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Ask Us

Q—How should diabetics dispose of the syringes they

A-According to a spokesperson at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, the syringes should be placed in a puncture-proof, tightlysealed can — such as a coffee can — and may then be disposed of along with regular household garbage.

Local

Night out

East Elementary Family Night Out will be this evening at Subway.

Car club

Snyder Wheels Car Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. today at The Shack. All car enthusiasts are invited to attend.

Lodge 706

District representatives will be visiting Lodge 706 at 7:30 this evening.

Class of '60

Snyder High School Class of 1960 will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Alex and LaNell Cross home on the Lamesa Highway. Call 573-3186, 573-8060 or 573-3548.

Book fair

This is the last week to have used books picked up for the upcoming Drama Patrons' used book fair. Call 573-6301 or 573-8379 to donate books to benefit the SHS drama department. Books may also be dropped off at the high school between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Beta Delta Phi

Beta Delta Phi's annual Valentine dance and "Sweetheart Get Away" raffle will be Saturday from 8:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. at Snyder Country Club. Cow Jazz will perform. Admission is \$10 for singles or \$15 per couple.

Tax help

Dot Stokes, an AARP Tax-Aide volunteer, is offering free tax help to low or moderate-income taxpayers age 60 and older each Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon and 1-2:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 2603 Ave. M., through April 15.

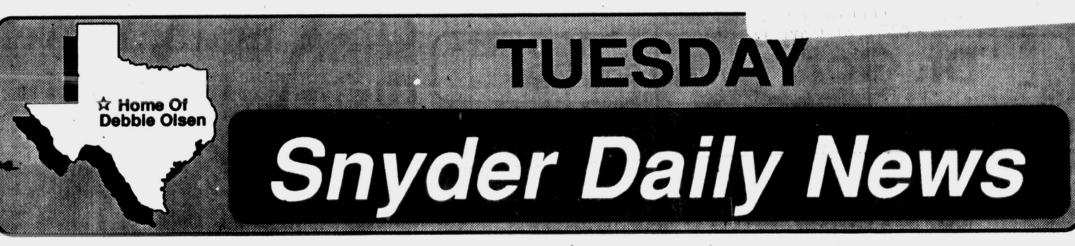
Those interested should bring their current tax records and a copy of last year's income tax return.

Weather

Snyder Area Forecast: High Monday, 68 degrees; low, 30 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. today, 37 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1995 to date, .81 of an inch.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear. Low in the lower 20s. North wind around 10 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy. High in the upper 40s. East wind around 10 mph. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Low in the lower 30s. Chance of rain 20 percent.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:24. Sunrise Wednesday, 7:31. Of 37 days in 1995, the sun has shone 35 days in





will be located in the former Katherine Ryan themselves. (SDN Staff Photo)

MAKING PLANS — Snyder Police Chief Lan- School and will be open following renovations. nie Lee, left, and Gale Titus attended the open The facility will be for students junior high age house at the site of the Scurry Youth Center. It and up with activities directed by the teen-agers

Lotta loot spent on lotto

\$341 for every Scurry Countian since games began

Statewide figures since the

Wanna' bet?

Scurry County residents do. games began are \$3,766,214,117 Money spent on Lotto Texas, on scratch tickets, \$2,432,916,741 scratch tickets and Pick 3 in on Lotto and \$186,305,428 on Scurry County amounts to Pick 3. Those totals, provided by \$341.50 for each man, woman and the lottery commission, are as of

If that doesn't sound like much, consider that according to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, there are 18,746 people living in Scurry County. Now multiply \$341.50 and 18,746.

The fact is that a whopping \$6.4 million has been spent in Scurry County on various forms of the Texas Lottery since the games began in 1992 and 1993.

That's about 1 percent of the total spent statewide, said Steve Levine, communications director for the Texas Lottery Commission.

Scurry County has some fairly sizeable scratch ticket and Pick 3 winners, but no Lotto winners. Still, that hasn't stopped area residents from spending \$2,343,929 on the game since it began on Nov. 7, 1992.

A lot more has been spent in Scurry County on scratch tickets -\$3,897,768 — but that is due in part to the fact that scratch-off games began on May 29, 1992.

Pick 3, the lottery's newest game, began Oct. 25, 1993. Some \$160,081 has been spent on Pick 3 in Scurry County.

County coliseum...

Monster trucks coming to Snyder this weekend

present monster truck races Frialso enter the Ugly Truck Contest. day and Saturday night at Scurry County Coliseum.

Such names as Earthquake. Black Widow, Hot Pursuit, Play evening. Advance tickets are also happened because people run Laney. N' For Keeps and Bad Boy will \$10.50 for adults and \$5.50 for for office saying one thing and be on hand for the competition.

motorcycle racing.

Area fans can get in on the act \$5.50 for children. by entering the Tuff Truck Contest. Any 4x4 can enter the tough able for rides.

Motorsports of America will truck obstacle course. Fans can

Entry information can be ob-

Incidentally, people who purch-

ase Lotto tickets for Wednesday

night's \$18 million drawing have

a slightly better chance of winning

by coming up with their own num-

Of the 99 jackpots claimed

since Quick Picks became avali-

able on May 29, 1993, some 57

were won on numbers people

selected themselves. The other 42

their own numbers because Ouick

were won on Quick Picks.

Pick wasn't available.

bers than using Quick Picks.

tained by calling (800) 544-8714. Shows will begin at 7:30 each children at The Movie Stop and Both shows will also include D&D Auto. Tickets at the door will be \$12.50 for adults and

A monster truck will be avail-

Nine indicted by grand jury

slaughter and another for inde- 4-year-old girl on Jan. 22. cency with a child.

in Colorado City was indicted for two counts of burglary of a buildintoxication manslaughter. Reyes, ing. Platero is charged with burg-38, is being held in Scurry County larizing Swap and Shop on Feb. 3 Jail on \$25,000 bond.

According to DPS reports, Reyes was drunk on the night of Jan. 13 when the pickup he was driving went out of control. A paswas thrown from the vehicle and killed when the pickup rolled over

Twenty-three-year-old Salvador Gutierrez Perez of 2106 26th

Win free tickets to the circus

Snyder Daily News is giving 50 people a chance to win two free tickets to next Monday's Circus Gatti.

Beginning today, 10 names drawn at random from the local telephone book will be placed in the SDN classified pages each day. Citizens who find their name and bring the paper to the SDN office will receive two free adult tickets.

The promotion will end with the weekend issue.

Circus Gatti is the world's largest international three-ring circus. Showtimes will be 4:30 and 8 p.m. Monday at Scurry County Coliseum.

A Scurry County grand jury St. was indicted for indecency handed down 10 indictments with a child. Perez is being held in charging nine people Monday, in- the county jail on \$15,000 bond. cluding one for intoxication man- He is charged with fondling a

Juan Antonio Platero, 39, of Julian Reyes Jr. of 625 Vine St. 1910 Coleman #1 was indicted on and again on Feb. 4. According to police, Platero was arrested at the scene on Feb. 4. Platero is in jail on \$5,000 bond for each count.

Twenty-two-year-old William senger, David Armon Bennett, Blake Sescil of 1301 College Ave. was indicted for burglary of a habitation. Sescil is charged with taking some change and jewelry from the Jeff Fowler residence on Dec. 30. 1994. Sescil is in jail on \$5,000 bond.

> Mary Ann Jalamos, 23, of 1904 Coleman, was indicted for burglary of a habitation. She is charged with taking a VCR from the Kay Grametbaur residence on Jan. 26. Bond was set at \$5,000.

> Andrew Williams, 27, of 3203 Ave. J., was indicted for felony theft and is in the county jail on \$5,000 bond. He is charged with the Dec. 10, 1994 theft of a firearm from Gloria Peppers.

Janie Mae McFall, 18, of 6726 CR 161 Colorado City, was indicted for forgery by passing. McFall is charged with forging a \$95 check in the name of Mark Gordon on Jan. 18. McFall, who was indicted for burglary by a Scurry County grand Jury in January, is at large.

The grand jury also handed down two indictments for felony driving while intoxicated. Indicted were Pilar Luna Jr., 42, of 307 34th St. on a Dec. 31, 1994 charge and Vincente Valdez, 27, of 2810 42nd St. on a Jan. 1 charge. Bond was set at \$2,000 for

'I'll keep my word,' The first 52 winners in the Lotto, or Pick 6 game, all chose Says Governor Bush

AUSTIN (AP) - Gov. George control." W. Bush, delivering his first state of the state address, today re- about his four goals in nearly evpeated his four key campaign ery speech since launching his promises and told the Legislature, candidacy in November 1993, in-"I intend to keep my word."

Bush again called on lawmakers to enact changes in the civil justice system, toughen juvenile pass the first four." crime laws, reform the welfare system and decontrol education.

"You and I know that people have become cynical. It has happened partly because government has tried to do too much. It has then do another," Bush said.

Pledging to fulfill his promises, the governor said his guiding philosophy is one of "limited government, personal responsibility, strong families and local

Bush noted that he has talked cluding his Jan. 17 inaugural address. But he said he now had a fifth objective: "Number five is

In remarks prepared for the speech to a joint House-Senate session, the Republican governor praised the Legislature's Democratic leaders — Lt. Gov. Bob **Bullock and House Speaker Pete**

Bush is only the second Republican governor since Reconstruction, but he said that working with Bullock and Laney during the first weeks of his term had shown a spirit of cooperation.

"It shows we know our task is to serve the great people of Texas. Our profound obligation transcends typical politics," Bush

"Equally important, we share a conservative philosophy. ... These are not partisan values, these are Texas values," he said.

Bush has designated tort reform — changes in the way civil lawsuits are handled — a legislative emergency. A bill designed to stop "frivolous" lawsuits already has passed the Senate, and others are in the works that would limit damages.

"We must act swiftly and boldly. Texans expect meaningful tort reform and will not tolerate piecemeal or watered-down changes. The scales of justice in Texas are out of balance. It is time to stand up and say, 'We object.'"

The governor said the current welfare system "rewards illegitimacy, diminishes the motivation to work and robs Texans of dignity and self-worth."

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

WTC slates Image class

The spring Image Workshop, Women and Self Esteem, will begin Feb. 20 at Western Texas College and continue through April

All classes will be conducted from 9-11:30 a.m. on Mondays at the Baptist Student Union on campus. Carolyn Osborn, M.Ed, LPC, will be the instructor.

Image, begun 10 years ago, is for women who are divorced, widowed or trying "to find themselves." There is no charge and a high school diploma is not

Early registration is encouraged because class enrollment will be limited. To pre-register call the Special Needs office at at WTC, 573-8511, ext. 297.

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It's impossible to learn from mistakes if you deny making 'em."

Jay Massingill, former Scurry County commissioner and former county auditor, moved to Abilene a few years ago, but he likes to keep in

He sent the following note: "Hey, I don't want you guys to forget us over there in good old Snyder. I still get your paper. I was there a few days back, and stayed with Art out at the Sagebrush Inn. Good memory, huh?"

We first thought Jay was gonna brag about his hometown, but it didn't take long to find out the real reason for the note. He wanted to brag about his

Massingill continued:

"Radley Beason, my five-year-old grandson, is a small lad for his age. Due to his size, he might be mistaken for a girl, but he's definitely all boy. "On a given day, he was allowed to go with his day on some errand, so little Beason was well pleased with himself. While riding along in the pickup, my grandson kept staring in the rear-view mirror. This went on for some time before Radley turned to his dad and said: "Dad, we Beason men are a good-looking

bunch, aren't we?'

When Jay was in town recently, we inquired if the sheriff knew he had sneaked back, and Jay added a postscript to his note that he had gotten out of town before the sheriff found him.

We checked with the sheriff and we both agreed. Radley is a good-looking kid, and fortunately he doesn't favor his grandpa.

We're reminded of the youngster who sat in the waiting room with his father, arms crossed and frowning, as it was announced that his mother had just given birth to his baby sister.

The father asked, "What's wrong. Aren't you happy about your new sister?" 'Yeah, I guess," said the little guy, "but there are a lot of things we needed more."

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Hormone debate clouds menopause

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is it really necessary to take estrogen and progestin for menopause? I have the medications at home, but after reading about the side effects, I've decided against taking them. Am I in danger by abstaining? I only have one ovary and am a smoker. How can I live a safe and healthy life without these drugs?

DEAR READER: Post-menopausal women do not have to take hormone supplements in order to enjoy good health. In fact, you would probably improve your health more substantially were you to stop smoking.

Your confusion probably arises from medical reports that show the benefits of taking estrogen/progestin. After menopause, these medicines retard the rate of osteoporosis (calcium-loss from bones) and may protect against heart attacks. I say "may" because estrogen alone certainly does: estrogen/progestin combinations are less clearly beneficial in preventing heart disease, although they reduce the risk of uterine cancer

that is associated with estrogen alone. This is a complicated issue that you should review with your gynecologist. If you have no symptoms of menopause (hot flashes, irritability, etc.) and no family history of osteoporosis or heart disease, you can

probably forego the hormones, On the other hand, if your physician believes that you are at risk for either condition, you should try the therapy.

In answer to your final question, you can live a safer and healthier life by stopping smoking, moderating your dietary fat, losing weight (if you're obese), using alcohol only in small quantities, and buckling up when you drive.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Menopause." 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 have a slight bulge in my left groin diagnosed as a fatty deposit, not a hernia. I don't experience any pain with it. Can I leave well enough alone or should I be concerned?

DEAR READER: Lipomas (benign fatty tumors) can occur anywhere on the body and are harmless. However, they can easily be removed if they are in a position to cause irritation, such as on belt-lines or under bra-straps.

If your doctor has confirmed (by examination) that your groin bulge is a lipoma, you can leave it alone. Remember, though, that hernias are common in the groin and, if small, can resemble lipomas. Hernias should be surgically repaired.

Therefore, make sure that your doctor has checked you for this condition as well

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DR. GOTT



Alligators, monks, bikers, horses join Capitol clatter

the day.

"Would it be in order or out of spectators' gallery — and two world peace. alligator-costumed people there to promote Port Arthur.

Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, who was presiding over the Senate with the parliamentarian by his side, quipped, "There are two on the podium right now."

It was just another day at the Texas Capitol, a showcase for the state's diversity.

The alligators, there for a resolution designating Monday as Port Arthur Day, arrived early enough to first witness adoption of a resol- in black T-shirts and black jeans tock Show and Rodeo.

AUSTIN (AP) — The question ution honoring Tibetan monks vis-visited lawmakers' offices to Monastery in India.

The maroon-robed monks, in order to have a couple of alligators Austin for a concert, later peron the podium?" Sen. Gonzalo formed a ceremony on the Capi-Barrientos, D-Austin, asked Mon- tol's south steps to bless the newly the lawmakers. He said bikers day, gesturing toward the Senate restored building and pray for hope to have a greater impact face-

> The alligators wore leis and grass skirts, but Port Arthur promoters were foiled in an attempt to front (of the Capitol) raising Cain similarly enliven lawmakers' wardrobes.

leis at the door to the House cham- Ward said. ber, the sergeant-at-arms asked them not to "in keeping with the saw its share of action. House decorum," said Janet War-Speaker Pete Laney.

was an unusual one, but it suited iting from the Drepung Loseling voice opposition to mandatory motorcycle helmets.

"We're down here talking to our employees," motorcyclist Walt Ward of Southlake said of to-face than they have through Capitol rallies.

"Instead of standing out in and leaving, which does absolutely no good, our people are get-When they tried to distribute ting involved in the process,'

But the front of the Capitol also

Before the blessing by the ren, spokeswoman for House monks, Bush met a mounted patrol that carried an invitation for Meanwhile, motorcyclists clad him to attend the Houston Lives-

Lt. Gary Look of the Harris County Sheriff's Department said the Pony Express-style delivery of the governor's invitation is 46-year tradition.

Bush said he looks forward to attending the show, quipping, "I think I'd ride a bull, since I'm throwing enough of it."

The District of Columbia was established as the seat of the U.S.

of honor. But the next person to reach the microphone couldn't resist: "Will you run for president?" Just another day in the life of Colin Powell, retired general, fulltime spouse, aspiring author, part-

described as a strictly military

question. "Good," said the guest

time lecturer - and the central player in one of America's more intriguing political sagas.

Fielding questions after a Monday night speech, Powell said he'd much rather be president than a presidential candidate, given the rigors and scrutiny of modern campaigns.

But before one can interpret that as reluctance to run, he suggests it "might be entertaining to have an independent person in 1996 to throw some more fun into the game."

Just don't assume that he plans be that candidate.

'There is no particular passion in me for politics," Powell said. "But I don't feel any need to rule it out."

There are others, of course, who would prefer to know the answer.

There are two unauthorized draft Powell committees filed with the Federal Election Commission, and another, seemingly more serious effort, that claims to have coordinators in nearly two dozen

Then, of course, there is the handful of candidates already seeking the 1996 Republican

woman and two of her sons have

been punished by a federal magis-

trate who chastised them for inter-

"You've brought shame to a

whole city of innocent people in

Vidor who want to try and have a

Judge Wendell Radford told Ju-

dith Foux and her sons, Steven

Radford on Monday sentenced

the Foux family members to one

year probation and a \$500 fine

each. He vowed to send a message

to anyone who violates civil rights

"You make me as a citizen feel Vidor.

Berry's World

THE

KING IS A

FINK

Joseph and David Carl.

complex.

Magistrate sentences trio

BEAUMONT (AP) - A Vidor ashamed," Radford said.

fering with efforts to integrate a gregation of the housing complex

former all-white public housing in the racially torn Southeast

Texas town.

nightmare.

came what the man in the audience any of them, a testament to his re-

Once again, Powell keeps

them guessing about plans



COLIN POWELL

markable public image - as well, perhaps, as to his silence on a host of divisive issues.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., for example, is quick to say yes when asked if Powell would make his list of potential running mates.

Over the weekend, Dole said he met with Powell recently, but said he didn't ask Powell about the No. 2 slot — or whether he was a Republican, for that matter. But Dole, with a laugh, said Powell knew a good deal about recent polls: "In fact, he knew he was running ahead of me."

Of course, President Clinton wouldn't mind knowing, either. nomination. In opinion polls, His 1996 re-election odds are long

The Fouxs pleaded guilty to

Ms. Foux pleaded guilty to vio-

lating the civil rights of the Rev.

Dennis Turbeville by placing a Ku

Klux Klan calling card on the door

Church of God on Nov. 19, 1992.

friendly visit by the Ku Klux

Turbeville, on the same night

that the card was posted, attended

a pro-integration prayer rally in

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misdemeanor charges in connec-

tion with the 1992 attempted dese-

WASHINGTON (AP) - First Powell easily scores higher than to begin with, never mind the prospect of having a hero somewhere on the GOP ticket - or mounting a serious independent run.

Powell won't come right out and say so, but it appears unlikely he would enter the 1996 primaries, assuming he chooses a political party by then.

The first draft of his book is due at the publisher in a month, and after it comes out in September he is committed to a promotional tour that will take him close to the

"If he is going to run in the Republican primary, he has about 60 days left," said GOP pollster Bill McInturff, citing the early organizing and fund-raising of other candidates. He said time is running short even for an independent bid, given the time it would take to raise money and build an organization big enough to qualify for ballots.

But Powell doesn't seem the type to be rushed.

For all his jokes about his wife, Alma, ordering him to fix clogged drains and refusing to make his lunch, Powell appears to be very much enjoying retirement, and in no hurry to figure out his political allegiances — never mind his aspirations.

"I am still developing a political philosophy," he said Monday night, allowing that he has voted in the past for Democrats and Republicans and was comfortable as an independent.

"I don't know if it would ever fit either of the two parties," Powell said of his emerging philosophy. "I checked the Constitution - you don't have to belong to a party."

Pick 3

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

5-8-6 (five, eight, six)

Reynolds enlists

peaceful life," U.S. Magistrate- of the Family Worship Center Wayne Sherman Reynolds, a "You have just been paid a 1991 graduate of Hermleigh High School, has joined the U.S. Army, Klan," read the card. "Don't committing to three years' service make the next visit your worst and asking for individual training as an infantryman.

Reynolds is the son of Rex. L. Reynolds and Kathy A. Posey, both of Hermleigh.

Garza Theatre sets 'Clowns'

POST — The Garza Theatre will present "A Thousand Clowns" Feb. 17-19, 24-26 and

Herb Gardner wrote the comedy and Jane Prince Jones will direct. Lead players will be Steve Sever, Rick Gilbert, George Comiskey, Virginia Rector, Don Brooks and Josh Fay.

Weeknights curtain times will be at 7:45 and the Sunday matinee begins at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$4.50 for children 6-12.

Box office hours are Monday through Friday noon to 5 p.m. Call 1-800-846-3706 for reservations.

Borden County slates reunion

GAIL — The Borden County School reunion planning committee has set Aug. 4-5 for the school's reunion. Any address changes since 1991 reunion are needed to update the files for

Those who have not received updates are asked to contact E.L. Franklin, 2803 34th St., Snyder, Tex. 79549, 1-915-573-0397; or Borden County ISD Exes, Box 312, Gail, Tex. 79738, 1-806-756-4346.

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MAGIC BY REID JOHNSON — Eighth grader Reid Johnson is shown preparing for his magic show at a recent Altrurian Daughters Club meeting at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Johnson, who has performed magic for several organiza- Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

tions this year, is pictured with hostesses June McGlaun, left, and Nina Nesbitt. Altrurians will meet again on Feb. 15 with Jackie Greene presenting cowboy poetry and music. (SDN Staff

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Scurry County Chapter of American Heart Association; The Shack; noon.

Targeting All Parents (TAP); Stanfield Elementary; "Choosing Effective Discipline Techniques;" 2:30 p.m.

Alpha Study Club; MAWC; hostesses, Vondell King and Pearle Waller; 3 p.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-4158 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Deep Creek Chapter ABWA; Golden Corral; 6:30 p.m. TAPS: West Elementary;

"Learning to Communicate With

Central Fire Station; 7 p.m. Snyder Police Auxiliary; Snyder National Bank Commun-

ity Room; 7:30 p.m. ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate a.m. to 4 p.m. Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7

room of Snyder National Bank; 7:30 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;

WEDNESDAY

TAP; bilingual sessions only; 9 Narcotics Anonymous; Park

Club in Winston Park; for more in-Snyder Fire Dept. Auxiliary; formation call 573-2101,

573-4158 or 573-1579; 8 p.m. THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; West 37th in the airport terminal building; 9

Ministerial Alliance; Willow

Park Inn; prayer meeting at 9:30, Beta Sigma Phi; community regular meeting at 10.

Noah Project Advisory Committee; MAWC; noon. Deep Creek Cloggers lesson;

American Legion; 6:30-8 p.m. Snyder Christian Women's Club guest night; Snyder Country

Club; feature, Drew Bullard of Computer Solutions; music, Steve Marshall; guest speakers Melvin Ziegenbein, vice president of Blue tricks when the clubs didn't break. Bell Creameries, and his wife, Karla; 7 to 9 p.m.

SOS (Singles of Snyder) volimportant than skill.

leyball and games; First Baptist urch 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 for FCE club call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

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

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

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health countryside and inhabitants. Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd. Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate

Bridge By Phillip Alder

NORTH 2-7-95 ♠K 10 9 *A K Q 6 5 WEST EAST ₩K 10 • Q J 10 6 2 ♠ Q 8 Vulnerable: Both Dealer: East West North Dbl. Redbl All pass

Fatigue produces errors

Opening lead: *J

Last November, for reasons best known to my psychiatrist, I took part in the New York City Marathon. I also competed in last year's bridge marathon: the world championships in Albuquerque. Toward the end of the 15 days no one was playing at his or her best, as evidenced by today's deal.

Following his partner's redouble, South's two-heart rebid showed a minimum or sub-minimum opening. With full values, South would have made a

Declarer won the club lead in the dummy and played a trump to his nine. (If he played a heart to the ace, West could unblock the king, judging that South would take the finesse if holding the queen.) West won with the king and continued with a second club. Declarer won in the dummy, discarding a diamond from hand, and drew the remain-

Now the contract is ensured. As West is marked with the spade ace from the bidding, a low spade toward dummy's king skewers West on the tines of Morton's Fork. If he ducks his ace, declarer wins with dummy's king, discards his spade queen on dummy's third club honor and concedes two diamond tricks. Whereas if West wins with the spade ace, declarer has 10 tricks by way of two spades, five hearts and three

But South, stifling a yawn, led the spade queen instead of a low one. Gratefully, West won with the ace and returned a spade, holding South to nine Perhaps it is time for the World Bridge Federation to make stamina less

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Trip to Costa Rica program

Family and Community Education Plainview Club met Jan. 24 in the home of Pearle Waller with Virginia Humphrey giving a program on her trip to Costa Rica.

She was among several other members of Calvary Baptist Church who traveled to Costa Rica on Jan. 12 to meet with the missionary the church helps sponsor. Sightseeing tours were in-Free blood pressure clinics; Se- cluded in the trip before their renior Citizens Center, 9:30-11 a.m. turning home on Jan. 19. She showed slides of the Costa Rican

Evelyn Fields won the door prize.

The club's next meeting is set

Bridge; Snyder Country Club; for Feb. 21 at Mrs. Humphrey's **BELOW 1/2 PRICE SALE AT**

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VALENTINE DANCE SET - Beta Delta Phi members Diane Hogan and Beth Bowen are pictured preparing for the annual Valentine Dance and "Sweetheart Get Away" fund-raiser set for Feb. 11 at the Snyder Country Club. Music will be provided by Cow Jazz. Tickets for the dance, 8:30-1:30 p.m., will be \$10 for a single and \$15 for a couple. Anyone interesed in tickets should call 573-3916 or 573-1366. (Contributed Photo)



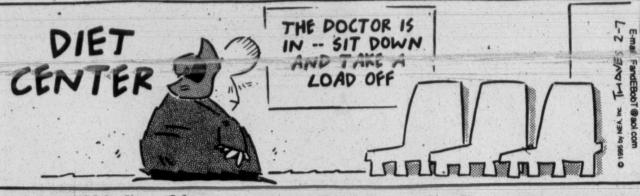
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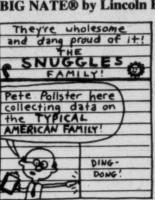


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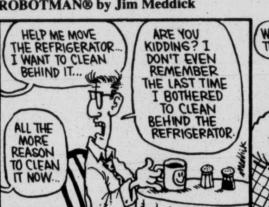








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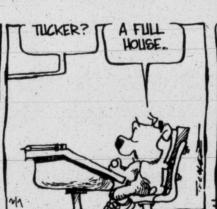
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chart-topping single.

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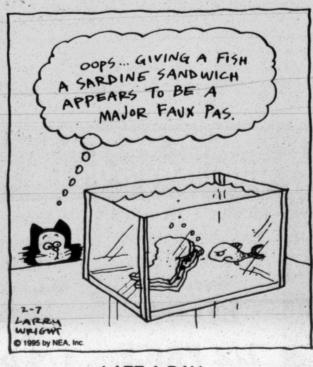
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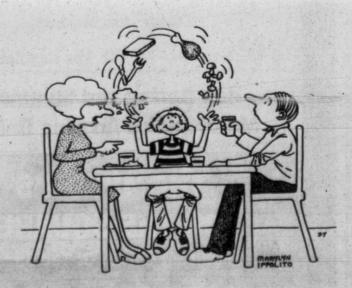
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Sports WTC drops its sixth straight



IN THE FAST LANE — Western Texas' Diane Ezernack gets by a New Mexico Junior College defender en route to the basket. Ezernack had five points in the Lady Westerners 90-76 loss to the Lady Thunderbirds. (Photo by Todd Stanley)

Locals fare well at TKD meet

Thornhill took home a second

In the Red Belt competition.

Blue Belt Amanda Hicks cap-

Green Belt David Richardson

Yellow Belts Trace Dennis and

third place for their efforts in the

Also competing in the tourna-

ment were Blue Belts Randy Herr-

era, Andrew Bane and Trey Casti-

nada. Melissa Hicks, Logan West

and Michael Jackson fought in the

Yellow Belt classification and

Seth Wood and Casey Row com-

peted in the Orange Belt division.

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ing, while fellow Green Belt Tho-

mas Heffner placed third.

fighting competition.

Over 2000 people, including Eldon Scott both finished first in 400 competitors, attended the 9th fighting among their respective annual West Texas Tae Kwon Do divisions. Championship at the Scurry County Coliseum over the place medal in forms. weekend.

Students from 65 Tae Kwon Do Bradley Price, Melissa Jones and schools in New Mexico, Texas David Richardson also took home and Oklahoma, as well as a large first place medals in fighting. delegation from Mexico, com- Price placed first in forms, as well. peted Saturday.

Olympic-style medals were gi- tured second in her division of the ven to first through third places in fighting competition. each division of fighting and forms. First, second and third took the first place prize in fightplace trophies were also awarded.

Among those involved, 18 students from West Texas Tae Kwon Do Academy, coached by Chris Jake Thompson both finished in Thornhill, took part in the event.

Nine of those students placed in the top three of their division in fighting with two of them finishing at or near the top of the forms competition.

Black Belts Jared Thornhill and

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moved into sole possesion of fifth place.

The loss left the Lady Westerners and head coach Brenda Welch-Nichols searching for anthree-game sweep by the Lady swers, as they dropped their sixthstraight conference game.

"We came out cold in the first out to an early 24-9 lead in the half," Nichols said. "We weren't hitting and they (New Mexico)

"They were ready to play and we came out dead. We got frus-Jones hit four 3-pointers in the trated because the ball wouldn't just didn't have the defensive in- ern Texas) gets hot from beyond en route to 19 points on the night, fall for us and that made things

By digging themselves an early dropped into a tie for last place hole, the Lady Westerners were

Texas and New Mexico Junior College Athletic Conference, Coach Nichols ushered in a full However, New Mexico was able while New Mexico (12-13, 3-4) court press, but time and time again New Mexico's 5'4" point guard, Jessica McCue, was able to

> fensive breakdowns were the absence of point guards Ericka Thompson and April Reves, both of whom are out with illness.

> "With Ericka out we needed another defender to come in and

The Lady Westerners were able tremely hard to defend. to keep the Lady Thunderbirds in reach in the first half with a 15 of little cold."

The last two times Western with Odessa in the Western Junior forced to step up the defense. 20 outing at the free throw line. to build on its 18-point 50-32 first half lead in the second half.

The Lady Thunderbirds' lead break the Western Texas pressure. hovered around the 20-point mark One of the reasons for the de- much of the night. At the 7:40 mark in the second, the New Mexico advantage was 72-50.

New Mexico head coach Brent Palmer said that winning on the road was a big boost for his team.

"We took a gamble coming in step up the defense and get us here by playing our matchup some breaks," Nichols said. "We zone," he said. "When they (Westtensity that we normally have." the three-point arc they are ex-

"Fortunately for us, they were a

Softball program set for diamond at SHS

Snyder High School has a storied history when it comes to baseball. In fact, Snyder, according to head coach Roland Herrera, is the winningest 4A high school in the state. The Tigers have participated in the state tournament a record seven times and came away with the title in 1983.

Head softball coach Billy Hicks hopes to establish the same kind of winning tradition with the school's new softball program.

All last week Coach Hicks held tryouts for over 20 prospective members of the new

On Friday he cut the list of softball hopefuls to 16. But because of the conclusion of basketball season tonight, Hicks expects 10 additional girls to tryout tomorrow.

Hicks said he was a little aprehensive about the type of team Snyder would field in its inaugural campaign, but that the first week of tryouts was uplifting.

was pleased with the way said. "I'm really excited about the talent level out here.

"There are definitely a few diamonds in the rough in regards to these players."

Hicks said that narrowing the team down to 15 players this Friday is going to be a difficult

"Cutting this roster down is going to be one of the toughest decisions in my life," he said. "Unfortunately there will be some good players that won't find their way onto this roster."

He also said that the older girls won't necessarily have an advantage over the freshmen and sophomores.

"If there is a freshman who is on the same level as, say, a junior, I will have the inclination to give the spot to the younger player," Hicks said. "The reason for doing that is because the younger player will be around

"When you are attempting to build a program like I am you want to have people that are going to be around for awhile."

The first scrimmage for the Lady Tigers is slated for noon tryouts went last week," Hicks on Feb. 11 in Abilene. Snyder will play Abilene Cooper, Clyde and Wylie that day.

ment with a 36 hole total of 594.

the Westerners with a 77-76-153

first day total. Jason Ball is just

one shot behind Gray with back-

to-back 77s. Corey Stone is the

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Lady Tigers close out cage campaign tonight

By TODD STANLEY SDN Sports Editor

Tonight puts to rest a roller coaster season for one Snyder basketball team and, possibly, a period of heartbreak for another.

The Lady Tigers end their up and down season tonight with a chance to live up to their coach's expectations.

On the other hand, with only three games remaining on the boys' schedule, Snyder has a chance to get its first district win against its fiercest rival.

Both Snyder teams travel to Lamesa to take on the Golden Tornadoes in District 5-4A competition.

their district, the Lady Tigers and at 8. head coach Steve Qualls knew going into the season that a third record into to District 5-4A complace finish was more of a realistic goal than placing first or second.

Levelland (26-2, 7-1) and Frenship (22-7, 7-1) currently sit atop the district standings, while Lamesa and Snyder compete for third place and bragging rights.

Lamesa (9-15, 4-4) clash in what ... Those losses, including a 71-69 The Lady Tigers got the best of the Lady Tors 55-46 here two weeks ago, but must play better than their 53-48, and Frenship, 73-35, if they hope to finish the season with a

"At the start of the season our goal was to finish third in district," Coach Qualls said. "We are in the Brevard JC (611). Central Alabama leads the invitational tournaposition to attain that goal.

"The girls are really looking Western Texas' Will Gray leads forward to playing Lamesa. This one game means a lot to our program. We need this win to build on for next year."

Throughout the season Qualls third place Western Texas golfer has talked about closing the gap shooting an 80 on the first 18 holes between the Lady Tigers and getting up for this game.'

for a total of 157. Ron Glennie District 5-4A Glance

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Tuesday's results: Sweetwater 59, Snyder 47; Levelland 62, Estacado 58; Frenship 81, Lamesa 71.

Friday's results: Frenship 54, Snyder 49; Sweetwater 71, Estacado 58; Levelland 77,

Tonight's games: Frenship at Estacado, 8

p.m.; Snyder at Lamesa, 8 p.m.; Sweetwater at Levelland, 8 p.m.

Levelland and Frenship, this game could be a step toward doing just

"If we come back from Lamesa with a win, then we can start building for next year," Qualls said. "We want to be playing top 10 competition next preseason and a win to finish out this year would definitely help us prepare for that. "This is a very important game.

Plus, hey, its against Lamesa." The girls are slated to begin at 6:30 in the Lamesa High School gymnasium. Tonight also marks another

crossroads game for the Snyder Snyder (11-15, 0-6) takes on the

With Levelland and Frenship in Lamesa Golden Tors (11-18, 3-3) The young Tigers took an 11-9

> petition, however, their district foes have shackled them with six straight disappointing losses on Coach Bud Birks' team. Excluding the Tigers' 25 point

loss at Levelland, Snyder has lost each of its last five games by an Snyder (10-18, 4-4) and average of just over seven points.

will be each team's swan song. defeat by Lamesa two weeks ago, have left Coach Birks searching for answers.

"These guys continue to work last two losses to Sweetwater, hard day in and day out," Birks said. "Under these circumstances it would be real easy for a team to just give up and throw in the towel. "I'm proud of the way they have

hung in there. I'm doing all I can do to get us out of this hole and I know the kids are doing the same.'

With only three games remaining Birks hopes the Tigers can come up with their first district win against Lamesa.

"The Lamesa game is always

big for these guys," he said. "You can bet we won't have a problem

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Snyder	4	5	.444	10	19	.345
Lamesa	4	5	.500	8	21	.276
Sweetwater	2	7	.222	6	21	.222
Estacado	1	8	.111	5	21	.192

X-clinched state playoff berth Tuesday's results: Sweetwater 53, Snyder 48; Levelland 72, Estacado 33; Frenship 81, Lamesa 71.

Friday's results: Frenship 73, Snyder 35; Estacado 50, Sweetwater 43; Levelland 69,

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WTC golfers holding 4th place first spring tourney

MELBOURNE, Fla. - The spring season for the Western Texas golf team opened Monday with 36 holes being played in the opening round of the Brevard Junior College Invitational.

Western Texas (311-311-622) currently sits in fourth place out of 12 teams, just seven strokes back of third place Florida Community College (615) and 11 back of host

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New Mexico Junior College 50 Western Texas College...

Three-point goals—New Mexico 6 (Jones 4, Holmans 2); Western Texas 4 (Moss 3, Ezernack 1). Rebounds—New Mexico 36 (Vuletic 12), Western Texas 37 (Wright 14). Assists— New Mexico 24 (Vuletic 8, McCue 8), Western Texas 18 (Wright 5, Wilson 5). Total Fouls—New Mexico 28, Western Texas 26. Fouled out-New Mexico (Jones), Western Texas (Moss). Records —New Mexico 12-13, 3-4; Western Texas 9-17, 2-5.

Manning out

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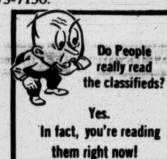
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Convicted killer put to death for 1984 abduction slaying

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A tearful Jeffrey Motley expressed love ducting and killing Maria Adilia to his mother and quietly was put Duran, who was last seen alive to death early today for the abduc- July 22, 1984 when she left her tion and murder of a Houston-area Houston-area apartment to go woman more than a decade ago. swimming with a friend. She

reaction to the lethal drugs as they and was reported missing. passed through tubes and needles inserted into his arms.

"I love you, mom, goodbye," he told his mother, Joanne Motley, who sobbed quietly in the death chamber a few feet from the gurney.

he repeated, "Goodbye mom." Eight minutes later, at 12:20 a.m. CST, he was pronounced

dead. Motley became the fifth con-

this year and the 90th since Texas year term for burglary when he resumed carrying out capital punishment in 1982. The totals are the man was reported missing. highest in the nation.

merely represented the exhaustion in the car. of appeals for a number of inmates.

Defense attorneys filed lastminute appeals Monday contending Motley's trial lawyer denied him adequate representation by sleeping during some of the proceedings. State appeals courts, in a trash bin at an apartment comhowever, refused the claim.

The U.S. Supreme Court on Sunday rejected another appeal that claimed jurors who voted to condemn Motley were not allowed to consider evidence that showed he had been abused by his

Motley was convicted of ab-Motley, 29, had virtually no never arrived at the friend's home

Her body was found 10 days later, decomposing in a field in La Porte, just southeast of Houston. She had been fatally shot with a shotgun. Dental records had to be used to identify her.

"I want him dead," said the Tears welled up in his eyes and victim's twin sister, Marie Evelia Duran. "He took a life. It took this long for him to die. He didn't care when he took my sister's life, so why should I care if he dies.'

Motley was 19 and on parole afdemned killer executed in Texas ter serving 11 months of a fivewas arrested a week after the wo-

At the time of his arrest, he was State officials said the five ex- driving Ms. Duran's car, which ecutions already this year - an had been reported stolen. Witnesunprecedented pace — did not re- ses said he was carrying jewelry flect any move by Texas authori- that belonged to the victim and ties to accelerate executions but was toting a shotgun under the seat

He also was identified on a bank videotape as accompanying the victim when she made \$300 in withdrawals from an automatic teller machine. In addition, the victim's identification, credit cards and checkbook were found plex where Motley was living.

He told arresting officers he had not shot the woman, puzzling authorities who had not yet found her

More than two dozen of the 397 condemned killers in Texas have pending execution dates, although "I'd like to live, don't get me only a few of those convicts have wrong," Motley said in an inter- exhausted their appeals and are view last week. "But I'm considered likely candidates for

Horses removed from military base in N.M.

WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, N.M. (AP) - Dust swirls amid the churning of hooves and the thrumming of Army helicopter rotors during the third phase of an airborne wild horse roundup.

The Army is hoping to head off another summer die-off like the one that claimed the lives of 122 drought-parched horses last year.

The choppers dipped and turned just feet from the ground Monday as they drove the frantic herd forward - until the horses were surrounded by ragged rock outcroppings and jagged black lava flows.

With the slam of a gate across the mouth of the natural corral, the horses milled around in confusion, unwittingly awaiting a journey first to an Oklahoma ranch, then to new adoptive homes.

"I think it's the best and only solution," said wildlife biologist Patrick Morrow, overseeing the horses' removal from this Army test range in southern New Mexico.

The horses - descendants of animals left behind by the original land owners — have roamed here for decades, ever since the government created the 2 million-acre missile range.

But Army officials are convinced that most of the range's estimated 1,500 horses must be removed or face another catastrophe like last summer's die-off.

Bleaching skeletons and bones littered those regions, where emaciated shadows of horses with protruding ribs and nearly fleshless flanks hovered around water troughs. Eventually, the rains returned

and the herds rebounded. But by then, it was clear to Army officials that the range could not indefinitely support so many horses. A task force of civilians, military and government officials

gathered to decide how to humanely remove the horses and find owners that wouldn't sell to slaughter houses. After months of debate, the group agreed to turn the horses over to a Corrections Department

animals. The horses would then be put up for sale or adoption. That proposal was abandoned because of legal problems, leaving the Army to find a new solution without the task force, which dis-

program that uses inmates to train

banded in December.

The Army eventually struck a deal with Oklahoma-based Tadpole Cattle Co., Inc., to send the horses to Tadpole's Oklahoma ranch. The herds will be cared for until they can be put for adoption this spring.

The aerial roundups began last week. The Army held its third gathering Monday, bringing the total number of horses captured to about 250.

Army officials hope to remove some 1,300 horses by March. The other 200 horses will stay on. So far, things are going well,

said Morrow. "It's been excellent," he said. 'We have not identified any major areas of concern."

Animal rights activists also

seemed pleased Monday. "They did a nice job of bringing them in," said Karen Sussman, the president of the International Society for the Protection of Mustangs and Burros who ob-

served Monday's roundup. **American Humane Association** representative Dennis White also complimented the Army, although expressing concern that the military failed to consult task force members.

"I was very disappointed that it ended up the way it did," said White, who was on the task force along with Sussman.

Range spokesman Larry Furrow said a solution had to be found quickly before summer heat returns.

"We may not realize the consequences this summer," Furrow said. "But we could realize problems next summer or the summer after that."

SHS students place at meet

Three Snyder High School students placed during a UIL academics practice meet in Lubbock last weekend.

Vena Clay took first place in biology; Wade Yearwood took second place overall in science at the ninth grade level; and Ryan Eime placed ninth in calculator.

This Saturday, Snyder High students will compete in another practice meet at Lubbock Monterey High School.

Carns pegged as Clinton's choice for director of CIA

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michael Carns, a retired four-star Air Force general, is President Clinton's choice to replace James Woolsey as director of the Central Intelligence Agency, an administration official said today.

The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the selection would be announced this week. The only thing holding it up "was a scheduling matter." Carns has been in California this week, the administration official said.

White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta, interviewed this morning on Fox TV, said Carns had met with President Clinton about the CIA job. "He's certainly near the top of the list, but that decision is for the president," Panetta said.

Press secretary Mike McCurry said Carns was "at the top" of Clinton's list and that the president would like to announcement his choice this week.

The administration official said Clinton chose Carns because of his management experience in the Air Force. The background is vital for somebody tapped to head the CIA, an agency recovering from the Aldrich Ames spy scandal and scrambling to redefine its mission now that the Cold War is over.

Carns, a former fighter pilot, has never worked at the CIA and has no known direct intelligence experience.

He helped run the Air Force during the Perisan Gulf War and the Bosnia and Rwanda humanitarian missions. He retired last year and is now a consultant in

earned both the Silver Star and Distinguished Flying Cross.

business administration from Harvard University.

Officials inside and outside the administration familiar with the process said at least two other candidates had made Clinton's final list: Deputy Attorney General Jamie Gorelick and CIA inspector general Fred Hitz.

Selecting Carns, a respected military leader, would not assuage some of the agency's harshest critics who want a massive overall at cleaning, said a congressional of- for years.

200 combat missions in Vietnam, ficial familiar with the selection

Before becoming the Air For-He also has a master's degree in ces' No. 2 military official, Carns was staff director for the Joint Chiefs of Staff under Colin

> Gorelick, who would have been the first female CIA director, was deemed too valuable at the Justice

Hitz has been on the White House list almost from the beginning. Among members of Congress, he is widely credited for the investigation and report he put together on lapses in the CIA that the CIA. Carns would not be ex- allowed Aldrich Ames to serve as pected to oversee a major house- a Soviet mole inside the agency

Space meeting said 'beautiful'

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — One commander likened the moment to "a fairy tale." His counterpart repeated "beautiful" over and over. It was a spectacle: two 100-ton spaceships, flying only 37 feet apart at 17,500 mph.

'Unbelievable,' Discovery commander James Wetherbee said as the shuttle and the Russian space station Mir participated in a 245-mile-high orbital ballet worthy of "2001: A Space Odyssey.

'It's a beautiful sight. It's a great world," he said.

Crew members were still talking about the rendezvous early to-Carns, a veteran of more than day after Mission Control awoke

them with "The Blue Danube," a Strauss waltz played in the 1968 science fiction film. By that time, they were 52 miles away from

"When we saw the Mir up here, it sure felt like we needed that music in the background," said shuttle pilot Eileen Collins.

The dramatic space meeting now history, crew members returned to less momentous tasks, tending to experiments in the shuttle science laboratory and releasing a 2,800-pound astronomy satellite.

Russian cosmonaut Vladimir Titov hoisted the boxy red satellite and an ultraviolet telescope it contains from the cargo bay with the 50-foot shuttle crane. He held the craft high and let it go as the spaceship backed away.

The telescope will spend the next two days collecting ultraviolet light from neighboring galaxies for clues on the formation of budget got a chilly response from new stars. The crew is to pick it Congress today with the Republiback up Thursday for the ride cans now in control vowing to re-

Boston Pops gets conductor

BOSTON (AP) — The young maestro trotted onto the stage at Symphony Hall and took the baton from outgoing conductor John

Then, with a deep breath and a toss of his head, Keith Lockhart began his tenure as the Boston Pops' third conductor in 65 years. His opening tune was "Everything's Coming Up Roses," from the Stephen Sondheim-Jule Styne musical "Gypsy."

Williams, the renowned composer, had led the 110-year-old orchestra since 1980. At 35, Lockhart is the same age the legendary Arthur Fiedler was when he took

over the Boston Pops in 1930. "The Boston Pops is truly America's orchestra," Lockhart said earlier at a news conference. "For millions of people, myself included ... some of our first tastes of the grandeur and the excitement of symphonic music were through listening to this orchestra."

Lockhart, a native of Poughkeepsie, N.Y., comes to Boston after serving as associate conductor of the Cincinnati Symphony and Pops orchestras.

a younger audience without alienating traditional Pops fans. But he plans to use his first season to get to know his new orchestra and its audience.

"It is important not to come in with an agenda and not try to change everything just coming in the door," he said. "I feel like I just stepped in front of a highspeed train and tried to grab

Food supplies The two went into hiding in running short

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) - Food is running short for thousands of residents of northwest Bosnia, where a cease-fire agreement has failed to halt the fighting, U.N. aid officials said today.

A spokesman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees played down reports by Bosnian officials that people were starving in the Bihac pocket. "We would not talk about starvation at the moment," Kris Janowski said.

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Ex-Honda executive enters plea

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) - A former top official at American Honda Motor Co. pleaded guilty today to racketeering and mail fraud as he was about to go on trial in a nationwide kickback investigation.

Stanley Cardiges, 49, of Laguna Hills, Calif., also pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit mail fraud.

Under the plea agreement, Cardiges faces up to 35 years in prison and a fine of up to \$1 million. He had faced up to 40 years in prison if he had been convicted on a larger number of charges, including witness-tampering.

The plea came as jury selection was to begin for Cardiges; John Billmyer of Raleigh, N.C.; and Dennis Josleyn of Penn Valley,

Before today, 15 other former Honda and Acura executives, two former dealers, an advertiser and a lawyer had already pleaded guilty to charges including racketeering, perjury and mail fraud.

Prosecutors allege that dealers in 30 states gave the defendants and other former executives of American Honda a total of \$15 million in cash, Rolex watches, fur coats, Mercedes-Benzes, furniture, expensive suits and college

Dealers allegedly were given lucrative franchises and scarce Hondas and Acuras that could be sold for \$3,000 above sticker

Federal prosecutors alleged that Cardiges, Honda's top sales executive from 1988 to 1992, received the bulk of the goods.

President's budget gets cool response from Republicans

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton's \$1.61 trillion write it from top to bottom to achieve greater deficit reduction.

As the administration defended its program before two key congressional committees, it was clear that major battles lie ahead over how much to grant the middle class in tax relief and how much to cut popular benefit programs such as Medicare.

Republicans and Democrats on the House and Senate budget committees spent time sniping at Clinton's budget and arguing over whether the government can afford to provide tax relief facing such enormous deficits.

"The president's budget is an abdication of leadership," Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, complained to Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and Laura Tyson, head of the president's Council of Economic Advisers.

Bush signs bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush has signed into law a bill to re-establish the State Board of Dental Examiners.

"The re-creation of the State Board of Dental Examiners is an important public health and safety issue," Bush said Monday. "The board will help ensure that dentists and dental hygienists are well-He said he hopes to reach out to trained, competent and professional."

> The 1993 Legislature had failed to take action to continue the board, which licenses and oversees dentists and dental hygienists. It was abolished on Sept. 1,

Temporary measures other than licensing were established to continue enforcement of the Texas Dental Practices Act.

However, in a lawsuit brought by dental students and laboratories, state District Judge F. Scott McCown of Austin said he would find the dental law unconstitutional if legislators hadn't solved the licensing problem by Wednesday.

In 1993, dentists and dental hygienists feuded over appointees to committee that establishes licensing qualifications and educational requirements for hygienists.

Dentists had opposed hygienists' recommendation for the governor to appoint half the members of the panel, rather than the dental board naming them all. Dentists argued that would help allow hygienists to regulate themselves.

"He is submitting a budget that gress make the tough choices,""

reduction program, which they policies." noted was passed without a single Republican vote.

House Republicans continued to push for their "Contract With America," which promises \$200 billion in tax cuts, compared with Clinton's more modest \$63 billion plan, plus a balanced budget by the year 2002, a goal estimated to require \$1.2 trillion in additional de-

ficit cuts, compared with Clinton's proposed \$144 billion.

"I am very disappointed to says, 'Let Congress lead. Let Con- have the document that we have in front of us," House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Rubin and Tyson defended the Ohio, told White House Budget spending plan, saying it built on Director Alice Rivlin. "We have the progress Clinton achieved got to stop the politics and we have with his initial \$505 billion deficit got to get down to the right

Top administration officials were told bluntly by GOP members of the Senate Budget Committee that Clinton's plan would be changed dramatically by Republicans intent on balancing the budget by the year 2002 instead of the deficits hovering around \$200 billion projected in Clinton's plan.

"This budget is going to have to be rewritten and rewritten substantially," Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., told Rubin and Tyson.

Law officers kept busy on Monday

rested Mary Ann Jalamos, 23, Blair, CR 4153, Hermleigh. Cooper Apartments #15, at 4:50 p.m. Monday on a grand jury in-vestigated at 4:44 p.m. in the 2100 dictment for burglary of a block of 41st Street. Involved habitation.

9:49 a.m. and requested a close the scene. patrol of a field near Arrow Construction where trash and other items had been dumped in a

A Hamlin resident came to the sheriff's office at 10 a.m. and reported that he had lost a checkbook and some of the checks had been used. At this time, it is not known whether any of the checks, under the name of Guy Williams, had been passed in Snyder.

A Class B report was filed at 10:27 a.m. in reference to a theft of a money order from the 1900 block of Coleman Avenue.

Officers worked a minor accident at 1:02 p.m. in the parking lot of Keaton Kolor at 3800 College. Involved were a 1982 Datsun pickup driven by Teresa Randez of 301 Wheat and a 1991 Ford driven by Cynthia Womack of 419 36th Place.

A number of people selling magazine subscriptions were contacted around 2 p.m. Monday and advised of the city ordinance regarding soliciting.

An offense report for Class B theft was submitted at 2:23 p.m. from the American Motor Inn.

A minor accident was investigated at 3:47 p.m. at 37th Street and Apple. Involved were a 1981 Pontiac driven by Veronica Garcia of 312 35th St., and a 1986

Scurry County deputies ar- Volkswagen driven by April

A hit-and-run accident was inwere a 1991 pickup owned by In other action Monday, a citi- Johnnie Pyburn, Box 809, Snyder zen called the sheriff's office at and a unknown vehicle which left

Hospital **Notes**

ADMISSIONS: Arvill Cox, 1511 Ave. E; Marie Guerra, 3004 39th; Jonie Kincheloe, 3210 Ave. U; Julia Romero, 2200 Gilmore; Rebecca McCravey, 2212 30th; Blanche Murry, 2105 42nd; Dean Robertson, 699 SCR 221; Lena Thompson, 3288 W. Highway

DISMISSALS: Cathy Curtis, Shannon Hataway and baby, Brigette Braziel and baby, Boris Fisk, Emma Huffman, Patsy Mayes, Pansy Ray, Patricia Rosas, Eliza Trew, Brittnay Williams.

Census: 42 (Med.-9, Long-term Care-30, CCU-1, OB-1, Nursery-1).

Births

Guadalupe and Julia Romero of Snyder announce the birth of their son weighing eight pounds, 81/2 ounces born at 2:39 a.m. on Feb. 6. in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Long-delayed water pipeline project said nearing its completion SAN ANGELO (AP) — Ivie Reservoir, 45 miles northeast

culminate later this month when water flows 158 miles through the Ivie pipeline and winds up in

drinking glasses. Officials with the Colorado River Municipal Water District hope to begin pumping water Feb. 20 to a storage site near Midland International Airport.

Technicians with Big Springbased water district spent last week testing the remotecontrolled pump stations along the route from the Ivie Reservoir. Tests are continuing this week on the pumps and motors along the

29,543-link pipeline. District general manager O.H. Ivie, for whom the reservoir is named, said he was pleased with

the progress. We're delighted to see a lake full of water. We're delighted that the start-ups on (San Angelo and Miles) pump stations have gone without a hitch," he said.

The \$185 million finished pro-

duct came about in spite of lengthy legal battles with rice growers downstate and environmentalists seeking to protect the Concho water snake. "It's just an end of a 20-year-

concerned," said San Angelo City Manager Stephen Brown. "And a good ending, I might add." Officials have promised a minimum 40-year supply of water that

old story as far as San Angelo is

tastes better than what the cities currently use. "There may be some periods ... this spring when we run solely on

Ivie water," Brown said. The project originates with the **U.S.** investors brought to 'Gaza'

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) Declaring Gaza "open for business," Commerce Secretary Ron Brown brought American investors to the autonomous area today to meet with Palestinian business leaders.

"We are bringing together a public-private partnership," Brown said in a joint appearance of the FALN, a terrorist group with PLO chief Yasser Arafat. Brown acknowledged the difficulty of "starting from zero." Arafat said the Palestinians

need help building infrastructure in the autonomous regions. and cooperation can do a lot for and plastic explosives.

and for our children," he said.

ado and Concho rivers meet.

Pipes five feet wide will take 90 million gallons of Ivie water daily to San Angelo. About two-thirds of that will continue on to Midland-Odessa, officials said.

Abilene plans to connect to the system within 10 years, officials said. The reservoir's other two owners, Big Spring and Snyder, will benefit indirectly once the bigger cities consume less water from two other district lakes.

Each of the six cities is helping pay for the Ivie project according to its share of consumption and distance from the reservoir.

Fugitives plead guilty in plot to blow up part of federal prison

CHICAGO (AP) - Two exfugitives who pleaded guilty to plotting to attack a federal prison should get reduced sentences for model behavior during the nine years they lived under assumed

names, their attorneys said. Claude Marks, 45, coached Little League and produced a video documentary to promote literacy, and Donna Willmott, 44, worked as a baby sitter, AIDS volunteer and computer instructor for elderly people when the two lived with their spouses in quiet Pittsburgh neighborhoods, friends

Willmott and Marks surrendered to authorities in December after nine years on the FBI's mostwanted list. They pleaded guilty on Monday in U.S. District Court, and are scheduled to be sentenced

Marks faces up to 10 years in prison and Willmott up to five

1985 when they realized the government knew of the plot to attack Leavenworth Penitentiary in Kansas and free Oscar Lopez, a leader seeking independence for Puerto

The plan allegedly called for a helicopter to swoop into the prison recreation yard and then free Lopez under the cover of machine "We are sure this coordination gun fire and blasts from grenades

our people, for the peace process For Results Use Snyder Daily News Classified Ads 573-5486

Group formed by ABA

WASHINGTON (AP) - Protecting women from domestic violence, which Congress made a national law-enforcement priority last year, gets a helping hand from the nation's largest group of lawyers this week.

The American Bar Association, gathering in Miami for its annual winter convention, will unveil a new Commission on Domestic Violence — lawyers, doctors, law enforcement officials, social workers and others who will study ways to help victims and their families.

"Local advocate programs have made tremendous strides to help victims," ABA President George Bushnell Jr. of Detroit said. "This commission will draw upon their experience to develop model interdisciplinary programs ... to enable communities to better serve victims."

Among the issues on the commission's agenda:

-Legal assistance for victims who cannot find or afford lawyers. -Use of criminal sanctions in addition to civil protection orders to prevent further battering.

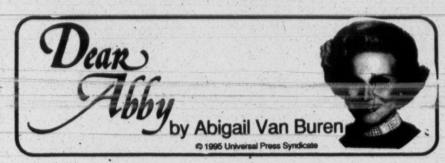
-Lawsuits against abusers under personal injury and civil rights laws.

-Training for police and

Congress had such programs in mind when it allotted more than \$1 billion to fight violence against women, part of the crime law enacted last year.

"Until just recently, domestic violence has been our nation's most destructive secret," said Albuquerque, N.M., lawyer Roberta Cooper Ramo, who will become the ABA's president in August.

"But even as the national spotlight is focused on this issue, far too many of the estimated 2 to 4 million who will be victimized this year will not get the services they need, and may be forced to return to violent homes," Ramo



Responsibility for Child Care Is Too Heavy for Older Kids

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter from "Firstborn, California," who resented being a built-in baby sitter for her younger brother, I had to write to disagree with your

While caring for a younger sibling may be good practice for parenthood, I've seen such "practice" rob the older children of their childhood with too much responsibility

Tradition or not, "help" is one thing; indentured servitude is quite

My aunt has two children. The elder, "Karen," is 9 and the baby, "Jane," is 3. Since Jane's birth; Karen has been forced into the role of surrogate mother. She is responsible for changing Jane's diapers, putting away her toys, playing with her, and sharing her own toys even if they are not appropriate for a

younger child. This is too much responsibility for a 9-year-old. Recently I heard Karen tell her mother that when she grows up, she is going to have only one child because she already knows what it is like to have two!

Children are not built-in nannies, whether the parents can afford a nanny or not. Childhood is fleeting enough without inconsiderate parents prematurely robbing their eldest by forcing them into the role of "second mommy" to their younger

I'm all for encouraging children to help out around the house, but such help should not come at the cost of a carefree childhood.

PUTTING THE 'CHILD' BACK IN CHILDREN

DEAR PUTTING: You are far from alone in your feelings (the number of responses amazed me). However, some of my readers agreed with me. Read on for both the pros and cons:

DEAR ABBY: If you're counting votes, count one more no for taking

care of younger siblings. For 10 minutes while Mom is on the phone is OK, but a regular should never be given to a sibling unless he or she is a teen-ager and it's his or her choice. Even then, many kids are not up to the role, and they boss their siblings around rithout mercy

It's not the same as taking out the trash. Supervising a child is a heavy responsibility — one that belongs to parents, not kids. K. WILLIAMS, OJAI, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: I am 10 years old and have three younger brothers. My mother has a lot to do, so once in while I have to watch my 2-yearold brother. I love my brothers, and have never been embarrassed if any of my friends saw me taking care of them. I think it's important that older brothers have a good relationship with their little brothers

NICHOLAS COREY, MOUNTLAKE TERRACE, WASH.

DEAR ABBY: I have a few things to say about "Firstborn, California," who complained about having to watch her younger siblings: I am the oldest of 13 children,

and I was often expected to look after the younger ones.

By the time I was in grade school, I could change diapers. In those days, the diapers were cloth with pins and plastic pants. (The other kids used to fight over who had to perform these chores.)

I am now a single mother with two children. Thanks to my experi-ence, I can handle baby care like a

> JANET KILKIN, BELLEVILLE, ILL.

What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Mo 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

GOP celebrates Reagan's 84th with eyes on the White House

phical leader, an all-star cast of of "Maggie for President!" Reagan administration alumni, Republican party leaders and GOP presidential hopefuls honored the former president on his 84th birthday.

The Monday evening bash was dubbed "Reagan Country" and talk among the buoyant dinner crowd of almost 900 was of revolution and reverence.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, still flush from the victory of the line-item veto in the House hours earlier, called the 293-134 vote a "sign of love" for Reagan, who unsuccessfully sought line-item veto power during his eight years in the White House.

The gathering credited Reagan for the GOP's newly won control of both chambers of Congress and 30 statehouses.

'Ronald Reagan paved the way for our victory last November," said Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole of Kansas. He went on to tick off other accomplishments of the new Republican Congress, including regulatory reform and House passage of the balanced budget constitutional amendment and unfunded mandates legislation.

"We've taken over where Ronald Reagan left off," said Dole, who has said he'll make a run for Reagan's old job in 1996.

"What's happening in the Congress is a continuation of the Reagan revolution," said Edwin Meese III, Reagan's attorney general and president of the 3,500-member Reagan Administration alumni group.

"Ronald Reagan is the George Washington of our generation, the father of a new nation and leader of a second American revolution," said Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson.

Thompson and Texas Sen. Phil Gramm rounded out the list of admitted 1996 presidential hopefuls in attendance — unless you count former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who entered

WASHINGTON (AP) - Call- the banquet hall to a standing ova- atop a chocolate mousse cake after ing Ronald Reagan their philoso- tion and a lone, anonymous shout devouring his favorite meal -

> he was 69. I am 69, and I'm not vate Regency Club party with nine wholly occupied," Thatcher staff members, said Cathy Busch, deadpanned.

She said three of Reagan's as president were building up said. America's defenses, calling the Soviet Union the "Evil Empire" and establishing the Strategic Defense Initiative.

'He was mocked at the time and he didn't give a damn because he knew he was right," Thatcher said. "Ron's name will join the roll, eventually, of the giants of our time."

Reagan and his wife, Nancy, were watching the festivities live on C-Span from their home in California, organizers of the Washington event said.

A spokeswoman said the Reagans also celebrated at a private and leads to impaired judgment, birthday thrown by his staff.

Reagan blew out three candles change.

meat loaf, mashed potatoes, and 'Ron became president when macaroni and cheese - at the prispokeswoman for Reagan.

"He just loved it. He was thorgreatest acts during his two terms oughly enjoying himself," she

> The staff presented Reagan with a salt water aquarium, which was set up in his 34th-floor Century City office.

"Flipper for the Gipper," Busch laughed.

There was no hint of the Alzheimer's disease that afflicts Reagan as he joked with his staff, the spokeswoman said.

Reagan disclosed last November that he was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, an irreversi ble neurological disorder that destroys the brain's memory cells disorientation and personality

Controversial book withdrawn for now

PLANO (AP) — Advocates of a book said to take a creationist's view toward the origins of the universe have backed away, for now, from seeking its use in Plano public schools.

The Plano Independent School District board had scheduled a vote on adopting "Of Pandas and People: The Central Question of Biological Origins" as a supplemental biology textbook tonight.

School trustee Tom Wilds, who advocated the move, said Monday he was withdrawing the book temporarily from board consideration.

However, a critic of the book said the matter cannot be withdrawn legally from the agenda so close to the meeting without a public board vote.

Nancy Machen, spokeswoman for Keep Quality in Plano Schools, a group opposed to the book's adoption, said the group ould attend tonight's meeting as a safeguard.

The 1989 book, which was published in Dallas by the nonprofit Foundation for Thought and Ethics, has sparked controversy in

Instead, the book presents the alternative theory that life was created from an "intelligent design." The book stops short of identifying the designer.

Teachers in several states have successfully opposed adoption of the book, and some Plano residents worried that its adoption might enhance its academic credibility.

Wilds said he is not dropping his goal of having the book adopted as a supplemental biology

"We're just deferring it until we clean up the (board's test approval) procedure," Wilds said. But Wilds decided Monday to

delay submitting the book for approval, partly because of the storm of controversy surrounding the book. He said he wanted teachers to be able to evaluate the book in a pressure-free environment.

'Right now, if the (school district) biologists can review it in peace, without intimidation, without having the process corrupted, we might be able to get an adequate review of the book," he said.

oser pays' proposal pushed by G 1987 Ventura County Spelling WASHINGTON (AP) - A"Overuse and abuse of the legal

\$480,000 award for burns from a spilt cup of McDonald's coffee. A \$2 million lawsuit over a teenager's lost spelling bee. Republicans are reciting a litany of litigation as they push a proposal to make losers pay the winners' legal fees in some federal cases.

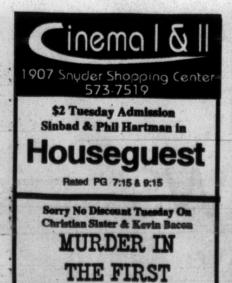
Two GOP lawmakers said Monday the proposal, part of their party's "Contract With America" legislative agenda, would discourage frivolous lawsuits and promote settlement of worthy ones.

But a senior Democrat contended it could cause "tremendous harm" to ordinary citizens who couldn't afford to pay big attorneys' fees.

Meanwhile, a White House official criticized a separate Republican proposal aimed at curbing abuse by federal agencies and regulators by requiring them to do cost-benefit analyses rules before they are adopted.

Sally Katzen, head of information and regulatory affairs in the Office of Management and Budget, called the measure "extreme," overly broad and too costly. "The medicine prescribed ... will not restore the patient to health and may cause further deterioration," she told the House Judiciary subcommittee on commercial and administrative law.

Reps. Jim Ramstad, R-Minn., and Christopher Cox, R-Calif., chief authors of the legal reform measure, said an explosion of abusive and frivolous civil lawsuits is hurting the United States' competitiveness in world markets.



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system impose tremendous costs upon American taxpayers, businesses and consumers," Ramstad testified to the House Judiciary subcommittee on courts and

intellectual property. "I've heard from countless small-business owners whose very livelihoods are in jeopardy because of the mere threat of lawsuits," Ramstad said. "Enough is

enough." In separate statements, Ramstad and Cox cited the coffee case, in which an 81-year-old New Mexico woman won \$480,000 in punitive damages after she was burned by McDonald's coffee she spilled in her lap while in a car.

Ramstad also noted the \$2 million damage suit by Leonard McDonald of Thousand Oaks, Calif., who claimed his son Gavin, then 13, was cheated out of the

Bee championship.

The lawmakers said their proposal includes a modified version of the English Rule, which holds losers accountable for the attorneys' fees of winners in legal cases. Under the GOP measure, losing parties would pay no more civil cases. than they spent on their own attorawards of legal fees under special

The "loser pays" rule would apply only in so-called diversityof-citizenship cases, which are state claims filed in federal court several states for its attempts to involving parties from different discredit Darwin's theory of states. Such cases represent an estimated 20 percent of all federal

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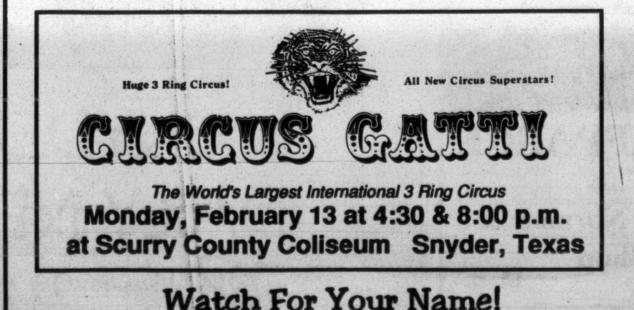


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Promising but not delivering can be perilous in politics

By WALTER R. MEARS AP Special Correspondent WASHINGTON (AP) — At

the White House, they say there's no magic number for deficit reduction. But congressional Republicans argue that there is: all the way to zero by 2002.

There's political mileage in a balanced budget pledge, but political peril in the torturous steps it would take to get there. President Clinton doesn't pretend to in his budget; instead, he's daring the Republican Congress to fill in the blanks, and take the backlash when people count the cost to programs and benefits they want.

"I challenge the leadership of the Congress to do what we have done," Clinton said Monday, "to provide the taxpayers with specific and real details about the proposals they make."

He said he wants to work with Congress. As he presented his 1996 budget, for the government year beginning next Oct. 1, he also seemed to be working on them, trying to force the new GOP majorities into making and explaining painful cuts in popular programs in order to get to balance.

There would have to be a lot of them, about \$1.2 trillion over the next seven years, according to Congressional Budget Office estimates. That's in addition to the GOP's proposed tax cuts, nearly \$200 billion, which sponsors think would be offset by the economic activity they would spark.

As the Senate debated the House-approved balanced budget amendment to the Constitution mired in talk that will run days into weeks — Sen. Bob Dole, the Republican leader, said they'd lay out their deficit cutting plan in detail later, but acknowledged it will be something like a seven-year weather forecast, subject to unforeseen crises and changing economic conditions.

Clinton's budget spares significant cuts in entitlement programs, which pay benefits by formula, automatically, to people who qualify. Those costs have been increasing sharply, and Rep. John Kasich, chairman of the House Budget Committee, said Republicans will have to deal with them to get to a balanced budget.

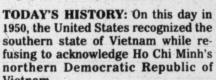
Both the administration and Republican leaders have ruled out changes in Social Security, at least

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Today is the 38th day of 1995 and the 49th day of winter.



TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Sir Thomas More (1478-1535), lawyer-scholar; Charles Dickens (1812-1870), novelist; Laura Ingalls Wilder (1867-1957), writer; Sinclair Lewis (1885-1951), novelist; Eddie Bracken (1920-), comedic actor, is 75; Garth Brooks (1962-), singer, is 33.

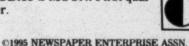
TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, a guard from Marshall University in West Virginia sank a near fullcourt basket, setting an NCAA record for longest field goal. Marshall beat Appalachian State 93-82.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "We will not have any Dickens today... but tomorrow, and the day after that, and the day after that. Let us read 'Little Dorrit' again." - Evelyn Waugh

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1861, a week of extreme temperature changes began in New England. West Cummington, Mass., went from 48 degrees to minus 32 degrees in just one

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TODAY'S MOON: First quar-





for the immediate future. But Sen. Pete Domenici of New Mexico, chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, said Medicare will have to be dealt with, and accused Clinton of taking "a very big

walk" on that. Domenici called the balanced budget amendment a declaration of war on deficits, and said it's the only way to win over the deficit habit. He also said it will take presidential leadership to get budgets balanced.

Clinton said he already has made major headway: three straight years of lowering deficits for the first time since Harry Truman, imposing budget discipline without undermining the things he believes Washington should be

AP analysis

"Now that we have brought the deficit down, we have no intention of turning back," he said in his budget message. But this budget projects a 1996 deficit about \$30 billion higher than forecast in his 1995 budget, and Republicans are making that a target.

It's still far short of prior deficit projections, due in part to Clinton's 1993 cuts and tax increases, in part to the revenues of an expanding economy. But it also is short of what he'd once promised.

"We can cut it in half in the next four years if we have real discipline," he said during the 1992 campaign.

Pledging more and delivering less seems to be an occupational hazard. Presidents Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan both promised to balance budgets within a term; neither came close. Carter was the last president to send Congress a budget in theoretical balance, but that was only on paper; the deficit

Clinton's five-year projection, required in each presidential udget, showed deficits averaging about \$200 billion annually through the year 2000.

Candidate Clinton talked of halving deficits in actual dollars, Your proficiency might lessen with the but the scorekeeping emphasis has shifted now. It is on measuring deficits as a percentage of the economy instead of in bottom line spending numbers. The president would decline to 2.1 percent of gross national product, the lowest since 1979, and less than half of what it was when Clinton took office. That assumes an expanding economy will keep the percentage declining.

But Clinton has lamented the lack of credit he got for the economic plan that already cuts more than \$400 billion off deficits over five years. "Real deficit reduction is not easy," his budget says. "It forces elected officials to identify specific programs to cut and spe-

cific revenues to raise." And at each step, there are bound to be unhappy losers. And Clinton's are only a fraction of the cuts Republicans would have to deliver to get to that magic zero.

EDITOR'S NOTE - Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30

The era of the parking meter began in 1935 when the first coinoperated device was installed in Oklahoma City.

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Astrograph By Bernice Bede Osol

Birthday

In the year ahead, changes might develop that could enhance your material circumstances. You might not implement

them yourself, yet they'll work out to your AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Unfortunately, wishing will not make it so

today. Heed the voice of practicality when it tells you that if you want something, you must make it happen. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your position in several critical matters at work is by no means impregnable today. Keep this in mind if you feel the urge to start flexing your muscles.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Avoid encounters with individuals whose ideas usually conflict with yours. Today they ing their positions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do not yield to pressure when shopping today. The money being spent is coming out of your pocket, not the intimidating salesperson's.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will have little tolerance for anyone tampering with your independence today. Avoid companions who try to arrange your schedule to accommodate theirs

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Normally tedious tasks could prove extremely frustrating today. Focus your efforts on jobs that don't require an oppressive commitment of mind, body or time

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your friends may express interest in what you have to say today, but during your coffee breaks, be careful not to monopolize the entire con-VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today you

might be tempted to point the finger of blame elsewhere for mistakes you made. Even if it wounds your ego a bit, own up to your errors LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Instead of adhering to narrow views today, try to be

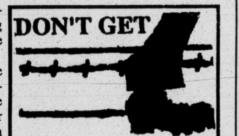
flexible in your thinking. A closed mind might shut out enriching thoughts or SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Steer clear of complex financial involvements today, especially those in which you question

the credibility of the persons presenting SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do not deliberately ignore the counsel of others today, but try to think for yourself, too. Weigh your thoughts against the advice

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Arrange your schedule today so that your most difficult tasks are at the top of your list.

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Russia's Czar Nicholas II, his said that under his plan, the deficit empress and their five childen were executed in 1918 by the Bolsheviks.



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Fungal tea fast becoming latest health fad in nation

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ing tea that the fungus has stewed bucha and other home remedies, a in can cure everything from catar- spokesman said. acts to gray hair. Skeptical scientists, however, are urging caution.

Kenneth Sikorsky is a believer. At 44, he has spent 10 years on disability from his job driving a truck. His infirmities have included a bad heart, bad digestion, an enlarged prostate, high blood pressure, diabetes and depression.

A few months ago, one of Sikorsky's neighbors in Berryville, Ark., gave him a Kombucha along with instructions for steeping it in a bowl of sugary tea. Since then, 'it's just like I'm a little kid again," Sikorsky said. He still has heart problems, but his other ailmight be particularly intent upon defend- ments seem to have vanished. "I have such a peace," Si-

korsky said. "It just makes you tests on the Kombucha's effecfeel really good. It's helped my depression tremendously.

It sounds too good to be true -

"Whenever in my 40 years experience, you see something flash across the country this fast without any scientific evidence, let the buyer beware," said Norman Farnsworth, a professor of pharmacognosy — the study of drugs derived from plants and animals - at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

He and other scientists warn of possibly lethal contamination by airborne spores that could get trapped in the fungus.

The federal Food and Drug Administration is studying the Kombucha. It has received no reports of significant adverse reactions" to the tea, said Samuel Page, director of the FDA's Division of Natural Products.

There's no way of knowing how many people are drinking Kombucha tea. But after a flurry of publicity, its popularity seems to be, well, mushrooming.

Show" received 1,500 calls after According to believers, drink- it devoted a program to the Kom-

The Kombucha, which isn't actually a mushroom, is a culture of yeasts and bacteria that grow symbiotically and produce an, soothing tones. Give it a name." antibiotic.

According to the "Handbook of Indigenous Fermented Foods,' edited by Cornell University microbiologist Keith Steinkraus, the Kombucha's other names include Japanese or Indonesian tea fungus, teeschwamm, wunderpilz, hongo, cajnij, fungus japonicus and teewass.

Russia, Japan, Poland, Bulgaria, Germany, Manchuria and Indonesia, the handbook says. Steinkraus is conducting lab

tiveness in combating various disease-causing microorganisms.

"There's reason to be a little bit and scientists say it probably is. skeptical, but the fact is that there are whole books based on the benefits of taking a spoonful of vinegar every day," he said.

NEW YORK (AP) - It could Mark Shin, owner of a Manhat-like a religion for Betsy Pryor and be a cure-all or proof of P.T. Bar- tan health food store mentioned in Norman Baker, who founded Laurel Farms in Los Angeles to cultivate and sell them. They claim the Kombucha has been "sent to Earth's people to promote good health and strength of purpose in these very difficult

"Your little tea mushroom has feelings," Pryor writes in the instructions she sends out with each "starter" fungus. "Talk to it in

Laurel Farms has sold nearly 4.000 mushrooms in just over a year. Healthy people pay \$50, the seriously ill \$15. Each Kombucha, which has a sharp smell and resembles a flexible Frisbee, is shipped in a plastic bag with a label reading "Expect a Miracle."

The instructions say to make The tea is widely consumed in three quarts of sweetened tea, pour it into a glass bowl and place the Kombucha on top. After a week to 10 days, the Kombucha grows a "baby." The tea is then strained and can be consumed. The mother mushroom and her spawn are each placed on a bowl of fresh tea and the process is repeated.

How does the potion taste? To this reporter, a bit like apple cider gone halfway to vinegar.

Sikorsky sometimes cuts the If the Kombucha is a scientific taste with grape juice — but then, problem for Steinkraus, it's more he drinks three quarts a day.



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