons, who is now at Louisiana-Monroe after stops at Texas-Pan American and Garden City (Kans.) Junior College, scored 19 points and grabbed 12 points in an exhibition win for the Indians.

UTPB hosts tournament

ODESSA — The University of Texas of the Permian Basin will host the Red River Athletic Conference volleyball tournament on Friday and Saturday.

The field includes the top three teams from each division. UTPB's Lady Falcons (24-8) are the champions of the Western Division, and Houston Baptist won the Eastern Division. Other teams here are College of the Southwest and Southwestern Assemblies of the West and Huston-Tillotson and Jarvis of the East.

Admission is $3 for adults and $1 for students.

Following is Friday's schedule, with overall and conference records for each team:

9 a.m. — Southwestern Assemblies (18-6, 6-7) vs. Huston Tillotson (13-21, 9-4)
11 a.m. — College of the Southwest (12-24, 9-4) vs. Jarvis (14-9, 6-7)
5 p.m. — Houston Baptist (27-6, 13-0) vs. CSW-Jarvis winner
7 p.m. — UTPB (24-8, 12-1) vs. SWA-Huston-Tillotson winner.

Tennis

Midland Country Club league winners
Little league: Michael Bechural, Miles Ocshner, Barrett Baldridge, Cody Mulloy, Mason Steed and E.J. Baldridge.
Junior league: Dale Wilson, Lauren White, Lacy Caldwell, Katie Yochum, Brittany Phillips, Belinda Bennett, Joel Bezinque, Christopher Edmonds, Christopher Speight, Molly Cook, Nicholas Harrison, Kyle Gearhart, Brittany Moore, Dylan Mortan, Kelsey Willis, Robby Buck, Emily Schatzle, Amber Anglin, Katie Huff, Ryan Fink, Neil Dufford, Paul Cremer and Lindsay Nichols.

BERTH: Big Spring looks for upset on road

(From 1C)

with — Plainview, Lake View and Andrews — and the closest was nine points.

While there may be some other scenarios in which the Steers could make the playoffs, it basically comes down to this: Big Spring needs Andrews to lose and Plainview to beat Lake View. That would leave Big Spring tied with the winner of the Estacado-Snyder game, and Big Spring has beaten both of those schools.

But the biggest thing the Steers have to worry about is winning this week. Beating Frenship at home will be tough, but the Steers' confidence is high after two straight wins over playoff contenders Estacado and Snyder.

"Winning a couple of games does that for you," Big Spring coach Dwight Butler said of his team's confidence despite an 0-5 start.

Frenship defensive coaches have to be impressed by watching the game tapes from Big Spring's last two games. In a 49-28 win over Estacado two weeks ago, Steers' quarterback Tye Butler threw for 318 yards and six touchdowns. Last week in a 24-14 win over Snyder, the Tigers fell back to defend the pass and got burned by Big Spring's 374 rushing yards, 257 by tailback Josh Mathews.

"They've got to look at two different things; they can't just load up on one," Dwight Butler said. "That's to our advantage."

The Steers will need some advantages. Frenship got a lot of attention last year with quarterback Kendal Briles, who had moved in from Stephenville. But Frenship's success last year was clearly not all due to Briles' presence. He's gone to the University of Texas, and the Tigers keep winning.

"They have a lot more than just Kendal Briles from a year ago," Butler said. "They have some good players. They're very talented. They're very explosive offensively, and defensively, they've been pretty stingy. They've got the whole package: big line, good backs, good quarterback, their defensive backs run well, and they're very consistent offensively and defensively."

Frenship's standout player is tight end David Thomas, who missed the Andrews game with an injury but is back playing now. He's committed to play at Texas.

"He's a tight end, but he's a wideout in tight end's body," Butler said. "He's 6-foot-3, 218 (pounds) and he runs like a deer. They find a lot of different ways to get him the ball."

Quarterback Chris Kelly runs and throws well, Butler said, and tailback Eric Robbins is "tough-nosed." The team also throws often to fullback Rolando Reyna.

This may be the best time of the year for Big Spring to be looking for an upset on the road. Early in the season, the Steers seemed to always have a breakdown in one aspect of the game, but lately, everything is clicking.

"We've played better the last couple of weeks," Bulter said. "Defensively, we've been playing better. We're not turning the ball over, and the kicking game has been good.

"We're hoping to show up and surprise somebody one more time."

Meanwhile, Andrews won't be taken by surprise, Lebby said, despite Levelland's 0-9 record. The Mustangs know the gravity of the situation.

"If we don't win, we're not in," Lebby said. "It's not real hard (for the players to stay motivated). They know if they don't get a win, they're out."

Levelland may not be as bad as the 0-6 district record indicates, since they've been outscored only 200-139 in district games.

"They've scored points all year," Lebby said. "They just have trouble stopping people."

Levelland is led by running back Christian Coronado.

"(The Lobos) probably have the best all-around back in the district in Coronado," Lebby said. "They throw 60 (percent of the time) and run 40. He's a talented kid. He's not a big kid, just 5-6 or 5-7 and 145 pounds, but it's hard to hem him up."

Garden City hosts Roscoe

In District 9-A, Garden City's playoff possibilities are clearer than those in District 4-4A, but they're still not determined. Simply put, the Bearkats have two options: win Friday and make the playoffs, or lose and need help to make the playoffs.

Any coach would choose the former option, but since Roscoe, undefeated and ranked No. 2 in Class A, is coming to town for the 7:30 p.m. kickoff, its good to have a Plan B. Thanks to the Bearkats' win over Roby last week, there is a Plan B.

Let's deal with them separately.

■ Plan B: If Roscoe beats Garden City, Roscoe would win the district title at 5-0 and Garden City would fall to 3-2. Also on Friday, Roby plays at Robert Lee. If Robert Lee wins, it is 4-1 and takes the district's other playoff spot — there are only two spots in Class A.

But if Roby beats Robert Lee, there is a three-way tie among Roby, Robert Lee and Garden City, all at 3-2. And Garden City would come out on top in the tie-breaking process.

Earlier in the season, Robert Lee beat Garden City, 17-14, then Garden City beat Roby, 27-0. Since the district allows a maximum of 14 points to count towards tie-breakers, Garden City has 11 points (14 minus 3). No matter how bad Roby beats Robert Lee, Roby can't win the tie-breaker, and no matter how close Robert Lee makes the loss, Robert Lee can't win the tie-breaker.

Roby has a chance to beat Robert Lee, Garden City coach Wade Wesley said, if Roby can bounce back.

"Rebounding from a loss is sometimes difficult to do," Wesley said. "I was proud of the way our kids bounced back from our desastating loss to Robert Lee. Roby now finds themselves with the same thing. It will be how Roby responds to that."

■ Plan A: "It's a monumental task," Wesley said of the possibility of beating Roscoe, which has already pounded Robert Lee (54-7) and Roby (55-6). Roscoe (9-0) has outscored all opponents, 505-26.

"Roscoe does a good job of running the wishbone option," Wesley said. "They've got a tremendously fast quarterback (Jacoby Johnson). When he gets to the perimeter, he's hard to tackle. And he's got a slew of help in the backfield. They've got a fullback (Steven Eldred) who can stuff it in there on the dive option, and they've got halfbacks that are great blockers on the load option.

"They are huge up front, they've got a great offensive line and defensively, they are very quick," Wesley continued. "They only have three or four two-way players, so they're always fresh when they come out on the field."

Garden City has about seven two-way starters, Wesley said.

"That's a big key for us in the fourth quarter," he said. "If we can play them close through four quarters, then we'll have a shot at the end."

If Garden City wins and Roby wins, Garden City would not only earn its first playoff berth since 1991, it would be the district champion. If Garden City wins and Robert Lee wins, there would be a three way-tie for first, but the points favor Roscoe and Garden City. And if Garden City beats Roscoe by nine points and there is a three-way tie, Garden City is the district champion.

However, hoping to name your score against the No. 2 team in the state is a little presumptious. Wesley would be thrilled with a win. And he seems ready to give it a shot.

"Everyone talks about Roscoe and all its size, speed and strength," Wesley said. "Our boys are fully aware of the challenge that awaits them on Friday night. All I've got to say is watch out for those Bearkats."

Rankin tries to play spoiler

Rankin started the season as the sixth-ranked team in Class A, but the Red Devils will not make the playoffs.

Still, there is some motivation for the final game. Marfa, which comes to Rankin for an 8 p.m. kickoff Friday, needs either a win or a loss by less than nine points to make the playoffs. That assumes a win by Wink over woeful Fort Hancock.

Naturally, the Red Devils would rather not have another team celebrate in front of them on Friday.

Marfa is 3-1 in District 7-A, with only the loss to district champion Iraan, but 4-4 overall. The Shorthorns are led by Mark Lujan, a running back and linebacker, and quarterback Ruben Madrid.

"They have been inconsistent thoughout the year, but they've started playing good football," Rankin coach Jeff Butts said of Marfa. "They beat Wink, 21-6, and Wink beat us, 21-0, so they can play."

In 7-A, the maximum number of points that can be used from one game for tie-breaking purposes is 21. That 21-point loss to Wink is what keeps Rankin from having a chance at the playoffs, even though wins by Rankin and Wink would create a three-way tie with Marfa for second place in the district.

The Red Devils season has been sabotaged by injuries and defections, but the players haven't given up, Butts said.

"Our kids have been through a bunch this year, but they're still playing hard," he said. "I couldn't ask them to have a better attitude about the end of the year than what they've got. I think they'll come out and play hard."

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Demonstration

The Bureau of Land Management will host a demonstration of its system allowing electronic filing of oil and gas permit applications and reports directly to the agency.

The demonstration will be held at ChevronTexaco, 500 N. Loraine Room 114 at 9 a.m. and again at 1 p.m. There is a limit of 75 attendees per session.

Secretaries

The Permian Basin Legal Secretaries Association will meet Wednesday beginning at noon at the Petroleum Club.

Midland Mayor Mike Canon will speak on city government.

Cost is $12 and reservations should be made by 5 p.m. Friday by calling 570-1919.

Modest rise

NEW YORK — Crude and petroleum products futures rose modestly at the New York Mercantile Exchange Wednesday, as traders shrugged off mostly bearish weekly inventory builds and focused, instead, on surprisingly stronger oil demand.

Technical traders said the recent sell-off had been overdone, and a correction was due. Early in the session, short covering was cited by floor traders. The gains held throughout the day as fresh buying entered.

Front-month December crude gained 17 cents to close at $20.09 a barrel.

Data released by the American Petroleum Institute and the Department of Energy reported bearish builds in crude oil and heating oil.

Cautious trading

NEW YORK — Investors played it cautious Wednesday, taking some profits from Wall Street's latest rally as they awaited proof that the economy is actually improving.

Stocks closed mostly lower, an expected downturn following Tuesday's rally in response to the Federal Reserve's 10th interest rate cut this year. But the tech-laden Nasdaq composite index eked out a slim gain.

The Dow Jones industrial average finished down 36.75, or 0.4 percent, at 9,554.37, having climbed 515 points, or 5.7 percent, in the previous four trading days.

During afternoon trading, the Dow returned to the trading levels it held before the Sept. 11 terrorist attack but the blue chips retreated before the close. The Dow stood at 9,605.51 on Sept. 10, and then lost 1,369 points during the first week of trading after the attacks.

The broader market was mixed with the Nasdaq inching up 2.45, or 0.1 percent, to 1,837.53, and the Standard & Poor's 500 index slipping 3.06, or 0.3 percent, to 1,115.80.

Euro rises

LONDON — The U.S. dollar was mixed against other major currencies in European trading Wednesday.

The euro was quoted at 89.90 cents in late European trading, up from 89.69 cents Tuesday. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro traded at 90.01 cents.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Tuesday, included 121.11 Japanese yen, up from 121.10; 1.6357 Swiss francs, down from 1.6408; and 1.5912 Canadian dollars, down from 1.5932.

Gold rises

LONDON — Gold dealers in London closed at a price of $279.70 bid per troy ounce, up from $279.10 Tuesday. In Zurich the bid price was $279.45, up from $278.65. Gold rose $1.10 in Hong Kong to $279.25.

Court rejects Exxon Valdez award

Federal appeals court says $5 billion settlement unfair, excessive

By David Kravets
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal appeals court Wednesday threw out as excessive the $5 billion punitive-damages verdict against Exxon for the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska.

The court ordered a judge to determine a lesser amount.

A jury in Anchorage, Alaska, had ordered the oil giant in 1994 to pay the sum to thousands of commercial fisherman, Alaska natives, property owners and others harmed by the nation's worst oil spill.

Exxon, which has since merged with Mobil to form Exxon Mobil Corp., had argued that the verdict was "completely unwarranted, unfair and is excessive by any legal or practical measure."

A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said some damages were justified to punish the company but agreed that $5 billion — the biggest punitive damage award in history at the time — was too much.

The jury also awarded commercial fishermen $287 million to compensate them for economic losses suffered as a result of the spill. The appeals court left that part of the verdict intact.

Representatives of Exxon Mobil and the fishermen did not immediately return calls for comment Wednesday.

The plaintiffs noted that the spill, which polluted Alaska's Prince William Sound with 11 million gallons of crude oil and smeared black goo across roughly 1,500 miles of coastline, had reduced their property values and damaged fishing and hunting grounds.

The jury found recklessness by Exxon and the captain of the Valdez, Joseph Hazelwood, who caused the tanker to run aground on a charted reef. That finding of malfeasance made Exxon liable for punitive damages.

Exxon had argued that it should not have to pay any punitive damages. The oil giant said it learned its lesson and spent more than $3 billion to clean up Prince William Sound and settle federal and state lawsuits.

The plaintiffs had alleged that Hazelwood ran the ship aground while drunk and that Exxon knew he had a drinking problem. Hazelwood, however, was acquitted in 1990 of operating the tanker while drunk.

The appeals court Wednesday said that for every dollar in compensatory damages, the jury awarded more than $17 in punitive damages — a ratio that would not get by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The appeals court noted that the high court in 1991 ruled that a 4-to-1 ratio was a "close to the line" between a constitutionally acceptable and unacceptable jury verdict.

Casual Christmas

AP Photo

Mark Tomlin adjusts a Dusan black silk jacket suit at Saks Jandel in Chevy Chase, Md. Wednesday. A San Carlin black and burgundy velvet Taffetta gown is at left, and a Louis Feraud evening suit is at center. In the aftermath of the terrorist attacks, consumers are opting for a more subdued holiday party season, and want their clothes to match their moods. That doesn't bode well for many retailers that are stocked with festive holiday outfits.

Party dresses expected to languish on retailers' racks

Anne D'Innocenzio
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Last November, Anna Carrillo spent $200 on a fancy dress at Nordstrom to wear to holiday parties. This year, she expects to go more casual and spend half as much. Her new outfit? Leggings and a sparkly sweater, items she plans to buy at a moderate-priced Express store.

"Usually, I go to a lot of holiday parties. This year, it will be a lot more low-key, and I will be spending more time at home with friends and family," said Carrillo, 29, of Los Angeles. "Under the circumstances, you want to spend time with your loved ones, rather than just going out."

In the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, consumers like Carrillo are opting for a more subdued holiday season, and want their clothes to match the mood. That doesn't bode well for retailers stocked with formal holiday wear like brightly-colored dresses and beaded ballgowns —whether they're pr ey or inexpensive.

Stores that rent or sell tuxedos are also bracing for a difficult holiday.

Already, Macy's has reported that women's black pants and simple black dresses are among its bestsellers. Talbot's says consumers are buying more casual looks this year, pairing long skirts with sweaters. And upscale Chicago men's clothier Paul Stuart said its simple black cashmere blazer is replacing the standard tuxedo in customers' holiday wardrobes.

And the color red is just as strong as black, retailers reported.

"It is just more patriotic," Carrillo said.

"Consumers are going to be entertaining more with family, and it will be less about showing off who you are, and more about sharing who you are," said Marian Salzman, worldwide director of strategy and planning for Euro RSCG, a New York-based marketing company.

According to a recent Euro RSCG online survey of 300 consumers nationwide, 28 percent of both women and men plan to celebrate the holiday in a more low-key way. The survey also found that 41 percent of women and 35 percent of men plan to focus more on the religious side of the holidays.

C. Britt Beemer, chairman of America's Research Group, based in Charleston, S.C., agrees. His recent study of 1,000 consumers found that 20 percent of the people who normally go out to parties said they will be spending more time at home.

Carrillo, who plans to do more home entertaining, said she will probably spend more money this year on party accessories like festive cocktail napkins and martini glasses.

The shift in consumer sentiment came too late for retailers to dramatically change their merchandise. But the good news is that merchants were already offering evening separates as one of the holiday looks, a trend that could do even better as consumers stay closer to home.

Evening wear manufacturers have been the most hurt by an expected slowdown in the business, with retailers cutting back orders of fancy dresses. Lloyd Singer, president of ABS Allen Schwartz, which has an evening wear division, said his company was lucky that major accounts like Macy's and Bloomingdale's didn't reduce or cancel orders for his $200 designs. But Singer acknowledged that there won't be any reorders, which accounts for about 20 percent of ABS's evening wear sales.

Productivity rises in third quarter as businesses slash employees' hours

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Worker productivity posted the best showing in more than a year in the third quarter. But the improvement came at a price: Businesses, coping with the economic hard times, slashed workers' hours by the largest amount in a decade and eliminated jobs.

The Labor Department reported Wednesday that productivity — the amount of output per hour of work — rose at an annual rate of 2.7 percent in the July-September quarter, compared with a 2.2 percent growth rate in the previous quarter.

Businesses responded to slumping sales by sharply cutting back on their payrolls. That caused the total number of hours worked to drop at a faster pace than output, thus creating the rise in productivity.

Productivity rose in the third quarter as businesses cut workers' hours at a 3.6 percent rate. It was the largest drop in hours since the first quarter of 1991 when the country was in the depths of its last recession. Output, at all businesses other than farms, declined at a rate of 1 percent, the biggest decrease since the first quarter of 1993.

"Companies reacted very quickly to try and shore up their profits and adjust their production to the sharp falloff in sales," said Lynn Reaser, chief economist at Banc of America Capital Management.

"The ability for companies to adapt quickly will help ensure their long-term viability and in the longer term that will benefit employees," she said. "But certainly, workers who had benefited from rising hours and job opportunities in the past are now bearing a large share of the decline in economic activity."

The overall economy shrank at a 0.4 percent rate in the third quarter and many analysts predict an even bigger decline in the current fourth quarter. A common definition of recession is two consecutive quarters of falling economic output.

In the long run, productivity gains are good for workers and for the economy.

Gains in productivity allow companies to pay workers more without raising prices, which would eat up those wage gains, and permits the economy to grow faster without triggering inflation. If productivity falters, however, pressures for higher wages could force companies to raise prices, thus worsening inflation.

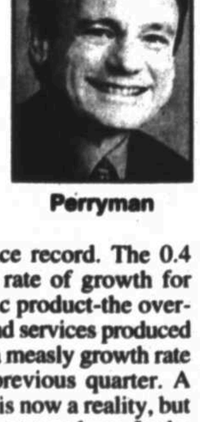
"In the long run, productivity growth is kind of like a bank account from which you can pay extra bonuses and also prevent prices from rising," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo. "In the short run, productivity gains are coming at the expense of more job losses."

THE ECONOMIST

Texas economy makes impressive showing in third quarter

By M. Ray Perryman

Now that the third quarter's numbers are out, we no longer have to speculate about the state of the economy. Many recent reports gauged the economy's well-being by using data from the first week of September; the net effect camouflaged the economic impact from the terrorists' attacks on the eleventh. But there's no escaping the third quarter's performance record. The 0.4 percent drop in the rate of growth for GDP (gross domestic product-the overall output of goods and services produced in the U.S.) follows a measly growth rate of 0.3 percent the previous quarter. A national contraction is now a reality, but I don't think it will last very long. In the meantime, another, less publicized report also quietly emerged — one that reminds us of the indefatigable ingenuity that powers the free markets of America.



Perryman

The evidence is now in to support what we all know: venture capital plays a vital role in the economic prosperity of Americans. The just-released study of the impact from venture capital on the US economy tells the story well; venture capital spurs economic growth, bringing forth new businesses with new job opportunities.

The venture capital invested during the period 1970 to 2000 created 7.6 million U.S. jobs and more than $1.3 trillion in revenue by the end of 2000. More than $273 billion of venture capital dollars generated companies that were responsible for about 13 percent of the GDP and 6 percent of the nation's jobs (in 2000). In fact, in the last 30 years, for every $36,000 spent in venture capital activity, one American job evolved in 2000- and the activity trend is growing. The astounding information, however, is the enormous bang for the bucks; venture capital dollars represented less than one percent of total investment activity in the U.S. over these thirty years. Powerful stuff.

The data get even better when it comes to venture-backed job and revenue creation by individual states. In the year 2000, new employment counts placed California as the leader, with Texas second in line; these states claimed 1,415,748 jobs and 676,158 jobs, respectively. Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Massachusetts, New York and Georgia followed in total new jobs springing from venture-backed activities.

Revenues from venture-backed business activity in 2000 ranked states accordingly: California ($270.6 billion), Texas ($158.2 billion), Washington ($75.4 billion), New York ($65.8 billion), and Georgia ($62.8 billion).

The Lone Star State also made itself proud in the category of top 10 states with total venture dollars invested for the thirty-year period, coming in third in overall ranking: California had $108.8 billion, Massachusetts with $26.0 billion, and Texas had $17.2 billion. New York and Colorado followed with $16.1 billion and $9.9 billion, respectively. The study also examined the 15 fastest growing states for venture capital investment; using the period 1996 - 2001 to report compound annual growth rates, and Texas ranked eighth with a rate of 29.81 percent per year. All in all, an impressive showing for the Texas economy.

At the end of the day, as helpful as reports and perspectives are, these activities do more than create new jobs and revenue; intellectual capital and innovation are borne of venture investment. Venture capital is a wellspring of life to the economy in smooth and bumpy times. Perhaps today more than ever before, American dreamers are seeking to fund their ideas and startups, and they find cash from traditional loans is hard to come by. It is the well of U.S. investment capitalists-those willing to chance higher risks for higher returns-that entrepreneurs keep going back to. Yesterday, today, and tomorrow, venture capital activity represents the best product of our free-markets: hope for the future.

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Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Enron	1111991	9 05	- 62
Compaq	557972	7 99	- 51
AOL TW	283670	34 50	- 65
Lucent	277218	7 01	- 36
EMC Cp	271378	15 02	- 28

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FrankCov	4 75	+1 16	+32 3
LandsE	42 15	+6 41	+17 9
Penton	8 15	+1 18	+16 9
OmegaP	2 65	+ 37	+16 2
PremFarn	7 12	+ 92	+14 8

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Vestains	6 67	-5 83	-46 6
Alpharma	20 90	-6 80	-24 5
AmTower	5 98	-1 02	-14 6
OrbitalSci	2 45	- 38	-13 4
Alstom	11 10	-1 65	-12 9

Diary

Advanced	1,607
Declined	1,539
Unchanged	199
Total issues	3,345
New Highs	116
New Lows	37
Volume	1,701,020,880

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Nasd100Tr	900957	38 14	- 05
SPDR	196299	112 25	- 15
IvaxCp s	89273	18 95	+1 95
SemiHTr	42763	41 50	+ 06
DJIA Diam	29362	95 75	- 40

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
TrnsntlF	2 56	+ 36	+16 4
UniMrt	2 29	+ 29	+14 5
IvaxCp s	18 95	+1 95	+11 5
TitanPhm	8 60	+ 87	+11 3
FreqEl	13 36	+1 20	+9 9

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Cognitrn	4 40	- 75	-14 6
Sifco	4 93	- 72	-12 7
IRIS	2 73	- 27	-9 0
SunLink	2 45	- 24	-8 9
WstCap	2 33	- 22	-8 6

Diary

Advanced	333
Declined	352
Unchanged	114
Total issues	799
New Highs	29
New Lows	12
Volume	161,404,745

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Cisco	1169069	18 93	+ 46
SunMicro s	654389	12 59	+ 20
Intel	587009	28 29	+ 04
Qualcom	450800	55 11	+ 38
Oracle	431799	15 58	+ 36

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AHL Srv	2 01	+ 56	+38 6
NaProBio	8 22	+2 11	+34 5
SilonImg	2 21	+ 56	+33 9
VixelCp	2 15	+ 52	+32 3
VisualNet	2 40	+ 55	+29 7

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
KinnevikB	14 25	-8 07	-36 2
Medialk	2 20	- 80	-26 7
OptclCm	2 91	- 80	-21 6
Duratek	5 56	-1 46	-20 8
SBA Com	6 25	-1 55	-19 9

Diary

Advanced	1,685
Declined	1,913
Unchanged	827
Total issues	4,405
New Highs	61
New Lows	44
Volume	2,011,172,200

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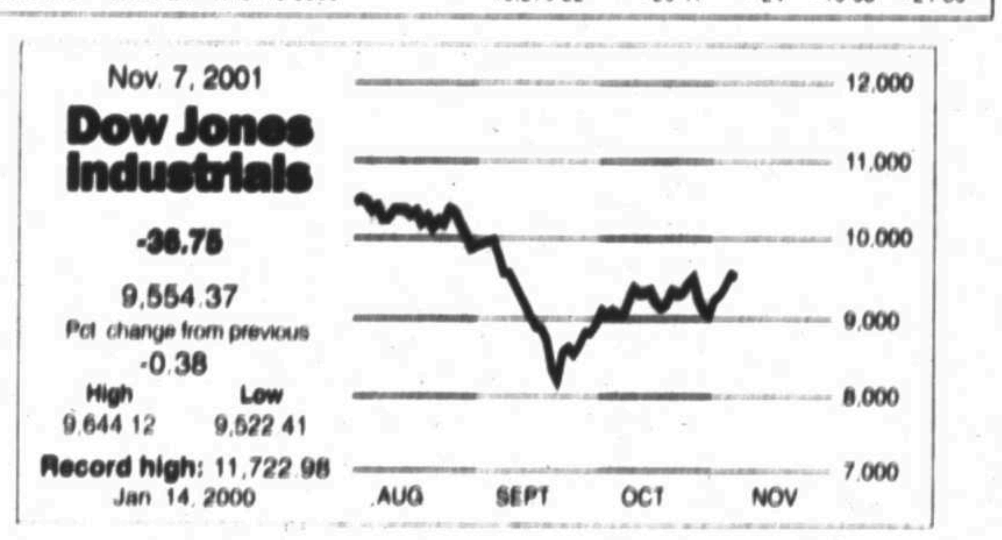

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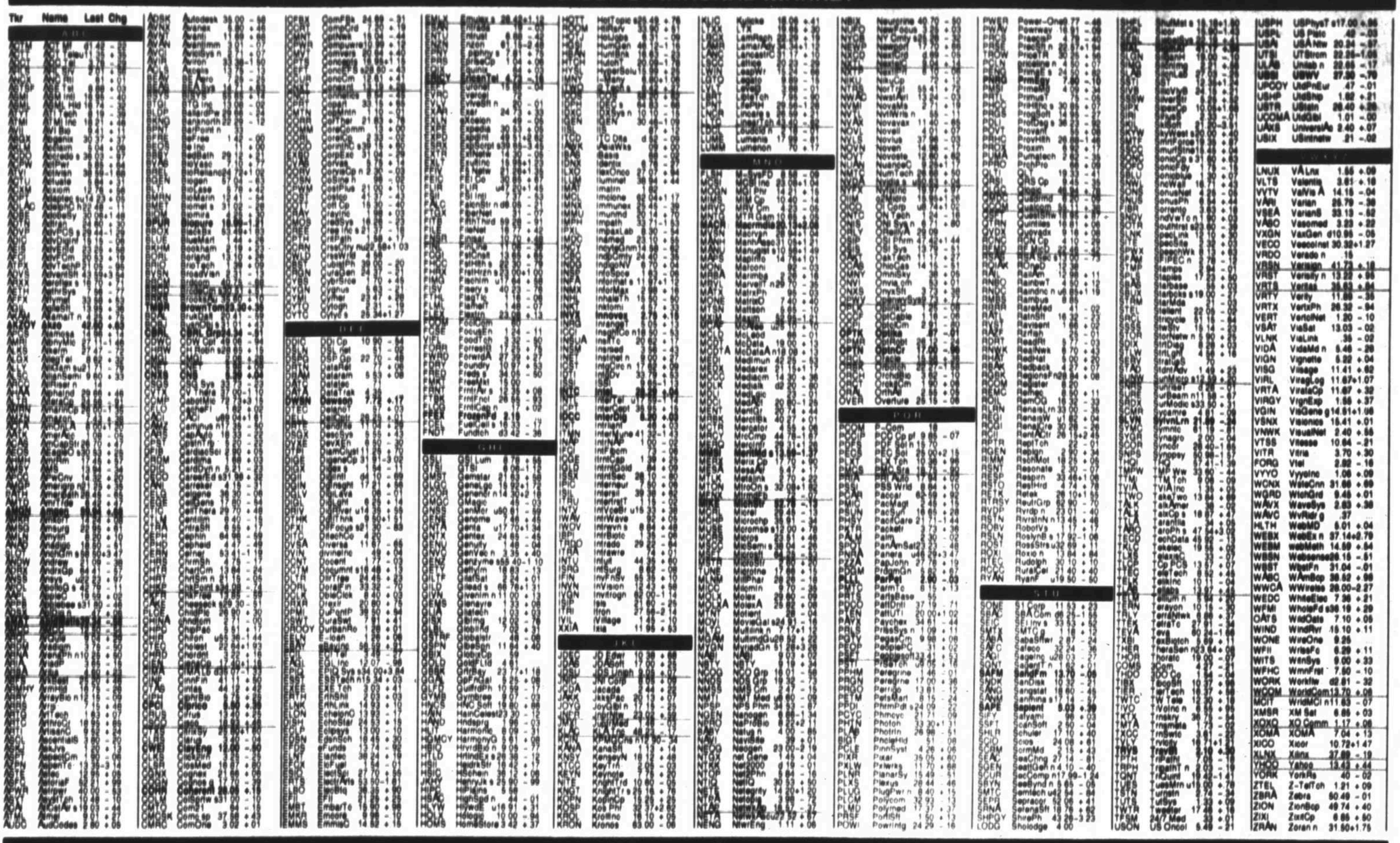

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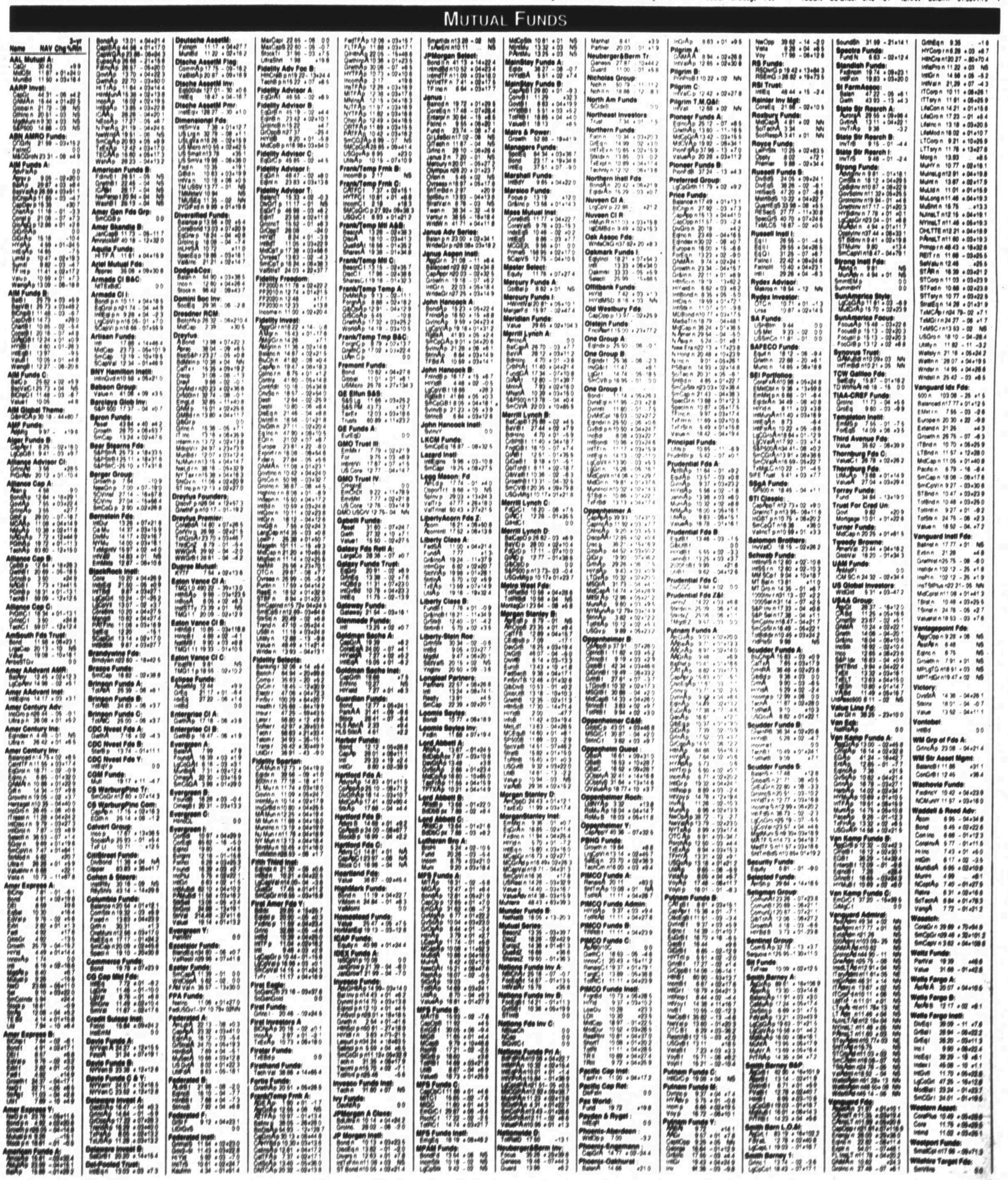

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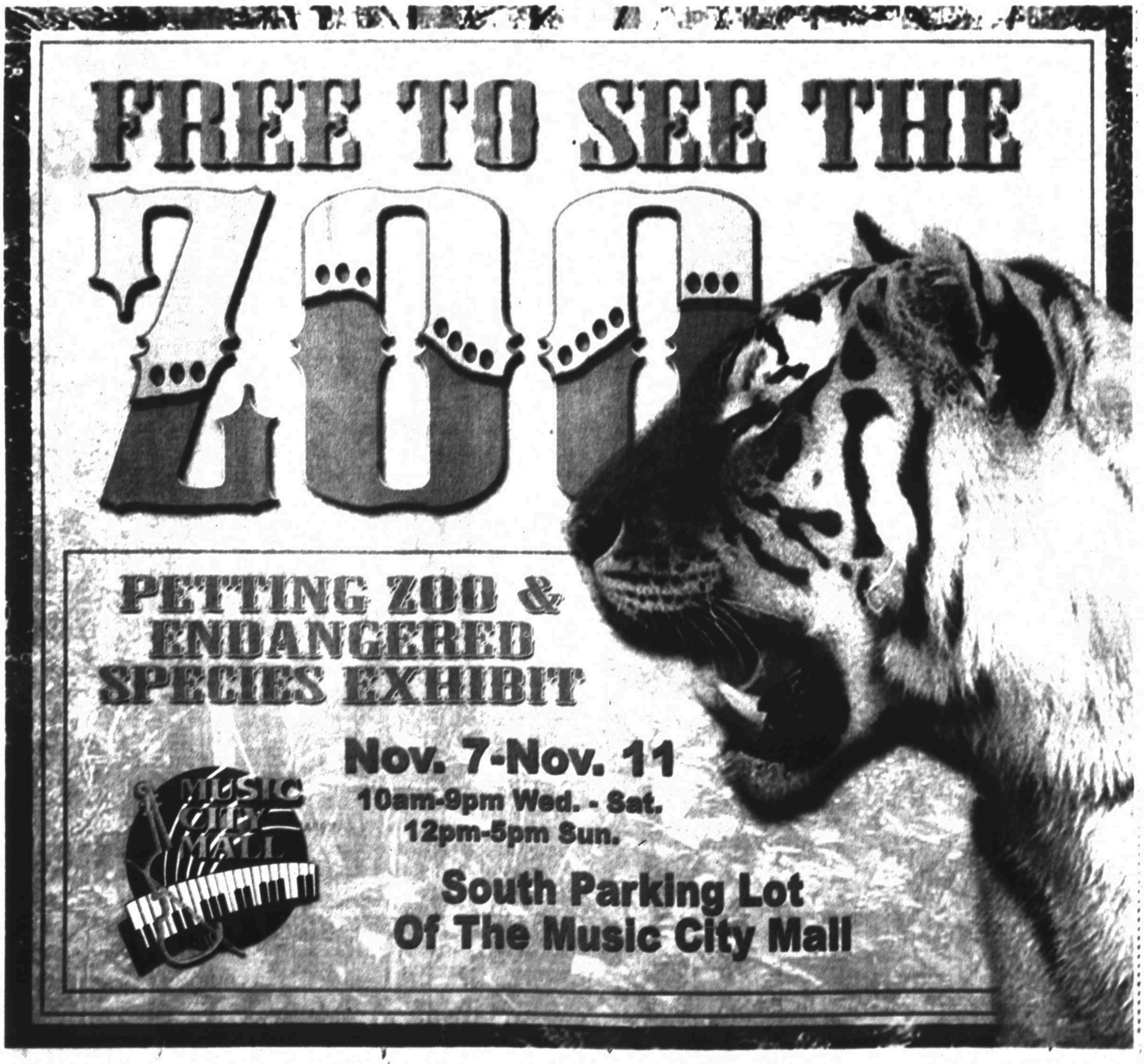

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Chimney sweep Leonard Boucher disappears as he works in the chimney at the home of Beth Current, center, in Marietta, Ga., Oct. 30, as his wife, Nancy Boucher, left, tends to the chimney vac. The nation's small corps of certified chimney sweeps are looking to more education and high-tech tools to expand their business.

New homes, more rigorous training transform chimney sweep industry

By Justin Bachman
Associated Press

MARIETTA, Ga. — Leonard Boucher swivels his flexible, pole-mounted video camera and peers into the farthest recesses of a fireplace. A grainy picture appears on a nearby monitor.

Boucher, a chimney sweep, is forming a diagnosis.

"Is that a crack? It is a crack, isn't it?" he asks Nancy, his wife, business partner and assistant.

Nancy Boucher peers closer, nodding. It's a crack, and homeowner Beth Current faces a costly repair.

She is learning that the days of some soot-nosed functionary stabbing a brush down a chimney and calling it cleaned are yielding to a maturing industry with estimated annual revenues approaching $1 billion.

With the average new American home an airtight temple of energy efficiency, the nation's small corps of certified chimney sweeps are looking to more education and high-tech tools to expand their business.

"From a professional viewpoint, we feel that cleaning a chimney is more than just brushing the soot out," said Boucher, 62, a former Home Depot manager who switched careers after having trouble finding someone to clean his own chimney.

Now the Bouchers have 450 regular customers and a workload that's pressing them to hire a third employee.

The industry's largest trade group, the National Chimney Sweep Guild, is building a $1.5 million training facility near its Indianapolis headquarters. It will train up to 120 novice sweeps each year.

"There's a lot more training for sweeps than there was," said Ronnie Brigman, who started his Blue Sky Chimney Sweeps in Laurens, S.C., in 1980. "Guys start off a lot more ahead of the game than we did years ago."

There are about 1,500 certified sweeps in the nation, with an estimated 6,000 to 9,000 others with varying levels of sweep education, according to the guild.

There are sweeps in every state — even Hawaii. Georgia has nearly two dozen.

Boucher prepares to clean a chimney at a home in Marietta, Ga. The Bouchers have 450 regular customers and a workload that's pressing them to hire a third employee.

AP Photo

"When I first started, it wasn't uncommon for me in the summer to try to find some other part-time job and now I'm so busy I keep two guys busy all year round," said Jack Fisher, who opened Chiminy Cricket Chimney Sweep in Phoenix in 1980.

Most charge $80 to $120 for a basic cleaning, although many rely on masonry work, inspections and chimney repairs for larger paychecks.

In a survey of 230 businesses published in the current issue of SNEWS, a trade magazine for chimney sweeps, the average income last year was more than $46,000. One sweep reported net income of $300,000.

Part of the industry's resurgence over the last two decades has come from the designs of new homes — sealed environments that promote energy efficiency but don't allow for good air movement, said Ashley Eldridge, the institute's director of training.

That can spell major problems in fireplaces, where uneven pressures can draw smoke into the house instead of out through the chimney.

"Consumers, as a rule, don't even think there's a chimney on their house until they have a problem," said Jerry Isenhour, the guild's president and owner of 15-employee Chimney Doctor Inc. in Concord, N.C.

Interior laundry rooms, water heaters and fancy kitchen venting hoods also have been a boon to business. Chimney sweeps are frequently consulted by installers and homebuilders, Eldridge said.

"The dryer exhaust duct alone is a growth industry," he said.

Sweeps say poor air quality also has led to a glut of new calls. As a result, many sweeps "are becoming indoor air-quality specialists," said Ruth Francisco, a sweep in Scotia, N.Y. and spokeswoman for the New York state sweep guild, the largest in the country, with 150 company members.

"Chimney sweeps are not just chimney sweeps anymore."

DEAR ABBY

Ex-POWs benefits help widow

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: When you printed my letter about the thousands of former prisoners of war who had never gone to the Department of Veterans Affairs about benefits available to them, you touched many lives. It has enabled many former POWs and/or their spouses or widows to finally receive benefits due them. We American Ex-Prisoners of War have been extra-busy because of what you did.

Our work is all volunteer. The rewards come when we get letters like the one I'm enclosing from "Mrs. K." in Oklahoma.

Mrs. K.'s daughter talked with me about her father, who died 15 years ago. It turns out I was in the same German POW camp as her father. His best buddy and I could write nearly identical letters about our forced march in blizzard conditions in northern Germany in January 1945.

She told me: "I have four sisters. We all agree that this is the most excited our mother has been in a very long time. Words do not adequately express our gratitude."

Abby, if you would consider including Mrs. K.'s letter in your column, it would no doubt reach more World War II and Korean War POWs who need a nudge. — FRED CAMPBELL, SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

P.S. Another nice thing you did was to forward a letter to me from a Ms. Moore in New York. She had seen my letter in your column and wrote to ask for help in locating someone who might have known her father, a bombardier/navigator who flew flying missions out of Assam, India. (Naturally, the plane's name was "My Assam Dragon.") Ms. Moore never knew her father. He died on his last mission in World War II. I put her in touch with the China-Burma-India Association.

She said in her letter that her father was part of a Moore family in Harrison County, Ky., going back 200 years. Well, my mother was a Moore — and HER family came out of Harrison County, Ky., same era. So it's possible you have connected some kinfolks.

DEAR FRED: It's letters like yours that make writing this column a thrill. I'm gratified to know that we were able to help Mrs. K. from Oklahoma. I am frequently told that when I print a letter, the writer hears from long-lost friends and acquaintances. But in the case of Ms. Moore, I'd say 200 years is a record. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for printing Fred Campbell's letter. My husband has been deceased since 1986. He was a B-17 pilot during World War II and was shot down May 4, 1944. He was a prisoner of war until April 29, 1945, and the conditions were deplorable.

After reading the letter from Mr. Campbell, my daughter contacted American Ex-Prisoners of War for more specific information about the legislative changes regarding former POWs and special benefits available. Mr. Campbell followed up my daughter's inquiry personally.

For years before his death, my husband suffered from puzzling ailments. One of the most puzzling was bouts of swollen feet. Mr. Campbell recognized that as a possible symptom of ischemic heart disease.

Fortunately, my husband kept good records, and we had an autopsy done when he died. Those records enabled the VA to decide favorably on my behalf and determined that after all these years that my husband's death was, in fact, service-related. The additional benefits I am now receiving have helped relieve tremendous financial worries for me.

Had I not seen your column, I would not have pursued a review of my husband's records. You have provided a wonderful service to your readers. Thank you again. — MRS. K., WIDOW OF AN AMERICAN EX-POW

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

GeoWeek

What's new about Cymru?

If the name 'Cymru' confuses you, that's understandable. Cymru is the original name of Wales, on the western side of the Great Britain. It's also the name of the region's native language, an ancient tongue that seems to group consonants in a most perplexing manner. At least five people who normally speak English find the language, along with the region, is making a comeback. At least one of every five people in Wales can speak Cymru, one of the oldest written languages in Europe, thanks to support by the local government and a growing interest among young people in regaining their heritage.

Surprisingly, the next largest community of native Cymru speakers is half a world away, in Argentina's province of Chubut in Patagonia. Nearly a century and a half ago, 153 Welsh fled their region's hazardous coal mines with a dream of founding a new Welsh colony in South America. More than 25,000 of their descendants now thrive in Patagonia, many of whom speak Cymru as fluently as Spanish.

Wales was absorbed into England in 1536. Today, with a population of 2.7 million, it covers an area of 8,015 square miles (20,760 square kilometers).

By [illegible] and EARLE HOLLAND

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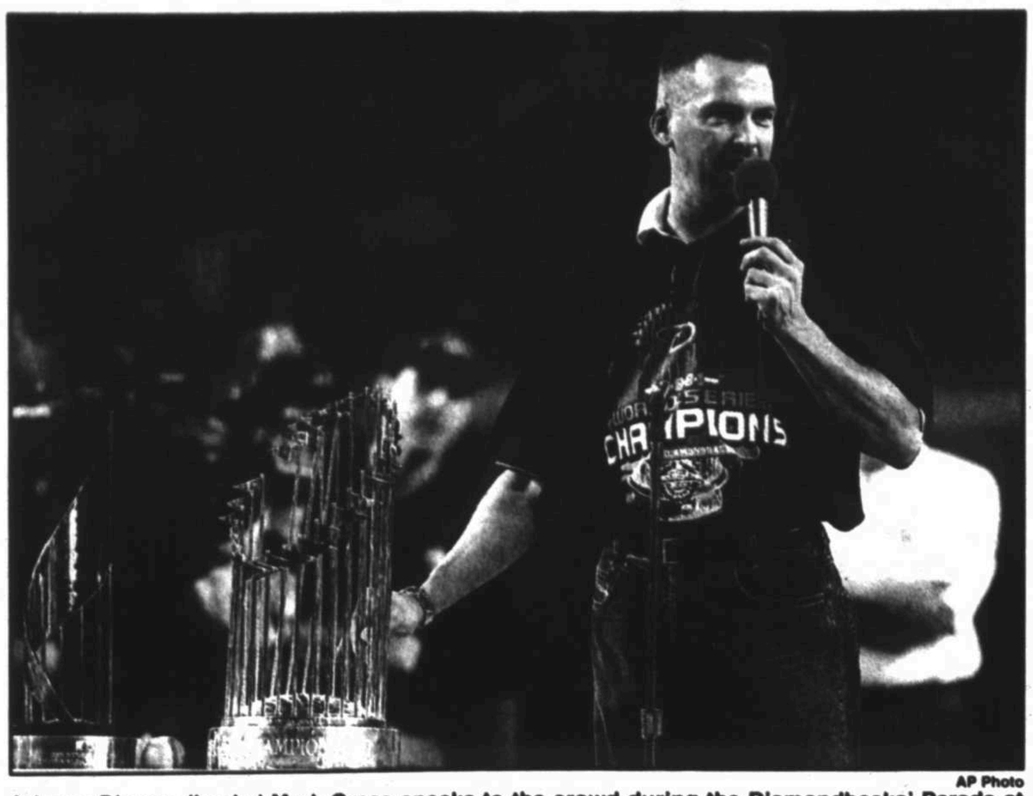

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Arizona Diamondbacks' Mark Grace speaks to the crowd during the Diamondbacks' Parade at Bank One Ballpark in Phoenix. The Diamondbacks brought the first major professional sports championship to the city when they beat the New York Yankees to win the World Series.

Town turns out to honor World Series champions

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Bob Brenly, three days removed from leading the Arizona Diamondbacks to this city's first professional sports championship, told a celebrating crowd to get ready for another one.

After cheers and confetti rained down on the World Series champions in a parade before an estimated 300,000 fans Wednesday, Brenly praised those packed into Bank One Ballpark and guaranteed there will be another reason to celebrate in 2002.

"We're proud that you came out here and stood up to those Yankees fans," Brenly said on the same field where Arizona won the title Sunday night with a dramatic ninth-inning comeback over New York. "Spring training starts in 98 days. We'll be back up here a year from today."

Third baseman Matt Williams differed with Gov. Jane Hull, who told the crowd there was no better feeling than a World Series victory.

"With all due respect to the governor, it does get better than this if we win another one," Williams said.

Brenly and the World Series trophy rode on the fire engine that led the parade through downtown to the ballpark.

Most of the fans were dressed in purple and many were wildly waving American flags as the players rode past on 18 fire trucks.

Until the World Series victory, history hadn't been kind to Arizona's pro sports teams. Of all the metro areas in the United States that have franchises in all four major sports, Phoenix was the only one without a title until this year.

The Phoenix Suns made two trips to the NBA Finals and lost. The Arizona Cardinals have made it to the playoffs only once in their 13 NFL seasons since relocating to the desert from St. Louis. And the Phoenix Coyotes haven't gotten past the first round of the NHL playoffs since they moved here from Winnipeg in 1996.

"We've waited for this for so long. Now it's our turn to celebrate," said Al Camacho, a firefighter who was born and raised in Arizona.

Camacho drove with his family 100 miles from Prescott in northern Arizona to watch the parade. "The players may not have been born here, but with the way they fought to represent us, they are all Arizonans now," he said.

The crowd was 15-to-20 deep in some places, even though the parade was scheduled during the middle of the work day. People took off time from work and parents allowed their children to skip school.

Byron Garrett, principal of the Progressive Leadership Academy, brought 140 students to the parade.

After the parade, about 49,000 fans who had lined up to get into the ballpark screamed as fireworks exploded and the players slowly circled the field holding up the trophy.

Outfielder Luis Gonzalez, whose bloop hit capped the 3-2 comeback in Game 7, urged the crowd to savor the moment.

"You stuck with us through the bumpy roads, but at the end, we're the ones standing on top," he said. "Enjoy, Arizona."

Helton replaces Johnson as baseball's top player

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Colorado first baseman Todd Helton took over from Arizona pitcher Randy Johnson as baseball's top player, according to the annual statistical rankings released Wednesday by the Elias Sports Bureau.

Helton received a 99.13 score out of 100, based on statistics from 2000 and 2001. Johnson, who helped the Diamondbacks win the World Series, was second at 98.25, followed by Chicago Cubs outfielder Sammy Sosa at 97.634.

Boston's Manny Ramirez (96.709) was among the top three AL outfielders for the sixth straight season, joined by Maggio Ordonez of the Chicago White Sox (93.544).

Tied for third were the Yankees' Bernie Williams (89.62), in the top three for the fifth consecutive year, and Oakland's Jermaine Dye, who last year made the top three for the first time.

New York's Roger Clemens, a favorite to win his sixth AL Cy Young Award, was the top-rated AL pitcher for the fourth time at 97.971. Clemens also was the top AL pitcher in 1988, 1991 and 1998. Boston's Pedro Martinez was No. 1 in the previous two seasons.

Jason Giambi (94.00), one of the top free agents on the market, took over from Carlos Delgado at first base.

Seattle's Edgar Martinez (96.00) was the top designated hitter, the sixth time in seven seasons he held or shared the top spot.

Ivan Rodriguez of the Rangers (91.176) led AL catchers for the fourth straight season, and Texas teammate Alex Rodriguez (93.506) led AL shortstops for the third straight year and fourth time in five seasons.

Cleveland's Roberto Alomar (94.156) was the top second baseman for the fourth straight year and the eighth time in 10 seasons, and Indians third baseman Travis Fryman (84.571) was the top third baseman for the second straight season and the third time in four years.

The biggest aberration was among AL relief pitchers, with Chicago's Keith Foulke (94.299) finishing first for the third straight year, while the Yankees' Mariano Rivera (92.043) improved to second.

While Rivera was first in wins plus saves, fourth in strikeouts/walks ratio, fifth in ERA and 13th in hits per nine innings, he was 17th in appearances and 19th in innings.

Foulke was fourth in wins plus saves, tied for fourth in appearances, sixth in strikeout/walk ratio, seventh in ERA and hits per nine innings and 16th in innings.

The rankings, created by owners and the players' association in the 1981 strike settlement, are used to divide free agents into groups that determine draft-pick compensation for a player's former club if he signs with a new team.

Among the statistics used for hitters are plate appearances, batting average, on-base percentage, home runs and RBIs.

In the NL, Johnson edged his World Series co-MVP, Curt Schilling (96.5) as the top pitcher. The Big Unit was first in wins and strikeouts, second in ERA and innings, fifth in winning percentage and tied for fifth in starts, while Schilling was first in starts and innings, second in wins and strikeouts, ninth in ERA and 12th in winning percentage.

The Mets' Mike Piazza (91.638) was the top catcher for the second straight season and fourth time in five years.

Helton was the top first baseman for the second straight season, and San Francisco's Jeff Kent (93.75) replaced Edgardo Alfonzo at second. The Giants' Rich Aurilia (91.518) took over from Mike Bordick at shortstop, and Jeff Cirillo (88.177) replaced Chipper Jones at third base.

Sosa, Arizona's Luis Gonzalez (95.699) and San Francisco's Barry Bonds (94.409) were the top three NL outfielders. Sosa was among the top three for the third straight season, while Vladimir Guerrero and Brian Giles dropped out.

San Francisco's Robb Nen (92.57) was the top reliever, replacing Armando Benitez.

De La Hoya's fight called off

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Oscar De La Hoya's WBC super welterweight title fight against challenger Roman Karmazin was called off Wednesday because of an injury to De La Hoya's left wrist.

The fight was scheduled for Dec. 8 at the Olympic Auditorium.

La Hoya, who tore cartilage in his wrist while sparring in training camp at Big Bear, is scheduled for surgery Thursday.

Following the operation, De La Hoya will begin rehabilitation and physical therapy for approximately 90 days before returning to heavy training, Univision Sports announced.

"As you can imagine, I'm extremely disappointed that I won't be able to defend my title at the same venue where my father fought and I won my first title," De La Hoya said. "But I have the best doctors and am confident of a speedy and complete recovery."

The 28-year-old De La Hoya, 34-2 with 27 knockouts, became the youngest boxer in history to capture world title fights in five weight classes when he defeated Javier Castillejo on June 24. Hall of Famers Sugar Ray Leonard and Thomas Hearns are the others.

De La Hoya, who grew up in East Los Angeles, won his first world title at the Olympic. He has won championships in the junior lightweight, lightweight, junior welterweight, welterweight and super welterweight divisions.

Karmazin, also 28, is 28-0-1 with 18 knockouts.

Lewis fires manager two weeks before title fight with Rahman

Associated Press

LONDON — Lennox Lewis has ended an 11-year partnership with manager Frank Maloney less than two weeks before a rematch with WBC-IBF heavyweight champion Hasim Rahman.

"I haven't spoken to Lennox in 15 weeks," Maloney said Wednesday. "He hasn't even had the decency to pick up a phone and tell me."

"You learn to come and expect this from people when you create monsters," Maloney told Sky Sports television. "I think it's obvious for the world to see that he's become a monster in his behavior patterns and towards the people who have put him where he is."

The British heavyweight said he had terminated the partnership with Maloney after a contract dispute.

"I've got to the point where I'm self-managed now," Lewis said Tuesday in a conference call. "At different points in their careers, people have to do things for themselves. This is just a business decision."

Lewis spoke from his training camp at Scotrun, Pa., where he is preparing for his challenge to Rahman on Nov. 17 at Las Vegas.

Maloney also is in the United States, preparing Roman Karmazin of Russia for a WBC super welterweight title challenge to Oscar de la Hoya on Dec. 8 at Los Angeles.

Lewis cited a conflict of interest that he said stemmed from Maloney's switch to Frank Warren's Sports Network company last year.

Lewis and Maloney failed to agree on a contract last week. the fighter insisted money was the main reason for the split.

"Frank's request for a ridiculously high amount of money meant that the only option was for our association to end," Lewis said.

Arizona declines Springer's option

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The Arizona Diamondbacks declined to exercise their $2.15 million option to retain Russ Springer on Wednesday, and the right-handed reliever filed for free agency.

Springer, 33, gets a $450,000 buyout

He underwent season-ending surgery on his right shoulder seven weeks into last season. Before that, he appeared in 18 games. He had no wins or losses with a 7.13 ERA.

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Dated the 6th day of November, 2001.

COTTON, BLEDSOE, TIGHE & DAWSON, A Professional Corporation
By: ROBERT H. DAWSON
ATTORNEYS FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

NOTICE OF SALE

Alamo South Mini-Storage wishes to avail themselves of the Texas provision of Chapter 59, Texas Property Code. This sale is being held to satisfy a landlord's lien on the following unit(s) contents.

The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from sale.

Michelle Brown Unit #52

Location:
Alamo South Mini-Storage
1301 South Connell
Midland, TX
Sale: December 07, 2001
@ 10:00 a.m.

Annestelle Banks Unit #61F
Tricia Bell Unit 75F

Location:
Alamo Mini-Storage
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Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
1000 Upland
Stated Communication, 2nd & 4th Tuesday 'at 7:30 P.M.
Dave Smelser, W.M.
Al Talbot, Sec.

Midland Masonic Lodge #623
1600 W. Wall
Reg. meetings, Thurs. 7:30 pm. Dinner 6:30 pm.
Jackie Matthews, W.M.
Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Midland Shrine Club
2019 Trade Dr.- 689-7003
Reg. Meeting, 3rd. Thurs. Hosp. 6:30 pm, dine 7 pm., Bus. meeting, 8 pm.
Tom Arnold, Pres.
Gary Anderson, Secty.

Centennial Lodge #1448
1600 W. Wall
EA DEGREE- Monday 11/19, Meal 5:30, degree 6:30 pm.
Larry Benningfield, W/M
Wayne Reddin, Sec.

Midland Chapter #253 Order of Eastern Star
District 2 School
11/12, 6 pm & 11/13 8 am
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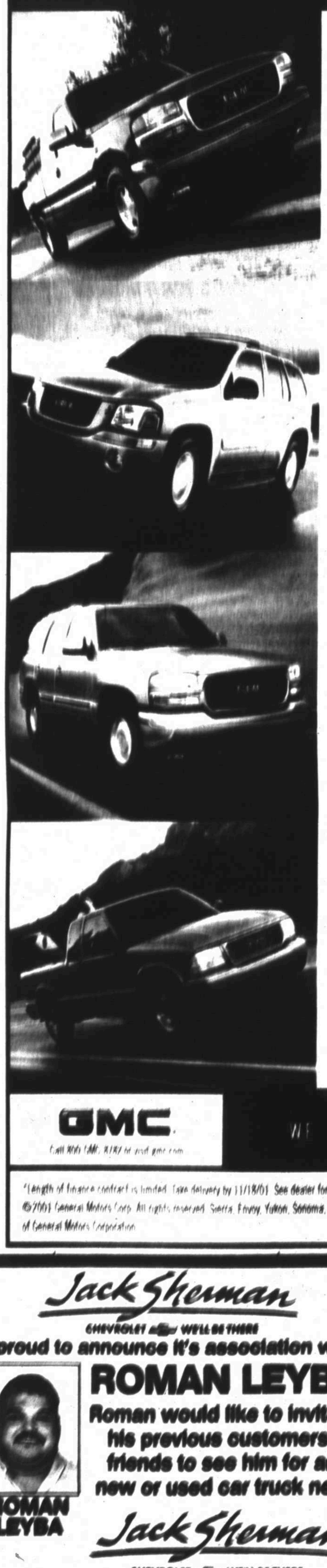

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220 Trucks

1981 ONE ton truck (one owner) Model C-10, 454 eight cylinder gas engine (new) Good roustabout or farm truck $4,800. 915-697-5891 915-697-7084 or 915-528-9375

FORD 1994 F-250, 129 K miles, 460 gas engine, automatic, power windows/ locks, $6,800. 354-2515

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FORD 1997 F150 4x4, CD, leather, loaded, 42K, $20,000 685-8110 day and 684-5378 evenings

CHEVROLET 1998 S-10 Regular cab, four cylinder, five speed, 30K, gets 30 miles to a gallon, $8,900 OBO Call 689-4240

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CHEVROLET 1988 SILVERADO short wide, V8 automatic cold air. Runs great, $3,500 Please call 522-1286

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CHEVROLET 2000 Z-71 Silverado, black & pewter, 4 Door extended cab, all power, 4 wheel drive Grill guard, chrome steps, chrome toolbox, CD/ cassette, 34K, non-smoking 1 owner $24,900 682-6133

DODGE 1998 Ram 1500 Series V8, 62,000 miles, good shape $10,000 520-2029 or 352-4482

FORD 1970 BRONCO Sport, excellent condition! 302(new), Alkola rims, 35 Mickey Thompson 10" tire, $11,000 OBO (consider some trade) 694-9730

FORD 1985 F150 Explorer Lariat, 2 door, supercab, red/ white A/C, automatic Nice! $5,500 689-0358

FORD 1991 F-150, extended cab, custom wheels, 2 new tires, custom tool box, asking $4,745 O.B.O. Excellent condition Call 368-0873

FORD 1994 F-150 regular cab long bed, V-8 automatic, AC, new tires, 87,000 miles, priced at $5,000 See at 1700 North "D" or call 570-1449

FORD 1994 Super cab XLT $5,900, V-8, power windows, locks, tilt, cruise, tape, chrome rails, runs great! Metro Motors, 4001 W Wall 699-0533

FORD 1997 F250 4x4 Super cab Power locks/ windows, automatic Please call 685-3532

FORD 1997 Supercab XLT 4x4 $11,500, 83K, 3/4 ton light duty, V8, running boards, power locks/ windows, tilt, cruise, tape, wheels, nice! Metro Motors, 4001 W Wall 699-0533

FORD 1999 Quad cab Lariat, $13,700, leather, keyless, tape, power seat, V8, wheels, bed liner, power windows/ locks, tilt, cruise, very nice! Metro Motors, 4001 W Wall 699-0533

GMC 1997 SONOMA SLS, 2.2 liter, 4 cylinder, 5 speed, cruise/ tilt/ A/C, extremely low miles, exceptional vehicle $8,640 686-8696

GMC 1997 Z71, 350, SLE package, 74K, 3rd door, grill guard, bed mat, $10,750 (daytime) 894-2904 or 756-2423 (after 5:30)

GMC 2000 SHORT Bed pick up, 4.8 liter V8, 62,250 miles, white $12,500 Call 682-8961

NISSAN 1995 PICK-up, great condition, low mileage, $4,700 570-6681 or 688-3424

CHEVROLET 2000 Silverado extended cab, 5.3 L V8, power windows/ locks, CD, automatic, Flowmaster, dual exhaust, 20K, Payoff $19,900 699-5737

FORD 1996 F350 Dually- Powerstroke diesel, custom Centurion conversion, crew cab, dining liner, 102K miles, $15,500 522-2416

FORD 1996 Ranger, V6- $4,500 obo, great college car, 689-0829 for more information

CHEVROLET 2000 Z-71 Silverado, black & pewter, 4 Door extended cab, all power, 4 wheel drive Grill guard, chrome steps, chrome toolbox, CD/ cassette, 34K, non-smoking 1 owner $24,900 682-6133

TOYOTA 1999 Tacoma, 4x4, T-cab, red, 62K miles, good liner, asking $15,000. Call 570-7947 after 6

CHEVROLET 1993 Z71 4X4, lift kit, new 33" tires, 110K miles, $8900 Please call 686-8568

220 Trucks

CHEVROLET 1997 Silverado extended cab, loaded, bright red, CD, grill guard, bed liner, 88,400 highway miles, asking price $14,500 661-0224

FORD 1997 F250 Crew Cab- Power Stroke, 186K, alloy wheels, loaded, CD, tow package, tool box $14,500 obo 661-8229 520-3682

FORD 2001 RANGER XLT. Winner of new pick up! Can't keep! Must sell! $11,500 694-2004 after 5 pm

GMC 1994 SLE 86K miles, great condition, garaged, maintenance records available, $8,900 negotiable Please call 684-4314 or 682-6300

GMC 1996 Extended Cab SLE- White, 350, automatic, power windows/ locks, cruise, new tires, paint, more Excellent condition! $9,350 694-4145

MAZDA 1994 B-3000- Black, 6 cylinder, automatic, A/C, CD, custom wheels, bedliner, 65K miles, $5,750 obo 687-2307 after 6

DODGE 1999 Ram Pickup Club Cab, remote CD player, tool box, new tires, 42K miles, Excellent condition $16,500 694-5295

FORD 1997 F-250, XLT crew cab, power stroke, 4x4, $15,500 631-9850/ 689-7901

CHEVROLET 1999

Extended cab, 3 door, 83,000 miles, sport headache rack, chrome tool box, sliding rear window, $10,900 563-0810/ 638-5530

FORD 1998 F-150, XLT V-8 engine, extended cab, red exterior, gray interior, loaded, CD player $16,000 negotiable 520-8898

222 Suburbans & Vans

CHEVROLET 1990 Astro Mini Van Mechanics Special! Loaded, looks great, new tires, more $1,450 694-5383

CHEVROLET 1994 Suburban, 215K, excellent condition, $6,500 obo. 697-4722 after 5 pm

FORD 1995 Windstar, 83K miles, power windows, cruise control, front/ rear a/c, $4,000. 689-8805

MITSUBISHI 1995 EXPO 97K miles, good condition, seats 7 Asking $6,500 or best offer 620-8659

CHEVROLET 1991 Good Times Conversion Van White, good condition $2,500 obo. 685-3532

CHEVROLET 1994 Suburban Silverado- 4X4, fully loaded & in excellent condition $8,450 697-5639

FORD 1991 AEROSTAR extended van Fully loaded. Good condition! $3,250 obo 699-0897, 699-1224

GMC 1993 SUBURBAN 4X4 Grill guard, cloth 100K, $8,200 obo -Call 684-7617 before 9 pm

CHEVROLET 1991 Extended Cab, Fleetside 1/2 Ton 5.7 Ltr V8 automatic with overdrive, bed cover, 91,400 miles, excellent shape $7,350 682-7883

CHEVROLET 1994 SUBURBAN, leather, power, new tires, one owner, perfect condition $8990 682-9184 or 687-5588

CHEVROLET 1997 Suburban LT 4x4, blue/ grey leather, fully loaded, new tires, new transmission, 83K miles, mint condition $15,000 697-4699

CHEVROLET 1997 Suburban, 140K miles, well maintained, new tires very clean, $9,900 firm Call 563-5393

CHEVROLET 1998 Suburban LT 4x4 white/ gray leather, fully loaded, 49K, mint condition, $19,800 Please call 682-3480 for more information

CHEVROLET 2000 LEGEND Non smoker, conversion van, 30K, top of line, all extras, $23K 697-0701

CHRYSLER 2001 TOWN & COUNTRY Limited handicapped equipped Van, ramp van conversion, 300 total miles, 806-298-2514/ 806-298-4188

DODGE 1991 CONVERSION van, rear heat/ A/C, all electric, Wood trim, lots of extras! $4950 Must Sell! Please call 699-5580

DODGE 1998 GRAND Caravan, V6, some power options, air, champagne/ tan cloth, 69K, must see to appreciate $12,000 OBO 553-2377

FORD 1994 Aerostar XLT extended van, $4,400, rear a/c, wheels, 9 passenger, tape, tilt, cruise, power windows, power locks, only 83K, Metro Motors, 4001 W Wall 699-0533

FORD 1997 CHATEAU passenger van, 83K, rear A/C, excellent condition, Red 80K miles, service check up $11,500 697-7066

GMC 1999 4X4 Suburban SLT, 35K, 5 year- 60,000 bumper to bumper warranty, $22,600 687-2110

MERCURY 1993 VILLAGER GS Mini van, Polarized equipment package, Alarm system, 82.8K miles, $4,700 694-3935

PLYMOUTH 1997 GRAND Voyager SE, 4 doors, 79K, red, AC, good condition, $10,500 528-9739

PONTIAC 1998 Transport minivan- Very good condition, V6, power locks/ windows, good tires, 92,000 miles, $7,950 Call 694-6919

222 Suburbans & Vans

CHEVROLET 1985 Suburban- 1 owner, excellent condition, new tires, a/c compressor and brakes, $3,500. 307 S Glenwood 697-8879/ 697-1918

CHEVROLET 1993 Suburban Silverado Fully loaded, good condition, chrome grill guard, 87,000 miles, $10,800 563-0810 or 638-5530

CHEVROLET 1998 Suburban LS, 4X4, black on tan, 65K, loaded, CD player, Beautiful truck $19,000 -obo Call for details 682-8615

CHEVROLET 1999 Suburban Lt Black exterior, tan interior, leather, loaded, excellent condition, 33,000 miles, under warranty, tow package $23,575 699-0157

DODGE 1996 High Top Conversion Van by Regency Leather, power seats, power sofa, TV/ VCR, Sega, rear stereo, mood lights One owner, 48K miles, $18,500 Non smoker 684-8581

GMC 1992 Suburban, 4x4, best buy, new motor, transmission, tires and brakes $13,250 obo. 368-9322 or 557-4382

PLYMOUTH 1994 Grand Voyager LE- All power, keyless entry, CD, rear air, cruise control, garage kept, clean, V6, $5,499 638-0803

FORD 1993 Full Size Van, 7 passenger, rear air, 4 captains chairs, not conversion, $3,000 under book $5,925 522-2181

CHEVROLET 1993 CONVERSION Van- Lots of extras, TV/ VCR, all the toys Nice! Must see! Must sell! $6,500 OBO M-F 684-8665

CHEVROLET 1993

Suburban- good condition, very clean, nonsmoker, Michelin tires, 2 done, 94K miles, must see $9,000 obo. 682-9123

CHEVROLET 1996 SUBURBAN, 96K, all power, excellent condition $13,995 553-4757/ 694-7978

CHRYSLER 1994 Town and Country Emerald green loaded, leather, 103K miles, good tires, very nice Priced to sell $4,800 689-7791

CHRYSLER 1998 Town & Country LXI- White/ tan leather, fully loaded Excellent condition! 51K miles $12,900. 688-6841, work 683-6317, home

FORD 1995 WINDSTAR, one owner, well maintained, 86,000 miles, power windows locks, remote, rear AC, new tires $7,500 O.B.O. 570-8956

MERCURY 1994 VILLAGER GS- Seven passenger mini van, rear air, dark green, 100K miles, $4,500 Call 687-4399 after 6

FORD 1999 WINDSTAR LX, 2 rear doors, rear air, alarm, alloy wheels, clean, 57K miles Asking $14,750 Call 699-0307

MERCURY 1993 Villager GS 7 Passenger mini van, tinted, rear air, 89.8K power windows and locks, excellent shape $5,500 683-8528

TOYOTA 1998 SIENNA XLE- Desert Sand, leather, dual sliding doors/ sun roof, remote entry, 56K, Excellent condition! $18,900 obo 559-3246

CHRYSLER 1996 Town & Country 58K, good condition, one owner, 3.8L engine, dual sliding doors, cloth interior $13,500 694-8798

CHEVROLET 1993 Conversion van- One owner, blue/ gray leather, TV, power windows/ doors, always garaged, wood trim $6,200 682-8739/ 683-7283

FORD 1995 WINDSTAR LX, white, front & rear air, CD player, am/ fm, 90K, $5,500 OBO Call 563-0720 or 634-4000

224 Vehicles

TOYOTA 1998 TACOMA 4X4, V4, cab plus, excellent condition, 52K $14,500 689-0268

JEEP 1980 CJ7 AMC 304 V8, totally redone inside/ out! Hard/ soft, bikini top $14,500 Must see to believe! 699-1903

GMC 1995 Suburban 4x4, All leather, conversion, TV/ VCR, $9,600 obo 694-3432

JEEP 1996 CHEROKEE Automatic, 6 cyl., clean $6,750 or best offer 694-3432

FORD 1996 F250 4x4 Super cab Power locks/ windows, automatic Please call 685-3532

GMC 1997 Z-71 PUSH BUTTON 4X4, black, SNB, alarm system, flat fiberglass bed cover, 45,000 miles, excellent shape $14,900 694-8573

JEEP 1948 WILLYS (flat fender) great deer/ quail rig Custom roll cage, brush guard, dog box and rear high seats 8000 lb. Warn winch Goodyear 12 ply mud tires Recent rebuild, $4250 Mobile 512-699-0235 leave message

JEEP 1980 CJ7, 6 cylinder, auto, tilt, cassette/ radio, excellent condition! Hard, soft, bikini tops and touring bar $6,000 (915)267-2005

NISSAN 1999 Pathfinder SE, 5 Speed V6, good condition, high mileage, Maroon/ grey, $9,500 obo Call 425-1636

JEEP 1998 Wrangler, soft top, CD, sound bar, new tires & cylinder, 31K miles, $19,000. Alan 687-2282/ 697-7407

FORD 1990 F250 4x4 Super cab Power locks/ windows, automatic Please call 685-3532

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JEEP 1996 WRANGLER, 4x4, 4 cylinder, 136K, Great condition! 97000 negotiable Loop, 250/ Discount Tire, 364-2345 after 6

225 Vehicles $5,000 & Under

CHEVROLET Pickup, ugly but great, $1,350 Please 687-0707

CHEVROLET Caprice wagon, condition, a/c, 1 $1,500. 697-0874 6pm

TOYOTA 1989 runs good, new $1,000 obo Evenin 620-8874

DODGE 1993 D Sport, runs good player, air, $3,000 call 682-7483

FORD 1989 TAUR Wagon Limited power, transportation $1,75 0801

FORD 1990 Thund A/C, CD/ cassett power, new tires, car! $2,200 520-454

GMC 1990 Jimmy- engine, automatic good condition 694-9222

INTERNATIONAL Scout pickup Needs but good body and $500 obo. 687-2717

TOYOTA 1982 S needs work, $700 o offer Please call 1150

MERCURY

GRAND Marquis, dove grey interior, lo new Michelin tires, $ 631-7224, 687-8790

BUICK 1987 CENT Station wagon, Very and clean $1,695 4012, 694-3240 after

CADILLAC DEVILLE- Very condition! Good tires changer, 682-0444 238-8703

FORD 1985 BRO 351 Winser rear needs some work new tires, $2000 9826 or 694-5498

HONDA 1983 CIVIC door, hatchback, 5 sp new tires Runs $1,250 694-4703

HONDA 1987 Accord 5 speed, sunroof, power, extras, gar nice! 147K $2,750 1192

FORD 1990 PROBE automatic, A/C, po windows, locks, tilt, cr digital dash, new p excellent $3,000 5168/ 352-0444

MERCURY COUGAR- Good condi 70K original miles, tires & brakes $2 553-6172

OLDSMOBILE 1987 e eight, 4 door, condition, $2,500 Pl call 686-7301

CHEVROLET Pickup, restored m everything runs, mileage, new tires, interior, $2,900 Call 0815 for information.

VOLKSWAGEN

Beetle, new eng brakes Good condi $2600 Please call 6646

MERCURY 1983 Comm door, green, 3 speed tires/ brakes/ sta battery and more Re transmission, $1,500. 4254

240 Motorcycles

TOYOTA 1988 CAMA great on gas, $1,750 best offer Call 687-4 ask for Jerry.

1999 Kawasaki Concours 16K, $5,800, 2000 Honda CBR 929, 3K $8,700 Both bikes in excellent condition Also helmets, leathers, etc 664-7 556-1275

2001 HARLEY DAVIDSON Dyna Wide Glide, miles, completely chrom cut, Beautiful bike As $22,000 obo 570-4307

HONDA 1998 SHADOW V-1100 Twin Excell condition 2 Helmets extras $4,500 687-56

KTM 2000 250 motorcycle, 98 origi miles, $3,800 Please 687-3040/ 687-2656

2000 HARLEY David Road King Classic, 4,5 miles, like new, tea trunk, many ext $17,250 Day 620-87 evenings/ weekends 3965

1993 YAMAHA 250 Very good condi Recently rebuilt, bottom up, Very fast, N new, $2,700 687-8086

240 Trailers

16' UTILITY TRAIL $1000. Please call 6110 day and 684-9 evenings

2000 BIG TEX, 33' go neck, low profile, dove with four ramps condition $5850. 520-7

28' DOVETAIL, gooseneck, tandem axle trailer, ramps, tarp, $1,000 ne $4,900, 687-2117.

NOT SO pretty but 6'x14' single trailer, $250. Call 687-2717 information.

325 4x4 Vehicles

JEEP 1989 CHEROKEE LTD 4X4 fully loaded, $4000 OBO Please call 694-2424 home or 685-5756 office

JEEP 1993 CHEROKEE 4X4 Sports Edition, red with gray interior, 4 door, 6 cylinder, automatic, loaded, factory off- road package, new tires and custom wheels, highway miles only (No Off- Road, 4 wheeling Yet), well maintained Excellent condition inside and out By owner $8,700 520-5960

FORD 1984 Bronco New engine, new transmission, Holly carburetor, Edelbrock high rise, Headman headers, mags, $3,995 689-2123 after 6 pm

335 Vehicles $3,000 & under

CHEVROLET 1973 Pickup, ugly but runs great, $1,350 Please call 687-0707

CHEVROLET 1989 Caprice wagon, good condition, a/c, 1 owner, $1,800, 697-0674 after 6pm

TOYOTA 1989 Tercel- runs good, new tires, $1,000 obo Evenings call 620-8874

DODGE 1993 DAKOTA Sport, runs good, CD player, air, $3,000 Please call 682-7483

FORD 1989 TAURUS GL Wagon Limited 98K, all power, excellent transportation $1,750 697-0801

FORD 1990 Thunderbird- A/C, CD/ cassette, all power, new tires Great car! $2,200 520-4549

GMC 1990 Jimmy- 4.3 V6 engine, automatic, 2 door, good condition $3,000 694-9222

INTERNATIONAL 1985 Scout pickup Needs work but good body and motor, $500 obo 687-2717

TOYOTA 1982 SUPRA needs work, $700 or best offer Please call 528-1150

MERCURY 1988 GRAND Marquis, white dove grey interior, loaded, new Michelin tires $1,895 631-7224, 687-8790

BUICK 1987 CENTURY Station wagon Very nice and clean $1,695 697-4012, 694-3240 after 6

CADILLAC 1989 DEVILLE- Very good condition! Good tires, CD changer 682-0444 5 pm 238-8703

FORD 1985 BRONCO 351 Winser, rear end needs some work, four new tires, $2000 634-9826 or 694-5498

HONDA 1983 CIVIC- 2 door, hatchback, 5 speed, new tires, Runs good! $1,250 694-4703

HONDA 1987 Accord LXI- 5 speed, sunroof, all power, extras, garaged, nice! 147K $2,750 694-1192

FORD 1990 PROBE V6, automatic, A/C, power windows, locks, tilt, cruise, digital dash, new paint, excellent, $3,000 570-5168/ 352-0444

MERCURY 1988 COUGAR- Good condition! 70K original miles, new tires & brakes $2,800 553-6172

OLDSMOBILE 1987 eighty eight, 4 door, good condition, $2,500 Please call 686-7301

CHEVROLET 1984 Pickup, restored motor, everything runs, low mileage, new tires, great interior, $2,900 Call 686-0815 for information.

VOLKSWAGEN 1970 Beetle, new engine/ brakes Good condition, $2600 Please call 699-8646

MERCURY 1983 Comet, 4 door, green, 3 speed, new tires/ brakes/ starter/ battery and more Rebuilt transmission, $1,500, 699-4264

TOYOTA 1988 CAMARY, great on gas, $1,750 or best offer Call 687-4454 ask for Jerry.

340 Motorcycles

1999 Kawasaki Concours 16K, $5,800, 2000 Honda CBR 929, 3K $6,700 Both bikes in excellent condition Also helmets, leathers, etc 684-7153/ 556-1275

2001 HARLEY DAVIDSON Dyna Wide- Glide, 6K miles, completely chromed out, Beautiful bike Asking $22,000 obo 570-4307

HONDA 1998 SHADOW V-1100 Twin Excellent condition 2 Helmets & extras $4,500 687-5680

KTM 2000 250 SX motorcycle, 98 original miles, $3,800 Please call 687-3040/ 687-2666

2000 HARLEY Davidson Road King Classic, 4,800 miles, like new, leather trunk, many extras, $17,250 Day 620-8787, evenings/ weekends 362-3965

1993 YAMAHA 250 YZ- Very good condition! Recently rebuilt, from bottom up, Very fast, Must see! $2,200, 697-8980

345 Trailers & Utility

16' UTILITY TRAILER, $1000 Please call 685-8110 day and 684-5378 evenings

2000 BIG TEX, 33' goose neck, low profile, dove tail with four ramps, great condition $5950 520-7403

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NEW TODAY

TOW DOLLY For Sale See at 4600 Sinclair 694-4414

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1992 ALLEGRO Bay diesel motor home, 34', new interior, $32,500 Monday- Friday call 915-332-2187/ 915-520-4201

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PACE ARROW 1985 Motorhome- 33' 6.5 Onan, 27k miles $14,500 firm 4409 Wilshire 697-4036

5TH WHEEL 2001 Ranch Wagon 40 foot fiberglass, 3 slide outs, tri- axle, 2 A/C's, washer, dryer, tinted window, 32" TV, satellite and CD player, lots of extras, non- smokers, no pets, $38,900 580-1392

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1988 WINNEBAGO Winderuiser, 38', class A, tag axle, loaded- loaded- loaded, jacks, 2 TVs, 2 airs, updated, below book, Lubbock, 806-765-4223

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360 Boats & Motors

KAWASAKI 1998 900 ZXI Jet ski Good condition K&N air filters, canvas cover and trailer $3,500 Please call 697-1260

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FORD 6.9 and 7.3 diesel engines with warranty, $2,650 each 713-916-1411

390 Parts & Accessories

REBUILT ENGINES installed $1,599 most cars, new starter and water pump Three year warranty Visa, Mastercard, 570-7060

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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 ETC

307 Work From Home

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ATTENTION, Work from home, $1,000- to $5,000/ month, part time/ full time, Mail order/ internet 1-888-442-3927

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CARETAKER/ COOK needed full time for small assisted living facility Cook and care for elderly residents 687-2503

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FULL TIME leasing agent needed at Meridian Apartments, Monday- Friday Experience preferred Hourly plus bonus Apply in person, 4400 N. Holiday Hill Rd #1 - phone calls.

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EXPERIENCED seamstress or tailor Call 694-3286

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FULL TIME Maintenance for apartment complex HVAC Certified preferred Call 687-0053 for appointment

NEW TODAY

HELP NEEDED for mobile car wash Must be dependable and have own transportation Call 520-0859

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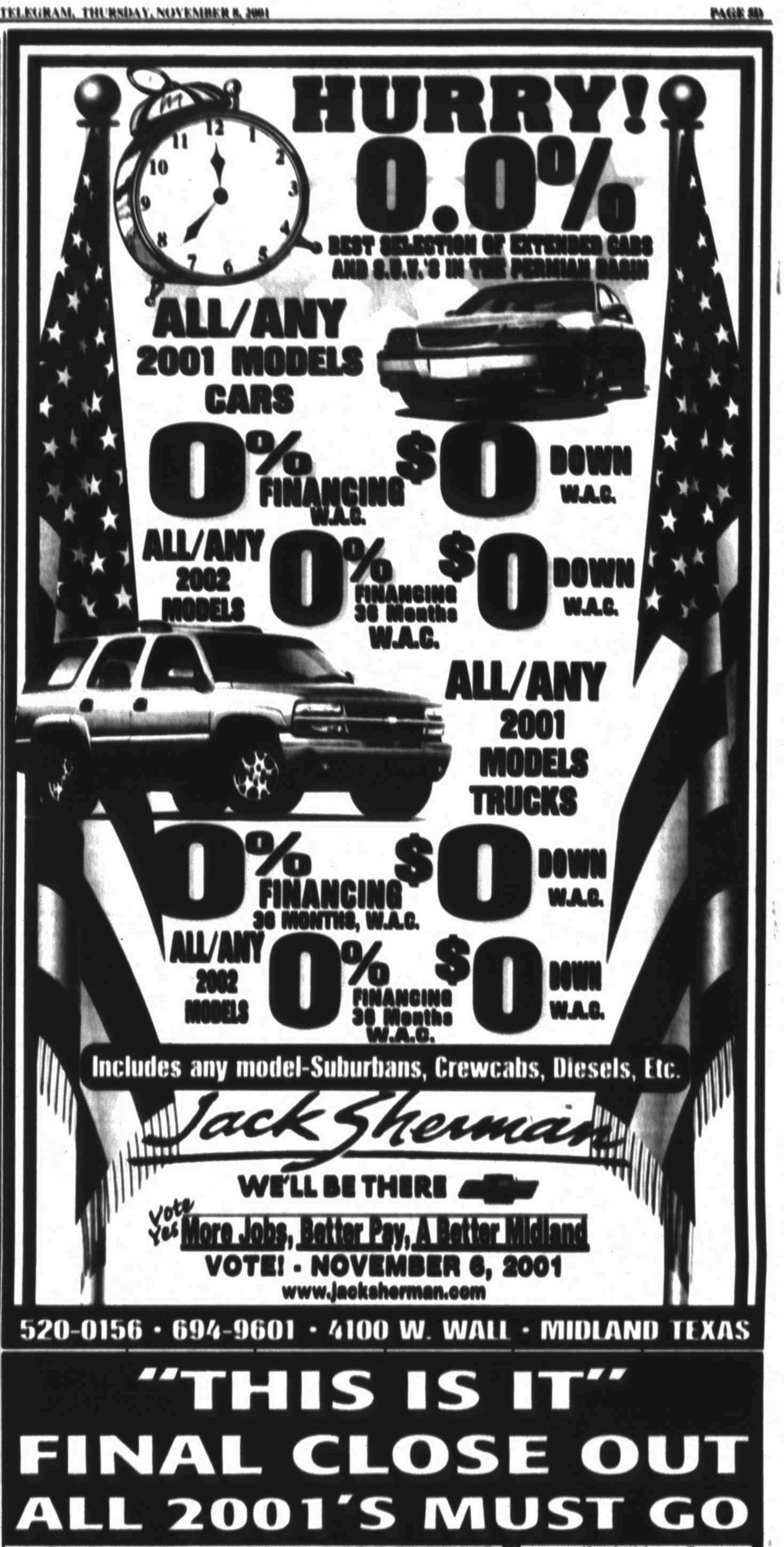

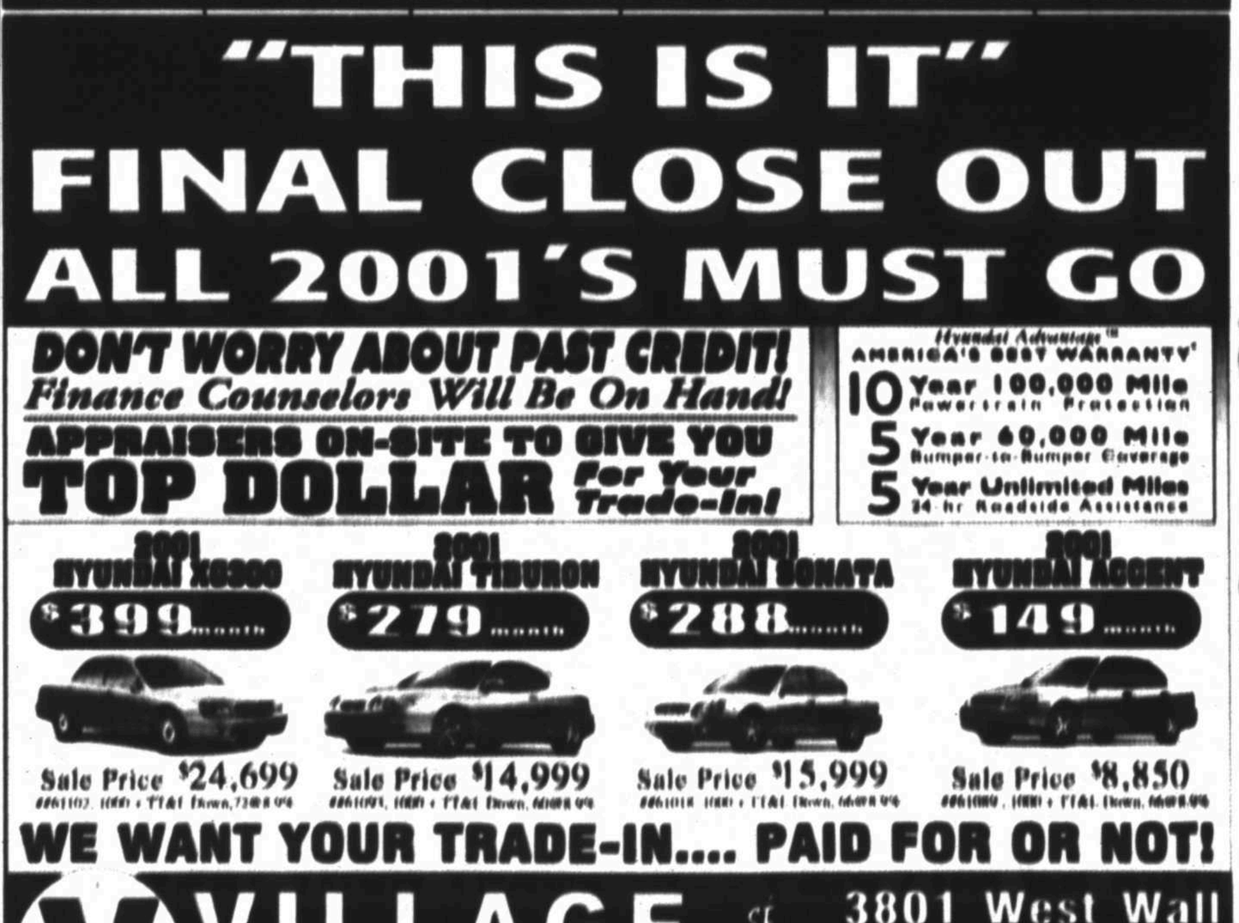

310 General Help Wanted

The Holiday Inn Odessa Centre is now seeking an Executive Housekeeper This position is responsible for the cleanliness of all guest room and public areas Must be a leader with integrity and high standards Must be organized and detail oriented Previous hotel experience and bilingual in English and Spanish is a plus, but not required Excellent salary depending on experience Benefits after 90 days include medical, dental, short term disability, long-term disability, 401K, life insurance, vacation, personal days For confidential consideration fax resume to 366-3965 or call General Manager at 362-2311 for further information

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

1/2 & 1/4HS Matching 29 1 waist hunting knives $80 both 684-1061

CHILD CRAFT CRIB with mattress $75 Noah's Ark bassinet with cradle $20 stroller $20 Noah's Ark nursery and decorations all in bi-small shape $80 694-4244

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NEW TODAY

TADY BOY rocker recliner used less than 2 years & cubic foot upright freezer maple hye makai chest of drawers wood and glass entry door trailer with table jet training cage Call 682-2412

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"BLUE STUFF" RELIEVES PAIN!!! New Elmo Oil that seen On TV Free samples Odessa 381-2122

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PRICE REDUCED! 4 reliable lots Resthaven memorial Park Garden of good Shepherd lot 188 crypts 1 2 3 4 $500 per crypt 853-7444

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LOVESEAT IN Brown $75 Ladies tri speed $20 880-8882

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ALASKA/ RUSSIA heart problems prevent me in going lots of new arctic gear, tags still on Details 520-0212

NEW TODAY

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NEW TODAY

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NEW TODAY

NEW BLUSH Sofa coat size medium $650 or best offer Please call 686-7283

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

WANTED TO BUY Rapid Rewards Certificates Please call Scott at 367-9181

SOUTHWEST Rapid Reward Tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted Will pay top dollar 887-3039

432 Household Furniture

BLACK LEATHER three cushion Couch 97 long $150 684-8232

SMALL STUDENT desk $35.00 or best offer Please call 697-8378

SOFA TABLE light brown parquet top, one shelf 18 X52 asking $25 OBO Please call 894-8259

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NEW TODAY

WHITE FORMAL Thomasville 3 piece sectional like new $1,000 Five piece oak breakfast set swivel tilt roller chairs, excellent! $350 894-4270

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HIDE A BED sofa $50 Livingroom Suite $250 Please call 697-3887

NEW TODAY

QUEEN SIZE Bed with frame bedding and box spring $350 Entertainment center $150 Dining room table 70" long and chairs $75 2 color TV's 19" $50 each Call to see 570-8757

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OAK TABLE and 4 chairs $100 25" Television $50 Rocker recliner, $25. xxx-xxxx

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November 10th (9- 5), November 11th (10- 5)!For info (830)257-5844 www.texasgunandknifeshows.com

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OVERSIZED Irons- 1- PW, 1- 3- 5 Rawlings metal woods includes putter and carry bag. $225. Large golf bag $25. Call 686-7581

NEW TODAY

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ANTIQUE BUFFET purchased in England Must see to appreciate $600 obo 689-7220

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DEPARTMENT 56 Snow Village Houses and accessories 687-3887

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ANTIQUE LARGE Roll top mahogany desk, $1,800 Beautiful condition! Call 699-8203 or 553-2377

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1960'S ERA L- SERIES Hammond Organ, spinet model Maple cabinet Excellent condition $500 O.B.O 699-5925, 894-0523

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NEW TODAY

PIANOS Rent to Own, back to school on new and used pianos, Caldwell Music 697-0882, 3208 W Cuthbert

480 Computers/ Accessories

NEW TODAY

IMAC DV 450 meg, 20 gig, like new, Software bundle Stand $600 683-4201

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FREE KITTENS to good homes, males & female, litter box trained, short haired 561-9359

BEAUTIFUL WHITE kittens- Box trained, 8 weeks old, male 683-3783 after 5 pm

8 MONTH OLD black female Lab Please call 684-8803

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PUPPIES TO Good homes, medium size mix breed, males & females Six weeks Cute! 570-7443

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TWO FEMALE gerbils, each with cages & all accessories Please call XXX-XXXX after 5:30

CHIHUAHUA/Dachshund mix, 18 mo., house/ crate trained Excellent for retired couple 687-1683

FREE Beagle- good with kids 889-8519

FEMALE TABBY approximatley 6 months old kind and loving! Please call 697-4256

CUDDLY FREE PUPPIES, 6 weeks old, part Shepherd/ part Pitt Bull 570-4642, 686-9989

500 Pets and Supplies

ALASKAN MALAMUTE male, 2 years old $150 or best offer Only 1 left 683-7264

ROTTWEILER PUPPIES, Born Oct 23 Parents on premises No papers 5 Females, 4 males, $100 Taking deposits 682-7928

BLUE HEELER 15 weeks old $100 Registered Catahoulas one male, one female, 8 months old, all shots $250 O.B.O Pomeranian 6 weeks old female $200 661-2885 leave message

↓SOLD↓ 1st Day!!!!

MALE AND Female baby Cockatiels 2 separate large cages Owner allergic, $100 for both XXX-XXXX

WANTED FEMALE Pomeranian to breed with AKC registered Pomeranian preferably female Pomeranian but not necessary 915-687-0231

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SHEPHERD PUPS, 3 white, 4 black & tan, six weeks old Going fast! $35 567-6613

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1008 N MIDKIFF- BIRDS cages supplies Finches, parakeets, Lovebirds, hand fed Cockatiels Crickets and mealworms 520-8858

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607 Plants, Shrubs & Trees

NEW TODAY

SHADY LADY TREES, 100 one gallon, Afghan Pine wind brake- $350 Oaks, others- big and small on sale Wolfforth (806)773-9973

650 Portable Buildings

We move, buy, sell and rent portable buildings MORGAN (915) 563-1860

660 Machinery/ Tools

FOR SALE or rent- Cranes, 18 ton- 80 ton, forklift, 5K- 30K, aerial platform lift, 50- 116 foot, backhoes & loaders (505)390-3939

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FOUR 550 bbl steel welded flat-bottom stock tanks (1/4" wall, 1/4" top and 1/2" floor), complete with stairs and walkway $3,300 each tank or $12,000 for four tanks One Sivalls gun barrel- steel flat bottom 12'x20 high, 1/4" wall 3/16th floor Cleaned for inspection $2,350 Located in Midland, Texas Call 915-697-5691, 915-697-7054 or 915-528-9378

680 Farm Equipment

KUBOTA TRACTOR 2350- 3 cylinder diesel, 7 implements, 24' trailer, new floor, 10K axles, new bearing $14,500 for all 638-0686

811 Medical Help Wanted

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center is accepting applications for the following positions:

2 Full time positions Erlen County Jail
1 Part time position Erlen County Jail
1 Part time position Erlen County Youth Facility

All positions have benefits Requires current Texas LVN license and submit copy with application Must pass security clearance

To apply go by TTUHSC Office of Human Resources 800 W 4th Odessa Tx to pick up application

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www.ttuhsc.edu

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Please apply at the following locations
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2606 Midkiff
2517 E Interstate 20

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CERTIFIED EMT'S all levels needed for immediate openings Full or part time Call 570-4892

LVN NEEDED for doctor's office, some computer experience preferred, no weekends, no holidays, no taxes, fill out application and bring resume to 1300 West Wall

Midland Dialysis Center is accepting applications for an RN (Registered Nurse) No experience needed Will train Good benefits Fax resume to 915-687-6008 or apply at 73 W Wadley Bldg B Suite 190 No phone calls please

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MIDLAND SURGICAL ASSOCIATES
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OFFICE NURSE
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640 Condo/Townhome Unfurnished
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655 Mobile Unfurnished
660 Mobile Home Spaces for Rent
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CERTIFIED EMT'S all levels needed for immediate openings Full or part time Call 570-4892

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Midland Dialysis Center is accepting applications for an RN (Registered Nurse) No experience needed Will train Good benefits Fax resume to 915-687-6008 or apply at 73 W Wadley Bldg B Suite 190 No phone calls please

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79701

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1300 N. BIG SPRING- Yard/ seasonal crafts sale. Thursday, November 8, 8:00 am.

79703

4739 COUNTRY CLUB- Friday 9- 2, Saturday, 8- 2. No Early Birds! Stove, toddler bed with mattress, toy box, gently used toys, high chairs, potty chairs, lots of shoes, home accessories and lots more!

✔ 4315 HARLOWE, FRIDAY, Saturday, Four Families! Furniture, tools, books, old pressure cooker, Christmas items, jewelry. Too much to list!

79705

★ 2517 NEELY- Friday- Saturday 8:30am. For Christmas, like new refurbished toys, musical V- Tech learning toys, electronic games, legos, action toys, puzzles, books, clean stuffed animals, also bed, bath, and baby linens. Cook books, craft fabrics, Christmas items, clothing.

79706

✔ 5025 PRINCETON (off the loop) Saturday, Sunday, 8:00 ? Homemade wood items, exercise equipment, couch and love seat, dining room tables and chairs, clothes, dishes, chainsaw, weed eater, games, Christmas items, All holiday items, linens, lots, of miscellaneous.

79707

2901 WHITTLE WAY. Multi Family Garage Sale. Furniture, clothes, home decor, kitchen appliances, TV's, luggage, handmade craft items. No Checks Please. Friday 8- 4, Saturday 8- 2(?)

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640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

SAGEWOOD CONDO- 1 bedroom, 1 ½ bath loft, all amenities. $450 monthly. Alice Howard/ Remax 694-3040

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658 Retail/ Stores

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501 SCHARBAUER- #40 Townhome, 1,700 square feet, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. $725 + deposit. All bills paid except electric. $50 off 1st months rent. Pool and workout. 694-8079, 349-7012

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12,000 SQ FT WAREHOUSE (Free span), overhead doors. Offices available. $1,500 per month. Call 620-9990

20,000' WAREHOUSE
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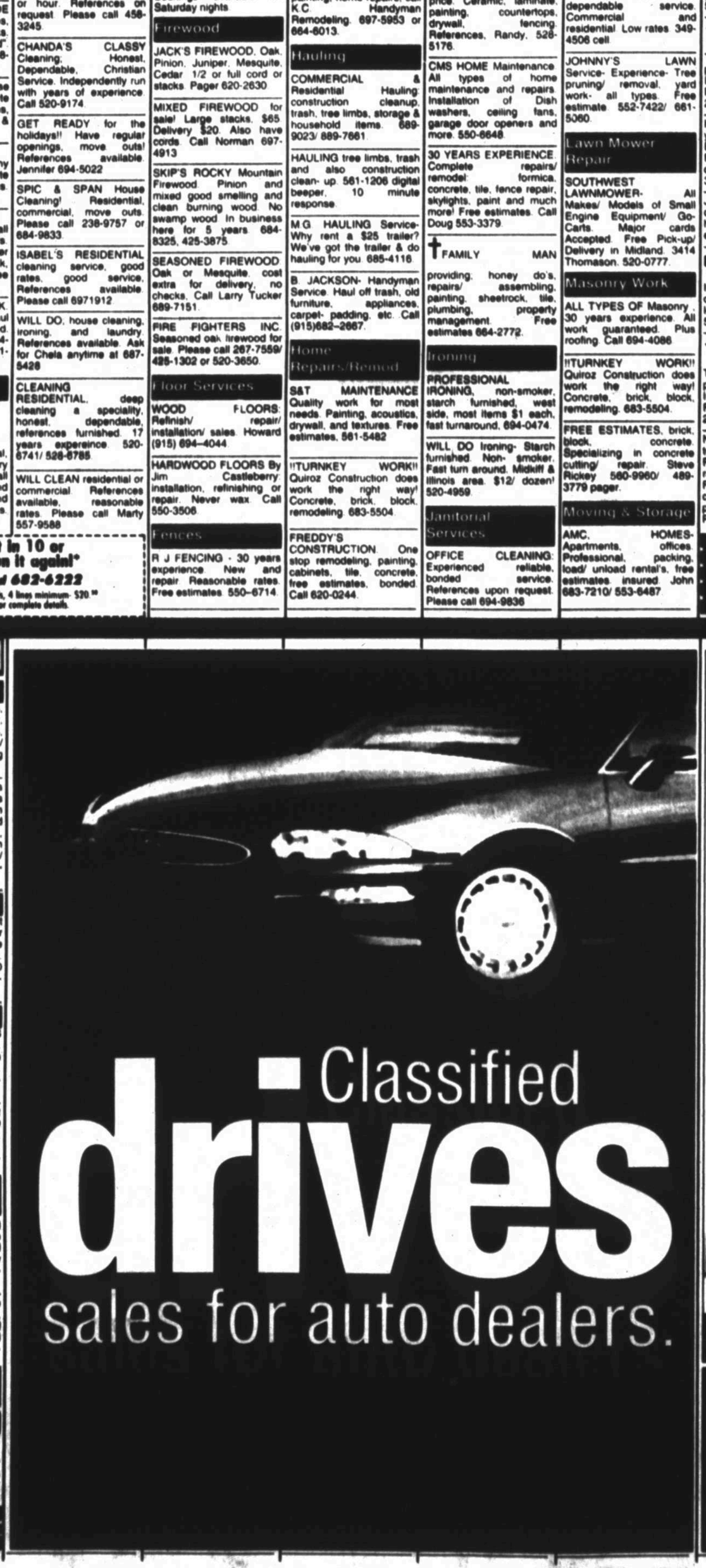

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