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THURSDAY

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Ask Us

Q—What days will the county museum be closed for the Christmas holidays?
A—The museum will close Friday afternoon and remained closed until Tuesday, Jan. 3. This schedule coincides with other offices on the Western Texas College campus.

Local

East

East Elementary family night out will be this evening at Pizza Hut.

Concert

Snyder Junior High band will perform at 7:30 this evening.
The concert will be held at Worsham Auditorium and is free to the public.

Lucky 13

Lucky 13 Sports Club is sponsoring a Christmas tea from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, at the Dodson House in honor of exes and mothers of present members. RSVP at 573-0017 or 863-2335.

Musical

The youth and children of First Christian Church will present "The Gift Goes On," a Christmas musical, at 10:50 a.m. Sunday. The public is invited.

Cantata

The Chancel Choir of First United Methodist Church will present its Christmas cantata "Great Day," Sunday and Monday at 7:30 p.m.
The public is invited.

DCOS

Development Corporation of Snyder board members will convene at 7 this evening. Agenda items include consideration of adding a community program to the proposed economic development operating guide and placement of an advertisement.

Angel Tree

Volunteers are needed to help with Angel Tree, a ministry of Prison Fellowship which provides Christmas gifts for the children of TDCJ inmates. A church, family or organization agrees to provide gifts and deliver them to the home, in the name of the inmate. For further information or to volunteer, contact Jean Hardy in Colorado City at 728-3442 during the day or 728-5828 in the evening.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 49 degrees; low, 37 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 43 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1994 to date, 11.42 inches.
Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 60 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. Low 40-45. Southeast wind 10-15 mph, shifting to the north 10-15 mph toward midnight. Friday, mostly cloudy with a 60 percent chance of showers. High near 45. Northeast wind 5-15 mph.
Almanac: Sunset today, 5:41. Sunrise Friday, 7:30. Of 341 days in 1994, the sun has shone 334 days in Snyder.

Coliseum talks take new twist

Proposal goes back to chamber

An unexpected demand that all current coliseum employees be retained has placed the status of Scurry County Coliseum's future in limbo.
Scurry County commissioners and representatives of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce met this morning in anticipation of finalizing the agreement whereby the operation of the county coliseum would be assumed by the chamber, effective in 1995.

But instead of an agreement, words such as "forget the whole thing" and "we need to come to an agreement before the whole thing is blown out of the water" were heard during the discussion of the contract.
In addition to the personnel question, another point of contention is which group would control revenues after they reached a certain level.

The chamber and commissioners court had agreed in principle last week to subsidize the chamber's operation at the coliseum with \$185,000. The commissioners had also added to the agreement that all revenues over \$60,000 be put into a depreciation fund to be used as needed to make improvements and repairs.
The agreement presented to the commissioners this morning had omitted that clause, and that prompted County Judge Bob Doolittle to question why.

"That is not the agreement we had last week," said Doolittle. "What is the motive for leaving out that portion of the contract that dealt with funds over \$60,000?"
Chamber President Pearlene Stewart-Nolan replied that the stipulation on what the chamber could do with that money was not something the chamber board could approve.
"You want the chamber to run the coliseum with less money but now you want us to put all money over \$60,000 in a depreciation fund?" asked the present chamber president. "We feel we need the additional funds as an incentive for our people to make even more money."

Doolittle said he was not trying to "tie anyone down" in the operation of the coliseum but he felt the fund cap was one way the court might have accountability over the operation.
"No one here fought harder for the \$185,000 subsidy than I did," said Doolittle.
Doolittle also feels strongly that the present employees at the coliseum should be retained by the chamber for at least one year.
"Where are you in setting salaries out there?" he said. "If there is going to be a reduction in salaries out there, then I think we should deduct an equal amount from the \$185,000."
Doolittle added it was not unreasonable for him to fight for the jobs of the people who are present. (See CONTRACT, Page 8)



HOUSE FIRE — Snyder Fire Department and volunteer firemen responded to a house fire Wednesday and one early this morning. Firemen are pictured removing some furniture from the scene of a fire at 3102 Ave. A, shortly after 11 a.m. Wednesday. Mrs. Violet McCormick was in the residence when the fire was discovered but was able to get out of the house with no injuries. This morning's fire damaged the Glynn French residence at 1611 8th St. It started around the chimney area about 7:20. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Clinton signs GATT legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton signed legislation today that authorizes the United States to join with 123 other nations in the most sweeping trade agreement in history, declaring that "America can lead in the 21st century."
Clinton said that the 22,000-page agreement that cuts global tariffs by 38 percent and knocks down other barriers to trade was a victory for American

workers because it would expand markets for U.S. products and services.
The president signed the implementing legislation in the ornate hall of the Organization of American States. Clinton was flanked by members of his administration and outgoing House Speaker Tom Foley and Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole, whose support was crucial in the final days in winning congressional passage.

Clinton's signature means that almost 40 countries have now approved the agreement and another 40 are expected to do so before the end of this year. The GATT accord is scheduled to go into effect on Jan. 1.
The House and Senate passed the legislation by lopsided margins in a rare lame-duck session of Congress that had been forced on the administration by opponents who fought up to the end

against the pact, warning that the WTO represented an unprecedented infringement on American sovereignty.
Opponents also charged that the GATT would make American workers more vulnerable to low-wage workers in other countries.
Clinton sought to address these middle-class anxieties, which polls showed played a major role in the huge losses Democrats suffered in the November elections.

Area school district leaders here Friday for conference

Some 75 West Texas school district representatives will be on the campus of Western Texas College Friday for a legislative briefing hosted by State Rep. David Counts.
Registration begins at 9 a.m. in the Scurry County Museum on the WTC campus. The program will start at 9:30.
Rep. Counts has arranged for representatives of the Texas Education Agency and the State Comptroller's office to be present to discuss legislative issues that will affect public schools.
Rep. Counts said some 31 superintendents and some board members from the 70th District have indicated they will attend. Also, District 77's newly-elected representative, Gary Walker of Plains, will be present along with administrators and board members of school districts in his area.
Luncheon will be held in the museum, and the conference will conclude about 2:30 p.m.

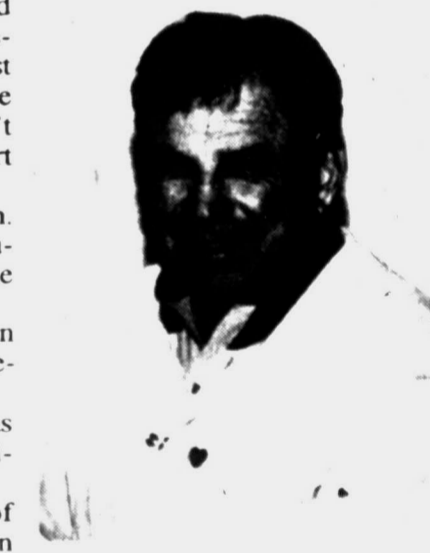
CMH awards dinner planned this evening

Some 350 people are expected for Cogdell Memorial Hospital's annual awards dinner, scheduled at Scurry County Coliseum this evening.
Doors will open at 7 and serving will begin at 7:30.
Fifteen-year awards will be presented to Lucille Clinkinbeard and Jeff Mason. Five-year awards will be presented to Margie Brown, Pat Camp, Shelley Gannon-Smith, David Hoops, Fran Horn, Laverne Kitchens, Margaret Kruger, Dorothy Lloyd, Marilyn Lockhart, Brenda Row, Pauline Strain, Betty Woodland and Tillie Rios.
Each Employee of the Month will be recognized and the Employee of the Year for 1994 will be announced.
Employees of the month have been Katy Bailey, Helen Crouse, Cheryl Chance, Christy Brown, Frank Alarcon, Bonnie Carroll, Karen Franklin, Wanda Stansell, Roger Garza, Teresa Herrera and Nelda Baze.

Baird announces retirement plans

After serving almost 25 years for Western Texas College — including the past seven as director of Scurry County Senior Center — Jerry Baird has decided it's time to retire.
"I appreciate Snyder and the college and everyone I've worked with over the years," Baird said this week. "Snyder is a pretty special place. WTC is one of the finest junior colleges. Everyone I've worked with has been great, I can't say enough about the support they've given me."
His resignation is effective Jan. 31, although because of accumulative time off his final day on the job will be around Jan. 6.
Norma Laywell has been named interim director of the Senior Center.

He previously served with the Iraan-Sheffield schools system as director of counseling and was a science teacher and coach at Wall High School.
His wife, Mickey, is associate professor and director of student activities at WTC.



JERRY BAIRD SISD board meets tonight

Baird came to Western Texas College in 1971 as one of its original faculty members.
He was hired as director of counseling and recruiting, and in 1979 became director of adult vocation and continuing education.
Baird had been responsible, along with the late Dr. Marvin Genuchi, with helping to start the Senior Center in 1972. In 1987, he served as part-time director of the Center while continuing his duties at WTC. He became fulltime director at the Senior Center in 1988.
Baird plans on concentrating on ranching and said he will remain active in the community.
"Oh, yeah. I always try to help out whenever I can," he said.
Baird has served on the board of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce and has assisted in numerous fund-raisers for the chamber and other non-profit organizations. He was recipient of the chamber's President's Award in 1990.
He has helped with the Scurry County Fair and White Buffalo Days and has worked to organize the Texas Native Indians Association.
Baird is a native of Graham, a graduate of Iraan High School and holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Sul Ross State University.

Bids, the annual outside audit and options concerning replacement of a portable building confront Snyder public schools trustees, who convene at 5 o'clock today for their December board meeting.
Trustees will consider bids for the construction of new tennis courts at the junior high school. The bids include concrete work and lighting. The district also has received bids for excavation, but they won't be reviewed because on Monday, Snyder City Council agreed to pick up that cost. The city's portion of the total project is estimated at \$50,000, with SISD taking on some \$110,000 of the \$160,000 bill.
The board will also consider bids for asbestos removal at the administration building. Asbestos abatement is an on-going project within the district. Funding comes (See SISD, Page 8)

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The secret to success is sticking to a job until one of you is finished."
Retailers are enthusiastic about the holiday shopping season. After several Decembers of "practical buying," merchants this year are betting that shoppers will make more fanciful choices.
Some retailers have stocked their shelves with velvet sneakers, \$140 toothbrushes and \$889 digital satellite systems.
Black velvet sneakers sell for less than 20 bucks while a black velour apron dress is featured for \$59.
Instead of pots and pans, home goods include brass table lamps for \$400 and decorative beveled mirrors. For the man, there is always the cordless screwdriver and drill. The pricy toothbrush vibrates.
The satellite dish is about the size of a family-size pizza. Books are in again this year, and the

most popular are oversized publications with lots of pictures designed to look like living-room accessories.
Parents are big into toys that educate and inspire creativity, but suppliers are already short of the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers. Some stores are limiting parents to the purchase of only two action figures, especially anything with "Zord" in the title, whatever that is.
Noticed an ad in the Wall Street Journal where Tiffany and Co. is offering a platinum classic bracelet for only \$19,500. Or alternating rubies, emeralds or sapphires, starting at \$6,250.
It'll make her feel good while washing those pots and pans that you gave last year.
The staff at city hall is looking at a high-tech hair dryer for city manager John Gayle. It sells for only \$44 and is called a "supervolume" dryer.
The device is advertised as "having fingers, making your hair look bigger."



A CHRISTMAS ON SANTA STREET by Delaine and Rasmussen



OUISLANDING — West sixth graders who recently received outstanding recognition include from left, top row, Callie Bane, Jennifer Bell, Jeremy Bowden, Jared Boyd, Lindsey Bunch, Jennifer Bryan, Nell Cooper and Claire Cotton; second row, Leslie English, Alma Estrada, Robert Garza, Malina Gonzales, Whitney Graham and Levi Mandrell; third row, Leslie Hancock, Jordan Hardin, Missy Hicks, Clynt James, Adam Lucero, Garrett Luft and Valerie Haines; kneeling, Patrick McKamie, Angie Shoemaker, Leslye Starnes, Chad Thomas, Nicholas Hand and Tim Green. (SDN Staff Photo)

Sunset Advisory Commission proposes retirement changes

AUSTIN (AP) — A critical state report says that while the \$38 billion Teacher Retirement Fund is in good standing, the administration and investment practices of the Teacher Retirement System need improvement.

The TRS would be dramatically overhauled under proposals included in a 100-page review by the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission released Wednesday.

"The fund is in real good shape," said John P. Moore, director of the Sunset Advisory Commission.

"But the baby boomers are retiring, the fund's investments are down — they are going to have more money going out than coming in this year for the first time. This is an agency at a turning point and needs to be carefully watched," Moore said.

Wayne Blevins, TRS executive director, said it would be "inappropriate and premature at this time to make a comment until we have had a chance to discuss the report with our board of trustees."

TRS administrators have been criticized recently by Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, who complained that

faulty investment practices by the agency had prompted investigations by the state attorney general's office and the Travis County district attorney's office.

Officials in the Travis County district attorney's office say their investigation is ongoing. A 1993 report by the attorney general revealed that some real estate investments made by the system in the 1980s may have involved conflicts of interest.

The TRS is trying to recover from nearly \$500 million in real estate losses.

Legislators requested that the Sunset Advisory Commission scrutinize the TRS last year.

The commission's recommendations to the Legislature include using available funds to help the poorest retired teachers, placing the TRS under legislative oversight and increasing the business experience on the agency's nine-member board of trustees.

"Fund performance should be more closely evaluated and monitored to address concerns raised by the legislative leaders, the attorney general and district attorney," the report said.

The report says there is sufficient capital within the Teacher Retirement Fund to offer the system's 76,000 retirees the largest benefit increase in the system's history.

By increasing the minimum retirement payment for present retirees from \$6.50 to \$34 per month for each year of service, more than 6,000 retirees would be lifted above the poverty line and increases would be provided for 33,000 retirees, the report said.

"Of the system's 76,000 retirees who retired at normal retirement age and service, 35,000 receive monthly benefits of \$1,000 or less," the report said.

"The average monthly pension of career teachers who retired in 1960 is \$578 — slightly below the poverty line," the report said.

Because the TRS pays its benefits and expenses directly out of the Teacher Retirement Fund, it doesn't rely on money appropriated by the state and consequently isn't subject to legislative oversight.

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Two Texans claim committee chairmanships in caucus vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — After years of toiling in the minority on Capitol Hill, Texas Republican Congressmen Bill Archer and Larry Combest have a new title: Mr. Chairman.

Archer's elevation to chairman of the Ways and Means Committee by the House GOP caucus Wednesday had been a foregone conclusion since the day Republicans learned they had regained control of the House for the first time in 40 years.

The 12-term incumbent, who has been ranking Republican on the committee for the last six years, wasted little time in signaling which direction he will take the panel in.

Two days after the election, the 66-year-old Houstonian held a news conference to outline his intent to cut capital gains taxes and rewrite the nation's tax laws to promote savings and investment.

Combest's chairmanship of the House Select Committee on Intelligence was less obvious, in part because the Lubbock lawmaker already had served the maximum six years allowed.

But when the House convenes Jan. 4th to begin the 104th Congress, Republicans will propose a rule change that would allow

members to serve up to eight years on Intelligence. Democrats aren't expected to challenge the change.

Incoming Speaker Newt Gingrich asked Combest to take the helm of the committee, which has oversight over the CIA and the nation's other intelligence agencies.

The decision to do so meant that the 49-year-old Combest, who has served 10 years in Congress, had to relinquish his claim on the chairmanship of a House agriculture subcommittee.

The decision wasn't an easy one for Combest, whose district depends heavily on agriculture — especially since Congress rewrites the farm bill next year.

But, he said: "The way it turned out in my opinion is the best of all worlds. I still am fourth ranking on agriculture and will be very engaged in the farm bill."

Combest plans to take the intelligence committee in a different direction from departing chairman Dan Glickman, D-Kan. He contends Democrats have approached their job by looking at how much money is available and then divvying it up among the different intelligence agencies.

Under new management, Combest said, the committee's function will be to map out the nation's

intelligence needs for the next 20 years and then work to fund those objectives.

"That doesn't mean it's a blank check out there," Combest said. But with the nation's military immersed in a post-Cold War downsizing, the burdens on intelligence increase, he said.

Combest issued a vigorous defense of CIA Director James Woolsey, who has been rumored as a casualty in a long-planned Clinton administration shakeup. Woolsey's agency has been in turmoil since the arrest last February of CIA employee and Soviet mole Aldrich Ames.

Combest and Glickman last month criticized the CIA for paying too little attention to intelligence losses later traced to Ames.

Texas Lotto

by The Associated Press

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth 30 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 21, 40, 41, 43, 48, and 49.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be 45 million.

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Today is the 342nd day of 1994 and the 77th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1886, the American Federation of Labor was founded in Columbus, Ohio, with Samuel Gompers as its president.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Eli Whitney (1765-1825), inventor; Diego Rivera (1886-1957), artist; James Thurber (1894-1961), humorist; Sammy Davis Jr. (1925-1990), entertainer; Jim Morrison (1943-1971), singer; Kim Basinger (1953-), actress, is 41; Sinead O'Connor (1966-), singer, is 28.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1961, Syracuse basketballer Larry Costello set an NBA record by scoring 32 consecutive points without missing a shot. Costello hit 13 of 13 shots from the field while nailing six free throws as well.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Well, if I called the wrong number, why did you answer the phone?" — James Thurber

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1978, Los Angeles tied its record coldest temperature when the mercury dipped to 30 degrees.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day before first quarter (Dec. 9).

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Lewis home included in tour

Scurry County residents were concerned about what World War I and an extended drought would mean to them in 1917 when Cullen and Olive Higgins built their new home in Snyder at 1912 29th Street.

Higgins was a highly respected lawyer and former judge of the 39th-District. From accounts in The Snyder Signal, Mrs. Higgins was a popular hostess and in October of 1917 she was one of 180 men and women named by Gov. Hobby to serve on the Texas Library War Council to raise money to furnish books "to every one of Uncle Sam's soldiers and sailors at home and at the front."

Tragedy struck the young family when Higgins died in 1918 after being shot through the window of a hotel in Clairemont where he had gone to attend a court trial, and Mrs. Higgins sold the house in 1924.

Another young couple, Ralph and Dewey Odom, became the owners of the house in 1927 and ownership remained in the Odom family until it was purchased by Ralph and Nance Lewis in 1981.

The house is much the same as it was originally. Ann Odom Davis, who grew up in the house, remembers that it once had a windmill and a cistern on the back porch. The cistern was covered and the back porch enclosed to make a den which is now used as a utility room. Back-to-back fireplaces in the living and dining rooms were sealed by Mr. Odom.



HOME ON TOUR — The home of Ralph and Nance Lewis at 1912 29th Street is one of four included in the 1994 Tour of Homes Sunday. The house is now surrounded by other houses but Ann Odom Davis remembers how the neighborhood children enjoyed playing cowboys and Indians on the vacant land between the house and Deep Creek when she lived there as a child. (SDN Staff Photo)

The Lewises opened them but had them sealed after a fire was started there.

Mrs. Lewis likes antiques and finds the house lends itself well to them.

"Christmastime is when the house is prettiest," she says. "I always decorate big then."

Other homes on the Dec. 11 tour are those of Marvin and Julie Sennett at 3101 Avenue X, Ray and Betty Courtney on the Roby highway, and Herbert and Ramona

Reed at 2500 32nd Street. Also, a Christmas open house in the Cornelius-Dodson House and the Dermott School is planned during the same hours, 2-4:30 p.m. Door prizes will be awarded.

The \$10 ticket includes the tour and open house. Advance ticket purchases are requested since refreshments will be served in the Dermott School. Information about the afternoon's activities can be obtained by calling 915-573-9742 or 573-2763.

Bridge By Phillip Alder

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4 ▲	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♥ K			

in both bridge and marriage. Published by Gollancz, the book is available for \$16.10 from The Bridge World, 39 West 94th Street, New York, NY 10025-7124.

The humor is imaginative. I especially enjoyed the chapter containing French bridge expressions that Jack doesn't understand. He thinks his partner is speaking in English. (Cocheme lives in Paris.) The deals are instructive, varying in difficulty from average to tough. I particularly liked this deal, when Jack was partnering Yvette.

Defending against four spades, Yvette led the heart-king, Jack, playing at the top of his game, overtook with the heart ace, cashed the heart queen and continued with the heart

six. The declarer, who had thoughtlessly failed to unblock, covered with the seven. Yvette did not hesitate to ruff with her only trump. Declarer overruffed the five with dummy's queen, but now he had to lose a trump trick to Jack's jack. Along with the unavoidable club loser, that resulted in one down.

Jack was delighted: Yvette must be impressed. But just in case she thought leading a losing heart was mundane, he pointed out that the declarer could have made the contract. Instead of overruffing, South should have discarded a low club from the dummy. Then, after drawing trumps, declarer could safely ruff his club loser in the dummy.

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Accident delays upcoming Garner film.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — James Garner was filming an upcoming "Rockford Files" movie when the scene suddenly deviated from the script.

Police say pedestrian Juan Vasquez ran in front of Garner's Pontiac Firebird during filming Wednesday. The car was going 15

mph. Vasquez, who suffered only minor injuries, said he didn't know Garner was behind the wheel.

"Wow! That's a surprise to me," he said from a hospital, where a spokeswoman said he was in "very good" condition.

Unrequited love at the bridge table

By Phillip Alder

David Bird is well-known for writing amusing bridge stories. In his latest effort, he has honed the tales of Simon Cocheme into a book called "Bachelor Bridge." Cocheme's hero, Jack O'Hearts, is in search of a beautiful woman who is willing to be his partner

Patterson gives records to library

Mamie Hoyle Patterson has recorded burial sites in the Polar Cemetery where several Scurry County families have been buried.

Following extensive research by J.B. and Mamie Patterson, her daughters, Renee Floyd and Retha Canon and several other volunteers, she dedicated the records to the people that are buried at Polar.

The document will also be included in the "White Buffalo Tales," a Scurry County Genealogical Society's yearly publication expected in April, 1995. The manuscript was typed by Mrs. Canon.



POLAR CEMETERY RECORDS — Mamie Patterson, right, recently presented "Polar Cemetery, Polar, Tex., Kent County" to the Scurry County Library, accepted by Noreen Taylor, librarian. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Silver paint discourages harmful aphids

By JAMES E. WALTERS For AP Special Features

Entomologist Charles Summers says silver-colored spray paint applied to the soil in a planting bed seems to deter some insect and disease problems in vegetables.

Summers and another University of California expert, plant pathologist James Stapleton, began trying a water-based, silver spray-paint last year to discourage aphids on squash.

"When an aphid is flying along looking for a place to land, it cues in on reflections coming off of plant surfaces," Summers reports in a recent edition of "California Agriculture," published by the university. "If they see a reflection of the sky, the aphids don't land."

The idea behind keeping aphids from landing is they transmit viruses that stunt plant growth, reducing yield and causing deformed, discolored, unmarketable vegetables. Peppers and melons are as susceptible as squash.

Summers and Stapleton, both based at the Kearney Agriculture Center, applied the silver-spray as a ground mulch among eight different treatment methods for zucchini squash.

They reported that plants grown on beds treated with the spray-on silver paint produced 3,973 pounds of good-quality zucchini per acre.

Untreated control beds averaged 867 pounds per acre but by the end of the season 90 percent of the zucchini was so virus-infected a harvest was pointless. The experiments covered 12 harvests.

"The treatment works," says Summers. "The silver-spray mulch repels aphids and delays the onset of virus infection by 10 days to two weeks."

Summers and Stapleton also reported side benefits: The plants need less water because evaporation from the soil surface is reduced and the crust formed on the spray-painted surface suppresses weeds.

Silver or white plastic also would help control aphids, they say, but must be gathered and disposed of at the end of the growing season while the water-based paint is simply disked down and incorporated into the soil without harmful effects.

Aluminum foil also would work but is too expensive in commercial operations.

In a related story, Michael J. Costello and Miguel A. Altieri de-

scribed how they used a living mulch of low-growing grasses and legumes as an alternative to pesticides in suppressing aphids in broccoli fields.

They found such a mulch does not reduce crop yields if properly maintained and that lower-intensity light reflected from broccoli grown with a living mulch is less attractive to aphids.

"In addition to replacing pesticides, living mulches smother weed growth, protect the soil from wind and water erosion, enhance soil fertility and structure, and reduce soil compaction from heavy equipment," they reported. "They can play a role in conven-

tional as well as organic agriculture."

Altieri is an associate professor at the University of California-Berkeley, and Costello is a post-doctoral researcher there.

They said lack of specialized equipment is the main limitation to commercial application of living mulches at this time. Their experiments were conducted at the Rural Development Center in the Salinas Valley.

"California Agriculture" is published by the University of California's division of agriculture and natural resources, 300 Lakeside Drive, 6th Floor, Oakland, Calif. 94612-3560.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; American Legion; 6:30-8 p.m. SOS (Singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Life Center; 7 p.m.

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7 p.m. Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3308 or 573-2101.

Bilingual Group of Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for more information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30-11 a.m.; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2 p.m. ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (Last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving; Snyder Savings & Loan Community Room, 27th & College; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m. Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder County Club; 1:30 p.m. Tour of Homes and Christmas Open House at Cornelius-Dodson House and Dermott School, sponsored by Historic Scurry County Inc. and Scurry County Historical Commission; tickets \$10, call 473-9572 or 573-2763 for details; 2-4:30 p.m.

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

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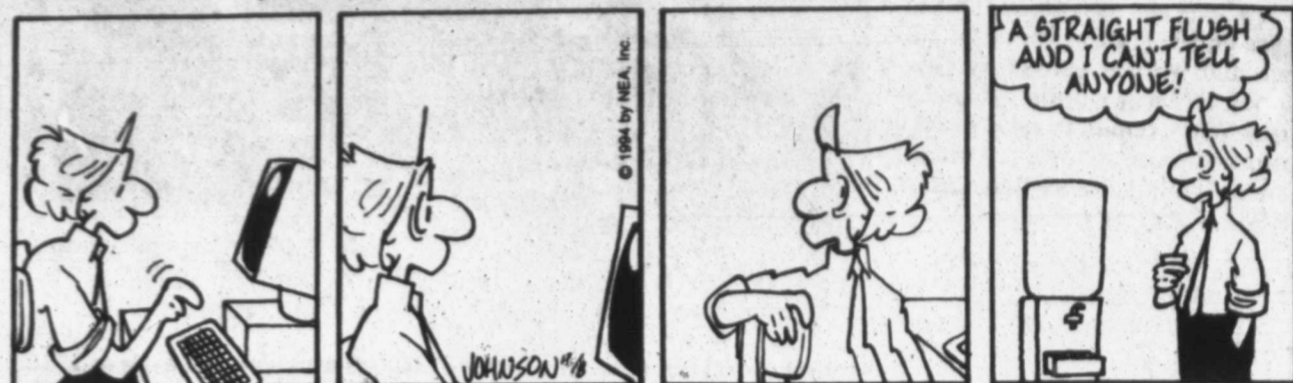
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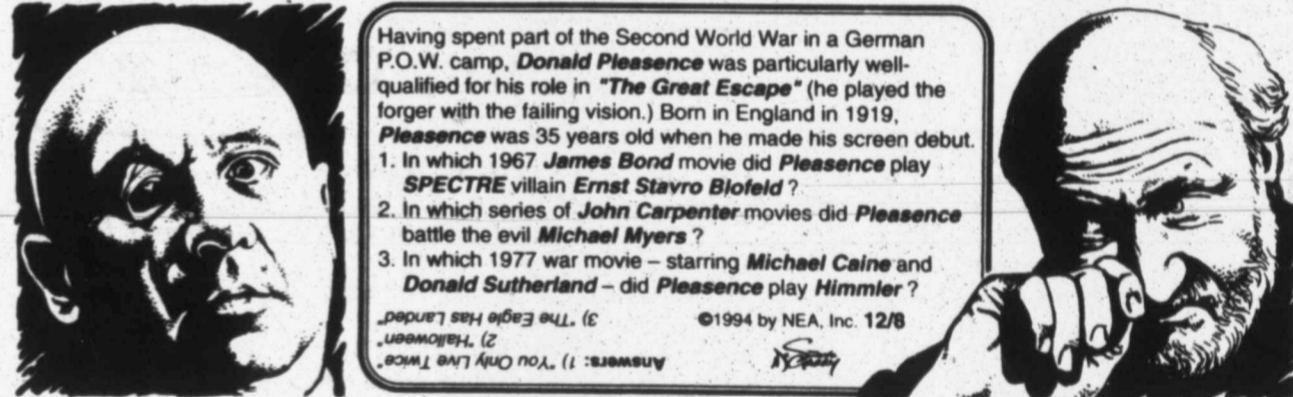
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- 15 Cause of distress
- 16 Demon
- 17 Musician - Kenton
- 18 Surgical stitches
- 20 Pee Wee of Dodger fame
- 21 Apiece
- 22 Moccasin
- 23 Middle East org.
- 26 Deputy
- 31 Theater employee
- 33 Article
- 34 Bread spread
- 35 Prohibits
- 36 TV character - Bundy

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- 3 - Misbehavin'
- 4 Consume totally (2 wds.)
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- 6 Fleas (pl.)
- 7 Canine cry
- 8 Divider
- 9 Princely Italian family
- 10 Word of sorrow
- 11 Hawaiian goose
- 19 Raise
- 20 Ethiopian title
- 22 Metal fastener
- 23 English tavern
- 24 Future atlys.' exam
- 25 Two words of dismay
- 27 Pepper's companion
- 28 Medieval lyric
- 29 Approach
- 30 Weight units
- 32 Strong coffee
- 36 Joyful exclamation
- 37 No
- 39 Armed conflict
- 40 Scours
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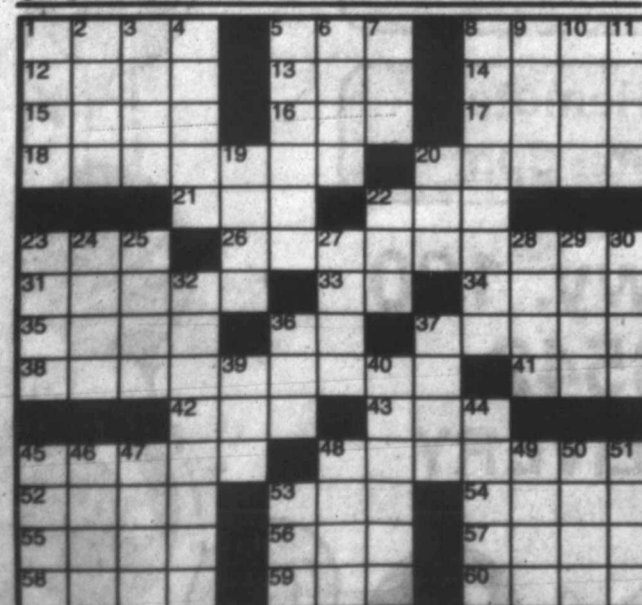
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Bosnian Serbs free Canadians

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Bosnian Serbs have freed 55 Canadian soldiers who had been held for 15 days as protection against possible NATO airstrikes, U.N. officials said today.

Obituaries

Susie Bourn

1926-1994 Services are set for 10 a.m. Friday in the Hermligh First Baptist Church for Susie Virginia Bourn, 68, of Snyder. The Rev. Rex Reynolds and the Rev. Dayton McCarter will officiate.

Markets Midday Stocks

Table with columns for stock symbols and prices. Includes sections for NEW YORK (AP), PhelpDodge, and various other market indices.

Threats by rebels ignored as official is sworn in today

TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, Mexico (AP) — Amid threats of renewed insurrection and charges of vote fraud, the ruling party's candidate was sworn in today as governor of troubled Chiapas state.

The inauguration posed the first crisis for the week-old government of Zedillo, who has pledged to reform the political system.

Zedillo gave Robledo a bear hug after the oath in the modern steel and glass theater. Security concerns led officials to move the ceremony there, several blocks from the statehouse where a crowd of Indian and peasant protesters swelled to 3,000 this morning.

Opponents had vowed to block Robledo's inauguration by force, but there was no immediate violence. Indian rebels and the leftist opposition accuse Robledo of winning the Aug. 21 elections through fraud and say Amado Avendano Figueroa of the Democratic Revolutionary Party is the legitimate winner.

Kurd politicians sentenced today

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — A court today sentenced eight Kurdish politicians to prison terms ranging from 3 1/2 to 15 years on charges of aiding armed gangs, but it dropped the more serious charge of treason.

The eight were convicted of aiding Kurdish guerrillas who have been fighting for autonomy in southeast Turkey for 10 years. The violence has claimed more than 13,000 lives.

SISD

Continued From Page 1 from settlement in a class action lawsuit filed by a number of districts against former asbestos manufacturers. David, Kinard & Co., P.C. will present the annual outside audit, as required by the Texas Education Agency.

Contract

Continued From Page 1 sently working at the coliseum. "I'm saying the salaries and benefits should remain at their current level."

During budget planning this summer, however, the court voted to delete some \$35,000 from the coliseum's budget which equalled the salary of a secretary and a maintenance worker.

Following a short break in which Stewart-Nolan, incoming chamber president Daryl Thomas, newly-appointed chamber manager Donna Fowler and present manager Ricky Fritz discussed the earlier events of the meeting, Doolittle asked what they intended to do about salaries.

Stewart-Nolan replied that they felt the contract was fair as submitted and could not make a decision without going back to the chamber board.

Commissioners took no action on the proposed contract. The chamber board is expected to meet Monday at 1 p.m. Two members of commissioners court are also expected take part in the meeting.

Officers note arrests, thefts

Two arrests were made by local law enforcement officers Thursday in a busy day which saw three theft reports filed along with a possible forgery.

A 20-year-old female was arrested at 5:15 p.m. in the 1300 block of 26th Street on three Department of Public Safety warrants out of Abilene.

City police took a 63-year-old male into custody at 9:55 p.m. in the 700 block of 29th Street and charged him with public intoxication.

An offense report for theft was filed at 11:05 a.m. after Lonnie Hammit, 1222 Lear St., reported that some subjects had stolen some of his property.

Ronal Gladson reported the theft of oilfield equipment from the F.A. Turner lease near Ira. A felony theft report was filed at 1 p.m. and missing were connections, clamps, pipe, channel iron and some pumping units which had been in storage and were cut up and sold for scrap metal.

Opposition parties reimposing strike

DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP) — At least one person was killed and more than 100 people injured today in the second day of a general strike aimed at ousting Prime Minister Khaleda Zia.

Police said they opened fire after a mob attacked them with guns and crude bombs in the town of Feni, 80 miles east of Dhaka, the capital.

Arafat's wife to have baby

GAZA CITY, Gaza (AP) — On the eve of his departure for Norway to receive the Nobel Peace Prize, Yasser Arafat learned he'd be getting another prize next year: a new baby.

"The timing is good. It will be the child of peace," his wife, Suha, said today. "I can say it is a double blessing for Abu Ammar, the Nobel Prize and the baby," referring to her husband by his nom de guerre.

Mrs. Arafat, 31, made the revelation in an interview with Israel Radio's Arabic Service. Yula Hadadin, her spokeswoman, said Mrs. Arafat was one month pregnant.

Dr. Ahmed Tibi, an adviser to Arafat as well as his wife's doctor, informed the PLO chief of the news during a meeting Wednesday night.

It will be the first biological child for the 65-year-old Arafat and his wife. They also care for 38 war orphans Arafat brought out of Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon in the 1980s. At least five have been formally adopted by Arafat.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Crystal Jones, 1622 Voss Lane; Beatrice Augilar, 706 26th; Kathy Molina, 2096 Tuscola.

DISMISSALS: Verna Roe. Census: 49 (Med-9, Long-Term Care-33, OB-4, Nursery-3).

Births

Phillip and Kathy Molina announce the birth of their seventh, 12 1/2-ounce son born at 7:50 p.m. on Dec. 7 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Beatrice Augilar announces the birth of her daughter born at 1:33 p.m. on Dec. 7 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, 14 ounces.

Vickie Villegas announces the birth of her 10-pound, 6 1/2-ounce son born at 8:53 a.m. on Dec. 7 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Advertisement for 'Baby's First Christmas' featuring a baby's photo, a rocking horse, and a bell. Text includes 'ATTENTION Parents & Grandparents!!! Will This Be Your Little One's First Christmas? JUST FOR THEM We'll Have A SPECIAL PLACE In Our Friday, December 23rd Paper'.

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Man dies in shootout after killing 2 men, wounding wife

AMARILLO (AP) — An Amarillo man's shooting rampage made it one of the bloodiest days in the city's history, Potter County Sheriff Jimmy Don Boydston says.

Roy Fisher, 46, a maintenance man for ASARCO, went to his mother-in-law's house about 5 p.m. Wednesday and shot his wife and brother-in-law then drove to another residence, where he shot to death a co-worker as he hung Christmas lights, authorities said.

Within an hour of those shootings, Fisher was himself shot to death in a roadside shootout with officers.

Early Wednesday, in a separate incident, another Amarillo man was shot to death.

"It's been a long time since we've had a day like today. I was the initial director of the Special Crimes Unit, and I don't recall during the time I was there ever going through anything like that," Boydston said.

Amarillo Police Sgt. Gerald Bailey said he had never seen a bloodier day in his 26 years on the force. "Not in my career, I don't think," he said.

Gwen Fisher, 47, was reported in critical condition early today at Northwest Texas Hospital, where

she underwent surgery for a gunshot wound to the chin.

Her brother, L.B. Scott, also 47, died at St. Anthony's Hospital from multiple gunshot wounds to the upper left chest.

Both Scott and his sister were shot with a high-caliber rifle, Justice of the Peace Jim Tipton said.

Robert C. Jenkins, 55, who worked with Fisher at ASARCO in Amarillo, was found dead at his residence, also from wounds inflicted by a rifle.

Authorities said the motive for Fisher's rampage was unclear.

Shortly before 5 p.m. Wednesday, police dispatchers reported receiving several 911 calls about a shooting at the residence of Fisher's mother-in-law.

Several other people at the residence were uninjured, officers said. An alert was issued for Fisher, who witnesses said left the area in a black Chevrolet Silverado pickup truck.

A short time later, dispatchers received numerous 911 calls concerning a shooting at another residence.

Jenkins' body was discovered in his garage. He had been shot while in the process of decorating his house with Christmas lights.

A Potter County sheriff's department reserve deputy reported spotting Fisher's vehicle. A chase at speeds of up to 80 mph ensued before the driver pulled to the side of the road, officials said.

A Potter County sheriff's deputy and an Amarillo police officer arrived, and Fisher came out with a weapon, officials said. Police Sgt. Gerald Bailey said Fisher fired twice, and police Cpl. Eddie Duncan and at least one deputy returned fire, striking Fisher an unknown number of times.

Fisher was pronounced dead at the scene.

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MOST IMPROVED — West sixth graders who recently received most improved recognition include from left, top row, Zack Allred, Olivia Aparicia, Sandy Arriega, David Beard, Casey Blackard, Jeremy Bowden and Robert Essery; second row, LaCrystal Brooks, Bridgett Cagle, Westley Carter, Robert Garza, Rina Gelger, Andy Grove and Eric Kelley; bottom row, Christopher McClure, Desiree Mullen, Amanda Nobles, Allen Smith, Jamaal Wofford, Christie Linn and Stephanie Ervin. Vincent Flores and Will Henderson are not pictured. (SDN Staff Photo)

Grand jury subpoenas 5 OC officials

ODESSA (AP) — An Ector County grand jury has subpoenaed at least five Odessa College officials to testify about the college's investment problems.

The subpoenas were issued only days after the state auditor's office released a report showing that the school violated state law, specifically the Texas Public Funds Investment Act, by failing to exercise proper oversight of investments made by former Vice President of Business Affairs Roger Coomer.

Coomer invested the school's entire \$22 million portfolio in two types of high-risk mortgage-backed derivatives known as "inverse floaters" and "principal only strips," according to the report. Both instruments increase in value when interest rates are falling and decrease when they rise, as they have since the first of the investments.

Board of trustees members Bill Saunders, Joe Zant and Jim Gilliland have confirmed they were called to testify. Board President Bob Clark would not comment on whether he had received a subpoena, according to the Odessa American.

Virginia Chisum, OC director of financial services, and OC President Phil Speegle also told the newspaper they received subpoenas.

Speegle said he had no qualms about testifying before the grand jury.

"I'm glad they've asked. We'll

tell the same story we've told before," Speegle said.

Former board president Gary Johnson, who also served as chairman of the board finance committee, said he had expected to receive a subpoena, but has not yet been called to testify.

"I have not as of this time," he told the newspaper Wednesday. "I was told last night that I would be. I asked about it today, and (the grand jury) did not have one for me."

Some of the subpoenas were issued to board members who served on the board finance committee from 1992-93, Johnson said.

Ector County District Attorney John Smith would not comment directly on the issuance of subpoenas, but he said an investigation into the investment situation is under way.

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of our citizens are concerned about the losses incurred at Odessa College," Smith said. "I am aware of the state auditor's report and its implications, and I am in the process of putting this investigation together so that we can present a comprehensive and fair picture to the proper public officials."

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Poem Helps Woman Feel Whole Again Following Her Mastectomy

by Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am enclosing one of your columns that helped me enormously in 1986. It might help other women if you reran it. I enjoy your column.

GLORIA L., JAMESBURG, N.J.

I have been in contact with a young woman in Miami (computer only — no telephone, no mail). In recent weeks, our conversations have become very sexually explicit. (This is known as "computer sex.")

Abby, in your opinion, am I being unfaithful to my wife — or just indulging in some harmless fun? Please bear in mind that there is no way to verify that the person you are chatting with on one of these lines is who she says she is (name, age, gender, etc.) You may be chatting with a 95-year-old grandfather.

CURIOUS IN SEATTLE

DEAR GLORIA: At the risk of ranking those who dislike reruns, here it is:

DEAR ABBY: In recent years, we hear of more and more women who, through cancer surgery, have lost one or both breasts.

Some women are devastated. Some married women fear that their husbands will think they are ugly — and may leave them. Some unmarried women fear that no man will want to marry them.

I'd like to share something my mom received from my dad after she had a mastectomy. Maybe some husband can use it to reassure his wife, or some wife will realize that real love is not diminished with the loss of a body part.

KAY HUNT

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DEAR CURIOUS: "Computer sex," as you describe it, is not harmless — particularly if your curiosity causes you to decide to meet your computer sex partner. Then it could become hazardous to your health, your marriage — and possibly to your computer if your wife catches you!

WORTH REMEMBERING: "A good conversationalist is not one who remembers what was said, but says what someone wants to remember."

John Mason Brown

WOULD YOU LOVE ME LESS? If I lost a toe, would you love me less? If I lost a foot, would you love me less? If I lost a leg, would you love me less? If I lost a finger, would you love me less? If I lost an arm, would you love me less? If I lost an ear, an eye, an appendix, a gall bladder, my hair, etc.

To you, would I still be me? Of course! And you are still you!

And how I thank God for just you!

Pieces and parts
Might have to depart
But you and me,
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DEAR ABBY: I am a 34-year-old married man who would never dream of cheating on my wife; however, lately I have become hooked on computer "chat lines" where one can communicate with people from all over the country.

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Donna ISD to sell drug dog

DONNA (AP) — Cajun Trigger, a golden retriever, has ranked second in Texas and third in the nation for his drug-detection performance, but the Donna Independent School District has had enough of him.

The school board voted Tuesday night to sell the dog. It costs too much to feed Cajun Trigger, the board said. Plus, there's the expense of someone to care for the dog, which the school acquired about a year ago.

"I don't think the dog is serving its purpose at the high school," interim Superintendent Frank Gonzales told school trustees.

"The dog is good," Gonzales said. "He's a fantastic dog for the elementary schools. But he's not doing the job we need."

Gonzales said Cajun Trigger eats 80 pounds of food every two weeks. In all, the district pays \$4,800 a year for the dog's food, \$13,500 for his keeper, Mike Soto, and \$13,500 for a pickup truck to carry the animal.

Soto, the dog's handler, said the dog's food bill could be cut by feeding it cheaper brands of food.

Santa, Aretha Franklin join Clinton at lighting of tree

WASHINGTON (AP) — Santa Claus settled his fleece-trimmed red cap on the head of a homeless boy as President Clinton sang carols with soul singer Aretha Franklin to salute the 71st annual lighting of the National Christmas Tree.

But the president delegated the throwing of the switch Wednesday night to his 14-year-old daughter, Chelsea.

Her effort successfully lit 10,000 bulbs on the live, 40-foot tall Colorado spruce as the audience and her parents applauded.

Clinton told the crowd and a television audience that the tree "is a symbol of the enduring values of our lives."

"As we light it, let it rekindle in our hearts faith and hope and love for one another," he said, standing on a stage on the grassy Ellipse south of the floodlit White House.

There wasn't a shiver as the crowd of more than 5,000 watched the entertainment and the speeches in unseasonably warm temperatures.

"Last year it was a lot colder," Clinton said. "I'm still in the Christmas spirit, and a lot more comfortable."



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Public stations face uncertain financial future in Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — Long the target of conservative criticism, public broadcasters could lose millions of dollars a year in federal funds if some Republican congressional leaders get their way.

Incoming House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., says he wants to eliminate federal funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, whose coffers have been shielded by Democrats for years.

As a key keeper of the CPB's purse, Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., incoming chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee, also is interested in eliminating some of CPB's funding, he said in a telephone interview Wednesday.

But Pressler said he'd like to preserve some financial support to sustain existing children's programs and to create new ones.

Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole of Kansas said: "I haven't made any judgment, but we'll carefully review federal funding of public broadcasting when it comes up for reauthorization next year."

All federal funding for public broadcasting goes to CPB, which does it out, using complex formulas, to public stations and groups, including the Public Broadcasting Service and National Public Radio.

Public broadcasters say the federal funding they receive from CPB helps them attract corporate funding for new programs, and the elimination of CPB would make that more difficult.

The effect on well-known public broadcasting programs would be mixed, however. For example, the "masterpiece Theater" and "Nova" television programs and "All Things Consid-

ered" on NPR were started with CPB funding, but no longer receive it. But the "MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour" on television and "Marketplace" on NPR still get CPB funding.

CPB gets all of its money from Congress. Its budget for fiscal 1995, which began in October, is \$285.6 million, said spokeswoman Jeannie Bunton. Congress has already agreed to authorize roughly \$300 million in 1996. After that, CPB's fate could be uncertain.

CPB's contribution to the total income of the public broadcasting industry is small, but executives say it is critical to individual stations.

"Every federal dollar generates four or five more from other sources," PBS President Ervin Duggan has told Congress. PBS serves as the main distributor of programs to public stations.

Of the industry's total income of \$1.79 billion in 1993, the last year for which complete figures are available, 14.2 percent came from CPB funding, Bunton said.

If this slice of federal funds is scrapped, "some stations will go off the air," said CPB President Richard Carlson. Depending on the station, CPB funds can make up anywhere from 4 percent to 40 percent of a station's budget, Bunton said.

Despite Gingrich's intention to eliminate funding, CPB is not worried. "I don't think it is going to come to pass," Carlson said.

"There is strong support in Congress for public broadcasting. Members don't want to hurt their local stations. Even Bob Dole loves his local station," Carlson said in a telephone interview Wednesday.

Urging colleagues not to support a big budget increase for CPB in August, Dole said: "Make no

Security guards killed in 'Ozarks'

LAKE OZARK, Mo. (AP) — Two security guards waiting for backup after stopping two teenagers suspected of trying to steal a boat were shot and killed Wednesday.

The teen-agers, ages 13 and 17, fled in the stolen boat, Missouri State Highway Patrol said.

Authorities said William Jensen, 23, was at his home about two miles from the main building of the sprawling Lodge of the Four Seasons resort, when a powerboat slammed into the dock outside his home, said Cpl. Tim Hull of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Fred Feuser Jr., a 47-year-old sheriff's reserve officer, arrived at the scene. The men confronted the teen-agers as they were breaking into a storage building on the dock and began questioning them.

Both men worked as security guards for Four Seasons Security, which patrols the small village that encompasses the resort and surrounding property.

The men called authorities, who advised them to bring the teen-agers to the sheriff's department.

A short while later, an officer telephoned the house and got no answer. Officials then headed to the house, where they found Jensen's body lying partly in his own boat.

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mistake about it, I support public broadcasting and I have been a longtime supporter of local stations."

But the Kansas lawmaker said Congress needs to examine a number of issues, including "objectivity and balance, ... the distribution of production dollars and the merchandise licensing fees some public broadcasting figures are performing on taxpayer-subsidized airwaves."

Some of the most frequent and emotional complaints against the industry come from Republicans, who assert that programming on public stations is biased toward liberals.

Conservatives like Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Jesse Helms, R-N.C., have long been critics of public broadcasting programming, but less conservative critics have been cropping up.

Created by Congress in 1967, CPB channels federal funds to some 800 public TV and radio stations to be used at their discretion. Stations use the money for everything from buying equipment and investing in programs to providing educational and training courses for local communities.

Impeachment is the constitutional process accusing an elected official of a crime in an attempt to remove the official from office.

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Is harassment issue overblown?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I found your piece entitled "Readers Say Harassment by Female Doctors Common" very disturbing. It smacked of yellow journalism. I'm a registered nurse with 20 years' experience and have never seen or heard of such behavior. In protecting your sources, you have allowed those letters to be published, which questions your credibility and motive. The majority of nurses are patient advocates who would never think of doing any of the things you mentioned. By printing such smut you damaged the physician/nurse relationship. We need to work as a team and this doesn't seem to be in your agenda. This type of unprofessional behavior should be censured.

DEAR READER: When I wrote a column about female harassment of male patients, I wasn't prepared for the avalanche of letters from readers who had either experienced such harassment or were aware of it. In fact, I was careful to say in the original column — and in a subsequent follow-up — that I had no idea of the extent of the problem. I still don't. But, I suspect, it is more prevalent

than I had assumed.

I never stated that this type of harassment affects EVERY hospital, EVERY nurse or EVERY office. However, it clearly is a problem in some parts of the country.

If pointing this out constitutes "yellow journalism," so be it. I willingly place myself in a class with Sinclair Lewis, the writer who first exposed unfair labor practices and was unfairly labeled a "yellow" journalist for doing so. Pretending that female harassment of male patients doesn't exist will not make the practice go away.

Of course I protected my sources. This is entirely appropriate. In my view, the only unprofessional behavior to be censured in this situation is the harassment itself. Perhaps by raising the issue, I've been fortunate enough to begin this process.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 62-year-old male with osteoporosis and multiple compression fractures of the spine. I suffer from constant rib cage and back pain and have tried numerous medications for control. What can be done to kill the pain and why don't the fractures heal?

DEAR READER: The fractures don't heal because the bones are defi-

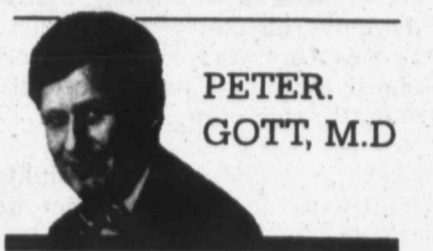
cient in calcium; this mineral is necessary for healthy bone metabolism and reconstruction.

Therefore, you need a prescriptive drug, such as Didronel or Calcima which will help drive calcium into your bones. Rather than relying merely on analgesics for pain relief, you should — in my opinion — try to stabilize the osteoporosis with medication.

This therapy should also alleviate your discomfort. Ask your physician for a prescription or a referral to an endocrinologist.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Osteoporosis." Other readers who would like a copy should send 1 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title. © 1994 NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

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FCC seeks more information on ownership of stations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fox Inc. has been asked to supply federal regulators with more information on the ownership of stations that made up the foundation of the emerging network.

The heightened investigation by the Federal Communications Commission comes one week af-

ter rival NBC asked the agency to either enforce foreign-ownership rules on Fox or make it easier for all companies to obtain financing from investors abroad.

The FCC's Mass Media Bureau said it hasn't reached any conclusions, according to a copy of the interim order obtained by The As-

sociated Press. The order was a proved Wednesday.

The main issue before the FCC is whether Fox's acquisition of 5 TV stations that made up the foundation of its network violated federal foreign ownership limit

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Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Friday, Dec. 9, 1994

A significant personal goal can be achieved in the year ahead if you are persistent. Do not change your direction just as your goal is within sight.

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Arrange social activities early in the day because if you wait too long, everyone may have already made other plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A friend might ask something unreasonable of you today. If it goes against your better judgment, don't feel obligated to agree to it.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your ego may be very vulnerable today. Try not to take yourself or what anyone says too seriously.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you are feeling frustrated today, it may be because you are acting in a negative or rash manner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) When talking with friends today, try not to burden them with your problems. They have troubles of their own.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In partnership arrangements today, stick to collective plans. Making changes or revisions on your own could jeopardize success.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Teamwork is vital today. Cooperate with others and don't attempt something alone that calls for another pair of hands.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You will do well today as long as things go according to your plan. If you encounter opposition, however, it might overwhelm you.

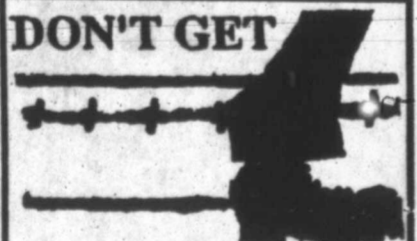
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your interests and your mate's might be diametrically opposed today. If this occurs, it will be up to you to find some sort of compromise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Coming on too strong and being too bossy could stir up a small rebellion today. Exercise the tact and diplomacy for which you're famous.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You will enjoy spending time with friends today unless they propose doing something you can't afford. Instead of pretending you can come up with the money, politely decline to participate.

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