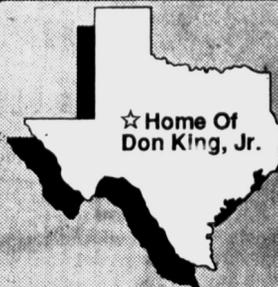


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## Ask Us

Q—Is it right to charge tax on a gift certificate?

A—According to the State Comptroller's office, you should not be charged tax when you purchase a gift certificate. However, when the certificate is redeemed, sales tax will be due if the item purchased is taxable.



**DAYS UNTIL  
CHRISTMAS**

## Local

### Lodge #706

Snyder Chapter #494, Council #412 will meet at 7:30 this evening.

### Video series

The Family Life series continues at 7 this evening on Cablevision Channel 2 with "Faith and Self-Esteem: Loving the God Who Loves Me."

### Lions Club

Snyder Lions Club asks its members to bring a toy to Tuesday's noon meeting. Lions who forget will be fined \$10.

Snyder Lions Club will not meet Dec. 27 or Jan. 3.

### UWSA

United We Stand, America will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Towle Park Barn. The public is invited.

### Cowboy Ball

Borden County Junior Livestock Association is sponsoring a Cowboy Christmas Ball at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, in the county showbarn at Gail. Tickets for the formal family event, are \$10 per person, \$15 per couple or \$25 per family.

### B&G Club

Scurry County Boys & Girls Club board of directors will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the club building. Selection of the nominating committee for 1995 officers will be made.

## Weather

**Snyder Temperatures:** High Saturday, 50 degrees; low, 27 degrees; high Sunday, 50 degrees; low, 28 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 28 degrees; no precipitation either day; total precipitation for 1994 to date, 11.55 inches.

**Snyder Area Forecast:** Tonight, partly cloudy. Low around 30. Light and variable wind. Tuesday, partly to mostly cloudy. High near 60. Southeast wind 10-20 mph.  
**Almanac:** Sunset today, 5:42. Sunrise Tuesday, 7:33. Of 345 days in 1994, the sun has shone 338 days in Snyder.



**RECYCLERS**—Members of a recycling club at Snyder High School were the first to use the new paper recycling containers placed at the school by the City of Snyder. City sanitation foreman Elias Torres watches as members of the SUN

Club (Students Uniting with Nature), from left, Jennifer Hancock, Jannica Northerns and Amy Choate place corrugated cardboard in the appropriate container. (SDN Staff Photo)

## City expands its recycling program to public schools

The City of Snyder continues to increase the scope of its recycling program as it has recently located paper recycling containers on all campuses of the Snyder Independent School District.

Three containers are located at the high school, and computer paper, mixed paper and corrugated cardboard will be collected from that campus.

Two containers are located at Snyder Junior High. One is for computer paper and the other is for mixed paper from the campus.

Containers for recycling paper are also located on the campuses of West, Stanfield, East, Central and Northeast Elementary School.

The city has set up two collection containers at the administration building; one designated for computer paper and the other for white office paper. Employees at the maintenance building will be recycling corrugated cardboard.

There are three collection sites where citizens may drop off recyclable materials. They are 30th Street and College Avenue; the south side of Coliseum Drive, just east of Avenue E; and east of the pond at Towle Park.

Each site has a container each for corrugated cardboard boxes, mixed paper and tin and aluminum cans.

Containers for corrugated card-

## HISD board sets meeting

Hermleigh school board trustees will convene at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the high school building.

Agenda items include review of the school report card, payment of bills and approval of previous minutes.

The board will also meet in executive session for the annual evaluation of the superintendent.

## Ira trustees meet Tuesday

Ira public school trustees will convene at 5 p.m. Tuesday to consider the annual outside audit, senior trip plans and other items.

Trustees are expected to adopt a campus improvement plan and the school report card. A local policy update and an interagency agreement for a multi-region purchasing cooperative are also on the agenda.

Other items include an amendment to the 1994-95 school calendar and payment of bills.

After regular business the board will go into executive session to consider the annual evaluation of the superintendent.

board boxes are painted red and city employees remind everyone that all packaging must be removed from the boxes prior to being placed in the containers. This includes styrofoam, wood framing, nails, staples.

Containers for mixed paper are painted white and citizens may put notebook paper, stationary, ruled paper from tablets with perforated tops, copy paper, newspapers and slick ads from newspapers into these. No envelopes or any other paper with glue or staples can be put in the containers.

The city asks that all paper be placed in a secured plastic bag before it is placed in the recycling containers. If paper gets wet or is sun bleached, it can't be recycled.

Tin and aluminum cans are placed in blue containers and citizens are asked to rinse all the cans before putting them in the containers.

Carolyn House, recycling coordinator for the City of Snyder, said that in order for the recycling effort to be successful, the proper items must be put in the proper container.

## Clinton goes back to work on budget; hints of tax cut

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Clinton returned to work today on his budget after giving the broadest hint that he'll return to his 1992 promise for a middle-income tax cut in the aftermath of last month's GOP landslide.

His top aide cautioned today that "we're still discussing, frankly, whether or not it can be paid for."

The administration has been suggesting for weeks that Clinton's fiscal 1996 budget will include some form of tax cut. Republicans who seized control of Congress in November midterm elections made lower taxes and a balanced budget a central theme.

At a news conference on Sun-

day after a three-day summit with Western Hemisphere leaders, Clinton was asked directly if he would propose a middle-class tax cut.

"I intend to propose one as long as I can pay for it," Clinton said. Chief of Staff Leon Panetta echoed Clinton's caveat this morning, saying the type of tax cut "it is something that is still being discussed. And we're still discussing, frankly, whether or not it can be paid for, because the most important thing is, we do not want to do something that puts more debt on our kids for the future."

Panetta, interviewed on "CBS This Morning," said that "anything we do with regards to a tax cut is going to be focused on the average working families in this country."

"They're the ones that are struggling every day trying to meet their expenses, raise their

kids, pay their bills and they're the ones who need to share a little bit of the economic recovery. So they would be the target of it," Panetta said.

Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers said Clinton planned to meet with his economic team again today to discuss his budget options. He is expected to give a broad outline of his plans for 1995 in a speech later this week. The White House was negotiating with television networks over the weekend to arrange a prime-time address.

Clinton voiced support for a middle class tax cut during his presidential campaign, but abandoned it quickly after his election — blaming higher-than-expected federal deficit figures.

However, more recently, Clinton has been boasting of recent declines in the federal deficit and of a booming economy.

## County grants use of softball fields, postpones contract

Scurry County commissioners this morning granted use of the girls' softball park and recessed until 4 p.m. today at which time the court was expected to finalize an agreement to transfer operation of the Scurry County Coliseum to the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

The chamber board was due to meet at 1 p.m. at the chamber of office and at least two representatives of the court were expected to attend.

Commissioners made only brief mention of the coliseum proposal this morning, but indicated they expected an agreement to be reached. Negotiations had hit an apparent snag last Thursday over excess revenues and retention of

current employees. Those two issues were not discussed during the morning session.

The court agreed to allow all school districts within the county to play their girls' softball games on the fields at Towle Park and will allow the teams to practice at Winston Park and North Park.

Representatives from the Hermleigh and Snyder school districts along with the Snyder Girls' Softball Association all agreed this morning to cooperate in the scheduling of games.

This spring marks the initial season for softball at SHS, while Hermleigh is in its third year.

The fields will be maintained by the county, but maintenance costs and utilities associated with the high school games will be paid by the individual schools.

In a related matter, the court agreed to allow representatives of the various leagues which play on Moffett Field to sell advertising signs to be placed on the outfield fence.

Melissa Alexander told the court that the money generated from the project would be put in a special fund designated for the upkeep and improvement of the field.

The court also approved three line-item transfers including \$8,000 in Precinct 2. Commissioner Roy Idom asked to transfer \$7,000 from machine hire and \$1,000 in equipment to \$3,500 in repairs, \$3,000 in operating supplies, \$1,000 in road material and construction and \$500 in tires and tubes.

Commissioner C. D. Gray Jr. asked for \$2,400 to be transferred from permanent improvements to runway repair at the airport, and County Treasurer Charlie Bell requested that \$175.23 be transferred from supplies to travel expense.

Commissioner Jerry Gannaway transferred \$3,250 in road material and \$3,500 in machine hire to \$750 in repairs, \$2,500 in fuel and \$3,500 in tires and tubes.

Commissioners also adopted a resolution approving an agreement between the county and the Texas Department of Transportation whereby the state would provide three computer work stations to upgrade the state's auto registration and title system.

Tax Collector Rona Sike said the only cost to the county might be to modify some desks in the office to accept the computers that the state will provide.

She added that the system would provide law enforcement agencies access to new title information within 48 hours as opposed to the 8 or 10 weeks it now takes.

County Judge Bob Doolittle presided at the meeting while commissioners Idom, Gray, Gannaway and Ralph Trevey were in attendance.



## Santa Letters!

Snyder Daily News is accepting Santa Letters for publication in its Dec. 23 issue. Letters may be brought by the office at 3600 College Ave. or mailed to P.O. Box 949.

All letters must be received by Dec. 15 in order for them to be forwarded to the North Pole in time for Christmas.

## Lighting entries are due by Friday

Friday is the deadline to enter the annual Christmas Lighting Contest, sponsored by the Goalcoats organization of the chamber of commerce.

All county residents are invited to participate. There will be cash awards of \$50 for first place, \$30 for second place and \$20 for third place.

Judging will be held the evening of Dec. 21.

Citizens can register by filling out an entry blank and mailing it to P.O. Box 840, 79550, or taking it to the chamber office at 2302 Ave. R.

Entry blanks are available at the chamber. A blank can also be found on Page 9 of today's Snyder Daily News.

There is no entry fee.

## Postal governors set rate increase

WASHINGTON (AP)—It's finally official: stamp prices go up Jan. 1.

The Postal Service's governing board today voted unanimously to put the new rates — including a 32-cent First Class stamp — into effect at 12:01 a.m. Jan. 1.

It's the first rate increase in four years and a household mailing 15 letters a week would see a weekly increase of 45 cents in mail costs.

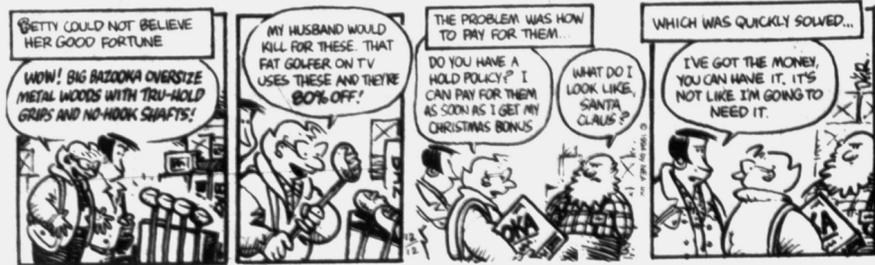
The independent Postal Rate Commission approved the new rates in late November after nearly nine months of hearings.

Post offices will sell undenominated stamps with the letter G, for Old Glory, to cover the new rate until 32-cent stamps can be printed.

Other classes of mail will also see rate increases, most slightly more than the First Class increase.

The decision of the rate commission was approved "under protest" by the postal governors, but their concerns centered on the method the commission used to determine certain rates. The protest is not expected to affect rates.

Charges for international mail will also increase later this year, but the date and amounts have not been determined, postal officials said.



## Perot study on Gulf Syndrome keys on batallion of SeaBees

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — After wrestling for years with health problems, Charles Waller hopes a study of Gulf War veterans supported by billionaire Ross Perot will provide some answers. "I've been to the VA," the 47-year-old Nashville resident said Saturday. "They've helped I guess about as much as they can." He came to Knoxville to participate in an intensive study of Gulf

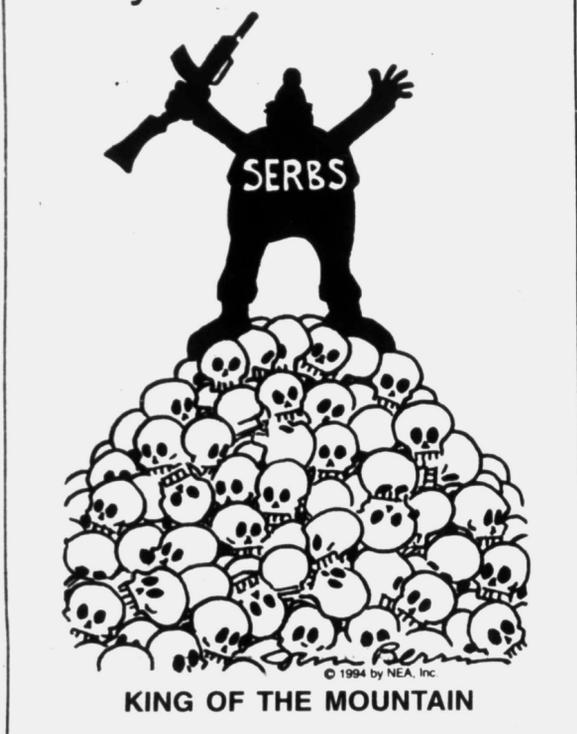
vets who served in the Naval Reserve's 24th Mobile Construction Battalion. The unit, based in Huntsville, Ala., was selected because an earlier Navy survey found symptoms of the mysterious Gulf War Syndrome in as many as 200 of the 775 members who served in Operation Desert Storm and Desert Shield in 1990-91. Waller, who suffers from fa-

tigue, rashes and pains in his joints and arms, said he hoped some good would come from the study. "I sure would," he said. "I don't care about the benefits, I just want my health back." Dr. Robert Haley, head of epidemiology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, said the Perot study he's leading may break some new ground.



NEW COMPUTER SYSTEM — Hermleigh sophomore computer application students pictured working with the new computer system installed in October are (top photo) Jennifer Mireles in back and Waylon Jackson; and (bottom photo) TJ Wood and Amanda Berry. They are helping to put together a 40-article newsletter about Hermleigh School. (SDN Staff Photo)

### Berry's World



"We've got either studies of the symptoms they are having or we have studies of their exposures," he said. "But we don't have good studies that link the two. This is really sort of the next generation."

Those symptoms, not all of which may be found in this particular unit, range from rashes and fatigue to cancer and birth defects in the veterans' children.

No single source has been identified. But some of the suspects are vaccines to combat gas warfare, chemical warfare itself, radiation from depleted uranium munitions warheads and exposure to burning oil.

Perot has been quietly trying to get to the bottom of the syndrome for more than a year — financing a registry of 1,500 affected veterans, underwriting elaborate exams for several of them at the Mayo Clinic, and now the study of this Seabee unit.

He avoided reporters Saturday, meeting privately for about 20 minutes with the 120 veterans who turned out to answer long questionnaires.

"This is for the veterans, and I really don't want to talk to the media," the former presidential candidate told radio station WIVK as his car left a parking lot after his appearance.



## Oil Patch News

**Scurry County**  
 Read and Stevens Inc. will drill the No. 1 River End, five miles southwest of Ira. Planned for a depth of 8,200 feet, location is in Section 95, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Fortisan Oil Co. will plug and abandon the No. 2-W Conrad, a 6,000-foot wildcat located eight miles southwest of Ira. Location was in Section 84, Block 20, Lavaca Navigation Co. survey.

**Garza County**  
 Hat Oil and Gas will drill the No. 2 Thumbs Up, a 3,000-foot wildcat four miles south of Post. Location is in Section 9, Block 2, H&GN survey.

Primrose Operating will drill the No. 10-F Dorward in the Dorward field, six miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned for a depth of 3,000 feet, location is in Section 113, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose Operating will drill the No. 11-J Dorward in the Dorward field, six miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned for a depth of 3,000 feet, drill site is in Section 112, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose Operating will drill the No. 12-J Dorward in the Dorward field, six miles southeast of Justiceburg. Also contracted for 3,000 feet, drill site is in Section 112, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose will drill the No. 13-J Dorward in the Dorward field, six miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned depth is 3,000 feet, and location is in Section 112, Block 5, H&GN survey.

J.M. Huber Corp. has completed the No. 19-4 Middleton in

the Aljenda field, seven miles northeast of Post. The venture was finalized to produce 122 barrels of 39 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 8,090-120 feet, and location is in Section 19, Block 8, H&GN survey.

**Howard County**  
 Conoco Inc. will drill the No. 22 Chalk Estate in the Howard-Glasscock field, 25 miles southeast of Big Spring. The re-entry project is planned for a depth of 8,000 feet, and location is in Section 114, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Exxon USA will drill the No. 70-D Vealmoor East unit in the Vealmoor field, 16 miles northeast of Big Spring. The re-entry project is planned for a depth of 7,600 feet, and location is in Section 18, Block 27, H&TC survey.

Baytech Inc. will drill the No. 1 Callie, a 9,100-foot wildcat located two miles northeast of Fairview. Location is in Section 42, Block 32, T&P survey.

Baytech Inc. will drill the No. 1 Zula, a 10,400-foot wildcat located three miles southwest of Fairview. Drill site is in Section 18, Block 33, T&P survey.

Cobra Oil and Gas Corp. will drill the No. 1-2 Guitar, a 11,000-foot wildcat located two miles east of Big Spring. Location is in the Bauer and Cockrell survey.

**Kent County**  
 Sharp Image Energy has completed the No. 3-B Spur in the Michelle Kay field, 28 miles northwest of Jayton. The well was finalized to produce 108 barrels of

34.4 gravity oil and 152 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,312-387 feet, and location is in Section 13, Block B, Public School Land survey.

**Mitchell County**  
 Parker and Parsley Development Co. will plug and abandon the No. 144 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Drilled to 3,300 feet, location is in Section 16, Block 29, T&P survey.

Parker and Parsley will plug and abandon the No. 71 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Also drilled to 3,300 feet, location is in Section 9, Block 29, T&P survey.

TDC Engineering Inc. will plug and abandon the No. 4-B Wallace in the Hettye field, 15 miles southeast of Loraine. Drilled to a depth of 8,800 feet, location is in Section 36, Block 12, D.D. Byrne survey.

**Nolan County**  
 Sam's Energy Inc. will drill the No. 1 Jessie Little in the White Flat field, 20 miles east of Sweetwater. Planned for a depth of 3,000 feet, location is in Section 25, Block 20, T&P survey.

**Fisher County**  
 HGN Operating Co. has completed the No. 1 Martin, 11 miles northeast of Rotan. The well was finalized to produce 11 barrels of 40 gravity oil and one barrel of water. Gas-oil ratio was 32,727-1 with perforations from 5,207-341 feet. Location is in Section 114, Block 2, H&TC survey.



## Hermleigh students enjoy state-of-the art computers

Hermleigh students have been using an enhanced computer system since October of this year. Ron Roberts, who is in his second year teaching business and computers at the school, said their computer network is "one of the fastest" in Texas as well as "the fastest" in Region 14. The system features a 486 DX 266 server and individual stations with hard drives, 486 DX-33. Each also operates with a "window." Fifteen of the 31 network computers are also multi-media. One of the many advantages of this system, Roberts said, is that the individual stations will continue to function should the server go down. Roberts said they now have 33 computers tied to the network which is located in the elementary building. The high school also has 33 DX "stand alone" computers which will be tied into the network as soon as funds are available. All students have access to the computers, beginning with the kindergarten. Hermleigh's newest computers and network cost around \$80,000 and were purchased with state funds.

## Blood clots not too rare, but passengers can avoid them

WASHINGTON (AP) — Frequent fliers, take note: Dan Quayle may have gotten blood clots in his lungs from too much jetting around, but that's probably a rare occurrence that most passengers can ward off with a little fidgeting. "I can see the 'Saturday Night Live' skit where everybody on a plane gets up to walk around at the same time," joked Dr. Elliot Chalkof, a vascular surgeon at Emory University. "But that's the right advice: Move." The condition that hospitalized the former vice president for a week, called a pulmonary embolism, isn't that rare. Every year, some 600,000 Americans develop a blood clot in a leg that then travels up to the lungs. Doctors don't really know why some people get emboli and others never do. Most at risk are people who are over 40, overweight, have congestive heart failure and, for some reason, have cancer. But some blood is just predis-

posed to clot, and a few people get clots from simply being too still — lying in bed after surgery or sitting in a cramped airplane seat for hours, a phenomenon sometimes called "economy-class syndrome." "All of us ride on airplanes and buses and trains and we get by with it almost all the time," said Joseph Bates, president of the American Lung Association. "But we really don't know why it causes a clot in a few cases." "No one knows if this really is a

major problem or an occasional problem," said Dr. Russell B. Rayman, the Aerospace Medical Association's executive director. Clots in the coronary arteries or neck arteries, usually formed when those arteries narrow with plaque, are commonly associated with heart attacks and strokes. But leg clots are different — they occur in large, deep veins in the calf and thigh. Blood courses through those veins back up to the lungs to pick up oxygen and then down through the heart to be pumped into the body. The only way blood can make that long uphill stretch is by leg muscles pushing on the veins, Bates explained.

### Lotto Texas

by The Associated Press  
 Two tickets bought in Houston and North Texas correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot is worth \$45 million. The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 34, 49, 44, 13, 12, and 46. In addition to the jackpot winner, there were 213 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth \$2,240. There were 14,928 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning \$115. And there were 287,015 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic \$3. Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$3 million.

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# Convicted killer executed for 1984 slaying of Houston man

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Condemned killer Raymond Carl Kinnamon fought his executioners until the very end.

"I want everybody to know I'm not ready to go," he said shortly before dawn Sunday.

Then he tried to prove it, staging a 30-minute filibuster in an apparent attempt to talk his way out of a death warrant that called for his execution before dawn. He finally tried to slip out of leather restraints that kept him connected to two intravenous tubes carrying a solution of lethal drugs.

With a sister, niece and friend sobbing loudly, Kinnamon's death marked the end of one of the most bizarre executions in Texas in years.

"I've got a few things to say," Kinnamon said as witnesses filed into the death chamber about 5:15 a.m. CST.

Thirty minutes later, after thanking dozens of people, criticizing capital punishment, expressing love for his family and getting a drink of water from the prison warden, he was still talking.

"I can see no reason for my death," he said, then began

squirming, lifted his head and shoulders and tried sliding his right arm from a leather strap.

Warden Morris Jones and a prison chaplain, Alex Taylor, both stationed a few feet away at opposite corners of the gurney, stepped in to control the inmate and executioners behind a one-way mirror in an adjacent room began the lethal dose.

Kinnamon's niece, standing with her mother and a friend behind a clear plastic shielded window, began sobbing loudly.

"They didn't let him finish," Natasha Fremin cried out. "I didn't get to say goodbye."

Eleven minutes later, his body somewhat contorted on the gurney because of his efforts to free himself, the 53-year-old career criminal was pronounced dead.

"I've had many conversations with Kinnamon," Texas prison spokesman David Nunnelee said. "His final statement was not atypical."

The ending capped a frenzy of legal activity through the night as his attorney won a reprieve from a federal judge in Houston, then lost it when the Texas attorney gen-

eral's office convinced a federal appeals court in New Orleans to rescind the order. A defense appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court then failed as well, clearing the way for Kinnamon to become the 14th Texas inmate to be put to death this year and the second in a week.

Defense attorney Marcia Rutenbar raised 15 issues in her appeal, including arguments that Kinnamon received ineffective legal help in his early appeals, that jury instructions at his trial were improper and that not all witnesses were able to identify him as the gunman who held up N.J.'s Lounge in Houston exactly 10 years ago Sunday, robbed the place of more than \$1,500 and shot a customer.

"If my death makes anyone feel better, something is wrong," Kinnamon said. "If I've done anything wrong to people out there, I apologize for it. But I can't point to anything specific."

Texas authorities, however, had plenty of specifics.



**GIFT FROM EXXON** — Roy Baze presents a check of \$1,000 on behalf of Exxon Company, U.S.A. to Shirley Leftwich of the Scurry County Museum. The donation was from the company's

Volunteer Involvement Program and will be used by the museum to purchase a computer and printer. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Discrimination reports follow '187'

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — In Los Angeles, a woman's quiet stroll turns into a humiliating flight from hurled stones and racial epithets.

In San Francisco, a woman waits too long to seek medical help, afraid hospital officials will turn her in as an illegal immigrant.

A Berkeley woman watches as a pizza parlor dispute deteriorates into a jeering demand for green cards.

These are among a host of incidents statewide that immigrant advocates say are the result of Proposition 187, the state's new law to drive away illegal immigrants.

"It really let that evil genie of bad human relations out of the bottle," said Bobbi Murray, communications director of the Coalition for Humane Immigration Rights in Los Angeles.

"Those who pushed for passage of the 'Save Our State' law deny reports that it is fostering discrimination.

"So many of these people (advocate groups) have lied about so many things for so long, I find it hard to believe at this point anything they say," said Ron Prince, chairman of the group Save Our State.

The law is tied up in legal challenges and may not take effect for years, if ever. It seeks to deny illegal immigrants public schooling, social services and all but emergency medical care. It also requires police, schools and hospitals to report suspected illegals.

But since it passed Nov. 8 with 59 percent of the vote, immigrant advocates say post-187 hot lines have received hundreds of calls from immigrants reporting harassment and discrimination.

"It gave license to people feeling like what we need to stop is brown-skinned people and that we get to be negative and mean and say, 'We don't want you here' to brown-skinned people," said Kathleen Deamer of the International Institute of the East Bay, a refugee organization in Oakland.

Hot line organizers say they are investigating each call where possible or referring callers to civil rights attorneys. They concede many incidents can't be confirmed, but insist the sheer volume of reports can't be ignored.

"The distress when they call, the level of distress, of hurt, and anger and sense of being insulted — you can't fake it, not on the scale that we're getting, anyway," Murray said.

One effect of the law, opponents say, has been to frighten people away from doctors.

In San Francisco, a 59-year-old Chinese woman with leukemia died at San Francisco General hospital on Thanksgiving Day. Afraid of the new law, she told hospital staff she was traveling on a tourist visa, when in fact her tourist visa had expired, said Bill Tamayo of the Asian Law Caucus.

Ironically, her lie prevented her from getting chemotherapy that could have prolonged her life.

Under current law and Proposition 187, illegal immigrants can get emergency care. Tourists must return home.

Proponents say the law cannot be blamed for individual mistakes, and they bristle at suggestions it countenances racism.

Prince said the law requires only that people present identification when applying for public services, "very reasonable approaches to a very serious problem. It has nothing to do with race."

The law does indeed apply only to undocumented aliens, but as a practical matter, most of California's illegal immigrants are from Mexico. A commercial endorsing the measure showed people running across the Mexico-California border with the voice-over message, "They keep coming."

"People have more permission now. This racism has existed, but people are letting the lid off of it now," said Lea Arellano.

Arellano, a third-generation Californian who lives in Berkeley, said she saw an argument between two unruly customers and an all-Hispanic staff at a pizza parlor deteriorate into a racial attack. She said one of the customers yelled at the employees, "Where's your green cards? You don't even belong here."

In Los Angeles, Murray said a

hot line at her coalition was receiving up to 150 phone calls a day in the two weeks after the election.

One caller, a Hispanic woman, described a fearsome encounter as she walked in suburban Woodland Hills. A group of men spotted her and started yelling "Go back to Mexico," and worse. She fled when they threw rocks at her, Murray said.

"She was really shook up by the whole thing. She says she's been here 10 years and she's never had such a thing happen to her," Murray said.

In Oakland, Deamer said her group was getting scores of calls from frightened immigrants. They get another kind of call as well, she said.

"Listen," these callers say, "I suspect my neighbors are illegal. Where do I go to turn them in?"

## Community Calendar

### MONDAY

White Buffalo Stamp Club; community room of Snyder National Bank; visitors welcome; 7:30 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; chamber of commerce board room; 6 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 863-2349, 573-8626, 573-1141; 8 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 7:30 p.m.; call 573-8322 for more information.

### TUESDAY

Plainview Extension Homemakers; 2 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi; 7 p.m.

Snyder Shrine Club, call 863-2702 for meeting place; 7 p.m.

Canyon Gun Club; 1910 25th; 7:30 p.m.

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in and meeting from 5:30-6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

DIALOGUE Support Group; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 7 to 8 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-3956, 573-2101, 573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141; 8 p.m.

### THURSDAY

Honey Do's Extension TAFCE; 9:30 a.m.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Snyder Country Club; noon.

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.

Snyder Chapter No. 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th; 7:30 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.

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

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

Atheneum couple's Christmas dinner; home of Bill and Martha Schiebel; 6:30 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.

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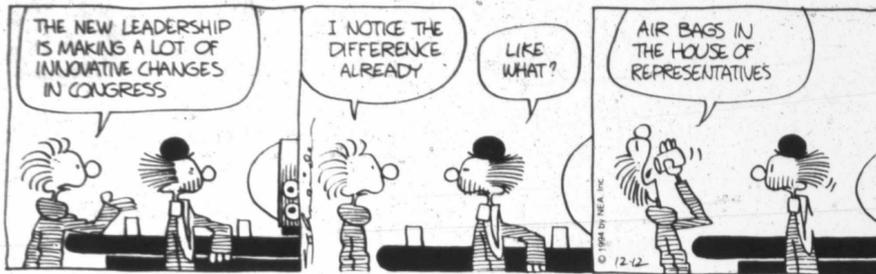
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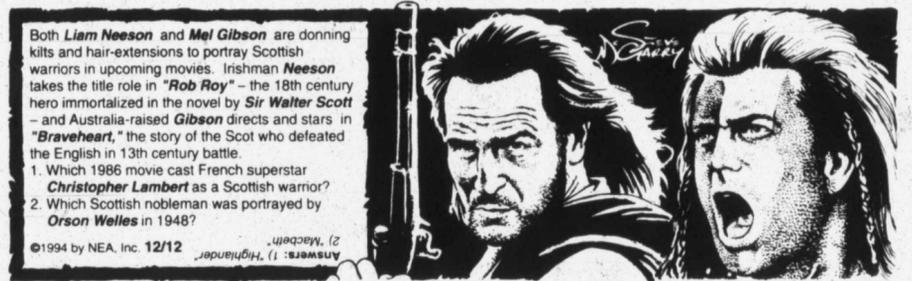
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15 Abominable snowman  
16 Long-time resident  
18 Breakfast food  
20 Choicest  
21 Finish  
22 Hawaiian dish  
24 Twisted (the hands)  
27 Primitive clock  
31 Circular tent  
32 Type of dream or line  
33 Baseball stat  
34 Basketball org.  
35 Fondles  
36 Sharp bark  
37 Wrestling holds  
39 Walks in water  
40 Dance step

41 Shallow vessel  
42 Cosmonaut — Gagarin  
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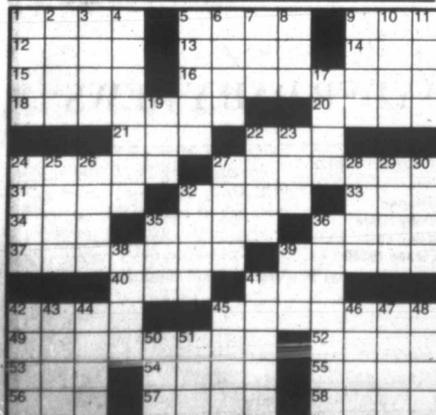
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8 Explosive (abbr.)  
9 Apple or pear  
10 Tints  
11 Soil  
17 In the same place (abbr.)  
19 MIT grad  
22 Young dogs  
23 Individual  
24 Comedian  
Ed —  
25 Rustic (sl.)  
26 Russia's — Mountains  
27 Uses a chair  
28 Angered  
29 Competent  
30 Facial features  
32 Writing tools  
35 Kentucky blue grass  
36 New Englanders  
38 Part of fireplace  
39 Female soldier (abbr.)  
41 — Peak, Colorado  
42 Past time  
43 E pluribus —  
44 Nerve network  
45 Glide easily  
46 River in Spain  
47 De — (old car)  
48 Adolescent  
50 Knock  
51 Mohammedan leader

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# Sports

## NFL warms up for December playoff races

Teams that warm up in December usually find themselves in the NFL playoffs. And San Francisco, Pittsburgh and New England, along with the Raiders and Giants, are hot, hot, hot.



The 49ers (12-2), with Steve Young throwing two touchdown passes and Deion Sanders adding a 90-yard interception return for a score, won their ninth straight with a 38-15 victory over San Diego on Sunday.

The Steelers (11-3), with a 14-3 victory over Philadelphia, moved closer to the home-field advantage throughout the AFC playoffs with their sixth straight win.

The Patriots and Giants, meanwhile, boosted their playoff hopes

with victories.

### Patriots 28, Colts 13

Two weeks after shutting down Marshall Faulk, the host Patriots did it again. They held Faulk, the AFC's No. 3 rusher, to 50 yards on 17 carries; in the previous game, also a New England win, Faulk managed 48 yards.

The Patriots, who have not had a winning season since 1988, have won five in a row. An improving defense allowed fewer than 300 yards for the fourth straight week after doing it only once in the first 10 games.

### Giants 27, Bengals 20

New York won its fourth straight after a seven-game slide as Rodney Hampton scored on a 3-yard run with 40 seconds left. The Giants went 66 yards to the winning score, aided greatly by a questionable pass interference call on Corey Sawyer.

Trailing 20-10, Sawyer picked off a pass and Jeff Blake capped a 60-yard drive by hitting Carl Pick-

ens on a 3-yard touchdown pass for visiting Cincinnati (2-12). Adrian Hardy blocked Mike Horan's punt on the following series and Doug Pelfrey made a game-tying 23-yard field goal.

### Vikings 21, Bills 17

Buffalo's AFC reign moved to the edge of extinction as Warren Moon won at Rich Stadium for the first time in 10 seasons. The Vikings (9-5) took over first place in the NFC Central as Cris Carter caught nine passes for 111 yards to move within a catch of Sterling Sharpe's single-season NFL record of 112 and Fuad Reveiz had five field goals.

### Raiders 23, Broncos 13

At Los Angeles, the Raiders continued their resurgence — and their domination of the Broncos, who were without John Elway (knee).

Jeff Jaeger kicked a team-record five field goals and Denver failed to get touchdowns twice af-

ter first downs at the Raiders' 1. The Raiders have beaten the Broncos five straight times, 11 of the last 12 and eight in a row at the Los Angeles Coliseum.

### Cardinals 17, Redskins 15

Arizona handed Washington (2-12) its sixth consecutive defeat as Greg Davis kicked a 27-yard field goal on the last play of the game. The Redskins had taken a 15-14 lead with 2:54 left on Chip Lohmiller's third field goal, a 21-yarder.

Henry Ellard had eight catches for 191 yards for the visiting Skins.

### Packers 40, Bears 3

Brett Favre had three TD passes and Chris Jacke made four field goals in frigid conditions. Sterling Sharpe had two of the TD catches as the Packers snapped a three-game losing string.

The Packers were 5-0 at Lam-

beau Field this year and have won nine straight there. The Bears, who fell out of a tie for the top spot in the NFC Central, lost their 14th straight December road game.

### Saints 29, Falcons 20

At Atlanta, the Saints continued to dominate this series, beating the Falcons for the 13th time in their last 17 meetings, including the last three and eight of the last nine in Atlanta.

Jim Everett passed for two touchdowns and Morten Andersen kicked five field goals, leaving both teams 6-8 and with slim playoff chances.

### Buccaneers 24, Rams 14

Tampa (5-9) put together its first three-game winning streak since 1982, the last time it had a winning record.

Craig Erickson threw for 231 yards, 176 to Charles Wilson on just four catches. Errict Rhett ran

for 119 yards and a TD. Both the host Bucs and the Rams (4-10) were eliminated from playoff consideration.

### Seahawks 16, Oilers 14

At Houston, the pitiful Oilers (1-13) dropped their 10th straight, but made a strong comeback.

Seattle built a 16-0 lead behind QB Dan McGwire, playing for injured Rick Mirer, and Chris Warren. Warren nearly outgained Houston's offense with 185 yards on 30 carries, including a 33-yard TD run. The Oilers had 208 total yards.

Houston scored twice in the final 4:23.

### Lions 18, Jets 7

On Saturday, Detroit won its third in a row and handed the host Jets their third successive defeat. Barry Sanders rushed for 127 yards and Dave Krieg completed 18 of 24 passes, with a 5-yard TD throw to Sanders, his first touchdown reception this year.

## Cowboys miss step in 19-14 loss to Browns

IRVING (AP) — The rods have started knocking in the Dallas Cowboys' perfectly oiled machine.

Red lights are flashing in the locker room in the wake of a 19-14 loss to Cleveland on Saturday.



"I think Aikman we fell hard, cornerback Kevin Smith said. 'I'm sure we had our eyes opened.'"

Cleveland's victory dropped Dallas to 11-3 and a game behind San Francisco with two to play in the chase for the NFC homefield advantage in the playoffs.

Dallas lost 21-14 to the 49ers earlier in the season so San Francisco owns the tie-breaker.

Dallas has clinched the NFC East and can gain a bye in the first round with a victory or a Minnesota loss.

The Cowboys won with Jason Garrett and Rodney Peete at quarterback after Troy Aikman sprained his left knee.

Returning to action Saturday with a knee brace after a 2-week absence, Aikman wasn't as mobile and his passing also suffered with a slick ball. He lost a fumble and was intercepted twice.

"I thought I struggled and didn't throw the ball very well," Aikman said. "Cleveland is very good on defense, the best we've played."

However, Aikman admits the Cowboys have been playing less than at a championship level.

"In the last 2 or 3 weeks we've put up a lot of points but we've been hot and cold," Aikman said. "In the past we've been more consistent. It's important we get back to that kind of football."

The Cowboys have not managed to dominate their most dominant opponents. Dallas is 3-3 against teams over .500, losing to San Francisco, Detroit and Cleveland.

"Stuff's broken and it has to be fixed. We've been taking a pounding. Our defense is going downhill and the offense is sputtering," defensive end Charles Haley said. "We just can't sit back and think we're the best and not do anything. We have to fix it now."

Dallas has road games at New Orleans and the New York Giants left on the schedule. Coach Barry Switzer said they will be tough.

"We really wanted to win this game at home and clinch a bye in the first round," Switzer said. "It didn't work out that way. It seems everybody wants a piece of us. We've got to get back looking like the Dallas Cowboys. We look out of sync on both offense and defense against the Browns."

No team has every won three consecutive Super Bowls and safety James Washington said he sees why.

"We've been doing pretty good on turnovers, but we got burned by them," Washington said of the Browns.

## Salaam wins Heisman

NEW YORK (AP) — Rashaan Salaam has already decided whether to enter the NFL draft or return to Colorado for his senior season. For now, though, his decision is a secret.

"I'm not going to announce it until Jan. 6 because I want to concentrate on beating Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl," he said after winning the Heisman Trophy Saturday night.



Salaam

Salaam would rather be playing Miami for the national championship in the Orange Bowl, but Nebraska earned that opportunity by handing Colorado its only loss of the season.

"I'm honored that I won the Heisman, but I'd trade it for a win over Nebraska in a second," Salaam said.

Salaam, the nation's leading rusher and scorer, is the 12th junior to win the Heisman. Four of the last five junior winners skipped their final year of eligibility to turn pro.

"I believe getting a diploma is important," said Colorado coach Bill McCartney, who is leaving his job after the Fiesta Bowl. "Making all that money doesn't make a man happy. But I'm not going to advise Rashaan what to do."

Salaam got almost twice as many votes as the runner-up, tailback Ki-Jana Carter of Penn State. Alcorn State quarterback Steve McNair finished third and Penn State quarterback Kerry Collins was fourth.

## Snyder falls short at Big Spring tournament

BIG SPRING — The second weekend of December could only be summed up as a disappointment for the Snyder Tigers.

After falling to El Paso Socorro 62-61 on a last second 15-foot jump shot Thursday in the opening round of the Big Spring Tournament, the Tigers rebounded for a 60-48 victory over Amarillo Caprock before being nipped at the buzzer again.

The Odessa High Bronchos edged Snyder, now 7-5 on the season, in the consolation bracket finals with a 60-59 win.

Snyder's Brad Gober paced the Tigers with 16 points Thursday, nine in the win over Caprock, and 18 versus Odessa.

In the win over Caprock, Snyder head coach Bud Birks said his team played a well-executed ballgame.

"We came out and did the things we need to do to win the game," he said. "We started out with a 14-0 run in the first quarter thanks to our execution of our offense and the full-court press."

All but one of Snyder's players scored, including Ricky Post's team high 13 points.

According to Coach Birks, Snyder's last second loss to Socorro in the tournament's opener proved to be a bad omen for the Tigers, but he added that turnovers and bad shots were what kept his team from pulling ahead against Odessa.

"We had too many turnovers and forced shots in the game," Birks said. "Those mistakes came back to haunt us."

"It's hard to play catch up in the final minutes of a ballgame." Both teams played even throughout the game, but Snyder



Gober

held a slight 36-30 advantage going into the locker room at halftime.

The Bronchos, however, came back with a 14-8 advantage in the third period to tie the game at 44-44 before pulling out the win at the end of the game.

"If we had taken care of the ball throughout the game we wouldn't have been in that position at the end of the game," Birks said. "This is the kind of thing that will happen to young teams, like ours."

In regard to losing two close games in one weekend, Birks replied, "In my experience, you win some and you lose some, but it will always balance out."

Snyder hopes that is indeed the case this week, as they try to successfully navigate the toughest portion of their non-district schedule.

The Tigers travel to Andrews to take on the Mustangs Friday. Birks said he knows the Mustangs are much improved from the last time his team faced them. Snyder beat Andrews 43-40 in the season's opener at Scurry County Coliseum.

After Andrews, the Tigers host Slaton Saturday before hosting Plainview Dec. 19.

"This is definitely the toughest part of our schedule," Birks said. "Andrews will be ready for us, Slaton is probably the second best three A team in west Texas, besides Seminole, and Plainview is the defending state champion."

"It will be interesting to see how we come out of this stretch."

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	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Miami	8	5	0	.615	311	269
New England	8	6	0	.571	297	292
Buffalo	7	7	0	.500	314	305
N.Y. Jets	6	8	0	.429	248	275
Indianapolis	6	8	0	.429	287	305
Central						
y-Pittsburgh	11	3	0	.786	265	190
y-Cleveland	10	4	0	.714	298	178
Cincinnati	2	12	0	.143	236	348
Houston	1	13	0	.071	193	311
West						
San Diego	9	5	0	.643	323	266
L.A. Raiders	8	6	0	.571	277	292
Kansas City	7	6	0	.538	241	235
Denver	7	7	0	.500	300	324
Seattle	6	8	0	.429	262	271

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	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Dallas	11	3	0	.786	380	217
N.Y. Giants	7	7	0	.500	248	282
Arizona	7	7	0	.500	201	250
Philadelphia	7	7	0	.500	265	269
Washington	2	12	0	.143	282	374
Central						
Minnesota	9	5	0	.643	316	259
Detroit	8	6	0	.571	296	296
Chicago	8	6	0	.571	241	281
Green Bay	7	7	0	.500	327	251
Tampa Bay	5	9	0	.357	215	303
West						
x-San Francisco	12	2	0	.857	449	256
New Orleans	6	8	0	.429	302	355
Atlanta	6	8	0	.429	290	358
L.A. Rams	4	10	0	.286	252	314

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Saturday's Games  
Detroit 18, New York Jets 7  
Cleveland 19, Dallas 14

Sunday's Games  
Green Bay 40, Chicago 3  
New York Giants 27, Cincinnati 20  
New England 28, Indianapolis 13  
Tampa Bay 24, Los Angeles Rams 14  
Minnesota 21, Buffalo 17  
Pittsburgh 14, Philadelphia 3  
Los Angeles Raiders 23, Denver 13  
San Francisco 38, San Diego 15  
Seattle 16, Houston 14  
Arizona 17, Washington 15  
New Orleans 29, Atlanta 20

Monday's Game  
Kansas City at Miami, 9 p.m.

## NBA Glance

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	W	L	Pct.	GB		
Atlantic Division						
Orlando	15	3	.833	-		
New York	11	6	.647	3 1/2		
Boston	8	11	.421	7 1/2		
Washington	6	9	.400	7 1/2		
Philadelphia	7	11	.389	8		
New Jersey	8	13	.381	8 1/2		
Miami	4	12	.250	10		
Central Division						
Indiana	12	5	.706	-		
Cleveland	11	8	.579	2		
Charlotte	9	9	.500	3 1/2		
Chicago	9	9	.500	3 1/2		
Detroit	8	10	.444	4 1/2		
Atlanta	8	11	.421	5		
Milwaukee	6	12	.333	6 1/2		

## WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midwest Division				
Houston	12	6	.667	-
Denver	10	6	.625	1
Utah	11	8	.579	1 1/2
Dallas	9	7	.563	2
San Antonio	8	9	.471	3 1/2
Minnesota	3	15	.167	9
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	13	5	.722	-
Seattle	12	6	.667	1
L.A. Lakers	11	7	.611	2
Portland	9	7	.563	3
Sacramento	10	8	.556	3
Golden State	8	10	.444	5
L.A. Clippers	2	17	.105	11 1/2

## Saturday's Games

New York 107, Philadelphia 103  
New Jersey 108, Boston 96  
Orlando 109, Atlanta 98  
Cleveland 87, Detroit 79  
Indiana 117, Miami 103  
Phoenix 103, Minnesota 89  
Milwaukee 106, Chicago 103  
Dallas 99, Charlotte 86  
San Antonio 108, Houston 96  
Denver 111, Washington 89  
L.A. Lakers 120, Utah 113  
Sacramento 106, Golden State 94  
Seattle 132, L.A. Clippers 127, 2OT

Sunday's Game  
Portland 93, Sacramento 88

Monday's Games  
Denver at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
Miami at New York, 7:30 p.m.  
Orlando at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.  
Washington at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.  
Portland at Utah, 9 p.m.  
Golden State at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

## Lady Westerners fall to Pearl River 95-73

POPLARVILLE, Miss. — Western Texas head coach Brenda Welch-Nichols knew her trip to three game road trip would have some tough barriers to cross, San Jacinto Junior College, the Texas-Arkansas border, Bourbon Street, the Mississippi River and tenth-ranked Pearl River Junior College.

What she didn't expect was a battle with officiating.

Resembling the Lady Westerners' 100-83 loss to Cisco in November where they were called for 38 fouls, Western Texas fell to Pearl River 95-78.

The Lady Westerners (5-9) were victims of a night that saw them pile up 33 fouls as opposed to Pearl River's 18.

"They (Pearl River) are a good team," Nichols said. "We just got the same old stuff we got at Cisco."

"The problem is that when you lose a game like this, the kids get down. We just have to go on."

And go on they must, as they will try to play the spoilers for Pensacola (Fla.) Junior College head coach Vicky Carson tonight. Carson, who was head coach

when Nichols was an assistant at PJC, is seeking her 300th career win.

"It just happened that we get her in a milestone game," Nichols said. "This is a big deal here in Pensacola. In fact the game is going to be televised."

"Our girls are really excited about this game and their ready to play."

The Lady Westerners were able to get some positives out of their 17 point loss, however.

Western Texas shot 15 of 16 from the free-throw line, freshman forward Donna Carrell (Diamond Head, Misshad 18 points and 10 rebounds in front of her home town fans, and Chrsy Cates added 14 points and 10 boards as well.

"We continue to improve in a lot of important areas," Nichols said. "It's a shame that we didn't get the win, but are play is proof that we are getting better."

"The kids got frustrated because everytime they turned around the game was being stopped for a foul, when that happens it takes away from the whole game."

## Winters puts Cards on ice

ROBERT LEE — Hermleigh got a frosty reception from the Winters Blizzards in the consolation bracket of the Robert Lee Tournament here Saturday.

Aided by a bundle of turnovers, Winters put the Cardinals on ice with a 40-12 first-half run, and went on to win the game 63-37.

Hermleigh, 5-4, will try to bounce back in a game scheduled for 8 p.m. Friday at Rotan.

Zane Guy put up 18 points for Winters, which outscored Hermleigh 21-6 in the first quarter. A 19-6 second quarter put the game out of reach for the Cardinals, who were led by Jimmy Digby's 13 points.

Digby also had 7 of Hermleigh's 27 rebounds. Michael Breitweiser managed seven steals and two assists.

Hermleigh turned the ball over 42 times, including 35 in the first

half. Joining the varsity boys in Rotan on Friday will be the JV boys, who play at 5 o'clock, and the varsity girls, who play at 6:30.



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3001 Crockett, 4-2-1/2-cp. 3113 Ave. T, 3-2-3, Own. Fin.

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400 29th, 3-1, \$23.5

2201 41st, 3-1-1/2 -1, \$39.5

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3789 Avondale, 3-2-2cp, \$40's.

116 35th, 3-2-cp, fpl.

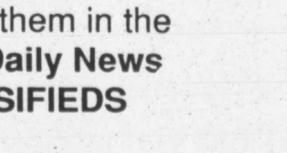
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## Contaminated bases proving hard to sell

LUBBOCK (AP) — Ground-water contamination at Reese Air Force Base is severe but should not hurt its chances of surviving the upcoming round of military base closures, federal officials said.

"There's a lot more of that (contaminated land) than people ever thought," said Steve Vincze, a spokesman for the U.S. House Government Operations Committee.

The contamination has made the properties harder to sell, which is contributing to less-than-expected Pentagon savings from base closings, according to a study released last month by the General Accounting Office.

The GAO study cites severe environmental contamination as making it difficult to sell some former military land into private hands.

But, the contamination is so prevalent at bases nationwide that it probably will not affect the evaluation of Reese or other bases in the coming round of closures.

"We have to clean up the environmental contamination, whether (a base) is closed or not," said Pentagon spokesman Glenn Flood.

Preparation for the 1995 round of base closings already has begun with expectations of a bigger round than the three previous combined. The military is trying to cut costs and shrink the number of bases and depots to better fit a

smaller troop size. However, the GAO, the investigative wing of Congress, found that savings from 1988-1991 closure rounds have been far less than expected. Original Pentagon projections estimated revenues of \$4.1 billion from property sales off 120 base closures. So far, however, sales have produced only \$69.4 million.

The study found that much of the land made available by closing military bases merely was transferred to other federal agencies. Contamination also was cited for making it hard to market to the public.

U.S. Rep. Larry Combest, a Lubbock Republican, predicts there will be "some rethinking of the process" based on the recent GAO findings.

"The decisions about closures were based upon savings," Combest told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal for its Sunday editions. "But now they're becoming aware of the real savings versus just anticipated savings."

He said a new debate over the base closures probably will begin next month, when Republicans assume control of the House and Senate.

Flood defended the past closures, saying money has been saved despite lagging sales.

"The government saves whether we sell it or not simply by not operating the base," he said.

## Elders has 'no regrets' about speaking bluntly

WASHINGTON (AP) — Joycelyn Elders says she has no regrets about speaking frankly as surgeon general, even though it got her fired, and believes she raised awareness of social issues during two years in the Cabinet.

President Clinton demanded Elders' resignation Friday after

### 'Pulp Fiction' picked critics best '94 movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Quentin Tarantino's darkly funny crime saga "Pulp Fiction" was chosen 1994's best picture by the Los Angeles Film Critics Association.

"Pulp Fiction," which won the Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival this year, received four of the critics' awards. The winners were announced over the weekend.

In addition to best film, Tarantino was honored for his direction and screenplay and John Travolta was named best actor for his performance as a dimwitted drug-addicted henchman.

Jessica Lange was named best actress for her performance as an emotionally troubled woman in "Blue Sky."

Disney's box-office hit "The Lion King" was crowned best animated film.

The critics' career achievement award went to Academy Award-winning writer-director Billy Wilder ("Sunset Boulevard" and "The Apartment"), and Pauline Kael received a special award for her film criticism.

New York film critics plan to announce their 1994 picks on Thursday. The Los Angeles awards will be presented Jan. 17.

The winners:

—Picture: "Pulp Fiction."  
 —Direction: Quentin Tarantino.

—Actress: Jessica Lange, "Blue Sky."

—Actor: John Travolta, "Pulp Fiction."

—Supporting actress: Dianne Wiest, "Bullets Over Broadway."

—Supporting actor: Martin Landau, "Ed Wood."

—Screenplay: Quentin Tarantino based on stories by Tarantino and Roger Avery, "Pulp Fiction."

—Cinematography: Stefan Czapsky, "Ed Wood."

—Music: Howard Shore, "Ed Wood."

—Production design: Dennis Gossner, "The Hudsoner Proxy."

—Documentary: "Hoop Dreams," directed by Steve James in collaboration with Frederick Marx, Peter Gilbert, Gordon Quinn-Kartemquin Films.

—Foreign film: Krzysztof Kieslowski's "Red."  
 —Animation: "The Lion King."

learning that she had told reporters at an AIDS conference Dec. 1 that masturbation should be discussed in schools as part of human sexuality.

Clinton supported Elders when her previous comments on drugs, abortion and Medicaid drew criticism from conservatives. At a news conference Sunday at the Summit of the Americas in Miami, Clinton said Elders' firing had nothing to do with politics.

"There have been a number of things where we just have different positions," Clinton said, adding that a president is entitled to have people in top positions who agree with him.

In a taped interview broadcast Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press," Elders said that she remains friends with Clinton.

"I feel the president did what he felt he needed to do at this time," Elders said. "I'm very pleased that the president gave me the honor of being the surgeon general."

During her two years as surgeon general, Elders, a pediatric endocrinologist, said she believes she raised awareness by speaking out on such issues as teen pregnancies, AIDS, violence and poverty.

## DATE BOOK

Dec. 12, 1994

Today is the 346th day of 1994 and the 81st day of fall.

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1870, Joseph Hayne Rainey of Georgetown, S.C., became the first black to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** John Jay (1745-1829), U.S. statesman-jurist; William Lloyd Garrison (1805-1879), anti-slavery leader; Gustave Flaubert (1821-1880), writer; Edward G. Robinson (1893-1973), actor; Frank Sinatra (1915-), entertainer; is 79; Bob Barker (1923-), announcer-animal rights activist; is 71; Ed Koch (1924-), politician-film critic; is 70; Connie Francis (1938-), singer-actress; is 56; Dionne Warwick (1941-), singer; is 53; Tracy Austin (1962-), tennis player; is 32.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1982, during a snow storm, the New England Patriots defeated the Miami Dolphins 3-0 with a fourth quarter field goal. Just before the play was run, a snow sweeper cleared the spot where the ball was to be spotted.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "Say what you will about him... Ed Koch is still the best show in town. He steps on stage and draws the sword of rhetoric, and when he is through, someone is lying wounded and thousands of others are either angry or consoled." —Pete Hamill

**TODAY'S WEATHER:** On this day in 1882, Portland, Ore., set its all-time 24-hour precipitation record of 7.66 inches.

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**TODAY'S MOON:** Between first quarter (Dec. 9) and full moon (Dec. 18).

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# Obituaries



WELCH SCRIVNER  
**Welch Scrivner**

**1910-1994**  
Services are set for 11 a.m. Tuesday in the chapel of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for lifetime Dermott resident Andrew Welch Scrivner, 84, who died at 4:05 p.m. Sunday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

The Rev. Leslie Kelly, retired Baptist minister from Lubbock, will officiate.  
Born on Oct. 10, 1910, in Scurry County to Sallie and Boaz Scrivner, Mr. Scrivner farmed and ranched in the Dermott Community for many years. He was superintendent of the Dermott Community Church Sunday School. When that church was closed, he became a member of the Fluvanna First United Methodist Church.

He married Pauline Trussell in 1932. He later married Mae Lambert in 1958. She preceded him in death in 1964.  
Survivors include a son, Royce Scrivner of Dallas; two daughters, Shirley Miller and Kathy Hall, both of Snyder; one stepdaughter, Delores Merritt of Snyder; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; four step-grandchildren including Wayne Green; nine step great-grandchildren; and one step great-grandchild.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Texas Affiliate, 2209 N. Big Spring, Suite J, Midland, 79701; or the Dermott Cemetery Fund, in care of LaVerne Herring, 2105 43rd, Snyder.

## Eula Limbaugh

**1910-1994**  
WINCHESTER, Tenn. — Funeral services are pending in Winchester, Tenn., for Mrs. Eula Limbaugh who died at 10:45 a.m.

## ‘Sam’ Foster

**1918-1994**  
Services are set for 3:30 Tuesday in the chapel of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Glenn Edward “Sam” Foster of Hermleigh. The Rev. Rex Reynolds, pastor of Hermleigh’s First Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Hermleigh Cemetery.  
Mr. Foster, 76, died at 5:18 p.m. Sunday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.  
Born on March 2, 1918, in Caney, Ark., he married Gelda “Pete” Caffey in June of 1940, in Roscoe. Mr. Foster moved to Texas in 1928 and had been a Scurry County resident since 1939. He was a farmer and a World War II veteran, serving in the Air Force. He was a member of the First Baptist Church at Hermleigh where he served as a deacon.  
He was preceded in death by a brother, Dewain Foster in 1988.  
Survivors include his wife, Pete Foster of Hermleigh; one son and daughter-in-law, Doug and Belinda Foster of Hermleigh; one daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Wayne Winkles of Snyder; two brothers, J.W. Foster of Crosbyton and Cecil Foster of Lamesa; one sister, Amelia Hall of Wingate; and three grandchildren, Rodney Foster of Abilene, Vanessa Winkles of Brownwood and Valarie Winkles of Abilene.

## Bill Grimmert

**1911-1994**  
Funeral service for Billy Earl (Bill) Grimmert, 83, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Northside Baptist Church with Rev. Bob Rhodes, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow at Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.  
Mr. Grimmert died this morning at his residence.  
Born Oct. 22, 1911, in Jacksboro, he married Lilly Ruth Holmes on Feb. 17, 1931, in Sweetwater.  
Mr. Grimmert moved to Snyder in 1928 and was a co-founder of Grimmert Brothers Inc. He was a member of the Northside Baptist Church and a member of the local Masonic Lodge, past school board trustee and was co-recipient of the 1994 C.T. McLaughlin Award, presented by the chamber of commerce.  
Survivors include his wife, Lilly Ruth Grimmert of Snyder; two daughters, Earlene Gray of Snyder and Rita Lawrence of Sweetwater; four sons, Jacky Grimmert, Ray Max Grimmert and Frankie Grimmert of Snyder and Norman (Shorty) Grimmert of San Antonio; two sisters, Marie Plasburg and Lucille Cantrell, both of Santa Rosa, Calif.; a brother, Raymond Grimmert of Snyder; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

## Elvin C. White

**1906-1994**  
Graveside service was to be held at 2 p.m. today in the Hillside Memorial Gardens for Elvin Charles White, 88, of Snyder. Father Pat Maher of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church was to officiate.  
Mr. White died Saturday in the V.A. Hospital in Big Spring after a lengthy illness.  
He was born on July 20, 1906, in Conway, Okla. His wife, Bobbie White, preceded him in death on July 17, 1979.  
He is survived by special friends, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Castillo of Snyder.

## Leo Heath

**1904-1994**  
Memorial service is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church Chapel for Leo Heath, 90, of Snyder. The Rev. Marty Akins, pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.  
Mr. Heath died Sunday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.  
Born on June 19, 1904, in Lamson, Ala., he married Ora Reed in 1976 in Snyder. Mr. Heath moved to Kent County in 1913 and had been a Scurry County resident since 1924. He worked many years as a furniture salesman and was a member of the Apostolic Church. Mr. Heath married Lola Parsons in 1924. She died in 1969.  
Survivors include his wife, Ora Heath of Snyder; one son, Ray Heath of Snyder; two daughters and a son-in-law, Margie and Weldon Sumruld of Snyder and Betty Sue Shifflett of San Angelo; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

## Serb actions leave U.N. in bleak position

**SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP)** — Bosnian Serbs freed two Danish peacekeepers but shut down key U.N. functions today by blocking fuel shipments and aid convoys.  
U.N. operations were facing a “very tense and very bleak” situation, said spokesman Paul Risley at headquarters in Zagreb, Croatia.  
“All our convoys are blocked, or their movement restricted,” he said.  
The U.N. commander for Bosnia, Lt. Gen. Sir Michael Rose, was traveling to Bosnian Serb-held territory outside Sarajevo today to demand an end to the harassment.  
The Serbs have scoffed at U.N. demands throughout the 32-month war. On Saturday, Serbs blocked Rose from visiting U.N. soldiers trapped in Bihac in northwest Bosnia.  
Reports said shells hit Bihac and the government-held cities of Tuzla and Zenica in central and northern Bosnia. Serbs reported that government tanks fired on Brcko, a town in northern Bosnia in a crucial corridor of Serb-held land.  
U.N. operations were facing Bosnian Serb harassment on two fronts: the Serbs announced they would no longer let U.N. armored vehicles escort food convoys through their territory, and they were choking off the supply of fuel.  
Aid convoys are often delayed or looted, and the bar on U.N. escorts strips them of an important protection as they cross the 70 percent of Bosnia under Serb control.

## Justices let stand ruling that Chicago must pay overtime

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The Supreme Court today let stand a ruling that requires Chicago to provide overtime pay for its Fire Department paramedics, despite a warning the action could affect city treasuries nationwide.  
The court, without comment, turned away the city’s argument that federal law does not require it to provide such overtime pay for paramedics.  
In other actions today, the justices:  
— Ruled that the government must pay disability benefits to veterans injured by treatment at veterans’ hospitals even if the hospital was not at fault.  
— Turned down appeals from anti-abortion activists who say they wrongly are being sued as racketeers for blocking access to clinics and other efforts to stop women from having abortions.  
— Ruled that states may tax some of the income people receive from mutual funds that invest solely in U.S. government securities. The decision affects income earned on U.S. government securities that mutual funds buy through “repurchase agreements.”  
— Let stand the marijuana-growing conviction and five-year prison sentence of a St. Louis man who said police searched his home illegally because they used a high-tech, heat-measuring device without getting a court warrant.  
In the Chicago case, paramedics challenged the city’s claim they were exempt from overtime by a provision that also exempts firefighters.

## Fire department paramedics... Justices let stand ruling that Chicago must pay overtime

A landmark 1985 Supreme Court decision said Congress has almost unlimited power to force state and local governments to comply with the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act.  
The law generally requires all employers to provide overtime pay for those employees who work more than 40 hours in a week. Since 1974, Congress has allowed an exemption for government employees engaged in “fire protection” and “law enforcement.”  
The exemption allows state and local governments to depart from the conventional 40-hour work week for calculating overtime pay for some employees. For those in fire prevention, federal law lets



**OUTSTANDING STUDENTS** — Students at Stanfield Elementary chosen as Terrific Turkeys recently by their teachers for good citizenship and putting forth their best effort include, from left, first row, Glyn Wright, Eric Martinez, Celina Wilson, Jay Weaver, Jeremy Reed, Beau Reeves, Kayla Hartzog; second row, William Banks, Carolyn Shaw, Barrett Bowlin, Curtis Mason, Ashly Pavlovsky; Emily Jones, Bryan Clifton, Cade Simpson, Mallory Martinez, Garrett Pinson, Jason Cave, Tyler Hogan and not pictured, Jessica Robbins. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

## Chechen leaders start peace talks with Moscow officials

**GROZNY, Russia (AP)** — Chechen leaders began peace talks with Moscow today over who will control the breakaway republic as tanks and thousands of troops closed in on their capital in Russia’s biggest military action since 1979.  
“We have come to find peaceful means of settling the conflict,” the head of the Chechen delegation, Economics and Finance Minister Timaz Abubakarov, told reporters before talks with Russian representatives started this afternoon in Vladikavkaz, in neighboring North Ossetia.  
Backed by jets and helicopters skimming overhead, Russian troops and tanks resumed their advance toward the Chechen capital, Grozny, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported. The column, one of three that rolled into the region Sunday, moved through Gorsk village and was 12 miles northwest of Grozny today.  
Forces loyal to the Chechnya government fired rockets on the advancing troops, killing two and wounding several, the Interfax news agency reported today, citing an unidentified Russian government spokesman. Russia responded with helicopter attacks, destroying the rocket base, the report said.  
The decision to send as many as 40,000 troops was a major gamble for Russia President Boris Yeltsin, who has been criticized by both hawks and doves. Hundreds of hard-liners and Communists demonstrated against him today in heavy snow in Moscow; several dozen held a similar rally in St. Petersburg.  
“It is irresponsible to use the tragedy of the Chechen people, the pain of all Russia, for pre-election battles,” Yeltsin said in an address today to both houses of parliament.  
Yeltsin will face enormous political pressure if Russian troops become bogged down in fighting, but apparently hopes to force the Chechens to make concessions at the bargaining table without resorting to full-scale war.  
Chechnya’s hand was forced Sunday when Russian tanks, paratroopers and infantry advanced from three sides on Grozny, about 1,000 miles southeast of Moscow. The action was Moscow’s biggest military offensive since it sent troops into Afghanistan in December 1979.  
The crisis in Chechnya has been building for months, and on Friday, Yeltsin gave the go-ahead to use force.  
“Our goal is to find a political settlement of the problems,” he said in a statement issued in Moscow. Yeltsin spokesman Vyacheslav Kostikov told reporters today: “There will be no assault on Grozny.”

## Officers work numerous calls

Local law enforcement officers handled a myriad of calls over the weekend but no arrests were recorded.  
City officers responded to a call from the 900 block of James at 9:43 a.m. Saturday in reference to criminal mischief to mail boxes in the area.  
Officers investigated a hit and run accident at 1:07 p.m. at the Kingswood Apartments on 37th Street. Damage was limited to a fence at the apartments.  
A report of the theft of an 8-track tape player from the 2100 block of 41st Street was made at 2:03 p.m. Saturday.  
A shoplifter was taken to the police department from the Movie Stop at 2:57 p.m. and was later released to his father. A citation was issued and a report for Class C theft was reported.  
A caller reported a disturbance at 1:49 a.m. Sunday in the 3200 block of Hill Avenue. Officers filed an offense report for family violence.  
A Class B theft report was filed from the 3000 block of 23rd Street at 12:12 p.m. Sunday.  
Officers investigated a hit and run accident in the Wal-Mart parking lot at 4:28 p.m. Sunday. A 1981 Pontiac, owned by Frank Lopez of County Road 2215, was struck by a pickup that left the scene.  
At 5:52 p.m. Sunday, a woman reported that her children had found several syringes with needles by the trash can in the Towle Park pavilion.  
Officers investigated a minor accident that occurred at 5:34 p.m. Sunday at the intersection of 37th Street and College Avenue. Involved were a 1984 Ford pickup driven by Melissa Horn, 3302 Irving, and a 1993 Chevrolet pickup driven by James Collom, Box 8, Ira.

## Hospital Notes

**ADMISSIONS:** Opal Eicke, Rt. 2 Box 98; Wanda Benbenek, Snyder Oaks Care Center; Regina Massey, 1710 Scott.  
**DISMISSALS:** Vickie Villegas and baby, Linda Garza and baby. Census: 45 (Med-3, Long-Term Care-32, CCU-3, OB-4, Nursery-3).

## Births

Clois and Regina Massey announce the birth of their daughter born at 1:36 p.m. on Dec. 11 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital weighing eight pounds, eight ounces.

## Markets Middy Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)	High	Low	Last
AMR Corp	50 1/8	49 1/4	49 1/4 -5/8
AT&T Corp	49 1/2	48 7/8	49 3/8 +1/4
AirTouch	26 5/8	26 3/8	26 5/8 +3/8
Albertsons	28	27 5/8	28 +1/4
AllSignal s	31 7/8	31 1/2	31 3/4 -1/8
Alltel	27 3/4	27 5/8	27 3/4 -1/8
AmStrech	25 1/2	25 1/8	25 3/8 +3/8
Ameritech	41 3/8	40 5/8	40 3/4 -1/2
Amoco	62 1/8	61	61 1/4 -3/8
AndarPrt	39 5/8	39 1/8	39 1/8
ArmcoInc	61 7/8	57 7/8	57 7/8 -1/8
AtlRichfd	102 3/4	101 7/8	102 5/8 +1/2
Aviall	75 7/8	71 7/8	75 7/8 +1/8
BakerHughes	175 7/8	173 7/8	175 7/8 +1/8
BancTexas	1	1	1
BellAtl	50 1/8	49 3/4	49 7/8 +1/4
BellSouth	53 3/8	53	53 1/8
BethSteel	17 5/8	17 1/2	17 1/2 -1/8
Borden	13 1/4	13 1/8	13 1/8 -1/8
BritPet	75 1/2	75 1/8	75 3/8 +1/8
Caterpillar s	52	51 3/4	51 1/2 +5/8
ChemWest	23 1/8	22 7/8	23
Chevrron	49 3/8	42 7/8	49 3/8 +1/2
Chrysler	47 3/8	46 3/4	47 +1/8
Coastal	26 1/2	26 3/8	26 3/8 -1/8
CocaCola	50 1/8	49 7/8	50
ColgatePalm	61 1/8	60 7/8	61 +1/8
ComMet s	25 5/8	25 1/4	25 5/8 +3/8
Cooperia	32 1/8	32	32 1/8 -1/8
CyprusAmax	26 1/8	25 7/8	26 +1/8
DallSemina	14 5/8	14 3/8	14 3/8 -1/4
DeltaAirl	47 5/8	47	47 1/4 +1/4
DigitalEq	33 3/4	32 3/4	32 7/8 -1/8
Disco	26 3/4	25 7/8	26 -3/8
DowChem	65 5/8	62 7/8	63 1/4 +3/8
DresserInd	18 3/4	18 1/2	18 3/4 +1/8
DuPont	54	53 1/2	53 5/8 -1/4
EastmanChem	47	46 5/8	46 3/4 +1/8
EstKodak	45 5/8	45 1/4	45 3/8 -1/4
EljerdInd	53 1/4	53 1/4	53 1/4
Enserch	13	12 7/8	12 7/8 -1/8
Entergy	22 1/2	22 1/4	22 1/4 -1/4
Exxon	61 7/8	61 3/8	61 7/8 +1/4
FlowerInd	17 3/4	17 3/4	17 3/4 -1/8
FordMotor s	26 1/8	25 3/4	25 7/8 -1/8
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GenDynam s	43 1/8	42 5/8	42 5/8 +4
GenElec s	47 1/4	46 1/2	46 3/4 -1/8
GenMills	55 1/4	54 5/8	54 3/4 -1/4
GenMotors	37 5/8	37 1/8	37 3/8 +1/8
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IBM	71 3/8	70 3/8	70 5/8 -7/8
IntlPaper	72 3/4	71 3/4	71 3/4 -1/4
JohnsJan s	52 7/8	52 1/4	52 3/8 -5/8
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Litton	34 1/8	34	34 -1/8

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**SERVICE AWARDS** — Receiving five-year pins at the annual Cogdell Memorial Hospital Christmas and service awards banquet at Scurry County Coliseum Thursday were, from right, Margie Brown, Shelley Gannon, Margo Grant,

David Hoops, Laverne Kitchens, Dorothy Lloyd, Tillie Rios, Pauline Strain and Betty Woodard. Not pictured are Pat Camp, Fran Horn, Margaret Kruger, Marilyn Lockhart and Brenda Row. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

## Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

### Infection may rupture ear drum

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** Please explain a perforated ear drum. Can the word "perforated" be used to describe any other part of the hearing mechanism except the drum?

**DEAR READER:** The ear drum is a tough but thin membrane that separates the middle ear chamber, containing the bones that help us to hear, from the outer ear (external ear canal). The ear drum may rupture from an injury (such as pushing a cotton swab too deeply into the ear) or from a middle ear infection that causes the drum to burst.

In either event, a perforation (hole) is formed. Ordinarily, the perforation causes no symptoms and will heal, over time, without therapy. However, if the perforation is large (or if the trauma or infection is recurrent), it may not mend.

Such a chronic perforation is often associated with persisting inflammation of the middle ear, leading to tinnitus (ringing in the ear) and loss of hearing. In these instances, otolaryngologists must operate to place a

patch over the perforation or otherwise repair it.

The word "perforation" is not customarily used to describe any other component of the hearing mechanism, although the word is a perfectly valid medical expression that describes a hole or defect in any organ, tissue or structure.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Ear Infections and Disorders." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I suffer from post-polio syndrome and wonder what's in store for me. I now have trouble standing and walking, and my legs seem to collapse more and more.

**DEAR READER:** Post-polio syndrome is the sudden and progressive weakness that may strike patients many years after the original infection. The cause is unknown, but many experts consider the syndrome to be the result of a re-activation of dormant polio viruses within the body.

The prognosis is, to use a medical term, guarded. Some patients experience mild weakness, others a more serious form. Treatment, such as physical therapy, appears to offer improvement — or at least it helps patients overcome their disabilities.

In my view, those individuals who suffer from post-polio syndrome should be under the care of neurologists, with help from physiatrists (specialists in rehabilitation).

To give you more information, I suggest that you write to the Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute for Rehabilitation, P.O. Box 1000, Warm Springs, GA 31830-0268. Literature is available on request.

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#### DR. GOTT

PETER GOTT, M.D.



## Relatives get millions in suit after wrong lung is removed

**FORT WORTH (AP)** — The survivors of a cancer patient whose doctors mistakenly removed the wrong lung will receive an out-of-court settlement of \$5.5 million.

The lawsuit named seven defendants who were involved in the wrongful death of Benjamin H. Jones Jr. The botched surgery was discovered a year after Jones' death.

Jones' relatives have alleged there was a conspiracy and they plan to take another 20 defendants to court May 1.

In spite of his bad lung, medical experts who examined his autopsy report said Jones stood a 60 percent chance of surviving had he received radiation therapy in time.

Jones and his wife testified that he didn't get treatments because a specialist said it would only add another two to three months to his life. The cancer hadn't spread beyond the tumor.

The 59-year-old retired tool-maker underwent surgery in July 1991. He died of lung cancer in February.

Osteopathic Medical Center of Texas, two radiologists, five other physicians and 12 health organizations are named. They say they did nothing wrong.

Attorney E. Earl Harcrow says the hospital had acted properly and doesn't believe there was a conspiracy. He said the hospital

will fight it out in court.

Surgeon Robert B. McFaul, now practicing in San Antonio, was one of the key doctors involved in Jones' care. He and the others named in the lawsuit also

say there was no cover-up.

Jones said he found out about the surgical mistake while examining his medical records in 1992.



**15-YEAR PIN** — Jeff Mason, physical therapist at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, and not pictured Lucille Clinkenbeard, operating room, both received 15-year service awards at the hospital's annual Christmas banquet Thursday evening in the coliseum from CEO Jeff Reecer. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

## Crash victims remembered in service

**COMSTOCK PARK, Mich.** (AP) — School programs and his parents' warnings weren't enough to stop 16-year-old Robert Schumaker from speeding off, legally drunk, with three friends in his sports car.

He lost control on a curve and hit a tree, splitting his Camaro in two and cutting their young lives short.

"I never imagined you would take that risk with your life and my heart. But you did," read a poem by an unidentified student recited at a crowded memorial service Sunday for Schumaker, Eric Wilson, 17, Jason Shuker, 17, Terra Koning, 14.

"I want to scream, I want to cry. But what good would it do? ... If you were here, what would you say? Learn from my mistakes, cuz I can't go back?" said the poem written for Schumaker.

The deaths last Sunday of the four friends raised again the weary and frantic question: how to convince teens that drinking and driving don't mix.

Most of the teen-agers in this small town near Grand Rapids have known each other since elementary school. The victims lived within two miles of the crash.

"Disheartening puts it mildly," said Jonathan Prinz, principal at Comstock Park High School. "Frustration is better. We are very frustrated here."

The 450-student school has almost a dozen programs on the dangers of drunken driving. Drug and alcohol awareness classes are part of the curriculum.

Some students do get the message, Prinz said.

"But knowledge isn't always going to change behavior," he said. "Preaching is certainly not going to do it. Scare tactics don't work."



## Man Reminded of Smoking's Toll Every Time He Opens His Mouth

by Abigail Van Buren

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**DEAR ABBY:** I'm writing as a follow-up to your column on the Great American Smokeout.

Many people die as a result of smoking, while others manage to live long and productive lives. In my case, I quit smoking the day I found out that I had cancer of the tongue.

During the course of a year, I had cobalt radiation, iridium implants twice, plus two major surgeries to remove my tongue and left jaw. Due to the expertise of my surgeon, almost 17 years later, I am here to write this letter.

As a result of my smoking, I have no sense of smell, and I lost about 90 percent of my ability to taste. I have one-half of a lower jaw, no teeth (although I do have an upper denture), and it takes me an hour to eat an average meal.

What has kept me going? Positive thinking. Also, I have become a health nut, and if I told you how many vitamins I take daily, you wouldn't believe me. I walk two to five miles a day, rain or shine.

Because of me, nearly 100 people have quit smoking. All it took was for them to take a look into my "gorgeous" mouth.

To those who continue to smoke two packs or more a day, try to imagine what it's like to have no tongue! Keep smoking and you may find out!

HOWARD SINGER, HOLLYWOOD

**DEAR HOWARD:** Thank you for the powerful warning you sounded by sharing your experience. It also gives me a chance to warn my readers about another tobacco-related pitfall.

In 1994, the U.S. surgeon general reported that more than 3 million teen-agers smoke cigarettes. In addition, 20 percent of male high school students now regularly use chewing or "smokeless" tobacco. The Federal Center for Substance Abuse Prevention reports that the number of 12- to 17-year-olds who smoke has not declined, and the use of chewing tobacco is gaining popularity.

Experts in addictions fear

that if we do not curb the use of smokeless tobacco by our young people, the rate of oral cancer will skyrocket over the next decade or two. And it should not be assumed that teens are merely substituting one life-threatening practice for another: In the surgeon general's report, 43 percent of male high school seniors who use smokeless tobacco products also smoke cigarettes.

Young people: Ask not for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee.

**DEAR ABBY:** You had a letter in your column from a reader who had recently become a vegetarian, and it was her turn to host the family dinner.

You suggested that she serve some vegetarian dishes along with her family's traditional fish.

Abby, apparently you are not aware that vegetarians not only do not eat the flesh of animals and fishes, neither do they prepare it for others to eat.

NEVADA VEGETARIAN

**DEAR VEGETARIAN:** I confess I had always believed that strict vegetarians did not eat meat. I was not aware that they do not prepare meat and fish for others.

Lenna Mae Gara of Bloomington, Ohio, suggested a compromise: Let her mother or another family member who is not a vegetarian bring the traditional fish. That way, she can follow her own conscience while the others eat what they want.

Abby shares more of her favorite, easy-to-prepare recipes. To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, More Favorite Recipes, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61064-0447. (Postage is included.)

## Methodists look at hospital merger

**SAN ANTONIO (AP)** — Methodist Hospital will merge with one of the nation's biggest hospital holding companies under an agreement between the company and the United Methodist Church.

The agreement between ColumbiaHCA Healthcare Corp. and South Texas United Methodist leaders will create a five-hospital conglomerate to be known as the Methodist Healthcare System.

The conglomerate will have a 1,500-bed capacity and an estimated 25 to 30 percent share of the San Antonio hospital market.

Methodist leaders approved the merger Saturday during a meeting at the Alamo Heights United Methodist Church.

They hailed the partnership as an opportunity to spread the hospital ministry beyond their 30-year-old facility, located in the South Texas Medical Center complex. "Our plan was always to find a partner who would allow us to continue our mission," said Taylor S. Boone, president of the Methodist Hospital board of trustees.

Church and ColumbiaHCA officials said no employee layoffs are anticipated.

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**COGDELL'S OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEES** — Employees chosen by co-workers as Employee of the Month the past year were recognized at the annual Cogdell Memorial Hospital Christmas banquet Thursday at the Scurry County Coliseum. From right are Katy Bailey, November 1993; Helen Crouse, December 1993;

Cheryl Chance, January; Christy Brown, February; Bonnie Carroll, May; Wanda Stansell, July; Roger Garza, August; Teresa Herrera, September; Nelda Baze, October. Not pictured are Frank Alarcon, April; and Karen Franklin, June. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

**Pre-high school children...**

# Study reports increase in drug usage

WASHINGTON (AP) — One in four schoolchildren has used illegal drugs before reaching high school, according to researchers who say drug use among American youngsters is "getting worse at a fairly rapid pace."

A University of Michigan study released today found that while use of illegal drugs, particularly marijuana, continued to rise among all teen-agers this year, the trend was most disturbing among younger children.

Among eighth-graders, 25 percent acknowledged use of illicit drugs at some point in their lifetimes, a figure that rose to 35 percent when inhalants were included. Both figures were up about 3 percentage points from 1993.

Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, Education Secretary Richard Riley and Lee Brown, director of the White House's Office of National Drug Control Policy, were releasing the study in Washington today.

Michigan's Institute for Social Research began studying teen-age drug abuse rates in 1975. It tracked an expansion of drug abuse into the late 1970s, a substantial de-

cline that lasted through 1991, and a resurgence since then.

Lloyd D. Johnston, one of three researchers who conducted the study, linked this rise to the message young people are getting today about drugs. "They are hearing much less about the dangers of drugs and seeing more glamorization of drugs," he said.

Johnston pointed to findings that 35 percent of eighth-graders, almost 43 percent of 10th-graders and almost half of 12th-graders have used illegal drugs including inhalants, all up from recent years. "It is a problem which is getting worse at a fairly rapid pace," he said.

The report found that the rise in marijuana use was the most striking. Among eighth-graders, 13 percent said they had smoked marijuana in the past year, double the rate in 1991. The rate among 10th-graders jumped from 16 percent in 1991 to 25 percent this year, while the increase was from 24 percent to 31 percent for high school seniors.

In the report, Johnston said he believed greater marijuana use increases the pool of young people willing to consider other drugs.

He said seniors who saw marijuana as creating a risk for involvement in heavier drugs went from 35 percent in 1978 to 79 percent in 1991, but has since declined to 65 percent.

Use of harder drugs such as LSD and other hallucinogens, stimulants, cocaine and crack did not show significant increases from 1993, but remained at high levels.

Almost 7 percent of seniors acknowledged use of LSD in the past year, while 3.6 percent said they had used cocaine and 2 percent crack cocaine.

About 52,000 students from 420 public and private secondary schools filled out questionnaires for the survey, Johnston said. The overall margin of error was between 1 and 2 percentage points.

Use of inhalants — which has been rising intermittently since the early 1980s — is highest during early adolescence. Inhalants can include legal products found around the home such as glue and cleansers.

One out of every five or six students at each grade level has tried an inhalant, the study said, but current use is highest among eighth-graders.

Although alcohol consumption was down in earlier studies, there was no decline at any grade level in 1994, according to the study. Half of 12th-graders and one-quarter of eighth-graders said they had had alcoholic drinks in the past 30 days.

The yearly study is funded by a series of grants from the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

## Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 4-5-9 (four, five, nine)

## Woman arrested for leaving children in car

EL PASO (AP) — A woman has been charged with child endangerment after police found two-year-old twins had been left alone in a car for more than an hour in 37-degree weather.

The woman said she had been baby-sitting the twins, a girl and a boy, and left the children in the car early Sunday while she drank at a

bar, according to police spokesman Sgt. Bill Pfeil.

The children were dressed only in diapers and T-shirts, police said.

Meredith Anne Campbell, 30, was jailed in lieu of \$2,500 bond late Sunday.

The names of the children and their mother were not released.

**Astro-graph** By Bernice Bede Osol

**Your Birthday**  
Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1994

Your material conditions will probably improve in the year ahead. This could be due, in part, to starting a new job with greater benefits.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** It is usually best to let our hearts rule our heads when making decisions concerning friends. Today, however, this policy could complicate matters. Major changes are ahead for Sagittarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 44659 New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Someone who has manipulated you in the past might try using flattery today to pull your strings again.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Try not to boast about things today if you haven't accomplished them yet. If you miss the mark or fall short, it could prove embarrassing.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Guard against the inclination today to view important developments not as they actually are, but as you would like them to be.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You may have substantial material gains today, but there is also an indication that you might be reluctant to share what others helped you acquire.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Today you might make adjustments or concessions above and beyond what is necessary to appease someone important to you. Be fair without being foolish.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Your ideas are reasonably good today, but you might implement them in a counterproductive manner. Be assertive, but also use your head.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** You are usually a very tactful and charming person socially. Today, however, you are prone to say or do extremely rude things. Be careful.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You can handle today's unfortunate developments in a manner that will not tarnish your image. However, your associates might not be so lucky.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** If you are

selling a product or promoting an issue today, limit your presentation to the facts. Attempts to embellish could cost you customers.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Doing things for others only in hopes of getting something better in return is self-defeating. When you offer your help, your greatest reward will be the act itself.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Your partners might handle collective interests more competently than you today. Instead of rejecting their efforts, it's in your best interest to cooperate.

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## Sheriff resigns

TYLER (AP) — Wood County Sheriff Frank White must resign in return for dismissal of felony charges of sexual assault and indecency with a child, state officials said.

White pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor assault charge in exchange for dismissal of three felony counts: two of indecency with a child and one of aggravated sexual assault.

"He pleaded guilty to the Class A misdemeanor of assault. He will be sentenced on Jan. 3," said Ron Dusek, a spokesman for the Texas attorney general's office.

The charges stem from incidents that allegedly occurred more than 10 years ago, Dusek said.

Trial was scheduled to begin Monday in Canton, where it was moved on a change of venue because of news coverage about the case in the East Texas town of Quitman, the seat of Wood County.

"The victim and her mother testified to the court that they were in agreement with and supported the plea bargain. They did not want to go through the ordeal of a trial," Dusek said.

White was first elected sheriff in 1985 and is midway through his third term. Previously, he was a Department of Public Safety trooper in Wood County.

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# Some ATR travelers approve shut down

CHICAGO (AP) — Travelers whose flights were canceled Sunday on American Eagle ATR planes weren't your typical stranded commuters. Many were relieved, not angry.

"I prefer to be alive and driving a rental car," said Craig Haskell, a businessman whose flight from O'Hare to Bloomington, Ill., was among those scratched.

American Eagle grounded all 41 ATR commuter airplanes at O'Hare International Airport on

Saturday, a day after the government banned the turboprop aircraft from flying in icy weather.

Ice on the wings has been suspected in the Oct. 31 crash of an American Eagle ATR-72 in Rose-lawn, Ind., that killed all 68 people aboard. The cause of the crash is under investigation.

The temporary shutdown affects thousands of travelers across the nation since Chicago is the hub for departures and arrivals in the Midwest.

Thirty-two cities will not be served by American Eagle from O'Hare until at least Dec. 15, when the company expects to re-

place the ATR-72s and smaller ATR-42s with Swedish-built SAAB 340 planes. In the past, American Eagle only used ATRs at the airport, the nation's busiest.

Rob Olson, who was in line with his wife at the American Eagle ticket counter trying to get home to Greenville, S.C., said he had no problem with the decision by the American Airlines subsidiary.

"I'm glad the pilots were concerned," he said, referring to several pilots' refusal to fly the planes in icy conditions even before the government and airline intervened.

"I'd rather hear it from the pilots; I don't trust the airlines," Olson said.

The Federal Aviation Administration on Friday banned ATRs from flying in icy weather, following a new study.

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