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Susan Villegas

## Bush gets the prize

Today's weather

### OUTLOOK

#### • Partly cloudy skies •

Tonight: Partly cloudy, lows around 20, south winds 10 to 15 mph.

Thursday: Partly cloudy, highs 40 to 45, southwest to west winds 10 to 20 mph.

Thursday night: Partly cloudy, lows 25 to 30.

#### • Extended forecast •

Friday and Saturday: Partly cloudy, lows around 30, highs 42 to 48.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, lows 22 to 28, highs 46 to 52.

Monday and Tuesday: Partly cloudy, lows 17 to 23, highs 38 to 44.

#### • Hereford weather •

Tuesday's high, 25; low, 13; trace of snow, 0.01 inches of precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

#### • Warming trend seen •

An ice storm's precipitation glazed roads, bridges and overpasses early today, with the wintry mix of sleet, freezing rain and snow continuing from another moisture-laden Pacific system.

Winter storm warnings and freezing rain advisories were posted today for the northern Permian Basin, Edwards Plateau and south central and southeastern parts of the state.

Up to a half-inch thick sheet of ice resulted in much of South and Southeast Texas, with showers and thunderstorms along the upper Gulf coast. Ice occurred north of a line from Del Rio through Karnes City to Columbus and Huntsville.

Icy buildup on power lines caused numerous power outages. Light rain fell in parts of the El Paso area.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from 19 degrees at Childress to 45 at Galveston and 46 at El Paso.

Other readings included 28 at Junction and 32 at Corsicana and Tyler.

Winds were mostly northerly and northeasterly at 5 to 15 mph, gusting to 25 mph along the coast.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A bitterly divided U.S. Supreme Court refused to allow a recount of Florida presidential election votes, ruling 5-4 that there wasn't enough time to resolve problems with varying standards used for hand-counting votes.

Dissenters, decrying a decision that all but seals George W. Bush's presidential victory, said the ruling could undermine the nation's confidence in the court.

"We reverse the judgment of the Supreme Court of Florida ordering a

recount to proceed," the justices declared in an extraordinary late-night decision Tuesday.

Because of Tuesday's deadline for choosing presidential electors, the court's majority said that ordering a new recount with proper vote-counting standards "could not be part of an appropriate order" as Al Gore wanted.

The dissenters warned of harm to the court's standing.



"The appearance of a split decision runs the risk of undermining the public's confidence in the court itself. ... We do risk a self-inflicted wound — a wound that may harm not just the court, but

the nation," Justice Stephen G. Breyer wrote.

Without a recount, the certification of Bush as the narrow winner of Florida's 25 electoral votes — and thus the presidency — stands.

The justices said the Florida Su-

preme Court allowed uneven treatment of hand-counted votes, adding that a proper recount could not be conducted without "substantial additional work."

Ruling in the majority were Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, Antonin Scalia, Anthony M. Kennedy and Clarence Thomas. Dissenting were Justices John Paul Stevens, David H. Souter, Ruth Bader

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## STEP BACK

### ■ Gore expected to abandon his quest after the court ruling

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Al Gore, his legal fight lost, has decided to drop out of the fiercely contested presidential race with Republican George W. Bush, The Associated Press has learned. The two-term Texas governor is set to become America's 43rd president.

Two senior advisers, speaking on condition of anonymity,

said Gore will drop out of the race in the address Wednesday night. "The race is over," said one official who had talked to Gore this morning. "We're done."

Gore made the decision 12 hours after the U.S. Supreme Court rejected his bid to recount thousands of ballots in

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## STEP UP

### ■ Veteran state senator ready to run for lieutenant governor

AMARILLO (AP) — If the seat for Texas lieutenant governor is open, a Panhandle lawmaker says he's ready to run for it.

But Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, is not sure the job's available yet following the legal wrangling over who will become president of the United States.

Lt. Gov. Rick Perry will

become governor if Gov. George W. Bush is finally elected president over Vice President Al Gore.

Bivins told the *Amarillo Globe-News* in today's editions that's when the 31 Texas state senators will have to choose one of their own to be lieutenant governor.

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TEEL BIVINS

Amarillo state senator looks at bid for lieutenant governor.



Backing their teammates — Members of the Hereford High wrestling team drum on the floor Tuesday evening to cheer on their fellow grapplers during a meet against Amarillo High.

## Local merchants' registers ringing

By Dianna F. Dandridge

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

Ring, ring! Area cash registers monitor the holiday sales and for most accounts the sound is pleasing to the ear.

Both private and franchised retailers are reporting a strong Christmas 2000 shopping season.

Caryn Davis, owner of Caryn's Hallmark, said sales in her store may be a little better than previous year's with a wide selection of gift items proving to be big sellers.

"Ornaments are always good sellers. We had lots of new series which are good sellers. People use them to decorate and as gifts. They will continue to sell right through the holidays," Davis said.

The Dollar General Store had its share of hot-selling items and manager Pat Larson said her store is completely out of some items.

"I'll have to visit some of the Amarillo stores and get some items we have sold out — paper, ribbon, candy canes, mainly decorative items. We've probably sold 75 percent of the Christmas stock we ordered."

Larson said this year DG had offered particularly good items which helped to draw some customers into the store.

"The microwaves for \$50 are a really good buy, as are some of our other small appliances. This year we're carrying more name brands. But this has been a better year than past holiday seasons. I'd say it's been a really good year," Larson said.

Retailers which aren't commonly thought of as gift giving centers are also reporting strong holiday sales.

Butch White, owner of Boots and Saddle, said this has been a fine season with shirts and Wranglers jeans always selling good at Christmastime.

White, unlike the other merchants, doesn't keep a running total of Christmas sales, preferring to total it all up at the end of the month.

AutoZone, a truly unexpected Christmas retailer, is also reporting a good year.

AutoZone manager Serapio Cabezuela said, "We just started selling Hot Wheels on Tuesday and have already sold more than half our supply."

Cabezuela said he can't compare this holiday season to previous years because this is the first time the

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## NO HOLIDAY CHEER

### Working poor descending on food banks, relief agencies

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — To the working poor looking in on a booming economy from the outside, housing and fuel prices have exploded and health care, prescription drug and car repair costs aren't far behind.

That's leaving precious little for food budgets this holiday season, almost five years into the welfare reform act's efforts to move people off welfare and into jobs.

"A lot of the people that eat here have jobs," said chef Joe Cailleux, cooking up ham, noodle casserole and green beans at Albuquerque's Salvation Army kitchen. "As a matter of fact, we have scheduled the hours that we feed here in order to feed the people who do attempt to work."

A year ago, the U.S. Conference of Mayors found that demand for emergency food assistance grew 18 percent over 1998 in 26 cities. On Thursday, they plan an update on hunger and homelessness.

A U.S. Agriculture Department study last year found 10 million families, or 9.7 percent of U.S. households, had inadequate access to food in 1996-98. New Mexico topped the list at 15.1 percent.

"It does become a choice between do I take my child to the doctor, pay my utility bill or go to the grocery store and buy food?" said Cindy Cerf, spokeswoman for St. Mary's Food Bank in Phoenix, which distributes 30 million pounds of food a year, mostly to 900 relief agencies in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico and Texas.

"These aren't people who are depending on welfare," she said. "It's just that they're at the low end of the pay scale."

Also suffering are people whose jobs don't include health benefits, said Sister Paulette LoMonaco, executive director of Good Shep-

herd Services in New York City.

"Their salaries aren't sufficient to provide benefits or a living wage, so when a small problem comes up, it becomes a catastrophe," she said.

Single mother Margaret Trujillo of Albuquerque earns \$60 a week from baby-sitting and gets \$120 a month in food stamps. She says rising fuel prices mean she can't pay her bills, so she turned to a food pantry to make sure she and her 3-year-old son have enough to eat.

"My mom's not going to say get out, you know, but I need to pay her," she said.

Soaring demand, low inventories and expected colder weather will keep natural gas and heating-oil prices high through the winter, government and industry economists said Tuesday. The Energy Department estimated heating bills for natural gas consumers would be 50 percent higher this winter than last.

Rents have skyrocketed so much in 38 metropolitan areas that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development broadened its rent-subsidy program this month.

Still, some people aren't getting help that they could. Food stamp rolls dropped 28 percent after welfare reform, according to the General Accounting Office.

Doug O'Brien of Chicago-based America's Second Harvest, a food bank umbrella group, says many people leaving welfare were never told they remained eligible for food stamps or found it hard to get them.

Said Agriculture Undersecretary Shirley Watkins, who supervises the food stamp program: "I think there was a lot of misin-

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## Disability drives up utility bills

A young couple whose two-year-old son is disabled and blind is hoping Hereford's holiday charity, the Christmas Stocking Fund, can brighten the holiday for their family this year.

This couple's utility bills are high because their son is on a 24-hour monitor.

They have asked for assistance with utilities and food this holiday.

You can help CSF to extend maximum help to as many of the less fortunate members of the community as possible this holiday through your generous gift.

The anonymous committee of volunteers administering CSF give the needs of the young and the elderly a high priority in their decisions on assistance. With the caring and sharing help of the local community, CSF will address as many needs as possible during the 2000 campaign.

CSF extends assistance in numerous forms including help with food, utilities, medical and pharmacy bills, and clothing. All assistance, with the exception of food, is via vouchers payable to the merchants, utilities, or medical facilities cooperating with CSF. Food assistance is in the form of staple goods that are boxed and delivered.

This year's primary assistance delivery date is Dec. 22.

Donations to CSF may be made in person at the *Hereford Brand*, 313 N. Lee, or mailed to CSF in care of the *Brand* at P.O. Box 673, Hereford 79045. Those contributors who wish to remain anonymous should so designate their gifts.

The *Brand*, official collection point for CSF, periodically publishes a listing of contributors and keeps a running tally of the sum collected by CSF.

### OTHER HOLIDAY DRIVES

Christmas Toys for Children  
363-7075

Foster Kids Tree  
363-7075

Hereford Food Pantry  
364-5163

Project Christmas Card

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# Local roundup

• **HHS bands perform** •

The Hereford High School bands will perform their annual Christmas Concert at 7 p.m. Thursday in the high school auditorium.

Students should be at the high school by 6:30 p.m., according to band director Gary Owens.

The concert is free.

The performance also will include a special reading of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" and the band will play many holiday classics.

• **Child welfare board meets** •

The Deaf Smith County Child Welfare Board will meet for a regular session at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in the County Courtroom, room 202, to hear a financial report, report from Children's protective Service workers, and appoint a nominating committee for board members.

• **Juvenile board meets** •

The Deaf Smith County Juvenile Board will meet at 10:30 a.m. Thursday to discuss and review the feasibility study for the proposed juvenile detentions facility.

• **CCH raffles wreaths** •

Community Christian School high school bible class is selling raffle ticket for two handmade wreaths. Funds raised from the effort will go to support two young children in Lethoso, Africa. Tickets are \$1 each. Anyone wishing to purchase a ticket should contact CCS at 364-8867 or Christie Bustamante at 364-5440.

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# News digest

• **Weather hampers travel** •

DALLAS (AP) — Treacherous ice choked highways and overpasses, promising to snarl morning rush-hour traffic Wednesday for motorists, while air travelers didn't fare much better in a battle to find flights that weren't canceled.

At least one traffic death was blamed on the storm, which caused hundreds of wrecks. Meanwhile, more than 100 flight cancellations at area airports stranded passengers overnight.

The full effect of the wintry blast, which began dumping a mix of sleet and freezing rain on Tuesday afternoon, wasn't expected to be felt in North Texas until the morning rush hour.

"People are slipping and sliding," said Janell Jones, a cashier the Travel Center of America truck stop in Mesquite between U.S. Highway 80 and Interstate 45. "There are some truckers that are stranded, but most are smart enough to park the things."

All highways north of Victoria and Del Rio were icy and treacherous Wednesday morning, said Alan Moller, meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Fort Worth.

The Texas Department of Public Safety said one traffic death had been blamed on the weather, but declined to release details early Wednesday.

Icy roads snarled traffic throughout Dallas, where police estimate accident reports in the hundreds. In Abilene, a dispatcher said more than 100 accidents were reported in a three-hour period.

• **Weary travelers forced to wait** •

GRAPEVINE, Texas (AP) — Stranded by an ice storm at the nation's third busiest airport, hundreds of travelers tried to rest on cots or floors, with children snuggling next to their mothers, but others who couldn't sleep continued to pace the terminals overnight.

More than 180 American Airline flights were canceled Wednesday in and out of Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport by the Arctic front. About half of American's flights had been canceled on Tuesday evening, leaving hundreds of passengers stranded at the airport.

Southwest Airlines canceled 70 to 80 flights out of Dallas Love Field by late Tuesday night, said spokeswoman Kristin Nelson. Start-up flights were expected to be delayed for de-icing Wednesday morning, but temperatures were expected to warm to above freezing by afternoon.

Cheerful holiday greetings flashed across monitors throughout one DFW terminal, but did little to comfort disheveled passengers.

"It's been hell," said Corwin Calloway, a sailor bound for Wichita Falls. "There's no room, no place to take a bath, no change of clothes, no hot meals. It's just not fair to us. I know these airlines make too much money to put people out like this."

Calloway said his airline booked several hotel rooms, but did not offer to pay for them.

**ELSEWHERE**

**TIRE DEATH-LAWSUIT:** Just as jury selection was to begin Tuesday, Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. settled a lawsuit filed by families of two people killed in a 1998 crash. Details of the settlement filed in Hidalgo County district court were not disclosed. ... **DRYERS BANKRUPTCY:** Diaper maker Drypers Corp. has agreed to be bought and pulled out of bankruptcy by a Hong Kong-based diaper manufacturer ready to pay \$85 million. DSG International Ltd. has signed a letter of intent. ... **SCHOOL CALENDAR:** Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander on Tuesday supported a proposal by a state senator that would prohibit public schools from opening before Aug. 21. Rylander said starting school earlier costs the state \$332 million in local tourism revenue because families are forced to end late summer vacation plans. Another \$27 million in direct income is lost from migrant farm families, Rylander said.

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# CAROLING IN THE PARK



**Joyful noise** — The combined choirs of Hereford High School recently filled the cold night air with the tunes of the season, during last week's annual Christmas in the Park. City residents are encouraged to attend holiday performances by the choirs and the bands. Also the elementary schools will be presenting Christmas programs.

# States need child care funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wednesday.

States need more federal money to pay for child care, an advocacy group argues in a new report that focuses on the South but highlights problems across the country.

"There ought to be sufficient funds to serve all families who need and seek it," said Sarah Shuptrine, president of the Southern Institute on Children and Families, which was releasing its report.

But Shuptrine said the Southern task force, which spent a year studying the issue, was unable to estimate how many children need child care and are not getting it.

Last week, the Department of Health and Human Services reported that just 12 percent of U.S. children who are eligible for federally subsidized child care got it last year.

But that report also did not attempt to estimate the actual need. It did not say whether the families without subsidies were paying for child care on their own, didn't need it or had made other arrangements.

"The data have got to be collected so we're more informed about what kind of decisions to make," Shuptrine said.

The report also recommends that states make it easier for families to apply for child care help, noting the trouble programs such as Medicaid have had signing up children who qualify for aid. That, of course, would not become a significant problem unless there becomes more money available.

The federal government sent states \$5.2 billion last year to help subsidize child care. States spent another \$1.6 billion of their own money, which was required to get the federal dollars.

Nationally, more than 14.7 million low-income children were eligible for child care subsidies last year using federal standards, but fewer than 1.8 million children got the help, according to the Department of Health and Human Services.

In the South, about 5.5 million children were eligible for subsidies and about 619,000 received them, Shuptrine said.

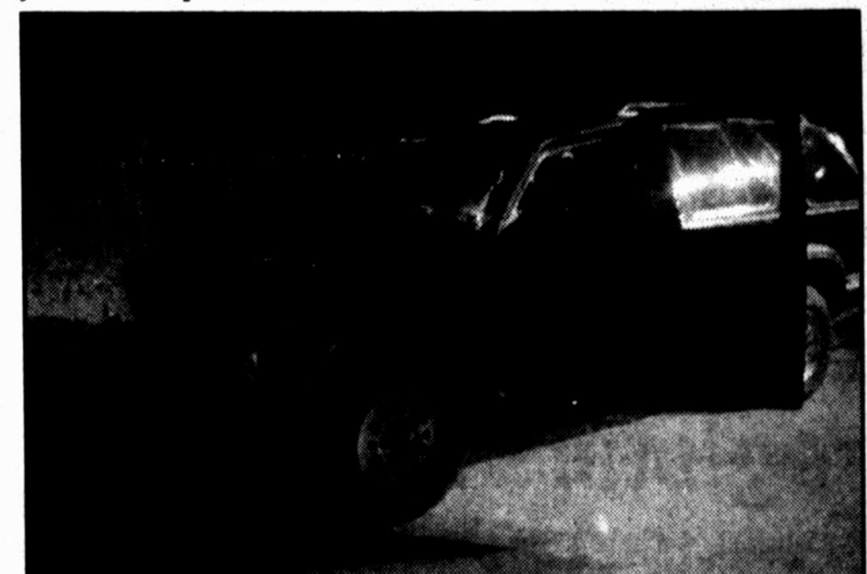
Under federal standards, families are eligible for the subsidies if their incomes fall below 85 percent of their state's median income. But most of the states in the report set more stringent eligibility rates due to the shortage of available funding.

## NWS issues weather tips

The National Weather Service has issued the following tips for people trapped due to severe winter storms.

- CAUGHT OUTSIDE**
  - Find shelter: stay dry; cover exposed body parts.
  - No shelter: prepare a lean-to, windbreak, or snow cave for protection from the wind; build a fire for heat and to attract attention; place rocks around the fire to absorb and reflect heat.
- IN A CAR OR TRUCK**
  - Stay in the vehicle. Disorientation occurs quickly in wind-driven snow and cold. Run the motor about 10 minutes each hour for heat: open the window a little for fresh air to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning.
  - Make yourself visible to rescuers: turn on the dome light at night when running engine. Tie a colored cloth (preferably red) to your antenna or door. Raise the hood indicating trouble after snow stops falling.
  - Exercise from time to time by vigorously moving arms, legs, fingers, and toes to keep blood circulating and to keep warm.
- AT HOME OR IN A BUILDING**
  - Stay inside. When using alternative heat from a fireplace, wood stove, space heater, etc.: use fire safeguards and properly ventilate.
  - In cases with no heat, close off unneeded rooms, stuff towels or rags in cracks under doors, cover windows at night.
  - Eat and drink. Food provides the body with energy for producing its own heat. Keep the body replenished with fluids to prevent dehydration.
  - Wear layers of loose-fitting, lightweight, warm clothing.

- WINTER STORM AUTO SURVIVAL KIT**
- blankets/sleeping bags
  - flashlight/batteries
  - first-aid kit
  - knife
  - non-perishable food
  - extra clothing
  - shovel
  - windshield scraper
  - tow rope
  - booster cables
  - water container
  - compass and road maps
  - keep gas tank near full to avoid ice in the tank.



**Hard stop** — The driver of this late model Chevy Blazer came to an abrupt halt Tuesday evening when a frightened horse stepped into his path one half mile north on Avenue K. The driver was unable to stop and hit the horse. The driver was taken to Hereford Regional Medical Center by private transportation. The horse died at the scene.

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# Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Dec. 12, 2000 included the following:

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Arrests**

— A 19-year-old man was arrested at South Highway 385 and Country Club Drive and charged with possession of marijuana under two ounces.

— A 37-year-old man was arrested in the 200 block of North Lee and charged with an outstanding Department of Public Safety warrant.

**Incidents**

— Criminal mischief to a vehicle was reported in the 100 block of Avenue B.

— Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 800 block of South Texas.

— Theft of a cell phone was reported in the 1300 block of West First. The phone was later returned.

— A minor accident was reported at Third and Lee.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

— 6:10 p.m. Firefighters responded to a car vs. horse wreck one-half mile north on Avenue K. One person was taken to Hereford Regional Medical Center by private car.

— 6:38 p.m. Firefighters responded to a gas leak at 620 Blevins.

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# Texas lottery

**Cash Five**  
The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

13-14-18-23-30

**Pick 3**  
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

# LIFESTYLES

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## Deadline nears for donations to Project Christmas Card

L'Allegra Study Club is once again this year sponsoring Project Christmas Card which offers individuals a way to make monetary contributions to benefit Hereford Regional Medical Center in the amount they would typically spend on Christmas cards and stamps.

The club provides envelopes on which contributors are asked to print their name as they would like it to appear in the newspaper, then deposit the envelopes in canisters which have been placed with numerous area businesses.

The deadline for contributing will be 4 p.m. on Dec. 19.

The names of contributors will be printed in a full page ad appearing in the Dec. 23 edition of the *Hereford Brand*. Everyone listed in the ad is sending a collective greeting to the whole community. They are also being recognized for their contribution to HRMC.

The proceeds from this year's Project Christmas Card will go toward purchasing recovery beds for the hospital.

The project for sending the collective greeting was started in 1956 by a group of doctors' and dentists' spouses who wanted to offer local residents an opportunity to support specific needs of the local medical community.

L'Allegra Study Club has sponsored the project since 1986, collecting a total of more than \$69,000 which has benefitted Hereford's hospital.

Proceeds raised by the project have been used to purchase a non-invasive blood pressure machine, serum electrophoresis lab equipment, oxygen monitor and blood pressure monitor for obstetrics, fetal monitor, cardiac enzyme monitor, gazebo,



**Depositing an envelope** - Nelda Zambrano places an envelope in the Project Christmas Card canister at Covenant Family Healthcare. Project Christmas Card is an annual fundraiser of L'Allegra Study Club with proceeds benefitting Hereford Regional Medical Center. The deadline for making contributions is Dec. 19. Individuals are invited to contribute the amount they would spend on Christmas cards and names of all contributors will be printed in a full page Christmas greeting to the entire community in the Dec. 23 edition of the *Hereford Brand*.

mammography grid, colposcope for rape examination, renovation of obstetrics waiting room, anesthesia multiple monitor and smartscale digital baby scale.

Canisters are located at the *Hereford Brand*, FirstBank Southwest, Kid's Alley, Terry's Floral and Design, K-Bob's, First American Bank, Wishes,

Covenant Family Healthcare, Hereford Regional Medical Center, A Touch of Class, Billie's Beauty Salon, Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union, Hereford State Bank, Senior Citizens Center, Inkahoots, Yiota's, First National Bank, The Secret Garden and Salon Faviana.

CREATORS SYNDICATE

## Ann Landers



**Ann Landers**

**Dear Ann Landers:** My husband left a copy of your column on my night table. It was the one from "Divorcing Her in Massachusetts." The writer said his

wife has become a "sloppy mommy" and shows no interest in sex. Here's my response:

**Dear Husband:** Yes, you are absolutely right. I have a negative attitude about intimacy. When we have sex, I do so grudgingly and without enthusiasm. Why would I want to be sexually intimate with a man who belittles me on a daily basis?

Twenty years of your tantrums have worn me down. You have humiliated me so many times in front of family and friends that we barely have a social life. Our daughter is afraid to have you around her friends because your idea of "discipline" is verbal abuse.

I am glad you have started taking medication, which now allows us to enjoy your company from time to time. But I fear the alcohol you drink negates the effect of the medicine — and you refuse to stop drinking. It is becoming harder and harder to tolerate your boozing behavior.

I am exhausted from doing everything at home and at work. Your criticism drains my energy. We have tried counseling. It didn't help because you rejected all the recommendations. You will not agree to a separation, and a divorce would be financially and emotionally harmful to our daughter, so I will stick around until she is grown. How sad that such a potentially wonderful life should have come to this. — Leaving Eventually, When the Time is Right

**Dear Leaving:** Your life with your husband sounds like a nightmare. Since you do not want to divorce him, get back into counseling — with or without him — and learn how to live with that man. It may be that you need to develop outside interests that do not include him. If that is the case — do it. Pronto.

**Dear Ann Landers:** Every year at Christmas, my brother sends me frozen steaks from a catalog company. The steaks cost him at least \$60. I can buy those same steaks at my local grocery store for \$15.

How can I tell him that I do not appreciate his expensive, totally impersonal gift? I know he sends the same thing to his clients and business associates. Is he so lazy that he cannot shop for his only sister? Maybe I should keep my mouth shut,

but every time I think about it, it burns me up. Any suggestions? — Big Sister

**Dear Big Sister:** A gift is whatever someone chooses to send. These days, many people prefer to "shop" via catalog or over the Internet. Kwitcheerbeeefin' about the beef, and don't sweat the small stuff, Sis. At least he is thinking about you.

**Dear Ann Landers:** You recently printed a letter from a grocery clerk with hints for customers. May I offer a suggestion for the clerks?

Please give us change in the correct manner. Most cashiers return change by putting the paper bills in your hand first, then dumping the change on top of it. Sometimes, they put the receipt on top of the change. This creates a "handling" problem. We need both hands to remove the receipt and the change before both slide off the bills and onto the floor.

If cashiers would put the change in our hand first, and then the bills, we could grab it all with one hand. This would save us a lot of time and trouble, and spare the cashier a lot of frustrated customers. Please tell them, Ann. — Moon Township, Pa.

**Dear Moon Township:** I don't have to tell them. You did, and I thank you.

## Romero discusses hospice care at Garden Beautiful Club meeting

Garden Beautiful Club met in the home of Louise Streun to hear about the work hospice does in this area. Mona Romero, who has 8½ years in hospice work, told the club about the various aspects of hospice.

She explained that this area covers the Panhandle to the New Mexico line with about six thousand patients being served. The patient may be hospital-

ized or be at home. Their age ranges from babies to the elderly.

A big part of the program is the volunteers. They are trained to care for patients at home. They also run errands and clean houses.

Terry's Floral and Design contributes flowers past their prime, which give pleasure to the patients. Hospice provides fly-in service to the hospital, pays rent and counsels the patient and their

families in times of need. Memorials for those who die stay in Hereford to support the group here.

Following Romero's presentation, brunch was served followed by a short business session.

Present were guests Romero, Mary Edwards and Bonnie Duke and members Vada Axe, Doris Bryant, Marguerite Cole, Marcella McLain and Dorothy Noland.

## College Report

**PLAINVIEW** — Brenda Kay Barrett participated in commencement ceremonies Dec. 9 at Wayland Baptist University.

Barrett, the daughter of Kevin and Dareathia Dotson of Hereford, received a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies in mathematics.

## MOOVIES 6

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# SCHOOL DAYS



**Christmas** has come to the school room along with the other areas of the Deaf Smith County Museum. Members of the Deaf Smith County Historical Society decorate the museum for the holidays each year making it even more inviting. The museum, 400 Sampson, is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

## This date, Drake began journey

**By The Associated Press**  
Today is Wednesday, Dec. 13, the 348th day of 2000. There are 18 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 13, 1577, Sir Francis Drake of England set out with five ships on a nearly three-year journey that would take him around the world.

### On this date:

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

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

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

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

In 1928, George Gershwin's musical work "An American in Paris" had its premiere, at

Carnegie Hall in New York.

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

In 1978, the Philadelphia Mint began stamping the Susan B. Anthony dollar, which went into circulation the following July.

In 1980, Christian Democrat Jose Napoleon Duarte was named the president of El Salvador's new government.

In 1981, authorities in Poland imposed martial law in a crackdown on the Solidarity labor movement. (Martial law formally ended in 1983.)

In 1994, an American Eagle commuter plane carrying 20 people crashed short of Raleigh-Durham International Airport in North Carolina, killing 15.

**Ten years ago:** A final evacuation flight from Iraq arrived in Germany, carrying the U.S. ambassador to Kuwait and his staff, who had endured a

110-day Iraqi siege of their embassy.

**Five years ago:** As President Clinton flew to Paris to attend the signing of the Bosnian peace accord, Congress gave him partial backing for his Bosnia policy. China's most influential democracy activist, Wei Jingsheng, who already had spent 16 years in prison, was sentenced to 14 more years. (However, Wei was later granted medical parole by Beijing, and allowed to travel to the United States.)

**One year ago:** In a spirited presidential campaign debate, Texas Gov. George W. Bush and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., fought over tax policy and farm subsidies, while McCain was pushed to defend his centerpiece campaign finance proposals. In his first major test on the road to peace with Syria, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak won parliamentary backing for opening negotiations with Damascus.

**Thought for Today:** "My theory is to enjoy life, but the practice is against it." — Charles Lamb

## Red Cross Update

Thanks to everyone from the Tri County Chapter of the American Red Cross for attending Volunteer Appreciation Day. Volunteers are the heart of the Red Cross.

Special thanks to everyone for the coat collections we have received. Many people and organizations have helped get coats for children this winter.

We hope that everyone has a safe and happy holiday and here are a few tips for your trees and lighting.

Please keep in mind that your trees need to be watered if they are fresh cut. Also remember to take special care of the lights on your tree and throughout your home. Watch for worn wiring and loose bulbs. Don't leave the lights burning when you are not at home and please remember not to cover extension cords with rugs. Don't let your carelessness cause a fire.

The Tri County Chapter would also like to let everyone know about the upcoming music spectacular from the American Red Cross. "A Holiday Music Spectacular from Miami Beach" will air on Fox Network from 8-9 p.m. on Dec. 23.

The Tri County Chapter of the American Red Cross is located at 224 S. Main. We serve Deaf Smith, Castro and Parmer counties in the Texas Panhandle.

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**MONDAY**-Chili with beans, Fritos, shredded cheese, diced onions, fruit salad, cornbread, cookies.

**TUESDAY**-Salisbury steak, baked potato with topping, fried

okra, frosted lime walnut salad, pound cake with fruit topping.

**WEDNESDAY**-Baked ham, sweet potato patties, buttered peas, perfection salad, bread pudding with raisin sauce.

### ACTIVITIES

**THURSDAY**-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., oil painting 9-11 a.m., blood pressure 8:30-11:30 a.m., DAR meeting 2:30 p.m., Thrift Store open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

**FRIDAY**-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., line dance 10-11

a.m., HSCA board meeting, Senior Citizens Christmas party noon, Thrift Store 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

**MONDAY**-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., line dance 10-11 a.m., doll class noon-4 p.m.

**TUESDAY**-Pool classes, quilting 9 a.m.-3 p.m., exercise class 10-10:45 a.m., Miracle Ear 9 a.m.-noon, Golden K Kiwanis 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

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# SPORTS

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## Girls bitten, lose 80-46

■ Hereford falls to Borger in district opener

By Jeff Blackmon  
Hereford Brand Sports Editor

When the Lady Whitefaces ran into Bulldog Gym Tuesday night, they found out they had left something important back in Hereford.

Their defense. The Lady Whitefaces' district debut wasn't a happy affair, as they suffered an 80-46 blowout loss to Borger. The Lady Bulldogs scored 46 first-

half points en route to a 25-point half-time margin.

"We didn't play good transition defense," Lady Whiteface coach Key Harrison said. "We forgot about (transition defense), and they got too many easy baskets early and it just snowballed on us."

The snowball continued to roll but not as fast in the second half as the Lady Bulldogs scored 34 more points.

Borger's Sauls sisters tormented the Herd all night on defense, combining for 40 of the Lady Bulldogs' points.

Offensively, Harrison said

the team could not find its rhythm. Hereford committed 22 turnovers in the match to add to their offensive woes, and they scored only six first quarter points. The coach also said he thought they could have played a better mental game.

"Offensively, we didn't stay disciplined and we didn't execute," Harrison said. "It was just one of those games."

Harrison said he knows the competition in District 3-4A is going to be tough, but the team has 13 more games remaining on the schedule.

"I thought Borger played real well tonight," Harrison said. "I think it is going to be a tough district, and we've got to come out and battle Pampa Friday."

We have to do a better job Friday night," Harrison said.

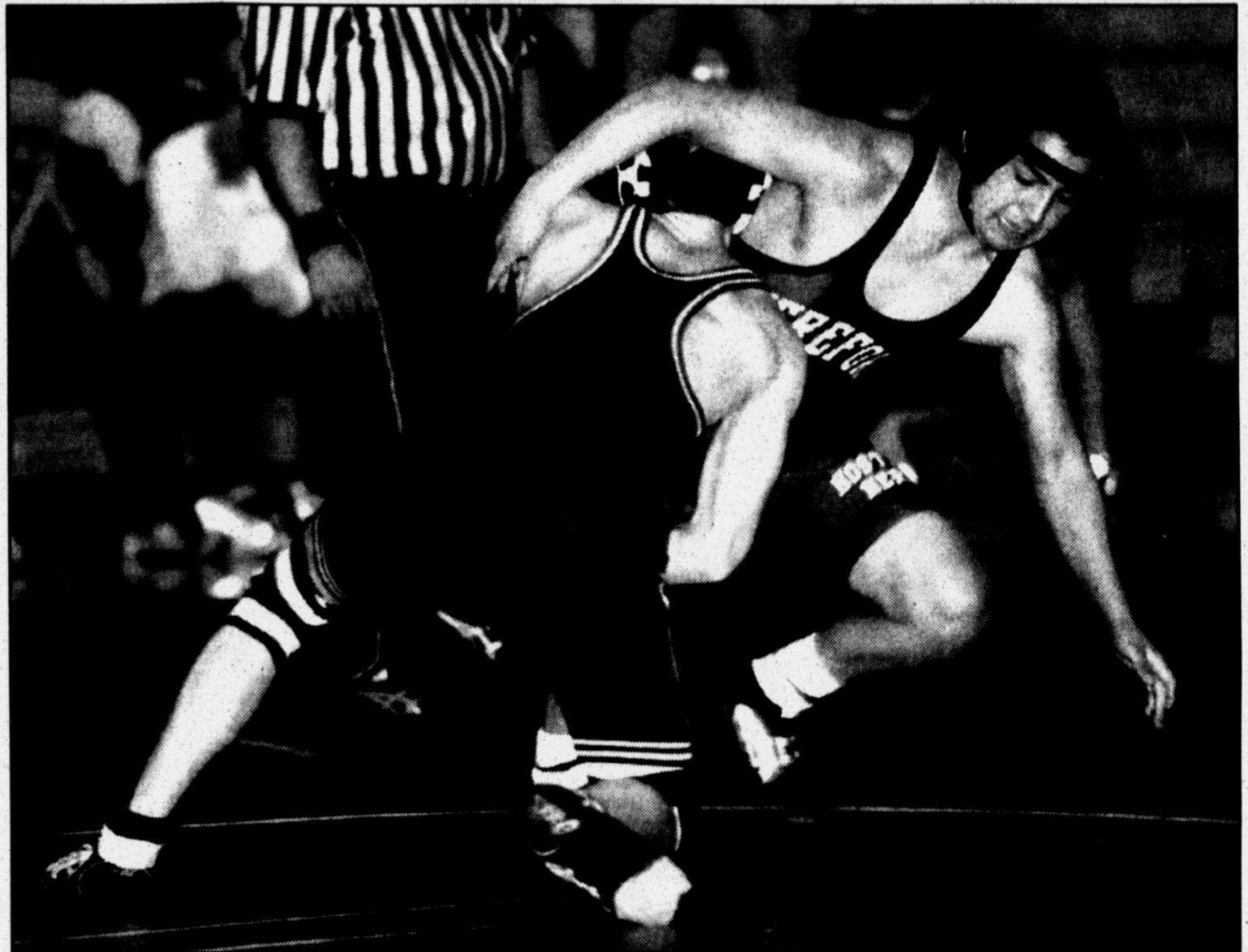
The coach said losing the district opener is by far not the end of the year and he hopes the team will take the loss in stride.

"It is not the end of the world," Harrison said. "It is a learning experience, and you

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**"We've got to think and play together, and play the game we know how to play."**  
— Key Harrison, Lady Whiteface Coach

## FREE FALL



**Take down**—Hereford sophomore wrestler Refugio Alvarez gets tangled up during his match Tuesday against an Amarillo High wrestler in the 130 pound weight class. Alvarez won his match by fall. The team takes on district opponent Canyon Randall Saturday. For complete results of Hereford's dual against Amarillo High, please see page 6.

BRAND/Mauri Montgomery

## Benson, Hickson Texas' finalists

DALLAS (AP) — Florida State quarterback Chris Weinke took home the Heisman Trophy this weekend, but the Heisman talk isn't over.

Two Texans — Cedric Benson, a running back from Midland Lee, and Donta Hickson, a running back from McKinney High — are among the three finalists for the first Heismans to be awarded for high school players. They are among three finalists for the Southwest region, which covers Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma. Eighteen finalists have been named nationwide from six geographical regions.

New York City's Downtown Athletic Club will give six Heisman trophies to students, one from each of the geographical regions, based on their athletic prowess and sta-

### ■ Texas running backs nominated for high school Heisman award

tistics garnered during the past season.

The third finalist from the Southwest Region is Justin Holland, a quarterback at Bear Creek High School in Colorado.

Winners of the award will be announced in conjunction with the first All-Star Football Game, to be played Dec. 30, at Highland Park High School. Seventy-five of the nation's top high school football players have been named to play in the East vs. West game. Texas will be the permanent site of the annual game.

"Texas is the hotbed of high school football — it's almost as big as professional football in Texas," said Jeff Goodman,

senior writer for Boston-based Sportslink.

The central location of Texas also factored in the decision to keep the game in Dallas. The game will be broadcast on Fox Sports Net.

The High School Heisman Trophy will be modeled after the likeness of Ken Hall — the national high school career rushing leader of all time with 11,232 yards at Sugarland from 1950-53.

"This is very, very special," Hall said at a news conference announcing the finalists in downtown Dallas on Tuesday. "The permanence of this is such an honor. Someday I'll be gone, but these awards will still be around. And once (stu-

dents) win this award, it will always be a part of their lives — a small part, but an important part."

Writers for Sportslink, a national Web site devoted to high school football, will select the Heisman winners.

"The significance of this is that the best players now will be able to know who the best really are," Goodman said.

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**STARTING DATE:** Sunday, January 7, 2001  
**GAME DAY:** Sundays, starting at 1:00 p.m.  
**SIGN-UP DEADLINE:** Thursday, January 4th, 2001 at 3:00 p.m.  
**ENTRY FEE:** \$320.00 per team  
**LENGTH OF LEAGUE:** Six (6) weeks plus double elimination tournament

Rosters will be available at game site. Individual players must have name on roster and be properly registered with their team before playing. As soon as a player participates in a league game they shall be deemed as starting the season. There will be no grace period. Team may start with 3 player, if they are not present then it will be called as a forfeit. Anytime players on the court or on the bench join an altercation that team/teams shall forfeit.

Teams arriving without enough players to field a team may enlist temporary substitutes in order to field a team. The game will be a forfeit but this will allow those present the enjoyment of playing. If there is an odd number of teams, one team will play twice on game day. Intentional foul will be 2 free shots and ball out of bounds.

**If you have questions please call the YMCA at 364-6990**

**YMCA Elementary Basketball**

ENTRY DEADLINE: December 31, 2000

The YMCA Basketball League is designed for elementary boys and girls grades K-5 thru 6th. All girls and boys are eligible to play regardless of athletic ability. Teams are coached by adult volunteers. Every game is supervised and referees are provided. The league specializes in wholesome competition while teaching the fundamentals of team play and good sportsmanship. Every girl and boy plays in every game. We will have three divisions: K-5 - 2nd, 3rd & 4th and 5th & 6th grades. The teams will be drawn at the YMCA office. **PLEASE DO NOT REQUEST PLAYERS TO BE ON CERTAIN TEAMS!!!**

**RESTRICTION:** Grades K-5 to 6th only

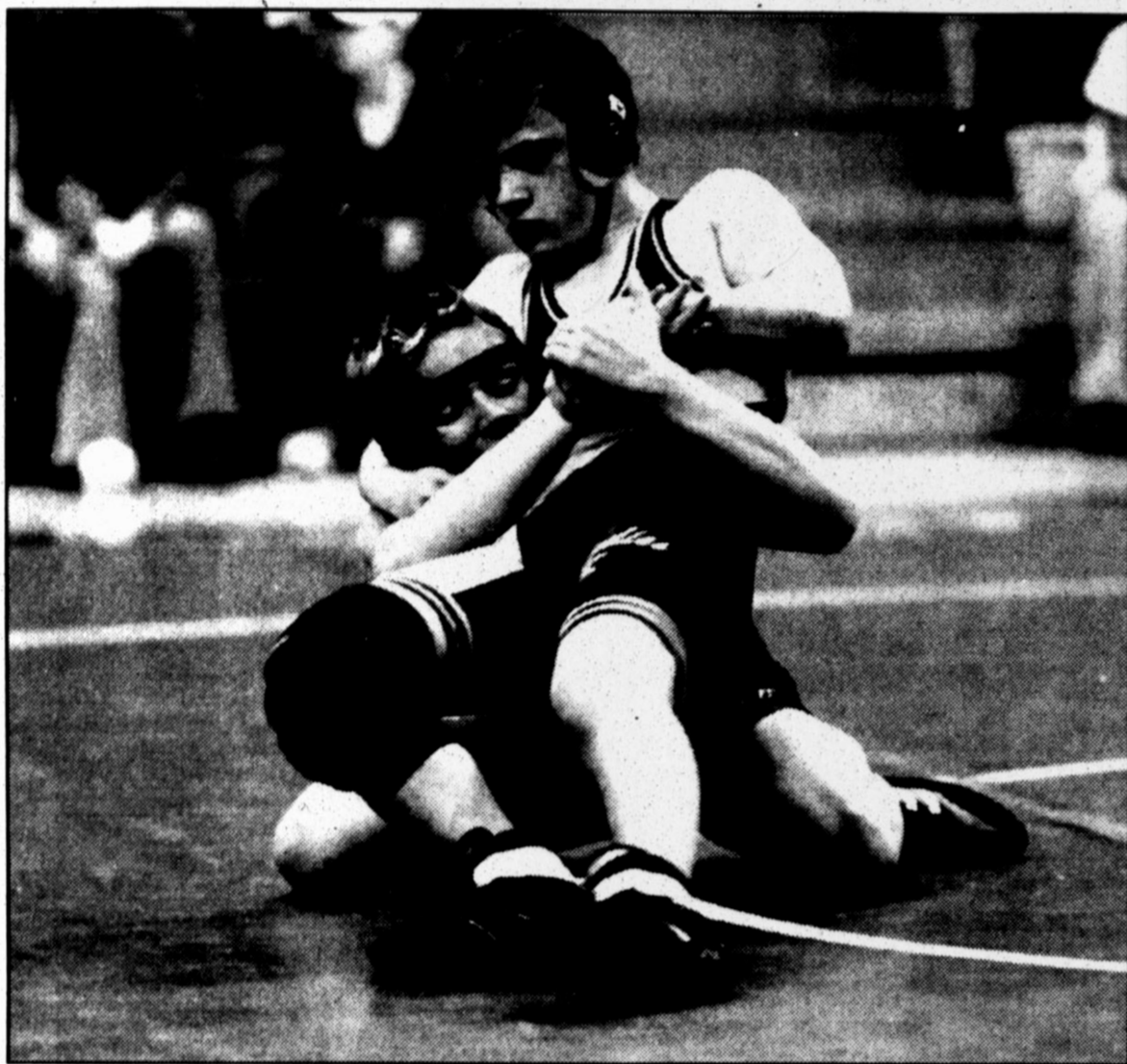
**DATES:** Teams play and practice once a week after the season starts. Practice starts the week of January 8th (depending on availability of gyms) and games begin Saturday, January 13th.

**COACHES MEETING:** Scheduled for January 6th at the YMCA.

**LEAGUE FEE AND ELIGIBILITY:** League fee will be \$23.00. Additional children in same family \$18.00 each. All participants must be YMCA members. YMCA memberships for youth are \$7.25 for three months. **\*\*\*ENTRY FEE MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION FORM!!!!\*\***

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** Scholarships are available for those who need and qualify for assistance. (contact Weldon or Norma Jean at 364-6990)

# DUAL RESULTS



**Head lock**—Hereford freshman Jarom Brown (in head lock) gets in a peculiar position by an Amarillo High wrestler Tuesday. Brown would comeback to win the match by decision 6-3.

BRAND/Mauri Montgomery

# Cavs win fourth, beat Dallas 92-87

■ Ilgauskas takes control in fourth to shut down Mavericks and win their fourth straight

CLEVELAND (AP) — Zydrunas Ilgauskas took over in the final minutes, scoring 11 points in the fourth quarter and blocking Steve Nash's late layup Tuesday night as the Cleveland Cavaliers won their fourth straight, 92-87 over the Dallas Mavericks.

Ilgauskas, the Cavs' 7-foot-3 center who missed most of the past two seasons with foot injuries, had 24 points and 12 rebounds. He scored nine points in the final 4:18 as the Cavs rallied from a 10-point deficit in the fourth.

Andre Miller added a season-high 22 points and Clarence Weatherspoon had 16 rebounds for Cleveland, which out rebounded Dallas 59-29.

Steve Nash had 21 points, but had his layup with 31 seconds remaining rejected by Ilgauskas.

Michael Finley had 15 points and Hubert Davis 12, including nine in the fourth, for the Mavericks, who entered the game 6-0 against Eastern Conference teams.

Cleveland trailed 81-76 with 4:18 left when Ilgauskas, better known as 'Z', was fouled while dunking over 7-foot-6 Shawn Bradley. After completing the three-point play, Ilgauskas then scored underneath on a nice feed from Lamond Murray.

On the Cavs' next possession, Ilgauskas ran down his own miss and dropped a short baseline jumper to bring Cleveland within 81-80.

Nash banked in a runner from the left side as the Mavericks clung to an 85-84 lead with 1:35 left. But Ilgauskas muscled inside for another

dunk with 49 seconds to go and then stuffed Nash's attempt.

Nash's basket with 11.9 seconds brought Dallas within 89-87, but the Cavs sealed it with three free throws.

Davis' second 3-pointer of the fourth capped an 18-6 run to open the period and gave the Mavericks an 81-71 lead with 5:32 left.

But Ilgauskas then scored seven straight points and Matt Harpring hit two free throws to finish off an 11-0 spurt that put Cleveland ahead 82-81.

Tempers flared late in the third when Ilgauskas got tangled in Finley's legs while both went after a loose ball. Finley kicked his leg trying to get away from Ilgauskas, who was sprawled on the floor.

Both players were given technicals.

The Cavs tied an arena record with 31 rebounds in the first half and Cleveland had more offensive boards — 14 — than Dallas' total of 13.

But Nash made three of Dallas' six 3-pointers as the Mavericks took a 49-46 lead at intermission. **Notes:** Bradley fouled out with 2:32 left. He picked up all six fouls after halftime. ... Cleveland has won five straight over Dallas. ... Cavs GM Jim Paxson said that point guard Brevin Knight, placed on the injured list Tuesday with soreness in his right knee, will not need more surgery. Knight has missed 18 games this

season after undergoing surgery on Aug. 17. Paxson said Knight may have tried to come back too fast.

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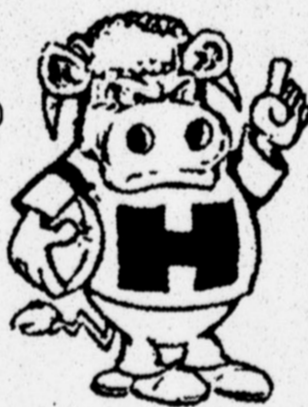
- Richard Martinez won by forfeit
- Terrance Wilhelm won by decision (12-9)
- Joe Russell lost by fall (1:19)
- Jarom Brown won by decision (6-3)
- Refugio Alvarez won by fall (4:50)
- Eddie Garcia lost by fall (:41)
- Jauquin Rodriguez won by decision (6-4)
- Ruben Lancon won by fall (:49)

## Girls Varsity

- Astrid Gomez won by fall (2:35)
- Amariah Rodriguez won by fall (3:48)
- Rachel Rodriguez won by fall (:21)

## Varsity

- Matt Espinosa lost by decision (13-7)
- Chris Gavina lost by decision (10-14)
- Luis Perez won by fall (:52)
- Paco Castillo lost by decision (12-11)
- Charles Stubbs lost by technical fall (20-5)
- Javier Alonzo won by decision (9-4)
- Gus Higareta lost by fall (1:24)
- Fausto Mendoza lost by fall (1:38)
- Esteban Lopez lost by fall (1:20)
- Tony Cantreras lost by fall (2:42)
- Chris Galvan won by fall (3:59)
- James Witkowski won by fall (2:46)
- Colton Gentry won by fall (5:20)
- Paul Estrada won by decision (4-3)
- Roy Pena won by decision (8-2)



## District

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have to come back from it." Junior guard Sabrina Garcia said she feels like the unit is slowly getting its game together and each loss should provide a lesson.

"We are coming together as a team, and I guess we don't trust each other just yet," Garcia said. "We've got to think and play together, and play the game we know how to play."

"We weren't getting back on defense, but we are going to get there," Garcia said, adding she is glad the Lady Whitefaces will face Borger again. She said she is looking forward for a chance to show them Tuesday was an off night.

"You see everyone twice, and that is good," Garcia said. "We've got to come back and be ready to beat them."

The Lady Whitefaces host Borger on Jan. 16.

Sophomore guard Sarah Griffin led Hereford scorers with 11 points, while fresh-

man post Carlie Henson added 10 points.

The next game for Hereford is Friday at home against

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Poor

From Page A1 formation."

So people turn to food banks. The Roadrunner Food Bank in Albuquerque distributed 10 million pounds of food statewide this year — double the amount since last year, said director Melody Wattenbarger.

"The flaw in that is we can't do it — we were designed to be emergency food suppliers. There's really not enough food to do that," she said.

New Mexico plans a massive outreach program in the next six months to alert people eligible for food stamps.

The prevailing glow of affluence also can make helping the needy trickier: "It's a little harder to convince people there's a whole group of people who have been left behind by that prosperity," Wattenbarger said.

Fred Grandy, recently retired as president of Goodwill Industries, says welfare reform was a turning point for that organization. Last year, he said, Goodwill served 373,000 people — three times the number for 1995.

"It's a work in progress," he said. "Replacing welfare with work is a good idea, but it is a long-term strategy, not a short-term fix."

Sales

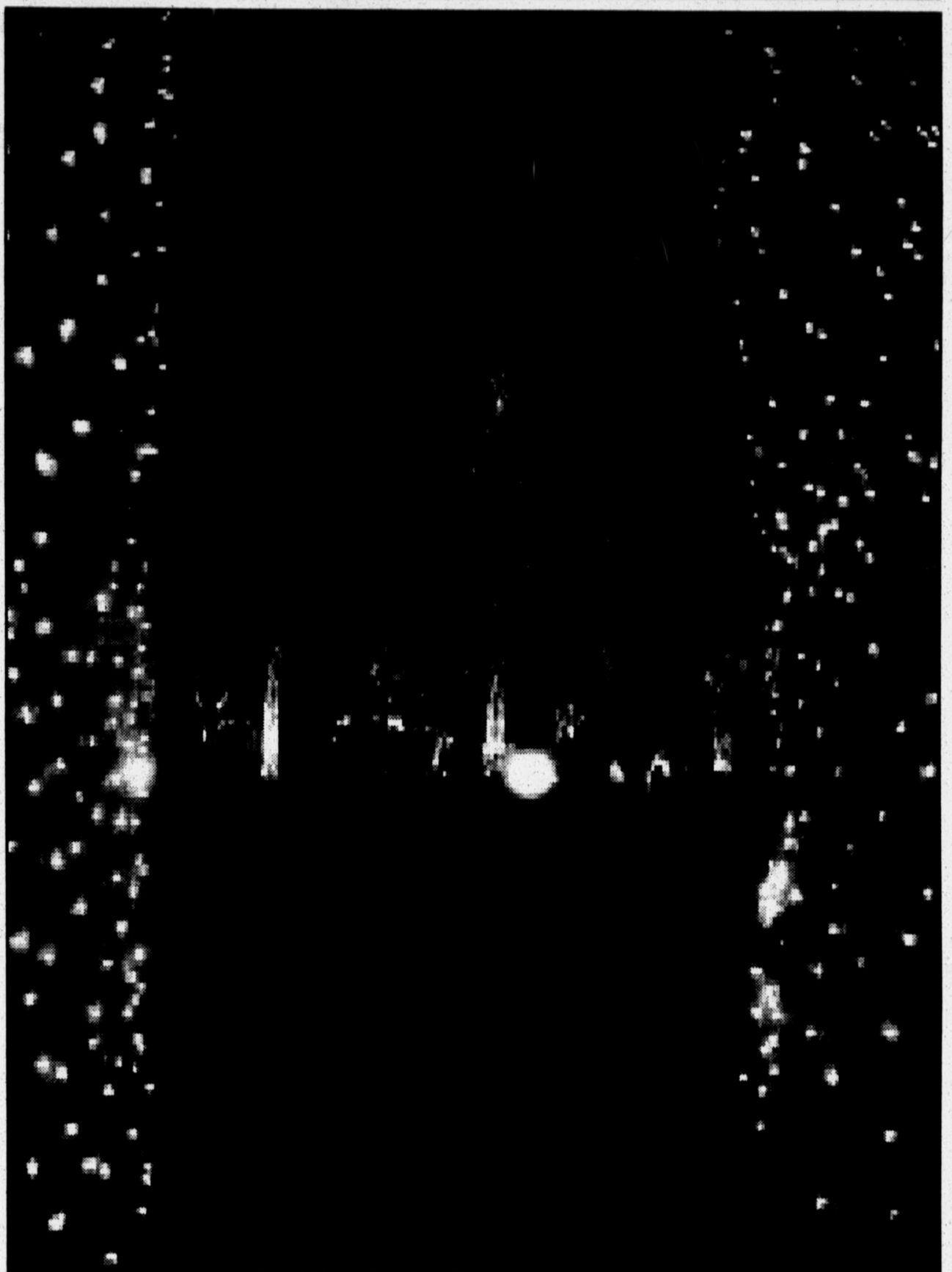
From Page A1 store has sold special Christmas merchandise.

"We've just started selling scooters and Hot Wheels and they've been selling well. But we had lots of ladies coming in to purchase gift cards, especially when they don't know what kind of tools to get for their husbands and fathers," he said.

Cabezuela said he has also seen more tool boxes, socket and wrench sets, customized dash mats and mechanics gloves being sold.

A few stores, such as Homeland, had fewer Christmas gift items this year, but that could be due to corporate decisions, assistant manager Monty Gafford said.

Gafford said the store has seen good sales of lights, ornaments and other decorative items, and he thinks this holiday season will end on a strong note.



Sparkling — The Christmas lights, which were turned on Dec. 4 in a special city-sponsored lighting ceremony, sparkle like stars at Mothers Park.

BRAND/Mauri Montgomery

ECONOMY

Retailers see sales plunge in November, holiday shopping season also isn't jolly

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sales by the nation's retailers fell by a surprising 0.4 percent in November, led by the biggest drop in auto sales in more than two years.

Last month's decline marked the weakest performance since retail sales dropped by 0.5 percent in April, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday. Many analysts had expected sales to rise slightly.

In October, sales were flat, according to revised figures. The government previously reported a 0.1 percent increase.

The holiday shopping season, meanwhile, hasn't given retailers a lot to cheer about. Mall traffic is down and sales are soft. Merchants also worry that the big snowstorm raking the Midwest will hurt sales.

Lackluster sales in November dovetailed with a decline in

consumer confidence, which fell to its lowest level in a year.

The Federal Reserve has raised interest rates six times since June 1999 with the goal of slowing the economy enough to keep inflation in check but not so much as to cause a recession.

Many economists expect the Fed will leave interest rates unchanged when it meets next week. Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan signaled last week that the Fed stands ready to cut interest rates if the economy shows signs of slipping into a recession.

Economists say they are virtually certain the Fed at its Tuesday meeting will change its policy statement away from a tilt toward raising interest rates to a neutral stance. That stance would assume the risks of inflation are no greater than

the risks of the economy's stalling.

The weakening consumer demand has been blamed on a variety of factors, including higher interest rates, which makes borrowing more expensive; volatility in the stock market, which takes a dent out of consumers' investment portfolios; and higher fuel prices, which means consumers have less to spend on other items.

Sales of new cars and trucks fell by 2.2 percent in November, the biggest decline since a 4.9 percent decrease in July 1998. In October, sales of autos decreased by 1.0 percent.

Paul Taylor, chief economist for the National Automobile Dealers Association, said the decline, which represents a drop in the value of sales, reflects more sales of less expensive, smaller cars.

Negotiators reach deal on final spending bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Negotiators have reached a tentative deal on the education and health spending bill that has posed the last major hurdle to Congress concluding its overextended session.

The compromise will not be finalized until lawmakers, many in California for the funeral of Democratic Rep. Julian Dixon, approve. But aides from both sides said they hoped the session-ending package could reach the House floor Thursday and the Senate Friday.

Staff worked late Tuesday night on how to allocate \$3.7 billion in cuts to the \$350 billion spending bill covering education, health and labor programs. The cuts, decided on earlier this week at a meeting between President Clinton and congressional leaders, brings to \$108.9 billion the portion of the bill not devoted to automatic benefits such as Medicare.

Staff negotiators were with-

holding details of the package until they could be reviewed by lawmakers, but one aide, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the budget increase for the National Institutes of Health was being reduced by some \$200 million.

While there's been strong support for the NIH budget, Democrats have also insisted that the cuts be spread around so that the president's education priorities, such as hiring new teachers, won't take too big a hit. Funding for the NIH would still be up 14 percent from last year, to about \$20.3 billion.

Negotiators were still working on extraneous items that might go into the final package, including increased funds for Medicare providers, tax breaks for community renewal projects and immigration reforms.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Tuesday that the tentative deal being worked out was acceptable to most in

his party, despite some grumbling about cuts to defense programs. Lott said he hoped to pass the legislation Thursday or Friday.

The general attitude, he said, is: "Look, let's quit reaching for all we would like to have; let's see if we could agree on what we must do."

Both sides do the momentum was toward wrapping up work on four unfinished spending bills for fiscal year 2001. They cover a broad area of education, labor and health programs and the departments of Commerce, Justice, State and Treasury along with dozens of smaller agencies. Congress originally hoped to finish the session in October.

Since Oct. 1, when the fiscal year began, Congress has had to pass 20 short-term spending bills to avoid a repeat of the government shutdowns of the winter of 1995-96.

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it: AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

12-13 CRYPTOQUOTE

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Apr	78.00	+0.00	78.00	Mar	52.25	-0.10	52.15
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Nov	72.75	+0.00	72.75	Oct	55.75	-0.05	55.70
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Mar	69.75	+0.00	69.75	Feb	57.75	-0.05	57.70
Apr	69.00	+0.00	69.00	Mar	58.25	-0.05	58.20
May	68.25	+0.00	68.25	Apr	58.75	-0.05	58.70
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Jul	57.75	+0.00	57.75	Jun	65.75	-0.05	65.70
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Jun	49.50	+0.00	49.50	May	71.25	-0.05	71.20
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Dec	45.00	+0.00	45.00	Nov	74.25	-0.05	74.20
Jan	44.25	+0.00	44.25	Dec	74.75	-0.05	74.70
Feb	43.50	+0.00	43.50	Jan	75.25	-0.05	75.20
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Apr	42.00	+0.00	42.00	Mar	76.25	-0.05	76.20
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Jun	40.50	+0.00	40.50	May	77.25	-0.05	77.20
Jul	39.75	+0.00	39.75	Jun	77.75	-0.05	77.70
Aug	39.00	+0.00	39.00	Jul	78.25	-0.05	78.20
Sep	38.25	+0.00	38.25	Aug	78.75	-0.05	78.70
Oct	37.50	+0.00	37.50	Sep	79.25	-0.05	79.20
Nov	36.75	+0.00	36.75	Oct	79.75	-0.05	79.70
Dec	36.00	+0.00	36.00	Nov	80.25	-0.05	80.20
Jan	35.25	+0.00	35.25	Dec	80.75	-0.05	80.70
Feb	34.50	+0.00	34.50	Jan	81.25	-0.05	81.20
Mar	33.75	+0.00	33.75	Feb	81.75	-0.05	81.70
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Dec	18.00	+0.00	18.00	Nov	92.25	-0.05	92.20
Jan	17.25	+0.00	17.25	Dec	92.75	-0.05	92.70
Feb	16.50	+0.00	16.50	Jan	93.25	-0.05	93.20
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Apr	15.00	+0.00	15.00	Mar	94.25	-0.05	94.20
May	14.25	+0.00	14.25	Apr	94.75	-0.05	94.70
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# Court

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Ginsburg and Breyer. It was the same 5-4 lineup that on Saturday halted the recount ordered by the Florida court a day earlier, and the same lineup that has decided some of the most contentious cases before the nation's highest court in recent years.

The names of two justices thought to be pivotal, Kennedy and O'Connor, did not appear atop the majority opinion, nor anywhere else in the 65 pages of overlapping opinions and dissents.

Stevens' blistering dissent, joined by Ginsburg and Breyer, said the majority "effectively orders the disenfranchisement of an unknown number of voters."

"Although we may never know with complete certainty the identity of the winner of this year's presidential election, the identity of the loser is perfectly clear," Stevens said. "It is the nation's confidence in the judge as an impartial guardian of the rule of law."

Gore lawyer Laurence Tribe

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■ **JOHN PAUL STEVENS**, Supreme Court justice, in his dissenting opinion on the court's ruling.



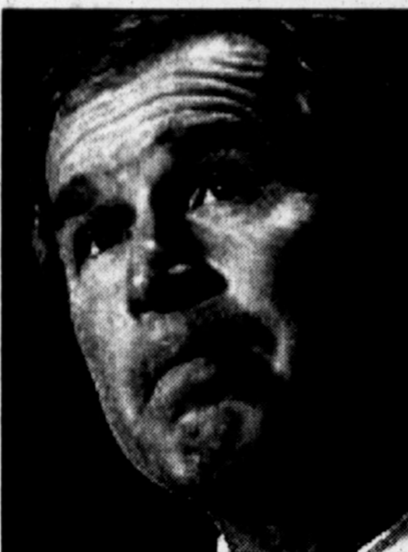
went further in a separate opinion, saying the Florida Supreme Court also violated the Constitution and federal law in ordering the recount.

O'Connor and Kennedy — usually the court's two swing votes — were recorded as voting in the majority even though they did not sign the main opinion.

Souter and Breyer joined the majority for a 7-2 vote that the differing standards for conducting the recount created an equal-protection problem. But the remedy, those two justices said, was to conduct a new recount with proper standards.

Rehnquist's opinion noted that after the Florida controversy, "it is likely legislative bodies nationwide will examine ways to improve the mechanisms and machinery for voting."

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**Democratic presidential** candidate Al Gore (left) is expected to announce plans to abandon his bitter fight in a televised speech tonight, assuring that Texas Gov. George W. Bush will become the nation's 43rd president.

## Gore

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Florida and overturn official results of the state's presidential race. With that, America's closest presidential election in 124 years ended on its 36th tumultuous day.

"The vice president has directed the recount committee to suspend activities," campaign chairman William Daley said in a written statement issued 12 hours after the Supreme Court closed the door to further recounts in Florida's contested election.

Bush was in Texas, savoring his hard-earned triumph in private, as if to give Gore all the room he needed for a graceful exit.

Republican running mate Dick Cheney was in Washington, with meetings set with

Republican GOP leaders.

Former Secretary of State James A. Baker III told reporters on Tuesday night that Bush and Cheney were "very pleased and gratified" by the court's 5-4 ruling — an understatement of historic proportions given the furor since Election Day.

Bush's inauguration on Jan. 20 would give Republicans greater control over the government than at any time since Dwight Eisenhower sat in the White House. The GOP retained control of the House in the November elections. The Senate is split 50-50, but Cheney's election as vice president will give the GOP at least nominal control there, as well.

## Bivins

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"I would like to serve as your lieutenant governor," Bivins said during a town hall meeting at Amarillo College Business & Industry Center.

The senator chosen under special procedures of the Texas Senate electing the lieutenant governor would continue to be the senator until the next election, said Bivins. He said lieutenant gov-

ernors preside over the Texas Senate.

Bivins said that following the 2000 Census, Texas must redo its state legislative districts and congressional districts.

That means Texas' 31 state senatorial districts will have to be redivided among an estimated population of 20 million people, said Bivins, who represents the 31st District.

## Clinton hopes visit to spur peace work

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### News digest

**BELFAST, Northern Ireland** — President Clinton is urging residents of Northern Ireland to protect the progress made toward peace and to build on it. "You cannot win by making your neighbors lose," he said. In meetings Wednesday with Northern Ireland's leaders and in a speech to its residents, Clinton was pressing the same themes that marked his visit the day before to Dublin and Dundalk, a border town in Ireland that has been a stronghold of the Irish Republican Army. "You stared violence in the face and said, 'No more.' You stood up for peace then, and I ask you, stand up for peace today, tomorrow and the rest of your lives," Clinton said Tuesday.

#### Osprey's future to lie with new president

**WASHINGTON** — The Marine Corps' chief of aviation says the crash of an MV-22 Osprey in North Carolina should not be a "show stopper" for the troubled \$40 billion program. It appears increasingly likely, however, that it will be up to the next administration to decide whether to build a full fleet. The Marines now plan to buy 360 over the next 14 years to replace aging helicopters. Three of the first 15 delivered — including prototypes and experimental models — have been involved in fatal crashes, including two this year that reduced the fleet of

operational models from 10 to eight.

#### 4 Palestinians killed in clash with Israelis

**KHAN YUNIS, Gaza Strip** — Israeli troops and Palestinian gunmen battled through the night and into Wednesday morning, leaving four Palestinian policemen dead and dozens of people injured in the most intense clash in the Gaza Strip in weeks. Palestinians near the Khan Yunis refugee camp opened fire on Israeli forces at around 1 a.m. Wednesday, and the soldiers returned fire, the Israeli military said. The shooting was still going on nine hours later, witnesses said. The latest outburst came the day after U.S. envoy Dennis Ross met with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in Morocco in an attempt to calm the violence and revive Israeli-Palestinian peace negotiations.

#### Oldsmobile city not surprised by demise

**LANSING, Mich.** — In the city of Oldsmobile Park and the Oldsmobile Historical Center, the car company founded by Ransom E. Olds has been part of the culture for 103 years. To be sure, Oldsmobile's presence in Michigan's capital city has been fading since General Motors Corp. reorganized in the mid-1980s. But affection and nostalgia linger, and for many locals, GM's announcement Tuesday of the brand's impending demise was hard to take. Oldsmobile was founded as the Olds Motor Vehicle Co. in Lansing in 1897 and became part of GM in 1908. It's the oldest U.S. automotive brand name, behind only the Daimler name worldwide. But gradually, the Oldsmobile brand will cease to exist.

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