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Ask Us

Q—Now that the chamber has taken over operations of the coliseum for 1995, will dates have to be reserved again for events already booked.

A—No. Any event that has already been booked will be honored. Prices quoted will be also honored, according to the chamber.

Local

Video series

The Family Life series continues at 7 p.m. Monday on Cablevision Channel 2 with "Faith and Discovery: Where Does Faith Come From?"

Lucky 13

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

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.

Cowboy Ball

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

Tiger's Lair

Friday is the last day to order a copy of the 1995 Tiger's Lair at \$35; the price will be \$40 beginning Jan. 2. A deposit of \$20 is necessary to old the price at \$35, with the balance due by Feb. 1.

For further information, call Diane Arnold at 573-6301, ext. 35.

CHM board

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers, meeting at 8 o'clock Thursday morning, will consider the monthly financial report and accounts payable.

Other items on the agenda are a Texas Department of Criminal Justice report and approval of medical staff appointments and reappointments.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Tuesday, 52 degrees; low, 42 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 46 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1994 to date, 11.55 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of rain. Low around 40 to the lower 40s. Wind becoming east to southeast 5-15 mph. Thursday, mostly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of rain. High in the mid 50s. East to southeast wind 10-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:42. *Sunrise Thursday, 7:35. Of 347 days in 1994, the sun has shone 340 days in Snyder.



WEDNESDAY

Snyder Daily News



TDCJ REGIONAL MEETING — Wardens and other personnel from prison units within the newly-created northwest region of the Texas Department of Corrections were meeting in Snyder today. Price Daniel senior warden T. J. Medart (right) was the host for the day-long session while regional director John Gilbert (center) presided at the meeting. Sherman Pennington, a captain at the Wallace Unit in Colorado City, was among those in attendance. (SDN Staff Photo)

Former Snyder man appears before federal district judge

LUBBOCK — Johannas J. Eicke, one of three persons charged in a \$1 trillion banking scam, appeared before Federal District Judge Sam Cummings this morning.

Arraignment of Johannas Eicke

has been pending since his return to Lubbock on Dec. 7 after being arrested in Detroit on Oct. 28.

Judge Cummings said arraignment would be held as soon as Eicke has an attorney to represent him. Eicke told Judge Cummings

that he had interviewed several attorneys.

The defendant was told by the judge that unless an attorney is on the record by Friday, the court would appoint a federal public defender.

In his appearance before the judge, Johannas questioned the court's jurisdiction and whether it recognized common law. He also asked if the judge honored the decisions of other states.

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HISD board to pull funds from TexPool

After lengthy discussion Tuesday, Hermleigh school board trustees decided to withdraw about a half-million dollars from TexPool.

"I don't think it's going to go under, but the panic has made a lot of people nervous and jittery, and being as that is all we've got as a nest egg, we don't want to jeopardize it," said Supt. Jerry Church.

"If it's your own money, you might go ahead and leave it in, but as a school, we have to take a little more conservative approach."

The fear around TexPool centers around troubled Orange County, Calif., which has suffered key financial losses, linked to risky investments in derivatives. Panic began when a Wall Street Journal article compared TexPool's investments to those of Orange County.

State Treasurer Martha Whitehead has said TexPool had only 2 percent of its holding in derivatives and those have been sold. Despite her reassurances, TexPool investors have pulled out almost \$1 billion, or 19 percent of the fund's assets.

Church said that the short-term gain by keeping the \$500,000 in TexPool might mean just \$1,000

to \$1,500 more for the district. Trustees also reviewed the school report card on Tuesday. The seven-page report details TAAS results, drop out rates, col-

(See TRUSTEES, Page 8)



Letters due

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 no later than Thursday, Dec. 15, in order for them to be forwarded to the North Pole in time for Christmas.

Ira board approves trip, takes no action on request

Ira ISD board of trustees, meeting Tuesday, approved senior trip plans, the school report card and an interagency agreement, but took no action on a request to amend the school calendar.

Carol McDonald, CPA from Abilene, outlined a clean audit for the board. Trustees also approved bills, a local policy update and previous minutes.

Board members reviewed and approved plans for the senior trip, which will be held following graduation. The seniors will fly to Orlando, Fla.

The board also adopted the school report card. The seven-page document gives TAAS results, attendance rates, admission rates to college and other information. A copy of the report will be sent to parents, along with student

report cards, in January. The board also approved the campus improvement plan and an interagency agreement to join a multi-region purchasing cooperative.

Board members took no action on a request to amend the 1994-95 calendar. Specifically, the request was to allow teachers to have a holiday on Jan. 2. That date is a holiday for students, but a workday for teachers. By taking no action, the day will remain as a teacher workday.

Trustees took no action after meeting in executive session for the annual appraisal of the superintendent.

All board members were present Tuesday. The next meeting for Ira trustees will be Jan. 12.

Robbery charges are filed against 3 Snyder women

BIG SPRING — Three Snyder women have been charged with robbery in Howard County, in connection with an incident which occurred Tuesday at the Wal-Mart Super Center.

Elizabeth Lopez, 19, Neri Elizabeth Sandoval, 19, and Olga C. Marez, 33, who all gave Snyder addresses in their statements to detectives, have been charged with felony robbery, according to Sgt. Victor Brake of the Big Spring Police Department.

Bond was set at \$10,000 for each of the women. According to Big Spring police, Sandoval and Marez have been released on bond. Lopez was still in custody at the Howard County Jail this morning.

The incident started around 10:45 a.m. Tuesday when Wal-Mart employee Debbie Williams attempted to detain the women in the parking lot for suspected shoplifting. As the women tried to drive off in a 1988 Pontiac, Williams was caught by the vehicle and was dragged several blocks.

"She apparently got caught on the driver's side of the vehicle somehow and was carried several blocks before the car came to a stop and the occupants pushed her away," said Sgt. Blake.

The suspects then fled north from Big Spring on Highway 350, pursued by several citizens, who reported the vehicle in the northeast part of Howard County. Among the agencies trying to locate the suspects were units from the Big Spring Police Department, Howard County Sheriff's Department, Department of Public

Safety and members of the Permian Basin Drug Task Force Unit.

The driver of the vehicle eventually lost control of the car and it rolled over on a dirt road northeast of Coahoma where the suspects were apprehended.

The ordeal lasted about 15 to 20 minutes, said Sgt. Blake.

The Wal-Mart employee, Williams, was treated and released at the Scenic Mountain Hospital emergency room.

Sgt. Blake said the crime of shoplifting becomes robbery "if, during the commission of the theft, the subjects either knowingly, intentionally or recklessly attempt to injure someone."

17 have entered lighting contest

Seventeen households have already entered the Christmas Lighting Contest, sponsored by the Goalcoats organization of the chamber of commerce.

The deadline to enter is Friday. Judging will be held the evening of Dec. 21.

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.

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.

There is no entry fee.



WOOD CHIPPER — Snyder was one of eight cities selected to receive funds through a Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) waste reduction, recycling and composting grant totaling \$106,910. A portion of the grant funds was used to purchase a wood chipper. Limbs and brush may be taken to the landfill

at no charge. They will be chipped into mulch which will be offered back to the public. Pictured from left are Elias Torres, sanitation foreman; Joe Fogle, sanitation superintendent; Carolyn House, solid waste management coordinator; and Winona Henry, regional manager for TNRCC. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Eyes are in the front because it's more important to look ahead than back."

For years, the U.S. Post Office and local newspapers have joined forces to ensure that letters addressed to Santa get to the North Pole in time for orders to be filled.

Often letters with very sketchy addresses make their way into Santa's mailbag. But letters to Santa may very well be a tradition that is on its way out.

High-tech may be taking over, but it won't necessarily be cheap.

One of the latest holiday schemes to get people parted with greenbacks comes from a company called North Pole Enterprises Inc. A news release describes itself as a telephone management service bureau.

Parents, friends or relatives may call an 800 number to arrange to have ole St. Nick call a child of their choice. The service asks for a few basic

facts about the child's interests - names of pets, favorite toys, hobbies, etc. — to make sure Santa's personal file is up to date.

At a pre-arranged time, the jolly man himself will call and chat with the designated kid for three to four minutes. During the call, Santa will drop a few of the facts to help ensure the child's continued confidence in Santa.

The bright-eyed kid also gets to tell Santa what's on his wish list. The average call is around \$12, but most parents have certainly done stranger and more expensive things to help further the magic of the Christmas season.

Only one thing was a little bothersome about the news release. It says the company also offers personalized letters from Santa for "kids too busy to get to the phone."

We may have just discovered a giant flaw in our society — kids too busy to talk to Santa?

Maybe the kids can sign up for call waiting, put a cellular phone on their tricycle or perhaps just fax their wish list to the North Pole.



Man on parole for murder pleads guilty to killing wife

GREENVILLE (AP) — A man on parole for the 1980 abduction and shooting of a Greenville woman pleaded guilty Tuesday to murdering his wife.

Charles Henry Tarver, 48, of Greenville, can be sentenced to

life in prison for his guilty plea, District Attorney F. Duncan Thomas said. Tarver is scheduled to be sentenced Thursday.

"There was no plea bargain in this case, and we will obviously be seeking a life sentence," Thomas

said. The guilty plea came after a court-appointed psychiatrist concluded that Tarver was competent to stand trial.

Tarver was charged after the body of his wife, Marilyn Keith Tarver, 34, was found in the trunk of a car at a Greenville church in July. Mrs. Tarver had been shot in the head with a handgun, police said.

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

What causes carpal tunnel syndrome?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I appear to be suffering from carpal tunnel syndrome and would like information from you on this condition.

DEAR READER: Often seen in people who engage in repetitive hand activity (such as computer keyboard operators), carpal tunnel syndrome is a common disorder caused by inflammation of a band of tissue in the heel of the hand. This constricting band presses on nerves, leading to periodic tingling and numbness — usually of the third, fourth and fifth fingers.

The symptoms, which frequently occur at night or when the hand is held in certain positions, can be nerve-racking. The diagnosis is established by a nerve-conduction study that reveals nerve compression.

In many instances, avoidance of the repetitive hand activity, the use of a special splint and physical therapy, as well as prescription anti-inflammatory medication may solve the problem.

However, surgery to release the constricting band may be necessary.

Patients with carpal tunnel syndrome should be under the care of orthopedic specialists.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 6-year-old granddaughter is very susceptible to insect bites and develops welts when stung. Is there anything that can be given in the way of medication to alter the reaction of her system? Repellents do not appear to give any protection.

DEAR READER: Some people react violently to insect bites of one kind or another. This constitutes an allergy and, therefore, can often be helped by anti-histamines, such as non-prescription Benadryl or Chlortrimeton.

Serious reactions may require prescription cortisone drugs, although these medicines should be used with caution and for limited periods because they can produce unwanted side effects in the body.

Most people with insect-bite allergies can successfully avoid problems by using suitable clothing to prevent exposure or by applying insect repellents. Because some repellents work better than others, several may have

to be tried before deciding on the most effective product. In addition, people with insect sting allergies should be tested and possibly treated with desensitization injections by an allergist.

Itchy welts or hives are best treated with cold compresses, along with anti-histamines in pills, liquids or lotions.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Allergies." 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.

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Head Start faces increased scrutiny

WASHINGTON (AP) — Years of steady growth in the Head Start program are likely to come to an end as Republicans promise tougher scrutiny and tighter budgets for the program.

A cornerstone of the 1960s war on poverty, Head Start has grown steadily over the years and now

provides comprehensive education and health services to 745,000 low-income, preschool children in thousands of classrooms nationwide.

Backed by a grassroots network of parents, teachers and community leaders, Head Start became a part of President Reagan's safety net in the 1980s when other anti-poverty programs were being slashed.

A decade later, when the deficit led to cuts in programs for the poor, such as emergency food assistance, Head Start continued to claim a larger slice of the federal budget.

With the Republican takeover of Congress, the days of steady expansions for Head Start may be over. But there have been no promises to dismantle the program from GOP lawmakers who say the Great Society social programs ruin the poor and create a culture of violence, and who propose drastic changes in the way cash and food benefits are provided to

the elderly, disabled and single-parent families.

"I don't think Republicans are going to mess with Head Start. It's just a hot button. There's no sense in rattling that cage," says Rep. E. Clay Shaw Jr., a Florida Republican who is in line to oversee welfare reform as the chairman of the House Ways and Means subcommittee on human resources.

"Head Start is generally working. We can do a lot better, but it's doing a lot of good for a lot of folks," Shaw said in an interview.

Rep. Bill Goodling, R-Pa., who will take over the House Education and Labor Committee in January and oversee Head Start, says the program will get serious scrutiny and could see its \$3.5 billion budget temporarily frozen.

"I don't know how you ever get a deficit problem under control unless you're ready to do a hard freeze on everything," Goodling said in an interview.

Because of the financial squeeze, Goodling said, Congress

will examine Head Start's recent expansion to infants and toddlers, known as Early Head Start, and possible duplication among other federal education and child-care programs for preschoolers.

A recent study by the General Accounting Office found that the federal government runs more than 90 early childhood programs.

The GAO, the congressional investigative agency, said these child-care and preschool programs are operating in a patchwork way and may be providing similar services.

Goodling said money is spread so thin among some early childhood programs that they "don't amount to much. We'll be looking at consolidating, eliminating and improving, all of these things."

The quality of local Head Start classrooms is also certain to be part of his oversight.

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We've got that hometown spirit and we're passing it around!

Dear Santa,
 I am so excited about Christmas, but I am curious about you and your business in the North Pole. Enclosed with my Christmas list are some questions. How do you manage and get the money to make so many gifts?

Love,
 Curious Girl

Dear Little Girl,
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Santa

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Grave robbers dig up, steal woman's body

DALLAS (AP) — During the dead of night, someone dug up the grave of a Dallas woman who was buried just four days earlier and snatched her body for reasons some would rather not hazard a guess.

A Restland Memorial Park maintenance worker found the un-

earthed plot of Texas Tech student Melinda Ann Lee early Tuesday.

"I have no idea what would prompt someone to do such a heinous act," said Restland Memorial Park President David Clayton.

Between sundown and sunrise, someone dug up the grave, bored through a concrete tomb cover and

then cracked open the coffin to reach Ms. Lee's body, said Dallas County Sheriff Jim Bowles at a Tuesday afternoon news conference.

"The Sheriff's Department responded to perhaps as hideous or heinous a crime as we've been called on to investigate in all our recollection, insofar as the absolute idiocy of it, the coldness of it, the cruelty of it," said Bowles.

The grave robbery is the first in Dallas County in 50 years.

"There was no evidence as to how they had broken through the concrete vault and entered the casket, but our detectives believe it required them most of the night to do it," sheriff's spokesman Jim Ewell told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

The coffin was left broken and unearthened. Investigators suspect a stone found nearby may have been used to break open the casket.

"In the 69-year history in Restland, nothing like this has ever happened," said Clayton, who heads the cemetery located in a

populous area on the northern side of Dallas, although never incorporated into the city of Dallas or Richardson as they grew around it.

"I consider myself pretty well in tune to our industry and I've never heard of anything like this before," he said.

Clayton said the cemetery is gated and only open during daylight hours. He is increasing security and hiring guards to rove the cemetery to make sure it's a lone incident.

The 20-year-old Ms. Lee's friends have been interviewed, and possible backgrounds ranging from the occult to an obsessed admirer are being considered, investigators said. But sheriff's deputies have no motive or suspects in the crime, a third-degree felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison.

Ms. Lee, a Dallas native and junior in marketing, died Dec. 7 of injuries she suffered in an Oct. 14 traffic accident involving a drunken driver, officials said. The

wreck occurred in Lubbock; Ms. Lee was hospitalized for 54 days before her death.

The other motorist in the accident, Wayland Leroy Lamb Jr.,

33, of Levelland, was charged with intoxicated manslaughter after Ms. Lee died. Lamb was in Lubbock County Jail Tuesday on \$50,000 bond.



FOOD SHOW — Scurry County 4-H youth competed in the District 2 4-H Food Show held recently at Levelland High School. Youth competing included from left, front row, (Junior I) Kasey Wemken, breads and cereals; Jacinda Judah, main dish; and Chance Tatum, fruits and vegetables; back row, (Junior II) Dana Stribling, snacks and desserts; Kasey Nachlinger, main dish; Justin Stribling (Senior division), snacks and desserts; and Riley Tatum (Junior II), fruits and vegetables. Not pictured is Jenise Judah, main dish in the senior division. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

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.

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

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
People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 2 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder County Club; 1:30 p.m.

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

Bridge By Phillip Alder

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♦ A 9			
♣ 9 8 7 4			

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 2

Listen to the line of play

By Phillip Alder

Ralph Waldo Emerson claimed, "A great part of courage is the courage of having done the thing before." This is true in bridge. It is much easier to find the right play when you have seen the theme before. But even when the situation is new, counting and deduction will usually lead to the winning defense or declarer-play.

Today's deal occurred during this year's World Women's Team Championship.

I don't mind South's opening with two aces and a king, though I would need a better club suit. And I like the one-no-trump rebid, showing the hand type as quickly as possible. But if it is right for South to rebid one no-trump, North should check back for a 4-4 spade fit. Four spades makes easily.

Sitting West was Lily Khalil, from Cairo. Against three no-trump, she led her fourth-highest heart. Declarer won with dummy's queen, East signal-

ing an odd number by dropping the five. Declarer played a spade to her ace and a second spade, scooping up Lily's queen with dummy's king. Now came a heart back to her king.

Lily wondered why declarer wasn't playing on diamonds. The only logical answer was that South held the ace. If so, it looked as though declarer had nine tricks established. The only chance for the defense lay in clubs, despite South's opening bid. So, Lily won with her heart ace and immediately switched to the club six. Four club tricks later, the contract was one down.

Phillip Alder's new book, "Get Smarter at Bridge," is available, autographed upon request, for \$14.95 from P.O. Box 169, Roslyn Hts., NY 11577-0169.

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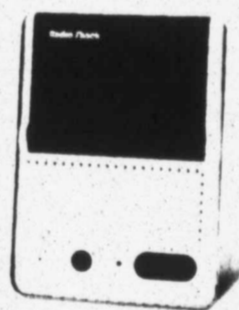
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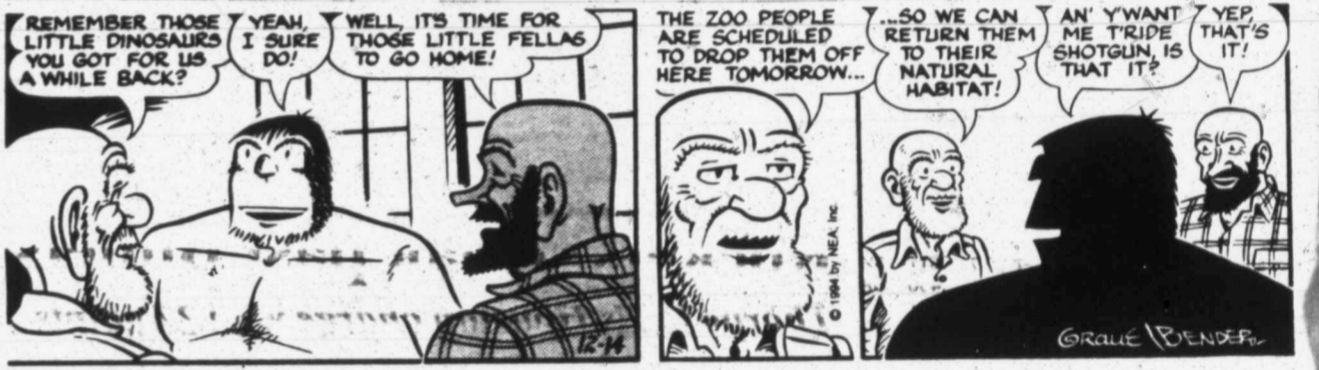
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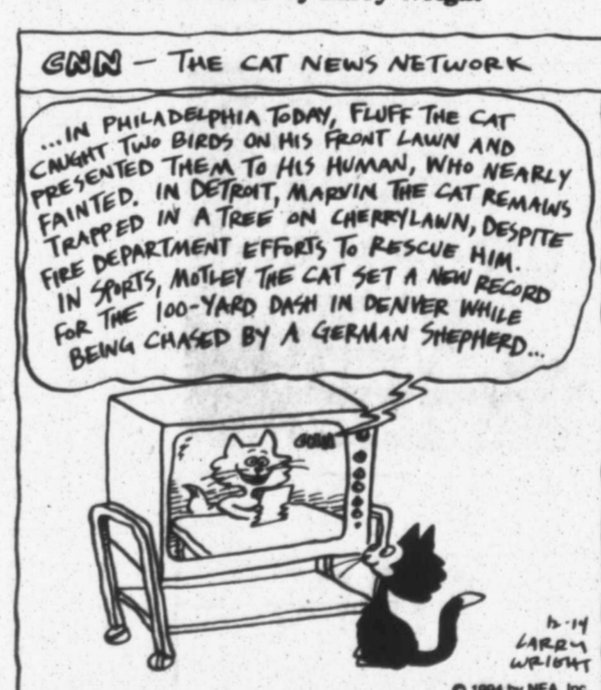
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- 5 All — for Christmas ...
- 9 Youth org.
- 12 Architect — Saarinen
- 13 Acknowledge frankly
- 14 Yale student
- 15 Uproot
- 17 Youngster
- 18 Tax agcy.
- 19 Anger
- 21 Violet
- 24 Art deco illustrator
- 25 Aruba and St. Croix
- 27 Shouts
- 31 Noise
- 32 Otherwise
- 34 Transaction
- 35 Call it —
- 37 Rowing tools
- 39 Jackie's 2nd husband

DOWN

- 1 Tiny
- 2 Above (poet.)
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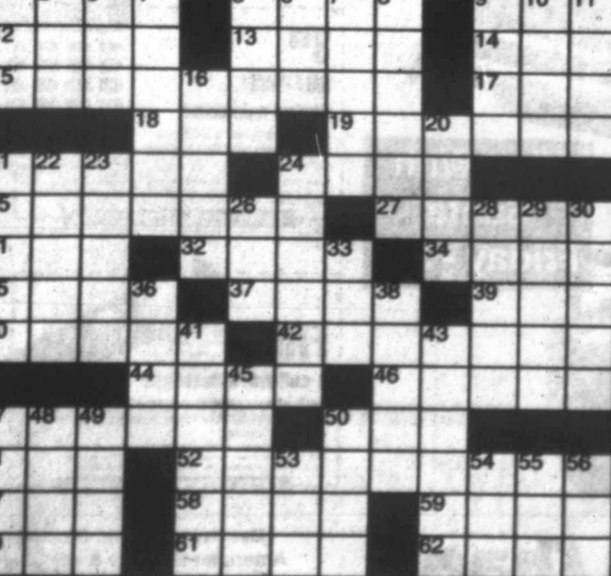
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- 10 Waste metal

11 Assistant girl

- 16 Goodnight
- 20 Critic Rex —
- 21 He had a golden touch
- 22 Stage whisper
- 23 Of an arm bone
- 24 Compositions
- 26 Unclaimed mail dept.
- 28 Slants
- 29 Household gods
- 30 Skid
- 33 Before
- 36 Deviates
- 38 Coming of Age in —
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- 43 Fumed
- 45 Pope's scarf
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Sports

Tarpley Trouble

Mavericks' center walks out of 115-108 loss to Lakers

DALLAS (AP) — Add another chapter to Roy Tarpley's troubled history with the Dallas Mavericks. This time, however, it was Tarpley's mouth that landed him in the team's doghouse.

Tarpley was suspended without pay Tuesday night for insubordination during a halftime blow-up with coach Dick Motta.

The night turned into a total disaster for the Mavericks when Nick Van Exel poured in a 35 points to match a career high, leading the Los Angeles Lakers to their eighth consecutive victory over Dallas, 115-108.

Motta, club owner Donald Carter and personnel director Keith Grant were to meet with Tarpley today to determine the length of the suspension.

Tarpley drew Motta's ire in the second quarter when the power forward expressed his displeasure at being removed from the game.

Tarpley glared at Motta and complained loudly as he walked to the bench and Motta responded at halftime with the suspension.

"He tried to kick me out of the locker room," said Tarpley, who had four points in seven minutes. "He told me not to challenge him or he would get rid of me. I'm disappointed and frustrated."

Mavericks owner Donald Carter said he would support Motta even though Carter was directly responsible for Tarpley's return to the team after Tarpley had played the past two seasons in Greece.

"You're always disappointed when somebody doesn't live up to expectations," Carter said. "Whatever Dick Motta says is what it's going to be."

While the Mavericks were concerned with off-the-court matters, Van Exel was taking care of business from three-point range. Van Exel, who also had 10 assists, went 4-for-6 from beyond the three-point arc in the fourth quarter to lead the Lakers to their fourth victory in their last five games.

"In the fourth quarter they just kept giving the ball to me," Van

Exel said. "I wanted to shoot every time I got it. It was just falling for me tonight."

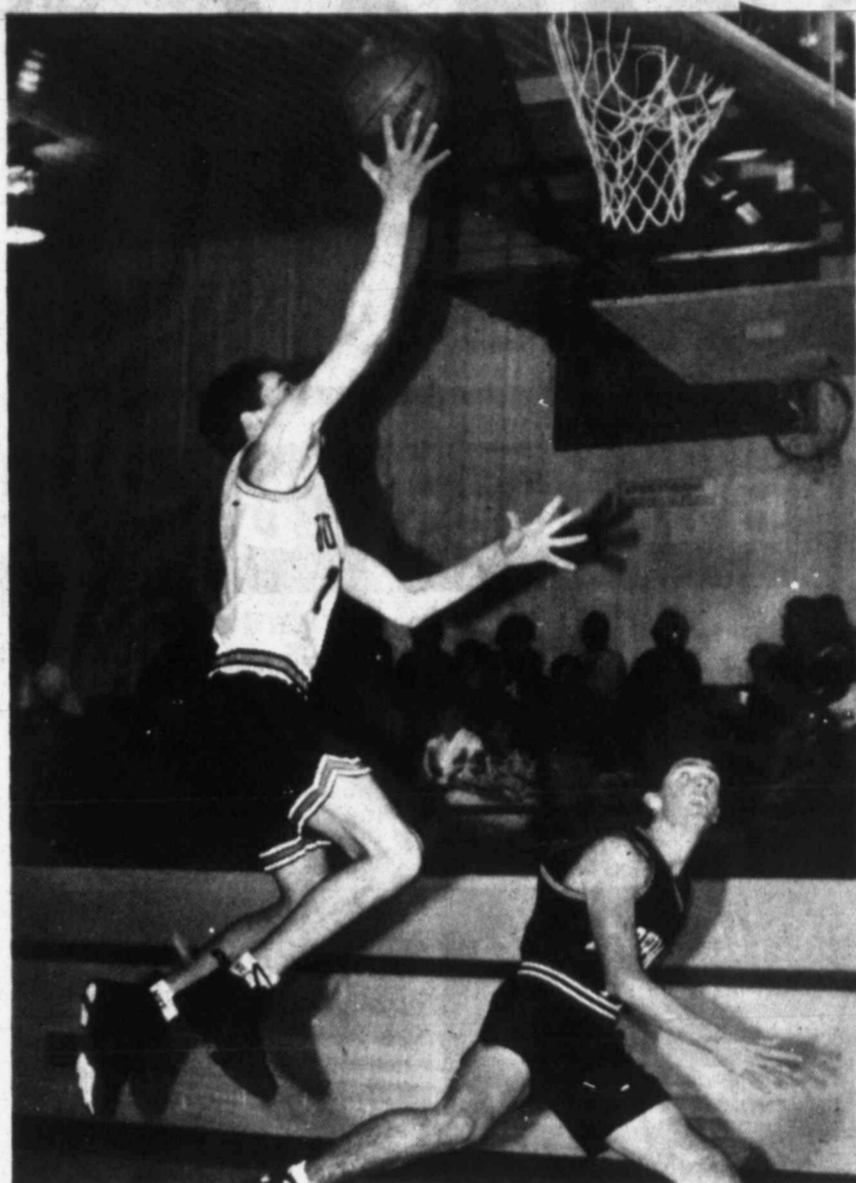
Vlade Divac's three-point play with 6:45 remaining snapped a 96-96 tie, then Van Exel connected for three-pointers on successive possessions to push the Lakers lead to 107-102 with 3:57 left. Backup point guard Sedale Threatt added another three-pointer with 3:23 to play to move the Lakers' lead to 110-104.

"You could say that we have our point guard position pretty well covered," Lakers coach Del Harris said. "Sedale Threatt is a great candidate for sixth man of the year."

Jamal Mashburn had 32 points and Jim Jackson added 28 for the Mavericks. Popeye Jones had a career-high 21 points and Jones and Mashburn pulled down 11 rebounds each for Dallas.

"Van Exel was hot tonight," Mashburn said. "He threw up some stuff and they all fell. I guess he likes Reunion Arena."

Eddie Jones added 19 points and Cedric Ceballos contributed 17 points and 10 rebounds for the Lakers.



A DRIVE BY — Ira's Eddie Brasuel flies through the lane during a game against Aspermont. In Tuesday's action, the Bulldogs fell to the Blackwell Hornets 79-46. (Photo by Todd Stanley)

Cotton coaches optimistic

DALLAS (AP) — For the national title? No. For fun? Yes.

The Cotton Bowl doesn't have a big national spotlight this year because of the records of Texas Tech and Southern California.



But their coaches predict it will be a good game to watch and enjoy. Texas Tech is 6-5 and was involved in a five-way tie for first place in the Southwest Conference. Unbeaten Texas A&M was ruled ineligible because of NCAA probation.

USC was 7-3-1 and fell from contention in the Pac-10 race after it lost 31-18 to UCLA in the next to last game of the season. The Trojans completed their schedule by tying Notre Dame 17-17.

Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes and Southern California coach John Robinson said their teams were excited about the Jan. 2 clash. It's the Trojans first visit to the Cotton Bowl and Texas Tech hasn't been in the game since 1939 when it lost to St. Mary's of California.

"This is a big opportunity for us," Robinson said Tuesday. "We have a young team with a chance to play in a major game. We had a frustrating end to our season so the chance to play one more game like this is important."

Dykes said "it's been a long wait for us. We're a young team that started the season as a bunch of no-names then kept getting better. We won the right to be here. Our record is not as good as some people would like it but we fought our way here."

Dykes said The Raiders had a hard time getting started because it had to replace all of its skill players.

"We had 92 per cent of our offensive punch graduated," Dykes said. "I think we did a fine job of improving."

Dykes said the Trojans "have a lot of weapons. They play smart and they expect to win."

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Daly will return to PGA in 1995

POINTE VEDRA, Fla. (AP) — John Daly, on the sidelines since a scuffle with a spectator for 31/2 months, will return to the PGA Tour in the 1995 season-opening Mercedes Championship.

The former PGA champion also has filed formal commitments to play in six other early-season tournaments, PGA officials said Tuesday.

In addition to the Jan. 5-8 event in La Costa, Daly also committed to play in Tucson, Phoenix, the Bob Hope Classic, the Honda and Nestle championships, and in Houston, a tour spokesman said.

Neither Daly nor his manager were immediately available for comment.

Daly has not played since shooting an 83 in the final round of the World Series of Golf at Akron, Ohio, on Aug. 28.

Immediately following that round, he engaged in a shouting

match, then a public scuffle with Bob Roth, 62, father of PGA club pro champion Jeff Roth.

The younger Roth accused Daly of twice hitting into his group during final-round play.

Daly later explained his lengthy absence from competition by saying he had aggravated a back injury in the incident.

PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem, however, said the long-hitting Daly, one of the tour's leading gate attractions, voluntarily agreed to sit out the remainder of the 1994 season.

Rockets streak past Bullets

Thorpe leads Houston charge with 27 points

HOUSTON (AP) — Hakeem Olajuwon was more than happy to watch someone else carry the Houston Rockets for a change.

"I paced myself and played defense," Olajuwon said after teammate Otis Thorpe poured in a season-high 27 points along with 14 rebounds as Houston defeated Washington 93-85 Tuesday night.

Thorpe scored 14 points and hauled down six rebounds in the first quarter alone as the Rockets broke out to a 30-19 advantage after one quarter. They never trailed later in the game although a

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fourth-period Washington rally made it close.

"I just tried to come out and stay aggressive and get to the box first," said Thorpe, who has been averaging 14 rebounds over the past three games. "I also realized they were double-teaming Hakeem so I tried to take advantage of that by taking advantage of the opportunities on the weak side."

"Otis was great," Bullets coach Jim Lynam said. "There were a lot of times when we played good defense and forced missed shots and then here comes Otis."

Houston's defense, though, was better. The Rockets are 11-0 this year when holding an opponent to less than 100 points. Washington's 85 points was the Bullets' season low.

Olajuwon had 14 rebounds and 19 points. Maxwell had 14 points, including a pair of 3-pointers late in the fourth quarter that helped blunt the Bullets' rally.

Washington, in losing its third straight, got 22 points and 16 rebounds from Webber. Calbert Cheaney and Scott Skiles each added 16 points.

Switzer, Dallas hunt for familiar Big "D"

IRVING (AP) — Barry Switzer says he has learned in professional football that you can't expect to win all the games.

"In college you had to win 'em all to be considered for the national championship," Switzer said. "It doesn't work that way in the pros. It's hard to be up for every game when you have a 16 game schedule and all those exhibitions before it."

Switzer was talking about his team's lukewarm performance against Cleveland last Saturday.

"I saw guys do things against Cleveland they haven't done all year," Switzer said. "I told the team they ought to be a lot more hungry than they are. The secondary isn't playing that well and we're not showing the intensity I'd like to see."

Dallas ranks second in total defense in the NFL but the 19-14 loss to the Browns unveiled a team that didn't fly to the ball, a trademark of the last two championship teams.

"We're not a physical team," Switzer said on Tuesday as the players took a day off. "We've got quick guys and we have to use finesse. We have to have intensity. We're not playing in a frenzy or gang-tackling. Tony Tolbert (defensive end) is the only one

who played like it was a must-win game."

Switzer said he asked his players point blank in a team meeting: "Do you want to play three games in the playoffs or two? Do you want to win Monday night's game against New Orleans and clinch a bye? I told 'em I could use the rest myself personally."

The 11-3 Cowboys, who have already clinched the NFC East, can cement a first round bye and the homefield advantage for the divisional playoffs on Jan. 7 or 8 with a victory against the Saints. Any combination of a Dallas win or a Minnesota loss in the last two weeks of the season gets the Cowboys a first round rest.

Dallas is a game behind San Francisco for the overall NFC homefield edge with two games to play. All ties go to the 49ers who beat Dallas 21-14 earlier in the season.

"I think we are in good shape," Switzer said. "I might have taken a 13-3 record before the season started since that's the best a Dallas team has ever done. Of course, I want to win every game. But I've found out in the pros that's not realistic. In college you have to win 'em all to win a national championship."

NBA Glance

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Atlantic Division				
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Orlando	15	4	.789	-
New York	11	7	.611	3 1/2
Boston	9	11	.450	6 1/2
Philadelphia	8	11	.421	7
New Jersey	9	13	.409	7 1/2
Washington	6	11	.353	8
Miami	5	13	.278	9 1/2
Central Division				
Indiana	12	6	.667	-
Cleveland	12	8	.600	1
Charlotte	10	9	.526	2 1/2
Chicago	10	9	.526	2 1/2
Atlanta	9	11	.450	4
Detroit	8	11	.421	4 1/2
Milwaukee	6	13	.316	6 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	13	6	.684	-
Utah	12	8	.600	1 1/2
Denver	10	7	.588	2
Dallas	9	8	.529	3
San Antonio	9	9	.500	3 1/2
Minnesota	3	16	.158	10
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	14	5	.737	-
Seattle	12	6	.667	1 1/2
L.A. Lakers	12	7	.632	2
Sacramento	11	8	.579	3
Portland	9	8	.529	4
GoldenState	8	12	.400	6 1/2
L.A. Clippers	2	17	.105	12
Tuesday's Games				
Philadelphia 105, Miami 90				
Charlotte 107, Milwaukee 101				
Atlanta 85, Minnesota 83, OT				
Cleveland 90, Indiana 83				
L.A. Lakers 115, Dallas 108				
Chicago 98, Detroit 78				
Houston 93, Washington 85				
Sacramento 112, Golden State 107				
Wednesday's Games				
Cleveland at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.				
Denver at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.				
Charlotte at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.				
Atlanta at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.				
Utah at Minnesota, 8 p.m.				
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.				
Boston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.				
Seattle at Phoenix, 9 p.m.				
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<h3>Honor Roll</h3>			
<p>Michael Breitwieser Hermleigh Basketball</p> <p>Ricky Sosa* Hermleigh Basketball</p>	<p>Marcus Byram Snyder Basketball</p> <p>Matt Gober Snyder Basketball</p> <p><small>*previous winner</small></p>	<p>Kelly Gonzales Hermleigh Basketball</p> <p>Jennifer Rankin* Ira Basketball</p>	<p>Vanessa Williams Snyder Basketball</p> <p>Erica Garvin Snyder Basketball</p> <p><small>*previous winner</small></p>

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Russia looking more like the old bear

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Russians are acting like Russians. Or is it Soviets? Tanks rolling into Chechnya, a veto in the Security Council and grumbling about NATO are stirring Cold War memories.

For the past five years the Russian bear was cuddly and cooperative. Meetings between Boris

Yeltsin and Presidents Bush and Clinton were love feasts, complete with embraces, vows of friendship and announcements of plans to end the Cold War nuclear standoff.

Less dependable lately, the bear is acting moody and dangerous, particularly in matters involving its traditional turf. Not only is it taking a tough stance in the historical Russian territory of Chech-

nya, Russia wants its influence felt in what it calls the Near Abroad — the newly independent countries

AP analysis

that formerly were a part of the old Soviet Union.

Does that mean an inevitable break with the West?

"Russia can no more embrace the West fully than it can reject it entirely," said Leon Aron, a Russian expert at the American Enterprise Institute.

The Clinton administration is watching and hoping what it sees is understandable Russian concern about matters close to its borders and not an attempt to restore the old empire — whether under Soviet commissars or Russian czars.

Clinton set the tone concerning U.S. reaction to Russian troops moving into the rebellious province of Chechnya when he described it as "largely an internal conflict that the Russians are dealing with."

The president pointedly didn't rule out the possibility Russian intervention would cost lives. "We hope that order can be restored with a minimum amount of bloodshed and violence," he said.

It seemed a long way from the bad old days when U.S. presidents loudly condemned any Soviet action that led to bloodshed.

Russian rejection of NATO was another matter. But the reaction was more sorrow than anger when Yeltsin asked why the West wanted to "sow the seeds of mistrust" by expanding NATO eastward but stopping short of including Russia.

"No major country is going to live by the laws of isolation," Yeltsin told a meeting of the Council on Security and Cooperation in Europe. "Any such country will reject such a game played with it."

One could read a hint of menace in Yeltsin's tone. But Clinton, who was in the audience, said he

was "disappointed," but "these things are to be expected in the relationships of great nations."

The administration took a similar "don't get excited" view early this month when Russia vetoed a U.N. Security Council resolution aimed at cutting fuel supplies to the Bosnian Serbs.

There was no public administration criticism of the veto and one U.S. official, speaking only on condition of anonymity, said it was not a surprise and not considered significant.

Not all analysts agree. "For 10 years Russia did not cast a veto," said Paul Goble, a former State Department official now at the Carnegie Institute.

"They're going to be nastier and less democratic, less liberal," he said.

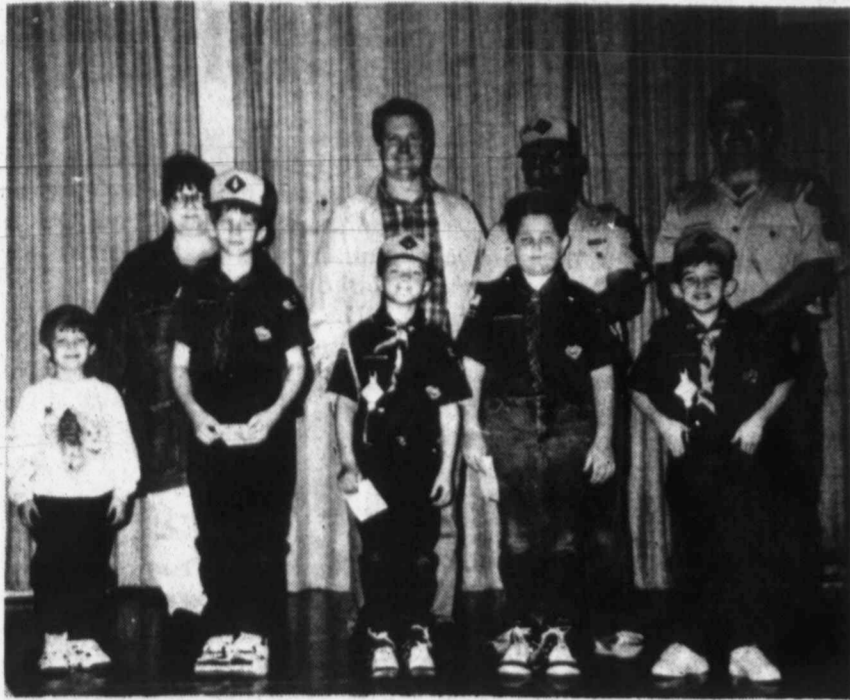
Aron believes, on the other hand, that it is alarmist to think Russia is turning in an imperialist direction.

He said there is no doubt that Russia has moved away from the "exuberant liberal internationalism" that marked its foreign policy in the aftermath of the collapse of the Soviet Union.

But, he said, "There is no evidence Russia is engaged in a sustained and well mapped out rebuilding of the empire." Mark Lowenthal, a foreign policy analyst at the Library of Congress, said the administration ought to be happy that Yeltsin is asserting himself on issues that quiet criticism from Russian nationalists while continuing to cooperate with the West on issues like reducing nuclear arsenals.

"I don't find the Russian veto in the U.N. or complaining about the expansion of NATO all that surprising," said Lowenthal. As Chechnya, he said, "There's no way they can sit there and let this go. Nobody is rooting for the total disintegration of Russia."

EDITOR'S NOTE — Donald M. Rothberg covers international affairs for The Associated Press.



PACK 61 AWARDS — Cub Scouts in Pack 61 recently received badges. The program opened with the presentation of Bobcat Badges. Left to right, Tyler McKinley, scout; Ryan McKinley, parent Vickie Arrell, Paul Haines, parent Paul Haines, Johnathan Bell, committee chairman; Manuel F. Tarango, scout Thomas Henderson, and parent/assistant den leader Tracey Henderson. (Contributed Photo)

Farm and ranch show slated Feb. 13

ABILENE — Burnsville, Minn., KTAB TV, KEAN Radio, the Abilene Reporter News and Champion Farm Shows are pleased to announce the Third Annual Big Country Farm and Ranch Show will be held on display in over 400 booths at the show.

For the third consecutive year the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers will hold their annual meeting at the show.

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TIGER CUBS DEN 2 — All cubs received their "Go See It Beads." Austin Brunson earned his Tiger Cub pin. Cubs and parents are Debbie Brunson, Blake and Mark Seale, Chase Stidham, den leader Mary Orsak, Chris Lopez, Fred Lopez and Freddie Lopez. (Contributed Photo)

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Folklore behind Santa, yule logs and mistletoe

by The Associated Press
Ever wonder why Santa Claus chooses the chimney instead of the door? And what's the myth behind mistletoe, anyway?

For answers, look to the folklore of ancient cultures. When the days grew shorter under winter's chilly grip, secular ceremonies emphasized fire and light. Over time, they became associated with the religious themes of Christmas.

"So many early cultures had festivities surrounding the winter solstice of light overcoming darkness," said Dr. Donald Dossey, author of the book "Holiday Folklore, Phobias and Fun."

Bonfires were a universal way to combat the darkness. Norsemen called their winter festival yule-tide, and they burned yule logs.

"They helped good spirits see their way and scared away the evil. Candles and lights on trees today are really symbols of those early bonfires," said Dossey, a psychologist from Asheville, N.C.

The prevalence of winter festivals helps explain why Dec. 25 was chosen as Christmas Day. Some scholars say Jesus was actually born in the spring, when shepherds tended their flocks. But the Catholic Church merged older customs into the religious events of Christmas.

"When Christianity began less than 2,000 years ago, it had no history. The so-called pagans were diehards. They weren't going to give up their practices. So it was a smart political move to infuse these festivities with Christian significance," Dossey said.

One of several myths with German roots involves the goddess Hertha, who was believed to follow smoke down to a fire, determine who was good or bad and then dispense gifts. So this female figure, whose name is the basis for the word hearth, was a precursor of Santa Claus.

Then there's mistletoe, a parasite that grows on fir trees. The druids, a Celtic religious order of priests and soothsayers, believed it was a symbol of peace for a bird called the mistle thrush to carry the plant in its claws.

They believed a sprig of mistle thrush toe, or mistletoe, could make warriors drop their weapons and hug each other. The kissing custom evolved from that.

If you hang a stocking up on Christmas Eve, thank St. Nicholas. A 4th century figure and another early form of Santa Claus, St. Nick provided for the three daughters of a nobleman, placing gold by their beds for their wedding dowries. But one time he slipped, and gold fell into a stocking hung up to dry.

Santa Claus came in all sorts of variations, and even used a donkey and wagon in the earliest legends. He was first depicted as a merry, corpulent figure in Clement Clark Moore's 1822 poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas."

Santa's modern image originates with Thomas Nast, a German immigrant whose editorial cartoons pictured Santa in red, white and blue as a way to cheer Union soldiers during the Civil War.

"None of this takes away from the true spirit and intent of all of our ancestors," Dossey said. "That was giving thanks, being joyful that light can overcome darkness, evil can be overcome by good, there can be peace on Earth."

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Karen Bollinger, 3601 44th; Newell Hazelwood, 2701 Ave. B; Sandy Pruitt, 3304 Ave. J; Tracy Sanders, 316 32nd; Allie Ammons, Snyder Oaks Care Center; Cory Rains, Rotan.

DISMISSALS: Lella Botts; Wiley Dennis, Collin Molina.

Census: 43 (Med-12, Long-Term Care-32, CCU-2, OB-4, Nursery-3).

Births

Leslie and Tracy Sanders announce the birth of their seven-pound daughter born at 4:20 p.m. Dec. 13 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

The Corn Belt is the region in the north central Midwest where much corn and corn-fed livestock are raised, extending from western

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Obituaries

Dosia Fargason

1904-1994
Services are set for 11 a.m. Friday in the chapel of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Dosia Frances Fargason, 90, of Snyder. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Jason Rogers, pastor of Faith Baptist Church, will officiate.

Mrs. Fargason, who was born on Aug. 10, 1904, in Fisher County, died at 1 p.m. Monday in Snyder Oaks Nursing Center after a lengthy illness. She was preceded in death by her husband, Luther Fargason, in 1968.

Mrs. Fargason, a Snyder resident since 1940, was a member of the First Baptist Church, Order of the Eastern Star and the Women's Auxiliary of the VFW.

She was also preceded in death by one son, John Luther Fargason, and four sisters, Ina Fargason, Henrietta Lee, Ida May Callis and Mattie Gilmore.

Survivors include two nieces, Johnnie Robertson of Paris and Hope McCarty of Mesa; and one nephew, Jim Gilmore of Houston.

Josephine Moore

1907-1994
Graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Snyder Cemetery.

Haywood named to 4 committees

AUSTIN — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock announced today that Senator-elect Tom Haywood, a Republican from Wichita Falls, will serve on four committees during the 74th Legislative Session.

Haywood, representing District 30 which includes Scurry County, will serve on economic development, education, natural resources and the natural resources subcommittee on agriculture.

The Senate is made up of 11 standing committees and two special committees. The legislative session begins Jan. 10.

ery for Josephine Moore, 87, of Amarillo who died at 5:55 a.m. today in an Amarillo hospital.

The Rev. R. Virgil Mott, retired Baptist minister, will officiate.

Mrs. Moore was born on July 13, 1907. She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman Moore. Mrs. Moore had lived in Snyder all her life until four months ago when she moved to Amarillo.

Survivors include a daughter, Nadine White of Amarillo; one brother, Canon Burditt of Snyder; five grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Russian planes fire on rebellious city

GROZNY, Russia (AP) — Chechnya's defiant president angrily withdrew his delegates from peace talks with Moscow today, and Russian planes opened machine-gun fire on the region's capital, bombing its outskirts.

President Dzhokhar Dudayev urged the people of his separatist republic to fight Russian soldiers to the death.

"The soil must burn under their feet," Dudayev said on national television. "It's a war for life or death. The current Russian regime hasn't left any other options to the citizens of Chechnya."

Later in the day, five Russian SU-25 fighter planes bombed the outskirts of Grozny and opened machine-gun fire on the center of the city, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported. Chechen officials said there were casualties.

For the second day in a row, Russian artillery pounded a village on the road to Grozny, the Chechen capital, and jets streaked across the sky. Explosions rang out from the mountains beyond the city, and Chechen forces managed to force down a Russian helicopter by wounding its pilot.

"It's unacceptable to bomb po-

Second commuter airplane crashes

MORRISVILLE, N.C. (AP) — An American Eagle commuter plane was on its fifth trip in a day-long hopscootch across North Carolina when it crashed in fog and drizzle, killing 15 of the 20 people aboard.

It was the commuter airline's second crash within two months, but the plane was not the same as the model that went down in Indiana in October, killing all 68 people aboard.

Flight 3379 from Greensboro smashed into the ground 31/2 miles from Raleigh-Durham International Airport Tuesday evening. The crash snapped the fuselage in half and scattered wreckage across 500 yards of rugged woods, airport spokeswoman Teresa Damiano said.

Michigan high court approves ban on 'suicide'

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — A state Supreme Court ruling upholding Michigan's ban on assisted suicide could bring Dr. Jack Kevorkian back to court to face charges in two 1991 deaths.

Kevorkian's attorney, Geoffrey Fieger, said he would try to have any prosecution blocked while he appealed Tuesday's ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Fieger said Kevorkian, who has been present at 21 deaths since 1990, laughed when told of the court's ruling, which says that giving people the means to kill themselves doesn't equal murder.

About an hour before the decision was released, the state House voted in favor of a new ban on assisted suicide that would last until November 1996, when Michigan voters would decide whether to keep it.

Residents who rushed to the scene said they heard the cries of survivors as the Jetstream Super 31's cockpit burned. One passenger was walking around in shock, looking for his wife.

When Edmond Badham arrived at the scene about 10 minutes after the crash, he found people pinned in a 20-foot-long chunk of the fuselage.

"There was a woman who was trapped upside down and still strapped into her seat," he said. "I was afraid if I undid the belt she would fall."

With debris burning about 20 feet away, Badham and others tried to pull the victims free.

"We saw one person that was clearly dead and he was face down and burning. ... We pulled him out of the wreckage and put him out, but he was clearly dead," he told The Associated Press.

"There was one major piece, and the rest of it was a mix of fire, plane, trees and wire," said Badham, describing the scene to The Herald-Sun of Durham.

The pattern of the wreckage offers clues about the cause of the crash, Ned Clarke, an aviation safety consultant, told NBC's

"Today" show.

"The fact we have so many survivors and that type of environment says that the aircraft was essentially flown into the ground," Clarke said.

The muddy site was hindering the probe, John Lauber of the National Transportation Safety Board told the "Today" show.

Judge

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Eicke has filed a writ of habeas corpus seeking to be returned to the "Country of Montana" to appear before three superior court judges. The writ was served on Lubbock County Sheriff Sonny Keesee and dated Dec. 7.

Eicke also told the court that he waived extradition, venue and jurisdiction of the federal court in Lubbock.

Eicke, 39, his 42-year-old brother, Arlie Thomas Eicke of Snyder, and Heather M. Altshuler, 29, of Denver were named in a 21-count federal indictment unsealed on Oct. 31.

Arlie Eicke was arrested in Snyder on Oct. 30, and he pled not guilty on Nov. 3 and has been free on a \$5,000 bond.

Altshuler was arrested in London on Nov. 1 and extradition to Lubbock is pending. Altshuler and Johannes Eicke remain in custody.

The three are charged with conspiracy, wire fraud, mail fraud and interstate transportation of falsified securities.

The indictment says the scheme revolves around bogus cashier checks written on a non-existent bank in Snyder, known as Central Dominion Trust. The bank had only a fax machine, computer and post office box.

Total of checks written totaled \$1 trillion with one \$100 billion check sent to the U.S. Attorney's office in Dallas to cover other outstanding securities.

Only one check, for \$50,000, was ever successfully cashed.

Authorities have indicated that the bogus operation was linked to tax-protest groups which question the authority and jurisdiction of the U.S. government and its agencies.

If convicted of all charges, each defendant could receive a maximum prison term of 110 years and a fine of \$5.25 million.

culated areas while you have been conducting negotiations," Dudayev said in explaining his decision to withdraw his delegates from the peace talks for consultations.

Russian officials warned they would not back down.

Trustees

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lege attendance, college attendance scores and other criteria. A copy of the report card will be sent home to the parents of each student following the holidays, Church said.

The only other items of business for trustees were approval of bills and previous minutes.

The board entered into executive session for the annual appraisal of the superintendent. Because of the late hour, trustees recessed, and will resume evaluation of the superintendent at 8 this evening.

Present were trustees Carole Haynes, James Rinehart, Milton Adams, Andrew Rodriguez, John Williamson and Neil Beeks. Chip Roemisch was absent.

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Albersons	283/4	281/2	283/4	+1/4	331/2
Allsignal	321/2	321/8	321/2	+1/2	331/2
Alltel	291/8	285/8	29	+11/4	331/2
AmStores	253/8	251/8	255/8	+3/8	331/2
Ameritech	413/8	407/8	411/4	+3/8	331/2
Amoco	621/8	613/4	62	+3/8	331/2
AndarkPir	405/8	401/4	403/8		331/2
Armcolac	6	57/8	57/8	-1/8	331/2
AllRichfid	1043/8	1035/8	1033/4		331/2
ATMOS Egy	17	167/8	167/8	+1/4	331/2
Avial	77/8	73/4	73/4		331/2
BakerHughes	18	173/4	18		331/2
BancTexas	1	15-16	15-16		331/2
BellAtl	503/4	501/8	503/4	+1/2	331/2
BellSouth	541/4	531/8	541/8	+1	331/2
BethSteel	181/8	173/4	18	+3/8	331/2
Borden	133/8	131/4	131/4		331/2
BriPet	771/8	763/8	77	+11/2	331/2
Caterpillar	515/8	511/8	515/8	+3/8	331/2
CenSoWst	235/8	233/8	235/8	+1/8	331/2
Chevron	433/4	433/8	433/8		331/2
Chrysler	467/8	461/4	465/8	+3/8	331/2
DeltaAirl	261/8	257/8	26	+1/8	331/2
CostCo	507/8	501/4	507/8	+3/4	331/2
ColgatePalm	633/8	627/8	631/8	+1/4	331/2
ComMetl	247/8	243/4	247/8	+3/8	331/2
CooperIn	335/8	327/8	331/2	+1	331/2
CyprusAmx	26	253/4	253/4	-1/8	331/2
DallSemico	143/4	141/2	143/4	+1/8	331/2
DeltaAirl	46	457/8	46	-1/8	331/2
DigitalEq	347/8	341/8	347/8	+11/4	331/2
Dillard	281/8	265/8	28	+13/8	331/2
DowChem	663/8	641/2	661/8	+21/4	331/2
DresserInd	187/8	185/8	183/4	+1/8	331/2
DuPont	543/8	537/8	545/8	+3/4	331/2
EastmanChem	483/4	473/8	481/2	+11/4	331/2
EstKodak	46	455/8	457/8		331/2
EjlerInd	51/2	51/4	51/4	-3/8	331/2
Easerc	125/8	121/2	121/2	-1/8	331/2
Entergy	227/8	225/8	227/8	+3/8	331/2
Exxon	611/8	603/4	607/8	-1/8	331/2
FlowerInd	181/4	181/8	181/4		331/2
FordMotor	261/2	261/8	261/4	+1/8	331/2
GTE Cp	31	305/8	31	+3/8	331/2
GenDynam	421/2	417/8	421/2	+5/8	331/2
GenElec	49	481/8	485/8	+3/4	331/2
GenMills	557/8	551/2	553/4	+1/4	331/2
GenMotors	373/4	371/2	371/2		331/2
GenMotors E	365/8	361/8	361/2	+1/4	331/2
GlobalMar	715/8	711/8	713/8		331/2
Goodrich	37/8	33/4	33/4	-3-32	331/2
Goodyear	433/8	431/8	433/8	+3/8	331/2
GrAllPac	33	321/2	327/8	+1/2	331/2
Halliburto	197/8	195/8	195/8	-1/8	331/2
Halliburto	341/2	341/4	341/2	+1/4	331/2
Hanson ADS	181/8	18	18	+1/8	331/2
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ProctGamble	623/8	621/8	621/4	-1/8	331/2
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RoyalDutch	1061/2	106	1061/8	+1/8	331/2
SFEpacCp	163/4	165/8	165/8		331/2
SarLee	253/8	25	251/4		331/2
SearsRoeb	451/4	443/4	45		331/2
SherwinW	311/2	307/8	307/8		331/2
SmithBehADS	343/4	341/2	341/2	+1/8	331/2
SmithCo	323/4	323/4	323/4	+1/8	331/2
SouthCo	207/8	205/8	207/8	+1/8	331/2
SwatAirline	161/2	161/4	161/4	-1/8	331/2
SWBell	421/4	411/2	42	+3/8	331/2
Sprint	317/8	311/4	311/2	+11/8	331/2
SteeringChm	11	109/4	11	+1/8	331/2
SupCo	277/8	273/4	273/4	-1/8	331/2
TNP Ent	143/4	145/8	143/4	-1/8	331/2
Tandy	473/8	465/8	473/8	+1/2	331/2
Tempall	447/8	441/2	443/4	+5/8	331/2
Teneco	40	393/8	40	+3/4	331/2
TexasCo	615/8	611/4	613/8	-1/8	331/2
TexasInd	301/4	30	30	-3/8	331/2
TexasInt	73	713/4	725/8		331/2
TexUtil	33	325/8	327/8	+3/8	331/2
Textron	491/2	493/8	491/2		331/2
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XeroxCp	943/4	933/8	941/8	+1/2	331/2
ZenithE	121/4	121/8	121/8	-1/8	331/2

Police note two arrests

Snyder police officers made two arrests Tuesday following a family disturbance call in the 3200 block of Avenue L at 6:03 p.m.

A 53-year-old female was arrested and charged with two counts of Class C assault/family violence while a 35-year-old female was charged with one count of Class C assault/family violence and resisting arrest.

At 2:43 p.m., Gale Titus reported the theft of a power tool from Snyder Lumber Company. An offense report for Class B theft was filed.

Kelly Warner, 2512 Ave. W, reported the theft of a puppy from that address. A report had been filed the day before in reference to puppies being stolen from that address also.

An offense report for disorderly conduct/language was submitted at 4:23 p.m. in reference to an incident at Northeast Elementary.

A shoplifter was taken into custody at 4:35 p.m. at Don's Value King and an offense report for Class C theft was submitted. The subject was taken to the police department where he was later released.

A call at 9:21 p.m. in reference to a fight on the parking lot of Snyder Shopping Center resulted in one charge of Class C assault being filed.

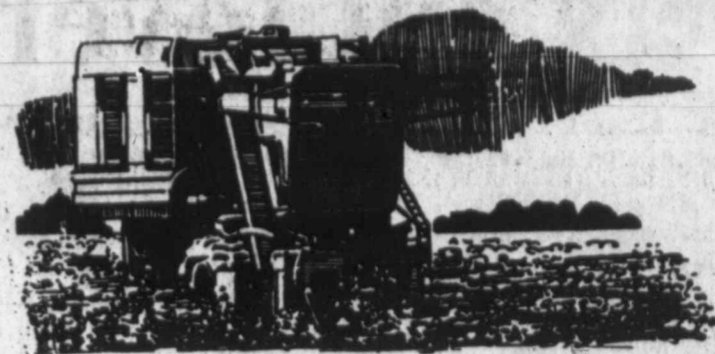
Officers investigated an accident in the parking lot of Everybody's Thriftway at 3:02 p.m. Involved were a 1973 Ford driven by Charlie Sumruld, 1609 15th St., and a 1989 Cadillac driven by Evelyn Mebane of Route 1.

A minor accident occurred at 4:51 p.m. in the 2200 block of 32nd Street involving a 1992 Oldsmobile driven by Eileen Martin, 2206 33rd St., and a 1989 Pontiac driven by Jason Warren, 2105 29th St.

Martin, 78, came to the Cogdell Memorial Hospital by private vehicle at



Scurry County Country



The Emu Report

By Shirley Pate, Pate Emu Farm

Margaret Wiseman, DVM, recently shared this important information with the publication, "Emu Today and Tomorrow." We thought it well worth while to reprint it for local emu producers.

"Most emu producers keep on hand several medications for emergencies. There are three of these drugs that are dangerous and should either not be used at all or only used under direct veterinary supervision.

"The first is 'genocin.' The proper spelling is gentamicin, injectible in birds. Because birds possess a renal portal circulatory system, this antibiotic, if injected into the leg of a bird, may pass directly through the kidneys, bypassing the general circulation. This can cause kidney damage. It also may be eliminated without ever reaching therapeutic levels in the birds.

"A safer choice of an injectible aminoglycosides is amikacin, which is a newer generation drug. It has a better spectrum of efficacy than gentamicin, usually, and has less chance of causing kidney damage. However, veterinary literature recommends that any bird receiving injectible aminoglycosides should concurrently receive fluid therapy. Subcutaneous fluids, intravenous or intrasosseous fluids or oral fluids by gavage should be given to any bird that is being treated with amikacin or gentamicin.

"The second drug is chloramphenicol eye ointment. People should be aware that chloramphenicol can be extremely dangerous in susceptible humans, and can cause fatal, irreversible bone marrow suppression. Humans handling eye ointment containing chloramphenicol should always wear gloves when administering the ointment to birds, and they should wash their hands thoroughly afterwards. Care should be taken to not get any ointment on human skin or mucus membranes. This fatal bone marrow suppression can occur in birds as well, but

the incidence is very low. There are better, safer choices of eye ointments for birds, and we do not recommend using chloramphenicol routinely due to the risk of human disease and liability.

"The 1993 Physicians Desk Reference places this warning on all preparations containing chloramphenicol. 'WARNING: Bone marrow hypoplasia including aplastic anemia and death have been reported following local application of chloramphenicol. Chloramphenicol should not be used when less potentially dangerous agents would be expected to provide effective treatment.' The warning for oral or injectible chloramphenicol is even stronger.

"Nitrofurazone, for a wound dressing, has little or no effect against Pseudomonas and other bacterial pathogens commonly found in rattle wounds. Providone-iodine is a much better choice as a wound dressing. Betadine is a providone-iodine product that has proven to kill a broad spectrum of bacteria, viruses, fungi and protozoa, usually within 15-30 seconds of contact. It has the broadest spectrum labeled of any microbicide on the market. It comes in a cream, which is the preferred vehicle, ointment (which should be used sparingly, if it is used at all in birds), antiseptic spray, scrub and solution.

"Beginners should develop a good relationship with an avian veterinarian, and ask for his or her suggestions regarding first aid and medical supplies. The dangerous supplies mentioned in this article are older medications that have been replaced by safer more efficacious products. Also dex-amethasone is on the list of drugs as an anti-inflammatory agent to have on hand, and this potent steroid should only be used under direct veterinary supervision, as it can cause immunosuppression, leading to bacterial or systemic fungal infections."

For further information call, Pate Emu Farm, 573-5340.

Annual meeting slated Thursday at Sr. Center

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service, county extension staff and the Extension Program Council executive board will host their annual meeting Thursday in the Senior Center dining room.

The evening's activities will begin at 6:30 and will include a meal, entertainment, program area committee reports and the 1995-99 long range extension program.

Jim Judah, board chairman, will serve as master of ceremonies. The public is invited to attend.

The Extension Program Council, program area committee members and county extension staff have completed the long range extension program. Study group participants examined and discussed conditions in Scurry County, identified the most critical issues impacting the four state goals, and prioritized the issues that could be addressed through extension programming.

The state issues were health, safety and well-being; environmental stewardship and natural re-

sources; economic competitiveness, viability and stability; and development of life skills and leadership qualities.

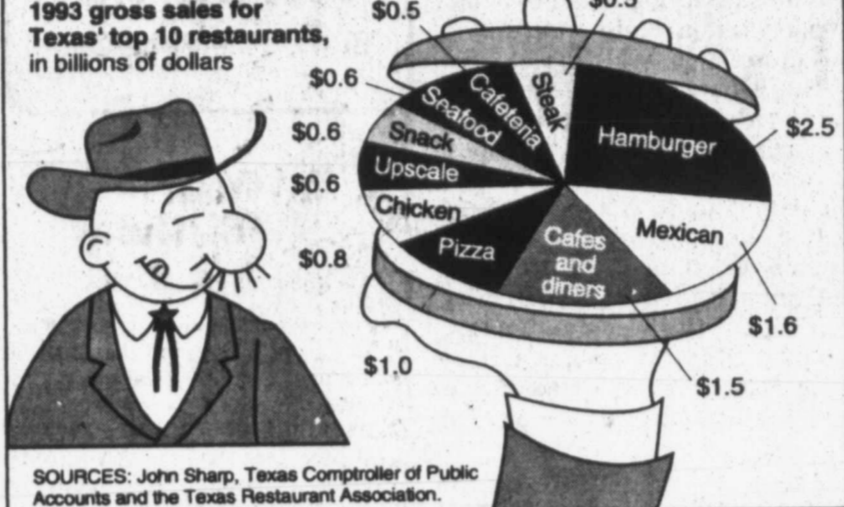
Major issues identified by the Scurry County study group included environmental and solid waste management, diversification and new ag technologies for ag competitiveness, strengthening youth behavior, life skills for youth and adults, and boll weevil eradication. These issues will be addressed by the county extension staff and program area committees during the next five years. Annual program plans will reflect the critical issues.

Extension Program Council members involved in preparing the 1995-99 LREP included Jim Judah, David Kattes, Darren Jackson, Byron Hedges, David Shifflett, Karen Nachlinger, Terry Busby, Sy Tabor, Steve Moore and Sue Loyd. The Scurry County extension staff includes Kathryn Roberts, Terry Millican and Mark Logan.

Keeping an eye on Texas

Texans chomp on hamburgers

Restaurants that serve the all-American hamburger are Texas favorites, with gross sales weighing in over \$2.5 billion of the \$14 billion in total restaurant sales in the state in 1993.



SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Texas Restaurant Association.

Natural Resources Conservation Service

By Terry Hefner, Soil Conservationist

WICHITA, KAN. — Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Richard Rominger announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture has formally established a team to work with conservation districts over the next year to modernize and reinvent their historic partnership to help farmers, ranchers and others protect natural resources on private land.

"A reinvented and reorganized Department of Agriculture must work in full cooperation with our conservation district partners who make a critical contribution to the success of our programs at the state and local levels," Rominger told 500 state conservation leaders attending the 50th anniversary convention of the Kansas Association of Conservation Districts.

"Given USDA's reorganization, reinvention and changing mandates, as well as major changes in state and local conservation funding and programs over the last few decades, we all recognize this as a great opportunity to build a new, stronger, long-lasting foundation for natural resource protection."

Rominger praised the soil and water conservation achievements over the last half century, citing achievements through the Great Plains Conservation Program as well as erosion control on highly erodible cropland through conservation provisions in recent farm bills.

"Today, we're striving to streamline government and provide quality service more efficiently. We're encouraging our new Natural Resources Conservation Service, formerly the Soil Conservation Service, to take this opportunity to continue to work with its partners to improve the way we do business."

USDA has memorandums of understanding with each of the nation's nearly 3,000 local conservation districts and these agreements are really rooted in programs from the 1930s, 1940s and 1950s.

"I've asked Paul Johnson, the chief of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, to lead this effort to modernize and reinvent this partnership," Rominger said. "Paul has had great success in bringing people together to protect important natural resources, both here and in the Iowa General Assembly, where he was a major architect of its Groundwater Protection Act and other natural resource protection legislation."

Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts, County Extension Agent

A popular way to celebrate holidays or any party occasion is to invite friends and family to a buffet. However, this type of food service where foods are left out for long periods leaves the door open for uninvited guests — bacteria that cause foodborne illness.

Foodborne bacteria are everywhere but a few types especially like to crash parties. Bacteria can be found on people's hands and steam tables. And unlike microorganisms that cause food to spoil, harmful or pathogenic bacteria cannot be smelled or tasted. Prevention is safe food handling. If illness occurs, however, contact a health professional and describe the symptoms.

Here is a list of bacteria to watch out for and some tips to help you have a safe holiday party:

- Staphylococcus ("staph") bacteria — are found on our skin, in infected cuts and pimples, and in our noses and throats. They are spread by improper food handling. Prevention includes washing hands and utensils before preparing and handling foods and not letting prepared foods — particularly cooked and cured meats and cheese and meat salads — sit at room temperature more than two hours. Thorough cooking destroys "staph" bacteria but staphylococcal enterotoxin is resistant to heat, refrigeration and freezing.

- Clostridium perfringens — "Perfringens" is called the "cafeteria germ" because it may be found in foods served in quantity and left for long periods of time on inadequately maintained steam tables or at room temperature. Prevention is to divide large portions of cooked foods such as beef, turkey, gravy, dressing, stews and casseroles into smaller portions for serving and cooling. Keep cooked foods hot or cold, not lukewarm.

- Listeria Monocytogenes — Because Listeria bacteria multiply slowly at refrigeration temperatures, these bacteria can be found in cold foods typically served on buffets. To avoid serving foods containing Listeria, follow "keep

refrigerated" label directions and carefully observe "sell by" and "use by" dates on processed products, and thoroughly reheat frozen or refrigerated processed meat and poultry products before consumption.

Safe food handling tips always include washing your hands before and after handling food. Keep your kitchen, dishes and utensils clean also. Always serve food on clean plates — not those previously holding raw meat and poultry. Otherwise, bacteria which may have been present in raw meat juice can cross contaminate the food to be served.

If you are cooking foods ahead of time for your party be sure to cook foods thoroughly to safe temperatures. Cook fresh roast beef to at least 145 degrees Fahrenheit for medium rare and 160 degrees F for medium doneness. Bake whole poultry to 180 degrees and poultry breasts to 170 degrees. Ground turkey and poultry should be cooked to 165 degrees. All other meat, fish and ground red meats should be cooked to 160 degrees.

Divide cooked foods into small shallow containers to store in the refrigerator or freezer until serving. This encourages rapid, even cooling. Reheat hot foods to 165 degrees. Arrange and serve food hot in the oven (set at 200-250 degrees) or cold in the refrigerator until serving time. This way foods will be held at a safe temperature for a longer period of time. Replace empty platters rather than adding fresh food to a dish that already had food on it. Many people's hands may have been taking food from the dish, which has also been sitting out at room temperature for awhile.

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Tax cut fever grips capital

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ben Franklin wrote: "In this world, nothing is certain except death and taxes." In the current political world, a middle-class tax-cut seems equally certain.

Republicans, Democrats and President Clinton are all scrambling to take responsibility for such a tax cut in advance.

"Over the next two years, you may see a lot of shared credit," said Democratic pollster Peter Hart. "And a lot of shared blame."

"It's a game of leapfrog," said GOP pollster Frank Luntz, a top adviser to incoming House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

Republicans put a \$500-a-child tax-cut for families earning under \$200,000 a year into their midterm manifesto, "Contract With America."

The GOP sweep of both houses of Congress in November gave new prominence to the document — and started the tax-cut bandwagon rolling.

On Tuesday, House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri weighed in by announcing he'll sponsor a tax-cut for workers earning \$75,000 or less.

And Thursday night, President Clinton will give a preview of his own middle-income tax-cut plan in a speech. The cut is expected to be worth about \$50 billion over five years.

Clinton called for a middle-income tax-cut in his 1992 cam-

paign, but dropped it soon after his election, claiming the deficit was too high to afford such a cut.

Over the past few days, Washington has been in the grips of tax-cut fever.

"I guess the question is whether it's responsible in the long run," said Rudolph Penner, former head of the Congressional Budget Office and now an official at the Peat-Marwick accounting firm.

Even if Congress comes up with offsetting spending cuts to finance such a tax increase, as both Democrats and Republicans have promised to do, a tax-cut now doesn't make much economic sense, Penner said.

"As you look ahead to the retirement of Baby Boomers, we have a very serious spending problem out there," Penner said.

But the bidding war on tax cuts makes it almost inevitable that Congress will pass some form of tax reduction before the next presidential election.

"One always runs the risk of replaying the fiasco of 1981, in which Republicans proposed one tax-cut, Democrats proposed another and Congress said we'll take both," said Henry Aaron, director of economic studies at the Brookings Institution.

In that year, the final tax-cut enacted by Congress, with Democrats in control of the House, exceeded that asked for by President Reagan, who had made lower taxes a central theme of his campaign.

With a solid economic expansion under way, economists say the stimulus of a tax-cut is not needed. And it would only make it that much harder to control the deficit.

"I personally think the president might be better off trying to preach fiscal responsibility," said Lawrence Chimercine, managing director of the private Economic

Strategy Institute.

Chimercine said a case can be made for a tax-cut since the middle class — despite the recovery — has not been doing well in terms of real earnings. "But the question is timing," he said. "The economy is humming along without it. And we still have a serious deficit problem."

Luntz, the GOP pollster, said Clinton will never be able to seize credit for a tax-cut from Republicans.

"This never would have happened without a Republican majority in Congress. Clinton ought to get hold of himself," Luntz said. "He's not a Republican and he should stop trying to act like one. What Clinton really needs is a vacation."

But Democratic pollster Hart said: "It's to the Democrats' advantage, if they can get an honest tax-cut and not one that balloons the deficit, to do this, because the public would love to see their taxes reduced, pure and simple."

Clinton's advisers hope that, by coming out this week with a tax-cut plan, the president can at least neutralize the issue instead of ceding the tax-cut war to

Republicans.

Ben J. Wattenberg, a conservative Democratic analyst at the American Enterprise Institute, said Republicans may have the upper hand in terms of credit but it's still a "good issue" for Clinton "if it's not at the expense of busting the budget."

EDITOR'S NOTE — Tom Raum has covered the White House for The Associated Press since 1989 and has reported on government and national politics since 1973.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, Dec. 15, 1994

Your affiliation with social and political groups may be a tremendous asset in the year ahead. Don't be afraid to run for office if asked.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your independence and your mobility could be extremely important to you today, so avoid arrangements that prevent you from moving around freely. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Avoid experimenting with untested procedures at work today. Stick to traditional methods that you know will produce the results you want.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might not shop wisely today if you have a strong desire for instant gratification. You may be tempted by a bum deal that costs more than it's worth.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do not blame someone else for your own goof-up today. It will make you look petty and the scapegoat will hold it against you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Prepare to adjust your thinking today instead of holding onto obsolete methods. An open mind and an attitude receptive to suggestions will take you far.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do not take anything for granted in your financial dealings today. If you get careless, some type of loss — large or small — is probable.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You and your mate must be careful today not to do something that the other finds objectionable. Even small infractions might get out of hand.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You won't work well under pressure today, so stay on top of your duties and responsibilities. You might not be able to cope with a pile-up.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Stay in control of an important development today. Someone may try to put you in a position where you could no longer call the shots. Don't let this happen!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your probabilities for success are only marginal today, so don't leave the fate of important matters up to chance. Create a plan and stick with it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Make a concerted effort to listen carefully today. You may be responsible for passing valuable information along to others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be careful in business dealings today, especially if you're involved in a joint venture. Double check your partner's work and let him/her double check yours.

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Wedding Snafus Add Snap To Couple's Happiest Day

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DEAR ABBY: You recently asked for wedding horror stories, so we are sending ours. The vocalist at the ceremony (the bride's sister) got so emotional in the middle of her solo, she choked up, burst into tears and was unable to sing another note.

Then, when the minister asked the friends and family to signify their blessings of the union, a little girl shrieked at the top of her lungs, "No!"

In the middle of the outdoor reception, rain began to fall. Immediately following the ceremony, the groom had to change from his tuxedo into his street clothes because his best man, who was going to return the groom's tux to the rental place, got an emergency phone call and had to leave early. The two bartenders got drunk, left the bar, and started dancing with the female guests. Then everybody started helping themselves to the liquor.

And guess what? We've never had a better time at a wedding. It all depends on your attitude. If you're uptight about every little thing that doesn't go as planned, you'll have a horrible time. Life is like that — totally unpredictable, and much more fun if you just take things as they come.

JAN AND HADDAYR
IN MINNEAPOLIS

DEAR JAN AND HADDAYR: There are times when a sense of humor can turn what some would call a tragedy into a comedy. And this was one of them. Congratulations!

DEAR ABBY: This letter is in response to the woman who was contemplating a Caesarean section in order to avoid the pain of childbirth. Believe me, you do not avoid pain with a Caesarean. I know. I had a normal delivery with my first child after 12 hours of painful delivery, and a Caesarean with my second child.

Wal-Mart will stay open in Bridge City

BRIDGE CITY (AP) — Two housewives have convinced retailing giant Wal-Mart to keep its Bridge City store open for at least two more years, longer if it continues to make money.

When the Arkansas-based company announced plans to shut the store down at the end of January to make way for a much larger Wal-Mart Supercenter in nearby West Orange, Libby Mitchell and Cheryl Meeks launched a petition drive to save it.

They collected more than 2,000 signatures — enough to convince Wal-Mart officials to come to Orange County to talk about it.

The meeting changed Wal-Mart's mind.

"We were about to make a mistake," Bill Fields, who oversees

If I had had the Caesarean first, I doubt that I would have had a second baby. While the pain of normal childbirth was no picnic, when it was over, it was over, and the recovery time was relatively short (about two weeks).

With the Caesarean, my recovery period was eight weeks, and I was much more incapacitated and in far more pain than I had been with my natural birth. Plus, I have an ugly eight-inch scar across my lower tummy that is sore — and itches from time to time.

Trust me. Natural is better.
HAD IT BOTH WAYS
IN SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ.

DEAR HAD IT: I believe you. And I have a stack of letters on my desk reiterating your testimony.

DEAR ABBY: Recently we received a wedding invitation. Afterward, we found out that there were two very different invitations mailed to guests.

The first one was to attend a church ceremony followed by a lovely dinner.

The second invitation was to attend a dance, with cake, punch and a cash bar. (That's the one we received.)

It seems that the bridal couple was interested only in getting as many wedding gifts as possible.

What is your opinion?
SECOND-RATE GUEST

DEAR GUEST: Same as yours.

For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Houston man claims half of \$40 million

AUSTIN (AP) — A Houston man has claimed the remaining half of a \$40.4 million Lotto Texas jackpot drawn Saturday night.

One day after a Weatherford woman claimed half of the jackpot, Michael Hicks of Houston presented the winning ticket for the other half on Tuesday. The two were the only winners of Saturday's drawing.

Hicks received a check for just over \$1 million and will receive similar payments over the next 19 years, totaling \$20,193,861.41.

Hicks, who requested minimal publicity, purchased a Quick Pick ticket with the winning numbers 12, 13, 34, 44, 46 and 49.

Stop N Go No. 3753 in Houston will receive a bonus check of \$201,938.61 for selling Hicks the winning ticket.

On Monday, Diane Leiding, 39, of Weatherford claimed her share of the winnings.

DATE BOOK

Dec. 14, 1994

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Today is the 348th day of 1994 and the 83rd day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1976, Barbara Walters interviewed President-elect Jimmy Carter, Barbra Streisand and Jon Peters in her first television special.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Nos-tradamus (1503-1566), physician-seer; Tycho Brahe (1546-1601), astronomer; Spike Jones (1911-1965), bandleader; Don Hewitt (1922-), TV-news producer, is 72; Charlie Rich (1932-), singer, is 62; Lee Remick (1935-1991), actress; Patty Duke (1946-), actress, is 48.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1953, the Brooklyn Dodgers signed powerful but wild southpaw Sandy Koufax.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I can see how he won 25 games. What I don't understand is how he lost 5." — Yogi Berra, on Sandy Koufax

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1924, the temperature in Helena, Mont., dropped 88 degrees in 34 hours, from 63 degrees to -25 degrees.

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

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Berry's World



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HER SYSTEM:
QUICK PICK

WINNING NUMBERS:
9 18 19 22 32 39

FIRST THING SHE DID:
TURNED 15 DIFFERENT SHADES OF RED

PRIZE: \$27.2 MILLION



WHEN CHERYL CLICK WON LOTTO TEXAS, THE ONLY THING SHE CHANGED WAS HER ADDRESS.

CHERYL CLICK STILL HAS THE SAME SMILE. SHE STILL WEARS THE SAME BLUE JEANS AND ROPERS. AND SHE STILL LIVES IN WEST TEXAS. ONLY NOW SHE LIVES ON THE RANCH SHE'S ALWAYS WANTED. AND IF IT WEREN'T FOR THAT, YOU'D NEVER KNOW THAT CHERYL'S ONE OF OVER 150 MILLIONAIRES AND STILL COUNTING.

