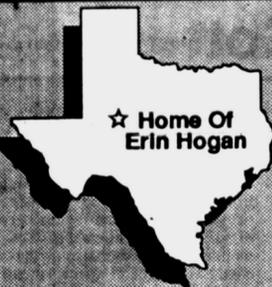


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MONDAY

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Ask Us

Q—When do we turn our clocks up an hour?

A—Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, April 2.

Local

Lodge 706

Scurry Lodge 706 will meet at 7:30 this evening at the lodge hall.

Fluvanna

A meeting of the Fluvanna homecoming committee will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Fluvanna Community Center.

Youth Center

Scurry Youth Center board will meet at 5:30 p.m. today. Anyone interested in Scurry County youth is invited to attend.

Video series

"I Can't Possibly Obey That," the next video tape in the Key to the Kingdom series, will be shown on Snyder Cablevision Channel 2 at 7 this evening.

VFW

The VFW and Ladies Auxiliary will meet at 7 this evening at the post home. A Mexican food pot luck supper will follow. All members and guests are invited to bring a covered dish.

Game day

Martha Ann Woman's Club will have a luncheon and game day on Wednesday beginning at 11:30 a.m. The luncheon is \$7. Reservations must be made by Tuesday.

Tax help

Free tax help to low or moderate-income taxpayers age 60 and older is available Thursdays from 9-12 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.

Coalition

The Big Country Cancer Coalition for Sub-Region 2 will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 27, at The Shack.

The topic will be an open discussion about raising cancer awareness in local communities. Those attending are welcome to dine during the meeting.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 79 degrees; low, 46 degrees; high Sunday, 88 degrees; low, 51 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 51 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1995 to date, 2.14 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear. Low in the upper 40s. Southeast wind 5-10 mph. Tuesday, sunny. High in the mid 80s. South wind increasing to 15-25 mph and gusty in the afternoon. Caution advised on area lakes.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:55. Sunrise Tuesday, 6:47. Of 78 days in 1995, the sun has shone 71 days in Snyder.

Airport manager's contract terminated

Commissioners to seek applications for position under new guidelines

The contract of airport manager Gary Haltom was terminated by Scurry County commissioners this morning following an executive session which lasted almost an hour-and-a-half.

The commissioners voted 3-0 to give Haltom 30 days notice after meeting with him and County Attorney Pete Greene.

Haltom had been under contract with the county to serve as airport

manager since September 1993. His contract had expired Sept. 14, 1994 and he had been operating on a month-to-month agreement since that time, said County Judge Ricky Fritz.

Haltom is paid \$3,333.33 monthly and is also allowed to provide mechanic's service at the airport at a fee up to \$30 per hour.

Commissioners had not renewed his contract because they

have been considering making changes in the operation of the airport. The court has determined that the position should be for management of the airport only and not include a sideline job as a mechanic.

As a result of the action, commissioners also agreed to begin advertising for the position of airport manager and a lineman at the facility.

Commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. made the motion and stipulated no time limit for taking applications.

"Let's consider them until we get the right person," said Gray.

In other business this morning, the court passed a resolution establishing the intent to participate in tax abatement in a reinvestment zone created in Scurry County.

Commissioners also passed a resolution establishing guidelines

and criteria for granting tax abatement in the zone.

The court also agreed to a one-day ban on fishing at the Towle Park Pond on Friday, March 31 in preparation for the Boy Scout Fish-a-Thon the next day.

County Judge Fritz presided at the meeting and commissioners Gray, Ralph Trevey and Jerry Gannaway were present.

Roy Idom was absent.

WTC to sponsor contests Tuesday

More than 300 FFA and 4-H participants will be analyzing bovine and bugs here Tuesday as Western Texas College sponsors its annual livestock judging and entomology contest.

As of Monday morning, contest officials said 67 livestock judging teams and nine entomology contest teams had registered. There are four students on each team. In addition, 33 other students have signed up to compete as individuals.

The 337 students entered so far represent 44 different high schools.

Registration will begin at 4 p.m. in the Scurry County Coliseum annex building. The contests get underway at 5 o'clock. Livestock judging will be held in the annex; entomology in the science building on the college campus.

Trophies will be awarded in the college cafeteria to the top teams and individuals following the competition.

Jim Judah, assistant professor of agriculture at WTC, is coordinator for the livestock judging.

Coordinating the entomology contest is Dr. David Kattes, associate professor of agriculture.

Abortion key issue as House takes up welfare reform now

WASHINGTON (AP) — A dispute over abortion could split Republicans as the House takes up welfare reform this week, House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt says.

"I think the Republican bill may be in some trouble on the floor this week," the Missouri Democrat said on CBS' "Face the Nation" Sunday.

But Rep. Bob Livingston, R-La., the chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, said on the same program that the abortion debate would not deter Republicans from their mission of restoring fiscal responsibility to the government.

On Saturday the U.S. Catholic Conference, which represents Roman Catholic bishops, issued a statement warning that the GOP plan to reform welfare could hurt children and push women into having abortions.

The concern is that proposals to end subsidies to women who have additional children while on welfare rolls or to bar payments to mothers under 18 would encourage poor women to have abortions.

"Personally I don't think that that's an issue at all," Livingston said, stressing that most Republi-

cans strongly oppose abortions.

"We believe in the preservation of innocent human life. And that's the last thing that's on our mind. But that's a secondary issue when it comes to trying to get the fiscal affairs of this country in order," he said.

The bishops "are going to have to work with us, to make sure that we do approach these problems in an efficient manner," he said. "We can have compassion, but we've got to do it in a much smarter way than we have done it in the past."

Gephardt said the Democrats will have two substitute bills to offer on the floor.

"I think you could have Democrats and conservative Republicans, also moderate Republicans who do not want to hurt vulnerable children, voting for the Democratic version of this welfare bill. I see that as a possibility this week," he said.

The House is to take up the welfare reform, a key element in the GOP "Contract With America," on Tuesday. Republican leaders say they hope to win passage of their bill by the end of the week and send it to the Senate, where it faces considerable opposition.



RIGHT ON TIME — Blossoms are popping out on fruit trees all over town due to the warmer than normal weather. Today is the first day of spring. (SDN Staff Photo)

Court declines to overturn \$18.7 million award to man

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chrysler lost a Supreme Court bid today to overturn an \$18.7 million award won by an inventor who said the automaker stole his design for intermittent windshield wipers.

The court, without comment, turned down Chrysler's argument that it was improperly barred from introducing evidence of other previously existing intermittent wiper systems.

The court also rejected inventor Robert W. Kearns' argument that lower courts wrongly denied him payment for lost profits and an order barring Chrysler from using his design.

Virtually all cars sold in the United States now have intermittent wipers as standard or optional equipment.

In other actions today, the justices:

—Refused to let a Texas man

sue a school district and a high school principal for failing to protect his son, who was shot to death at school.

—Blocked a convicted Missouri murderer who fled briefly before being sentenced from pursuing a state court appeal.

—Rejected the appeal of an Ohio man ordered to pay \$2.65 million to a niece who says he sexually abused her decades ago.

Kearns, of Queenstown, Md., received several patents for his design in 1967. He shopped it around to various automakers but did not reach a licensing deal.

He sued Ford in 1978 and Chrysler in 1982, claiming patent infringement, and he filed similar lawsuits against other auto manufacturers.

The Ford case went to trial first. A jury decided that Kearns' patents were valid and enforceable and ordered Ford to pay \$5.2 mil-

lion plus interest. Ford later agreed to pay \$10.2 million and to drop all appeals.

Chrysler officials had promised to rely on the Ford jury's decision on whether the patents were valid and enforceable. But in 1991, Chrysler unsuccessfully tried to convince a trial judge that it should be allowed to challenge the finding because Ford did not appeal it.

I-27 hearing set in Abilene

The public is invited to a hearing on an upcoming highway study at 7 this evening in Abilene.

An open house will precede the hearing at 4 p.m. Both events will be held at the Abilene Civic Center, and are sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation.

The hearing is being held to discuss an upcoming study to identify possible freeway routes between Highway 27 at Lubbock and Interstate Highway 10 between Fort Stockton and Junction.

Scurry County is included in the study, along with Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan and Taylor counties.

Exhibits and maps will be available at the open house and members of the study team will be available to discuss the project informally with the public. Comment forms will be provided at the open house as well as a private area to provide comments to a court reporter.

At the 7 o'clock hearing, a presentation will be given by the study team, followed by public comments. Individual citizens wishing to speak will be limited to three minutes each.

Committee chair not keen on tax plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republican plans for the biggest tax cut in more than a decade face dim prospects in the Senate without a concrete plan to cut spending, Senate Finance Committee Chairman Bob Packwood says.

Packwood, R-Ore., said Sunday there can be "absolutely no tax cuts unless they're paid for. And of course, as you look at the House spending cuts, the bulk of them are just sort of a generic lid without specifying what they are."

He said his committee, which is responsible for tax legislation in the Senate, first wants to see definite plans to cut federal spending. "Short of that, I don't think we'd consider them (tax cuts) at all," he said on ABC's "This Week with David Brinkley."

The House Ways and Means Committee last week approved a GOP plan to cut taxes by \$189 billion over five years in a package that includes a \$500-a-child tax credit, reductions in capital gains taxes and expanded Individual Retirement Account savings plans.

Democrats opposed it, claiming it mainly benefits the rich while GOP budget cutters are going after programs that affect the poor. And some fiscally conservative Republicans have voiced concern about pushing a major tax cut when Republicans need to trim more than \$1 trillion off federal spending to balance the budget by 2002.

Both the tax cut and balancing the budget are part of the House GOP's "Contract With America."

A senior Democrat on Pack-

wood's committee, Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey, said he found it "very difficult to believe the Senate will support" the House plan. "I think it's a political document and that's all," he said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

But Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio, the chairman of the House Budget Committee, promised a comprehensive plan by May for slashing the budget deficit while cutting taxes.

"At the end of the day, we're going to be able to show you that the American families can have tax relief, that we need to grow the economy with risk-taking incentives, capital gains tax, and, in fact, we can balance the budget," Kasich said on NBC. "It's conventional wisdom that says we

can't do it, not the facts."

Kasich's committee last week laid down plans to cut \$100 billion in federal spending over five years as a first step in balancing the budget by 2002.

The administration also has proposed what Laura D'Andrea Tyson, chairwoman of the National Economic Council, called a "very modest" middle-income tax cut of about \$63 billion over five years.

Speaking on NBC, she disputed the Republican argument that a tax break for the wealthy would help create jobs, and said, "The biggest cuts in education since 1981 are being proposed to pay for a tax cut, 20 percent of which goes to the top 1 percent of the income distribution."

Serving up clowns, cookies, Demos attack lunch proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — An all-star lineup of Democrats served sandwiches and cookies to some 3,500 children Sunday at a rally on the Capitol steps aimed at saving school lunches from Republican budget-cutters.

Organizers called the "lunch-in" bipartisan, but not a GOP law-

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — One ticket bought in West Texas correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 3, 9, 17, 23, 36 and 46.

It was not immediately verified where in West Texas the winning ticket was sold.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$4 million.

There were 200 tickets matching five of six numbers for a \$931 prize, 8,258 tickets matching four of six numbers for an \$82 prize and 147,159 tickets matching three of six numbers for a \$3 prize.

And the Democrats' heaviest hitters were out in force with that message Sunday, giving away lunches to thousands of children bused in from Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt, who called the GOP plan mean-spirited, handed out chocolate chip cookies, while West Virginia Senator Jay Rock-

efeller manned the table of peanut butter-and-jelly sandwiches.

"If you pass the Republican bill, less money will go to the states than under the present program," said Gephardt, a Missouri Democrat. "There will be no compensation for inflation so some kids will have to be cut."

Rockefeller, who brought with him three busloads of children from West Virginia, wore a broken plastic fork in the front pocket of his plaid sport shirt to symbolize the Republican plan, he said.

"I was there when Reagan did new federalism, i.e., block grants, and when you turn money over to the states, it gets used for other things," the senator said.

But House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, said on NBC's "Meet the Press" Sunday that the GOP plan to cut the federal bureaucracy out of school lunches would save \$200 million in administrative costs.

"We're sending (the savings) to the states. We're going to target it to the needy," Kasich said.

Five-year-old Brittany Hogan said apples are her favorite part of the free school lunches she receives at Maury Elementary in Washington.

Brittany's mother, Veronica Hogan, said she is a single parent of three daughters and the free lunch program helps make ends meet.

"All of us can't afford the lunches, and if they cut it out there will be kids going hungry in school," she said.

Pick 3

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

0-9-3
(zero, nine, three)



Scurry County

Anadarko Petroleum Corp. will drill the No. 11 Mattie Minor in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. The re-entry project is planned for a depth of 3,150 feet, and location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 13 Mattie Minor in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. Contracted for 3,195 feet, location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 14-R Mattie Minor in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. The re-entry venture is planned for a depth of 3,195 feet, and location is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 9 Mattie Minor, a 3,200-foot re-entry project in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles west of Ira. Drill site is in Section 131, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Federal Oil Inc. will drill the No. 2-A Longbotham in the Ride field, eight miles southwest of Snyder. Planned depth is 6,999 feet, and location is in Section 150, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Lakewood Operating will drill the No. 1 EMU in the Diamond M field, six miles northwest of Ira. Planned for a depth of 7,000 feet, location is in Section 143, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Borden County

Dinero Operating Co. will drill the No. 1 Scissortail in the Gartner field, 21 miles southeast of Gail. Planned depth is 7,500 feet and location is in Section 69, Block 20 Lavaca Navigation Co. survey.

Texaco Exploration has completed the No. 7215 Jo Mill unit in the Jo Mill field, 17 miles southwest of Gail. The venture was financed to produce 115 barrels of 34 gravity oil and 105 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,472-526 feet, and location is in Section 40, Block 33, T4N, T&P survey.

Texaco has completed the No. 7232 Jo Mill unit in the Jo Mill field, 17 miles southwest of Gail. The well was finished to produce 65 barrels of 36 gravity oil and 115 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,491-530 feet, and location is in Section 40, Block 33, T4N, T&P survey.

Kent County

MYD Inc. has completed the

No. 1 Wallace in the SMS field, 10 miles northwest of Clairemont. The re-entry project was completed to produce 11 barrels of 35 gravity oil and three barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,646-650 feet, and location is in Section 3, Block 2, H&GN survey.

Meridian Oil will drill the No. 443-1 Baldrige, a 4,100-foot wildcat located five miles southeast of Jayton. Location is in Section 443, Block D, H&TC survey.

Meridian Oil will drill the No. 418-1 Noble, a 4,100-foot wildcat located seven miles southeast of Jayton. Drill site is in Section 418, Block 2, H&TC survey.

Meridian Oil will drill the No. 85-1 Wallace, a 4,100-foot wildcat located four miles southeast of Jayton. Location is in Section 85, Block 98, H&TC survey.

Meridian Oil Inc. will drill the No. 442-1 Baldrige, a 4,100-foot wildcat located five miles southeast of Jayton. Location is in Section 442, Block D, H&TC survey.

Garza County

Shenandoah Petroleum Corp. has completed the No. 20-8 Macy-Lott in the Lazy JL field, 10 miles south of Post. The well was finished to produce 100 barrels of 36 gravity oil and 72 barrels of water. Perforations were from 5,896-943 feet, and location is in Section 20, Block 1, Jasper Hays survey.

J.B. Oil Co. has completed the No. 1 Crump in the Toby field, 1.5 miles southwest of Justiceburg. The venture was completed to produce 95 barrels of 39 gravity oil and 155 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,546-554 feet, and location is in Section 31, Block 6, H&GN survey.

Primrose Operating Co. has completed the No. 29-R Bridie Alexander in the Dorward field, nine miles southeast of Justiceburg. The well was finished to produce 27 barrels of 39 gravity oil and 81 barrels of water. Perforations were from 1,939-2,530 feet, and location is in Section 112, Block 4, H&GN survey.

Primrose Operating has completed the No. 11-P Exxon Fee in the Dorward field, three miles southeast of Justiceburg. The well was finished to produce 33 barrels of 39 gravity oil and 204 barrels of

water. Perforations were from 1,866-2,466 feet, and location is in Section 4, Block 6, H&GN survey.

Texland Rector has completed the No. 2-4 Canyon Valley unit in the Forbes field, six miles south of Caprock. The venture was completed to produce 40 barrels of 38 gravity oil and 218 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,534-544 feet, and location is in Section 1,110, R.A.I. Adams Survey.

Shenandoah Petroleum has completed the No. 20-7 Macy-Lott in the Lazy JL field, 10 miles south of Post. The well was finished to produce 50 barrels of 37.6 gravity oil and 30 barrels of water. Perforations were from 5,864-903 feet, and location is in Section 20, Block 1, Jasper Hays survey.

Howard County

Costilla Petroleum Corp. will drill the No. 1 Fuller-Kirkpatrick unit in the Talbot field, 10 miles north of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 9,000 feet, location is in Section 39, Block 32, T2N, T&P survey.

Tanos Production Co. has completed the No. 57 Moore West unit in the Moore field, four miles southwest of Big Spring. The re-entry project was finished to produce a half barrel of 27 gravity oil and three barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,159-188 feet, and location is in Section 20, Block 33, T1S, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Clear Fork Inc. has completed the No. 1 Ussery, a Palo Pinto Reef Discovery located two miles northwest of Nolan. The venture was finished to produce 177 barrels of 41 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 5,733-738 feet, and location is in Section 66, Block X, T&P survey.

Sams Energy Inc. will drill the No. 1 L.M. Kegans in the White Flat field, five miles west of Trent. Planned for a depth of 3,000 feet, location is in Section 33, Block 19, T&P survey.

W.H. Price has completed the No. 5-C Elmer Jordan in the Price-Jordan field, four miles northwest of Blackwell. The well was finished to produce four barrels of oil and 44 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,514-590 feet, and location is in Section 34, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

See your doctor about abdominal pain

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 50 and have been troubled by a pain in the center of my abdominal area and behind the sternum. I thought the pain was caused by doing situps and leg raises, but a friend indicates I might have a hiatal hernia. Please, if this is the case, explain the malady, its cause and cure.

DEAR READER: Rather than explaining hiatal hernia, a weakness where the esophagus joins the stomach (often leading to heartburn and indigestion), I'd prefer to encourage you to see your family physician. Pain in the location you describe could have numerous causes: heart spasm, ulcers, liver or gallbladder disorders, pancreatic inflammation, and abdominal aortic aneurysm, to mention a few. You really need testing and X-rays.

Of course, this type of pain could well be the result of muscle strain from overdoing your exercises. In this case, your doctor should be able to diagnose such a harmless condition by examination alone.

Nonetheless, abdominal and sternal pain is a medical "red flag." Get to your doctor.

DEAR DR. GOTT: In 1991 I had an acoustic neuroma that was removed from my brain. After a year, I began to eat pureed foods and liquids because of difficulty swallowing. Now my mouth becomes increasingly hot with each meal. My ENT specialist and primary-care physician are looking for solutions to reduce or eliminate the fiery condition. Can you make any recommendations?

DEAR READER: Acoustic neuromas are tumors that grow on the auditory nerve, causing lightheadedness, hearing loss and ringing in the ears (tinnitus). If they grow large enough, they can compress a part of the brain called the cerebellum, with resulting weakness and poor coordination.

These growths are diagnosed by CT or MRI scans. Surgery is the only appropriate method of treatment. During the operation on large tumors, surrounding healthy nerve tissue may be permanently damaged, leading to a variety of symptoms, including facial weakness, pain and difficulty swallowing.

To be frank, I don't know how to treat the uncomfortable symptom you have. This really should be the

responsibility of the specialist who operated on you. If neither he nor your family physician can assist you, request a referral to an ear-nose-and-throat clinic at a large, teaching hospital. It is in these settings that super-specialists are trained to diagnose and treat unusual disorders, such as yours.

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

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DR. GOTT



PETER GOTT, M.D.

Phil Gramm confident he will remain dominant conservative

FORT DODGE, Iowa (AP) — Texas Sen. Phil Gramm insists he'll remain the leading conservative in the GOP presidential field, despite today's entry by commentator Pat Buchanan.

"I feel comfortable that the people who know the candidates see me as the person who not only helped start the Reagan revolution, but who is committed to finishing it," said Gramm.

Gramm has already formally announced his candidacy, and has proved to be a leading early fundraiser among the GOP candidates, routinely billing himself as the most conservative of the Republican field.

Buchanan will challenge that assertion, beginning today with his formal announcement in New Hampshire.

Meeting with reporters, Gramm said, "I have a 50-state strategy" and "it's not up to me to decide who is going to be a 50-state candidate and who is not."

Gramm conceded that "Pat Buchanan is a very articulate person. He obviously knows something about communicating because he does it for a living."

But, Gramm argued, his own long record of espousing conservative causes ultimately will serve him well with the GOP's right wing during the series of primaries and other tests that begin with Iowa's precinct caucuses next February.

"As people look at my record, they look at what I've done in the House and Senate, what I've fought for and they start to compare that record with other people who are running. I think when we get to that phase in the campaign it's going to help me," said Gramm.

Gramm also drew distinctions with Buchanan, including one important in an agriculture-based state such as Iowa. Because of

heavy demand to export farm commodities, trade agreements that Buchanan has routinely op-



PHIL GRAMM

posed are popular in Midwestern farm-belt states.

"Pat and I differ on some issues," said Gramm. "I don't believe we can build a wall around America and go hide under a rock somewhere."

"Being from a farm state, I understand that we have to sell our products abroad," said Gramm. "Isolation and protectionism ultimately hurt America."

The comments came as Gramm opened a two-day swing through the state, launched with a speech to about 100 people gathered in a basement of the Fort Dodge airport.

Though Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole — scheduled to enter the presidential field next month — is usually considered the frontrunner for the Iowa caucuses, Gramm insists he will launch a serious challenge in the state.

In tow for the latest swing were some prominent Republicans who have endorsed Gramm's bid, including Secretary of State Paul Pate and Auditor Richard

Johnson. Gramm is scheduled to be stumpng the state today when Buchanan makes his formal announcement.

Gramm has routinely argued that the GOP field will be relatively small, largely because of the enormous demand to raise money before the primary season begins next year. Many argue that serious candidates will have to raise at least \$20 million by that time.

Along with Gramm, former education secretary Lamar Alexander has formally entered the race. Pennsylvania Sen. Arlen Specter has said he intends to run, as has Indiana Sen. Richard Lugar. Many think California's governor Pete Wilson also is leaning toward running.

"I think the field is going to be very small," said Gramm.

"In the end, you're probably going to have a half-dozen people and most people would have thought that was pretty small," said Gramm. "What is going to matter is not how big the field is but what the candidates have to offer."

DATE BOOK

March 20, 1995

Today is the 79th day of 1995 and the first day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1976, heiress Patricia "Tania" Hearst was convicted of bank robbery.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Ovid (43 B.C.-A.D. 17), poet; Henrik Ibsen (1828-1906), dramatist; Fred Rogers (1928-), children's TV personality, is 67; Hal Linden (1931-), actor, is 64; Pat Riley (1945-), basketball coach, is 50; Bobby Orr (1948-), hockey great, is 47; William Hurt (1950-), actor, is 45; Holly Hunter (1958-), actress, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day, in 1985, Libby Riddles of Teller, Alaska, became the first woman to win the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, driving her dogs 1,049 miles from Anchorage to Nome in under 18 days.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "There can be no freedom or beauty about a home life that depends on borrowing and debt." — Henrik Ibsen

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1986, an anemometer located at an elevation of about 4,000 feet in the Cairngorm Mountains of Scotland registered a wind gust of 153 mph. This is the highest measured wind speed ever recorded in the United Kingdom.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (March 16) and last quarter (March 23).

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Berry's World

HEY — SUSIE-BABY!
HOW'S IT GOIN'?

GREAT! FINE!

SUSIE, I'VE GOT A DYNAMITE BOND ISSUE...

ANOTHER TELEMARKETER I DON'T KNOW FROM ADAM!

Jim Berry
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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; Snyder Chamber of Commerce; visitors welcome; 6-7 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.
Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 863-2349, 573-8626, 573-1141; 8 p.m.
Overeaters Anonymous; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 7:30 p.m.; call 573-8322 for more information.
Stargazers Home Economics Club; 3117 Ave. T; 7 p.m.
Delta Kappa Gamma, Zeta Lambda Chapter; MAWC; 7 p.m.
Overeaters Anonymous; board room at Cogdell Memorial Hospital; for information call 573-8322; 7:30 p.m.
American Association of Retired Persons (AARP); 5:30 p.m. at Senior Center; covered-dish meal, followed by program; the board will not meet at 11:15 a.m.

TUESDAY

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30-6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th; for information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.
Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.
ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.
New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 573-2101; 8 p.m.
Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-3956, 573-2101, 573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.
Ladies' Golf Association; Snyder Country Club; 9 a.m. Tee Time.
Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; 6:30 p.m.
Beta Sigma Phi; Snyder National Bank Community Room; 7:30 p.m.
Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club Luncheon and Game Day. Reservations needed by 5 p.m. Monday by calling 573-3427. \$6.50 per person; serving begins at 11:30 a.m.; games follow.
Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; Airport terminal building on West 37th St.; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Scurry Charter Chaper ABWA; Martha Ann Woman's Club; 7 p.m.
Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; American Legion; 6:30-8 p.m.
SOS (Singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Life Center; 7 p.m.
Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.
New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3308 or 573-2101.
Bilingual Group of Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for more information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30-11 a.m. Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd. Suite B; 1-2 p.m.
ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (Last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.
Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.
Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.
ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder County Club; 1:30 p.m.
Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

Oklahoma executes Grasso

McALESTER, Okla. (AP) — A two-time killer whose case affected the New York governor's race was executed early this morning for strangling an 87-year-old woman on Christmas Eve after luring her to the door under the pretense of giving her a present.
Thomas Grasso, who had asked to be put to death, was at the center of a high-profile tug-of-war between former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo and Oklahoma's former governor.
"Let there be no mistake, Mario Cuomo is wright (sic); Life without parole is much worse than the death penalty," Grasso wrote in a statement released after he was pronounced dead at 12:22 a.m.
Grasso was convicted of killings in both states. In 1993, then-Oklahoma Gov. David Walters lost a court battle with Cuomo, a strong death penalty opponent, over whether Grasso should be put to death in Oklahoma or forced to

first serve a 20-years-to-life sentence in New York.
Grasso was within 12 hours of execution when a court ruled in Cuomo's favor in October 1993, and Grasso was returned to New York.
During his successful campaign against Cuomo last year, Republican George Pataki vowed to send Grasso back to Oklahoma and reinstate the death penalty that Cuomo repeatedly vetoed. Within days of taking office, Pataki ordered Grasso transferred to Oklahoma.
As Grasso was put to death, capital punishment opponents held candlelight vigils outside the gates of the prison where 87 men have been put to death since 1915. Three college students sang, "Another One Bites the Dust."
In New York City, members of the Guardian Angels anticrime group gathered in Times Square and toasted Grasso's death with bottles of champagne.

11-year-old to begin graduate school

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Soon-to-be graduate student Michael Kearney hasn't chosen a major yet — but give him time, he's only 11.
Michael will begin tackling graduate studies at the University of West Florida in Pensacola this summer.
"We don't push him," said his mother, Cassidy Kearney. "He pushes us. We just try and keep up with him."
The youngster from Mobile, Ala., is the world's youngest known high school and college graduate, according to The Guinness Book of Records. He earned a

bachelor's degree in anthropology from the University of South Alabama last year when he was 10 1/2.
Michael uttered his first words, "mom" and "dad," at 4 months. At 1, he was reading soup labels at the grocery store.
By 3, he had taught himself algebraic equations. On his first IQ test — at 4 — his score topped 200.
Despite all the brainpower, Michael is very much a kid. He dreams of being a game-show host, another subject he knows plenty about.
"I've been watching them ever since I was 4 months old," he said.

Hillary Rodham Clinton: demure Demo

WASHINGTON (AP) — Call her the demure diplomat. First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton says she wouldn't dare second-guess her hosts' human rights records on an upcoming five-nation trip to South Asia.

She plans to spend 10 days in Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka, starting Friday, to strengthen U.S. ties and discuss programs for women, children and families. In a region rife with human rights concerns, Mrs. Clinton insists she will not take the leaders to task.

"I'm not about to go and try to tell anybody what to do," she said in a Sunday night live interview on CNN's "Late Edition."

In the wide-ranging interview, Mrs. Clinton described her new role in the White House as an advocate for "human issues," particularly women's and children's rights.

She accused Republicans of pushing budget cuts and welfare plans that would hurt the neediest women and children. "There are extremists in the Republican Party who go too far," she said.

And with her husband reviewing federal affirmative action programs, the first lady strongly defended preference policies for women. "I think there's still great reason to be concerned about the opportunities available for women and minorities," she said.
Mixing humility and humor, Mrs. Clinton giggled when asked if the death of health care reform

left her bored. "Oh, dear," she replied. "No. No."

She also suggested that her husband was watching his beloved Arkansas Razorbacks play basketball on television — not her interview. "I don't think there's any

The first lady couched her attack on Republicans by saying many GOP lawmakers are struggling to do what's right. She called the party's "Contract With America" a "good organizational

tool." But she accused the Republican Congress of cutting programs that benefit poor women and children to pay for upper-income tax cuts.

Wal-Mart committed to Mexico, CEO says

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — The devaluation of the Mexican peso has slowed Wal-Mart's expansion south of the border, but the company remains committed to that market, Wal-Mart executive David Glass says.

During an award presentation at Texas A&M University, Glass said the company's Mexico operations were experiencing slower sales.

"But the stores are still profitable, and they're still doing more business than we'd thought they'd do," he said.

"The Mexican consumer is the one who got clobbered," Glass added. "Their disposable income is the one that got hurt, and they need us more than ever today because we do bring lower prices."

Glass predicted Mexico would face a year of serious recession before the economy turns around. Wal-Mart still plans to open several new stores this year, but has slowed construction and other expansion projects.

"We're in Mexico for the long haul," Glass said. "We don't have a short-term strategy in Mexico, and in the longer range, it's going to be sensational."

Glass, the president and chief executive officer of Wal-Mart Stores Inc. in Bentonville, Ark., was at Texas A&M to receive the 1994 Kupfer Distinguished Executive Award.

The award was established in 1987 in memory of Harold L. Kupfer by Dallas business executives Gerald Ray and Donald Zale. Past recipients include Roger Staubach, Mary Kay Ash and H. Ross Perot.

While at the school, Glass gave students his 12-step plan for suc-

cess. He calls it "Life is a Great Education if You Can Afford the Tuition." His 12-steps are: Plan for the long term, develop specific goals and objectives, conduct self-evaluations, be a maverick, have a low resistance to change, have a willingness to fail occasionally, have a sense of urgency, be people-oriented, distinguish yourself from others, challenge the obvious, be a team player and have integrity.

Salvi lawyer may say client unfit to stand trial

NEW YORK (AP) — The lawyer for the man accused of killing two abortion clinic workers may claim his client is unfit to stand trial, Time magazine reported.

J.W. Carney Jr. told the magazine that his client, John C. Salvi III, was mentally ill and was influenced by people who believed killing doctors who provide abortions to be justifiable homicide, Time reported in its March 27 issue.

"When someone who is experiencing mental illness is exposed to these extreme statements, the line between rhetoric and reality is blurred. It is viewed truly as a call to arms," Carney said.

Salvi, a 22-year-old apprentice hairdresser, pleaded innocent to two counts of first-degree murder and five counts of assault with intent to murder in Norfolk Superior Court last month.

A pretrial hearing is scheduled for April 10.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♥	K Q J		
♦			
♣	A K 10 6		
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South	West	North	East
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3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♠ Q			

On top down under

By Phillip Alder

Last January, I traveled to Australia, where I spent a week coaching that country's junior players. I was particularly impressed by Murray Green, from Brisbane. For practice, I selected deals from several sources, including those generated by a computer program. Today's deal came from "Tricks of the Trade" by Englishmen Terence Reese and David Bird (\$15.95, 800-274-2221). Green, sitting West, defended perfectly.

How should South plan the play in six spades after ruffing the initial diamond attack?

Two clubs was strong, artificial and forcing. After receiving spade support, South bid what he hoped he could make.

The correct line, after ruffing the diamond lead and playing a heart to dummy's ace (dummy's only guaranteed entry), is to run the club nine. If it loses to West's queen, South uses the club jack as the dummy entry to lead the spade queen. If the club nine wins, declarer continues with the club jack. If West wins this trick and gives his partner a club ruff, declarer congratulates him on an excellent defense. And if the second club finesse wins, declarer switches to trumps.

With this layout, that line works. However, South decided to lead a low spade to his jack at trick three. If West won, declarer planned to use the spade queen as the dummy entry for the club finesse. And if West had hesitated before ducking, South would have continued with the spade 10, forcing a second dummy entry. However, Green ducked smoothly. Misled, declarer continued with the spade ace and went one down, losing a trick in each black suit.

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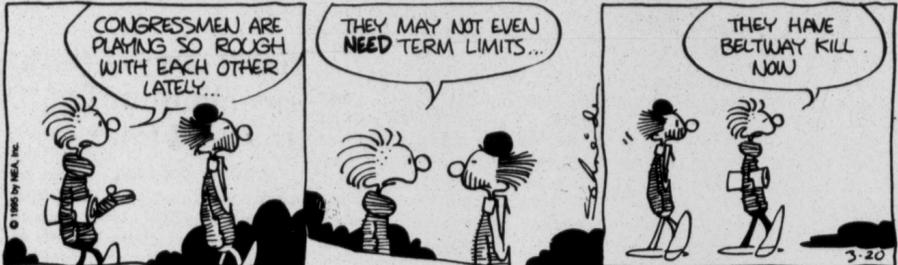
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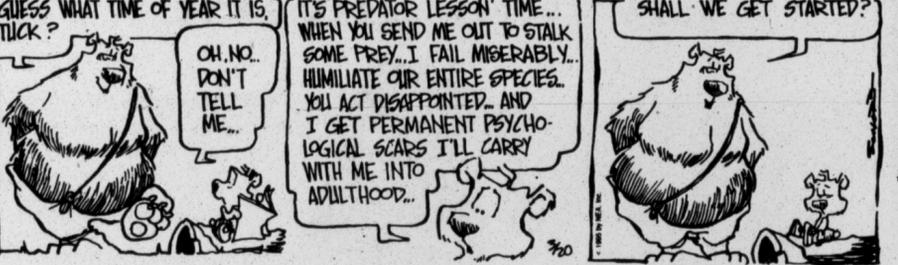
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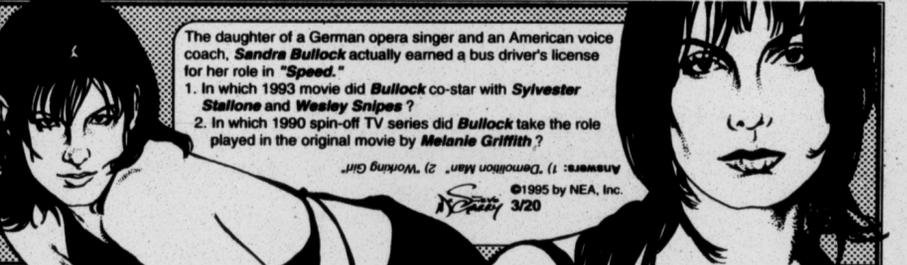
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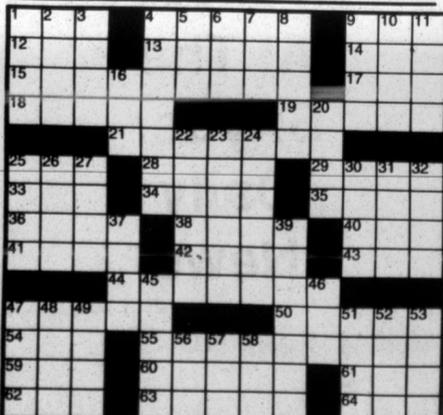
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 - 41 Napoleon's island
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- DOWN**
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 - 2 Facility
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 - 4 Author —
 - 8 Axiom
 - 9 Mrs. Charles Chaplin
 - 10 Senator Sam —
 - 11 Poems
 - 16 Salad herb
 - 20 Aware of (2 wds.)
 - 22 Lifted
 - 23 Slender
 - 24 Islamic holy city
 - 25 Soft mud
 - 26 Christmas carol
 - 27 Biblical king
 - 30 Singles
 - 31 Not ready for liftoff (sl.)
 - 32 God of love
 - 37 Young girl
 - 39 Releases conditionally
 - 45 Hebrew patriarch
 - 46 — de mer
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Sports

Mitchell mashes Steers

Senior outfielder goes 4-4 with 4 RBIs; Rinehart shuts down Big Spring offense

By TODD STANLEY
SDN Sports Editor

Things are starting to really come together for the Snyder baseball team.

In the championship game of their own tournament Saturday, the Tigers pounded a weary Big Spring club, 9-1. The victory sealed their fourth straight win and the tournament title.

"This win feels good," Snyder head coach Roland Herrera said. "We really needed to have something like this in front of our home crowd. This gives us a spark in our pants for the rest of the non-district schedule."

Power at both the plate and on the mound secured the Tigers blowout win over Big Spring, their third win a row over the Steers.

Chris Mitchell completed a tremendous day in the batters box by blasting two doubles, a triple and a monstrous home run, compiling four RBI in the process. In the Saturday semifinal game against Merkel, he went 2 for 4 with a homer and two RBI.

"El Toro (Coach Herrera's nickname for the senior slugger) went mad," Herrera said. "He did a great job at the plate. I've always said that Chris has good concentration at the plate. Now

that he's being more patient, his power is starting to come out."

Mitchell, however, wasn't the only Tiger dishing out power. Starting pitcher Curt Rinehart (2-2) outmuscled the Steers' offense, limiting them to just one run on three hits and striking out eight.

"I thought he (Rinehart) did a great job," Herrera said. "Big Spring had been out there a long time and they were tired. But, you can't take anything away from Curt's performance. His fastball had a good cut on it and his breaking pitch was working."

After a first round loss to Merkel, Big Spring labored through the tournament's consolation bracket. The Steers (6-7-1) knocked off Sweetwater Thursday afternoon; beat Abilene Wylie Friday; then outlasted both Fort Stockton and Merkel, before facing Snyder in the title game.

Snyder (9-3-1), on the other hand, cruised through the tournament. The Tigers crushed Muleshoe on Thursday, clobbered Lubbock Roosevelt Friday and bested previously unbeaten Merkel early Saturday.

In Snyder's four tournament games, Tiger bats combined for a .349 average, 38 runs on 43 hits (18 of which were for extra bases

and only 10 strikeouts in 123 at bats.

The Tigers' pitching staff was equally as impressive. In 25 innings of work, Snyder pitchers threw four complete games, gave up just eight hits (including Lee Idom's no-hitter against Muleshoe), two earned runs and 33 strike outs. For the tournament, Idom, Jeremy House, Reagan Key and Rinehart had a mean-sley 0.56 Earned Run Average.

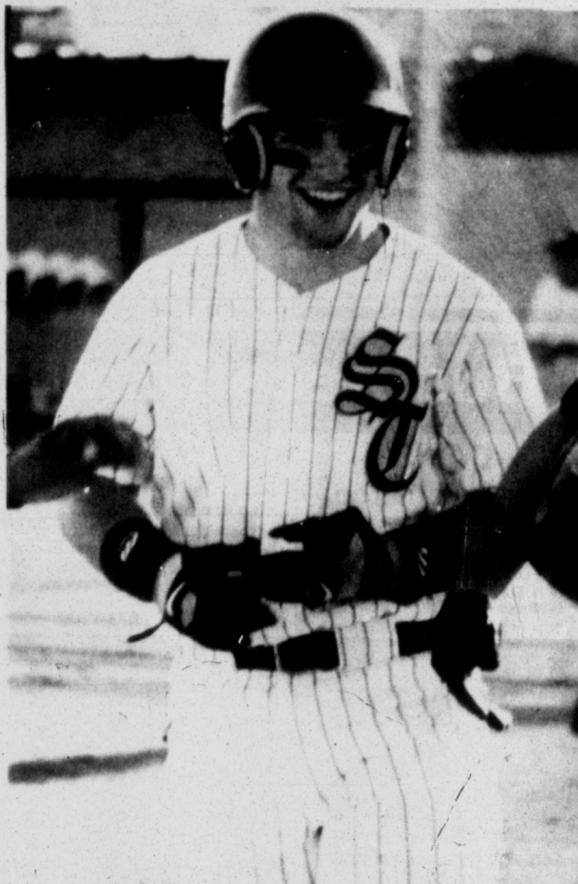
"That is what we're looking for," Herrera said referring to both the offensive and defensive performance of his team. "I think the kids are beginning to settle down and make plays. The pitchers are throwing strikes and walking less batters. The defense made only four errors in the tournament. That is a great stat for us, because errors have been haunting us all year. I guess things are just starting to come together."

The Tigers are scheduled to host the Brownfield Cubs Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Moffett Field.

SNYDER 9, BIG SPRING 1

	R	H	E
Snyder	0	3	4
Big Spring	1	10	1
Snyder	0	1	0
Big Spring	1	3	3

SHS: Rinehart and Gard. BSHS: Oliva, Terrazas (3), Miller (4), Leslie (4) and Cervantez. 2B — SHS: Mitchell (2), Clinkinbeard, House, Zalman. 3B — SHS: Mitchell, HR — SHS: Mitchell. WP — Rinehart (2-2), LP — Oliva (0-7). Records — Snyder (9-3-1); Big Spring (6-7-1).



EL TORO — Snyder's Chris Mitchell celebrates after crushing a 400-foot home run over the leftfield fence at Moffett Field. His 4 for 4 performance and 4 RBIs helped the Tigers cruise to a 9-1 victory over Big Spring. (Photo by Todd Stanley)

SHS girls golf team takes title

In a tournament loaded with talent, the Snyder girls golf team proved, once again, that they belong at the top.

After finishing second a week ago at Andrews, the Lady Tigers outshot the top-ranked Lady Mustangs by 12 strokes to capture first place at the Snyder Golf Tournament Saturday.

Senior Brooke Lowrance led the Snyder charge, as she picked up her fourth individual title in her last five tries. Her five-over-par 73-74-147 bested her closest opponent by five strokes.

Sonora's Beth Covington finished as the tournament's runner-up medalist with a 77-75-152. Tori Hester of Andrews placed third with a 74-81-155.

In the team competition, Snyder held off a late Andrews surge. The Lady Mustangs trailed the Lady Tigers by 10 strokes going into Saturday's play. Andrews was able to cut that lead to just one after the first nine holes at Snyder Country Club.

However, on the back nine, the Lady Tigers extended their one-shot lead back to 12, capturing the team title.

"I was proud of them (the Snyder players)," Snyder head coach Matt Glenn said. "These girls did more than I could have asked for. They really competed. We were able to make up 11 shots in nine holes against a tough Andrews team."

The Lady Tigers' 341-331-672 team total was 12 shots better than Andrews' 351-333-689 and 41 shots ahead of 353-360-713 turned in by Abilene High.

Snyder's Kayla Drain fired an 83-88-171, Kelly Lacik shot a 91-83-174, Daysa Weaver ended up with a 94-86-180 and Brooke Kubena finished with a 102-100-202.

The Snyder junior varsity squad finished the tournament in seventh place in the varsity team standings with a 449-446-895.

Julie Doolittle led the Lady Tigers with a two-day total of 91-100-191, Alissa Wells shot a 103-105-208, Misty Williams had a 121-112-233 and Kassie Drain ended the tournament with a 134-129-263.

3rd Annual SHS Girls Golf Tournament Saturday's Results (Snyder Country Club)

Team Scores: 1. Snyder, 341-331-672; 2. Andrews, 351-333-689; 3. Abilene High, 353-360-713; 4. Big Spring 389-386-775; 5. Freshship 400-426-826; 6. Lamesa, 434-438-872; 7. Snyder (JV) 449-446-895; 8. Midland High and McCamey, DNF.

O'Day and Co. claim golf crown

The Snyder boys golf team came through when it counted the most Saturday.

Coach Bob O'Day and his team navigated the waters of the Snyder Golf Tournament successfully, capturing their first title this spring.

The Tigers shot back-to-back 303s for a two-day total of 606, four shots better than second place Andrews. Lamesa was third with a 309-321-630.

"This is a good win for us," Coach O'Day said. "I'm proud of the way we played on both days. For the first time this spring we played in good weather and the team played consistent golf."

Junior Page Patterson fired a 78-71-149 to finish second in the medalist race, just three shots back of Monahans' Allen Claburn 70-76-146. Patterson's 71 on Saturday was low score of the day.

Teammate Carl Strelecki placed fifth, along with two others, to pace the rest of the Snyder team.

Matt Parker (79-75) and Bryan Word (75-79) shot identical 154s for a share of ninth place in the individual medalist competition.

James Pilgrim stayed at eight-over-par both days (80-78) en route to a 158 total.

Other Snyder scores included Troy Allen (87-79-166), Shane Robinson (79-87-166) and Kraig Billingsley (91-91-182).

"I thought the team played well on both the front and back nine both days," O'Day said. "We had four players finish in the top 10."

Jay Moore of Sweetwater and Kevin Taylor of Lamesa finished



CHAMPIONSHIP CALIBER — The Snyder boys golf team claimed the first place plaque at the Snyder Golf Tournament Saturday. Team members are from left, Matt Parker, Carl Strelecki, Coach Bob O'Day, Bryan Word, James Pilgrim. Not pictured is Page Patterson. (Contributed Photo)

in a tie for third place medalist with matching 151s.

The Tigers were scheduled to open their district competition this morning at 10, as they played at Lamesa.

3rd Annual SHS Boys Golf Tournament Saturday's Results (Western Texas College)

Team Scores: 1. Snyder, 303-303-606; 2. Monahans, 304-306-610; 3. Lamesa, 309-321-630; 4. Big Spring, 314-319-633; 5. Andrews, 314-321-637; 6. Freshship, 314-328-657; 7. Sweetwater, 329-328-657; 8. Midland Lee, 326-332-658; 9. Levelland, 340-337-677.

NHL Glance

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division		W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	15	9	3	33	87	76	
N.Y. Rangers	13	12	3	29	78	74	
New Jersey	11	12	5	27	76	75	
Washington	10	11	6	26	66	67	
Florida	11	14	3	25	69	76	
Tampa Bay	11	15	2	24	73	80	
N.Y. Islanders	9	15	3	21	68	85	

Central Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
Pittsburgh	19	8	2	40	119	98
Quebec	18	6	3	39	102	68
Boston	14	11	2	30	81	65
Buffalo	11	10	5	27	63	65
Montreal	10	12	5	25	68	87
Hartford	10	13	4	24	68	74
Ottawa	4	18	4	12	58	86

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division		W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	18	6	2	38	100	57	
Chicago	16	9	2	34	102	66	
St. Louis	15	8	2	32	93	69	
Toronto	13	11	5	31	81	81	
Dallas	10	13	4	24	83	74	
Winnipeg	9	14	4	22	78	99	

Pacific Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
Calgary	12	11	5	29	91	79
Edmonton	11	13	2	24	75	91
Vancouver	8	10	8	24	82	92
San Jose	10	13	2	22	59	80
Los Angeles	8	13	5	21	79	101
Anaheim	7	16	3	17	61	95

NBA Glance

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division		W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Orlando	48	17	.738	-	
x-New York	42	21	.667	5	
New Jersey	26	39	.400	22	
Boston	25	40	.383	23	
Miami	24	41	.369	24	
Washington	18	46	.281	29 1/2	
Philadelphia	17	48	.262	31	

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Indiana	40	24	.625	-
Charlotte	40	25	.615	1/2
Cleveland	36	28	.563	4
Chicago	34	32	.515	7 1/2
Atlanta	32	32	.500	8
Milwaukee	25	41	.379	16
Detroit	23	42	.354	16 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division		W	L	Pct.	GB
Utah	48	18	.727	-	
San Antonio	44	18	.710	2	
Houston	40	24	.625	7	
Denver	31	33	.484	16	
Dallas	25	37	.403	21	
Minnesota	19	47	.288	29	

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
x-Phoenix	49	17	.742	-
Seattle	44	19	.698	3 1/2
L.A. Lakers	39	25	.609	9
Portland	35	28	.556	12 1/2
Sacramento	31	33	.484	17
Golden State	21	43	.328	27
L.A. Clippers	14	52	.212	35

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Snyder belts Honeybees

STEPHENVILLE — What started out as just another close softball game exploded into a fiasco Friday.

In its third district game of the year, Snyder (6-8, 2-1) exploded for 11 runs in the sixth inning to blow open a 5-1 game against Stephenville en route to a 16-9 win.

"It was a good win, even though it got ugly at the end," Snyder head coach Billy Hicks said. "You've got to hand it to Stephenville. They were down 17-1 and, yet, they didn't give up. Except for the sixth inning, this was a good game for both teams."

Stephenville (0-10, 0-2) rallied for seven runs in the sixth after Snyder's thunderous top of the inning.

The Lady Tigers scored two runs in the first, then got a home run from catcher Raechele Wemken in the third to extend the Snyder lead to 3-1. In the fourth, Jodi White tripled with two out

Flashes of "Air" seen in Jordan's return

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — After the initial burst of elation inspired by Michael Jordan's return to basketball, it is time for patience.

Jordan will be like Mike again, of this he is sure. But as his 7-for-28 shooting performance in his comeback game demonstrated, it won't be instantaneous.

"The expectations for me now," Jordan said after Sunday's game, "are, 'Can he do the same things he did two years ago?' That's simple."

He did make some of those same things look downright simple in the Chicago Bulls' overtime loss to the Indiana Pacers, almost teasing the millions watching on national television with flashes of the old Jordan.

Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 24

Kansas (25-5) vs. Virginia (24-8)
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and scored on a Connie Payne single. Payne scored on a single by Joanie Wemken to make the score 5-1 in favor of the Lady Tigers.

Snyder's starting pitcher Joanie Wemken (3-2) was in the midst of throwing a no-hitter up until the sixth. With the Snyder lead elevated to 17-1, Wemken got into trouble.

However, Amanda Huff was able to shut down the Stephenville rally and secured the save.

Joanie Wemken went 3 for 4 on the day, Payne was 2 for 4 and Adrienne Bailey walked four times.

SNYDER 16, STEPHENVILLE 9

	R	H	E
Snyder	2	0	1
Stephenville	0	1	0
Snyder	0	1	0
Stephenville	7	1	9

SHS: J. Seaton, Huff (6) and R. Wemken; STHS: Virgin and Cooper. 2B — SHS: R. Wemken. 3B — SHS: White. HR — SHS: R. Wemken. WP — J. Wemken (3-2). LP — Virgin (0-7). Records — Snyder (6-8, 2-1); Stephenville (0-10, 0-2).

He blocked 7-foot-4 Rik Smits from behind, stripped the ball and flew in for a tongue-wagging finger-roll layup. He scored all the Bulls' points in overtime. So it was only four points. So the Bulls fell 103-96.

What matters is that Jordan started acting like Jordan when the game was on the line.

In 43 minutes, he had 19 points, six assists, six rebounds and three steals.

When can we expect to see Jordan looking more like his old self? Jordan plans on being back in the groove by Friday, when the Orlando Magic visits what will be

a frenzied United Center.

In his second coming, Jordan is No. 45, the same number he wore as a Double-A outfielder with the Birmingham Barons and as a basketball player in junior high.

"I really didn't want to bring the jersey down because it's the last thing my father saw me in," he said, referring to his father, James, who was murdered one month after Jordan led the Bulls to their third straight NBA title and less than three months before he quit basketball and signed up as a minor league baseball player.

"It's kind of a whole new era for me right now."

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'Gump' receives top script honors

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Screenplays for "Four Weddings and a Funeral" and "Forrest Gump" were awarded top honors Sunday night from the Writers Guild of America.

"Four Weddings," a comedy written by Richard Curtis and starring Hugh Grant, was honored as best original screenplay.

"Forrest Gump," written by Eric Roth and based on the novel by Winston Groom, won for best adapted screenplay.

The awards were presented in dual ceremonies at the Beverly Hilton in Beverly Hills and Tavern on the Green, a restaurant in New York.

At the California ceremony, Carl Reiner was awarded the 1995 Paddy Chayefsky Laurel Award for Television, the guild's highest award for TV writing. Reiner was the writer-creator of "The Dick Van Dyke Show," as well as a TV and film actor, director and producer.

The winners were:
ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY, FILM: "Four Weddings and a Funeral," Richard Curtis, Gramercy.

ADAPTED SCREENPLAY, FILM: "Forrest Gump," Eric Roth, based on the novel by Winston Groom, Paramount.

ORIGINAL LONG FORM TELEPLAY, TELEVISION: "Witness to the Execution," Thomas Baum, story by Thomas Baum, Keith Pierce and Priscilla Prestwidge, NBC.

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CHILDREN'S SCRIPT, TELEVISION: (tie) "Mrs. Piggles-Wiggle: The Radish Cure," Lynn Montgomery, based on books by Betty MacDonald, Showtime; "The Coming Out of Heidi Leiter," Bruce Harmon, HBO; "Ghostwriter: Don't Stop the Music," Carin Greenberg Baker, PBS.

TELEVISION DOCUMENTARY, CURRENT EVENTS: "AIDS Research: The Story So Far," Jon Palfreman, PBS.

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TELEVISION SPOT NEWS SCRIPT: "Special Report: The Death of Richard Nixon," Paul Fischer and Jerry Cipriano, CBS.

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RADIO SPOT NEWS SCRIPT: "World News This Week, August 6, 1994," Stephen B. Jones, ABC Network Radio.

ON-AIR PROMOTION: "PBS," Susan Meredith Lay, WNET.

Clinton pledges to work with Britain on Northern Ireland

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is pledging to work closely with British Prime Minister John Major to foster peace in Northern Ireland, even if Britain disagrees with his tactics.

In a 25-minute telephone conversation labeled warm by the United States and businesslike by the British, the president tried Sunday to set aside differences over his concessions to IRA ally Gerry Adams.

A White House statement said, "The president ... reaffirmed his desire to continue to play a positive role in support of the joint efforts of the British and Irish governments."

Trouble is, Major is not pleased with Clinton's latest effort — inviting Irish nationalist Adams to the St. Patrick's Day reception at the White House. Major also is concerned that money raised in the United States by Adams, leader of Sinn Fein, the political party allied with the outlawed Irish Republican Army, will pay for weapons.

The Times of London reported Monday that Clinton also told Major he would not attend May celebrations in Britain to mark the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II hostilities in Europe.

Clinton said he would go instead to Moscow and would send Vice President Al Gore to Britain, the Times reported, quoting unnamed British sources.

"The snub ... threatens to plunge already frosty relations between Britain and America to a new low," the Times wrote.

A senior administration official could not confirm the dates but said the report was consistent with Clinton's desire "to have a summit with Yeltsin (and) properly commemorate V-E Day in a variety of settings in the U.S. and elsewhere."

The official said bypassing London would not be a rebuff to Major. Several countries have extended V-E invitations to Clinton, the official said. "He can't be at all of them."

Clinton placed the telephone call to Major Sunday, after trying twice last week without success.

The prime minister's office said he was too busy to take the calls, but did not dispute reports that Major was angry that Clinton had invited Adams without getting a pledge that the IRA would give up its weapons.

Trying to assuage an old ally, Clinton sought Sunday to reassure Major that the United States will continue to press Sinn Fein publicly and privately to help get the IRA to disarm, said a White House official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Clinton, who granted Adams a visa to the United States as a reward for seeking peace, used last week's visit to urge the IRA to give up its huge store of arms. But Adams said Friday that he has "no authority or control over arms."

Adams also said he wanted top-level talks with Britain to begin within two weeks of his return to Northern Ireland, but Major told Clinton there were no plans for such talks, the prime minister's office said. London wants assurances that the issue of disarmament would be part of any talks.

'Sitter' prevents tot's kidnapping

VALLEJO, Calif. (AP) — A baby sitter was hailed as a hero for twice pulling a 15-month-old girl from the arms of a would-be kidnapper.

Stephanie Watts, 18, was caring for Kelsey Tigh and Kelsey's 3-year-old sister while waiting at a school bus stop Friday, when a man walked up and snatched Kelsey from the stroller, Watts said.

She pulled the girl out of his arms and fled to a nearby house. The owner refused to let her in, saying later she thought it was a domestic squabble. Watts said she hovered over the two girls, keeping her back to the man.

"He told me if I didn't give her to him, he'd kill us," Watts said. When the school bus arrived, the driver told Watts to get on. But the attacker blocked the door and grabbed Watts. The bus driver then called police.

The man snatched Kelsey again, but Watts pulled the baby back. When police arrived they arrested Tony Bankhead, 33, on suspicion of kidnapping.

His brother told police Bankhead had a history of mental instability. The children's mother, Robin Tigh, said the baby sitter had a special bond with the family in this city just north of Oakland. "It takes more than just 'thank you,' but 'I love you.' Stephanie is a hero," Tigh said.

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Obituaries

Billie Ensminger

1903-1995

Funeral service is set for 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Mrs. (B.J.) Billie Ensminger, 91, of Snyder.

Graveside service is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the Mammoth Springs Cemetery in Mammoth Springs, Ark.

Mrs. Ensminger, born on July 8, 1903, in Atlanta, Ark., died Sunday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

She married Troy D. Colley on Feb. 11, 1926 in El Dorado, Ark. He died in 1963. She later married J.B. Ensminger on Sept. 19, 1975 in Hobbs, N.M. He died in 1990.

Mrs. Ensminger, formerly of Shreveport, La., had lived in Snyder since 1985. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Assembly of God Church.

She was also preceded in death by three brothers and five sisters.

Survivors include two daughters, Charlotte Smith of Snyder and Martha Brock of Hobbs, N.M.; two sons, D. Troy Colley Jr. and Jack E. Colley, both of Midland; 11 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and two special friends, Connie Key and Marie Moore, both of Snyder.

Lora Lady

1914-1995

COLORADO CITY — Funeral service was set for 2 p.m. today in the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Lora Etta Lady, 80, who died Saturday in a Fairfield hospital. Burial was to follow in the Colorado City Cemetery.

A former resident of Colorado City, Mrs. Lady was the sister of Stella Jones of Snyder.

Born in Camp Springs, Mrs. Lady moved to Colorado City in 1938, the same year she married William Carlton Lady who preceded her in death.

Mrs. Lady was a homemaker, also worked as a seamstress, and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Jerry Lady of Arlington; three daughters, Josephine Simmons of Houston, Lorelei Ritchey of Fairfield and Anita Robertson of Kingwood; another sister, Eula Ragg of Rotan; a brother, Clovis Strickland of Colorado; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Jesse Wiggins

1923-1995

COLORADO CITY — Service was set for 10 a.m. today in the Calvary Baptist Church for Jesse Wiggins, 71, who died Friday at his home here. Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery.

He was the father of Sandra Jackson of Hermleigh.

Born in Matagorda County, he was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He married Evelyn Buchanan in 1953 in Sweetwater.

Mr. Wiggins moved to Colorado City in 1946, where he operated a service station. He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Wiggins of Colorado City; another daughter, Toni Hydrick of Norway, S.C.; a son, Ronnie Creswell of Las Vegas; two sisters, Viva Rawlins of Odessa and Evelyn Brown of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Carmichael

1920-1995

BIG SPRING — Graveside services are to be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Mt. Olive Memorial Park for Louise Carmichael, 74, of Las Vegas, Nev., who died Friday at her residence. The Rev. Chris Coleman, pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, will officiate, and directing will be Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Born on Sept. 20, 1920, in Brady, she was the aunt of Bob Fowler of Snyder.

Mrs. Carmichael moved to Las Vegas in 1985 from Hobbs, N.M. She worked as a waitress, retiring in 1983. She was a Catholic.

Other survivors include one son, Randy Carmichael of Las Vegas; one daughter, JoAnn Jennings of Lodi, Calif.; two sisters, Bea Brashears of Gillette, Wyo., and Claudine Jones of Artesia, N.M.; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Holface D. Fowler and Horace Clayton Fowler.

Prosecutors say Duran intended to kill president

WASHINGTON (AP) — The man who sprayed the White House with gunfire was an anarchist who intended to kill President Clinton but mistakenly fired at a gray-haired businessman who resembles the president, prosecutors said in opening their case today.

Prosecutors must present such

Perry, Kuwaiti meeting is today

KUWAIT (AP) — Defense Secretary William Perry met with Kuwaiti leaders today to coordinate plans for bolstering the emirate's security forces in the face of a renewed military buildup by Iraq.

Directly upon arrival from Saudi Arabia, Perry went into a two-hour meeting and lunch with the emir, Sheikh Jabir al-Ahmad al-Sabah, and Crown Prince Sheikh Abdullah al-Sabah, the nation's top rulers.

The U.S. defense secretary was scheduled to fly to Al-Jaber Air Base 20 miles northwest of the city to meet with U.S. crews from the two A-10 Thunderbolt squadrons deployed to the tiny emirate last year. Perry ordered 24 of the "tank-killer" aircraft — made famous in the 1991 Persian Gulf war — sent to Kuwait in the wake of Iraq's threatening movement of armored divisions southward in October.

Before leaving Riyadh, Perry said he'd gotten guarantees from Saudi Arabia for U.S. military access to its ports and airfields after he displayed spy photo evidence of Iraq's new military infrastructure.

"We agreed that continued United States access to Saudi bases and ports is the key to quick, forceful response to aggression," Perry said before departing the Saudi capital for Kuwait.

Perry said that Iraq has been using what limited revenues it has gleaned from oil sales to rebuild the military infrastructure that had been destroyed during the 1991 Persian Gulf war, including rebuilding artillery, engine and chemical weapons plants.

Wrecks keep officers busy

Area law enforcement officers worked several traffic accidents over the weekend. At least three people were injured, but none seriously.

Police investigated an accident in the 2700 block of Avenue L at 9:47 p.m. Friday. Involved were a 1990 Pontiac Sunbird driven by Sallie Eime of 2381 Uvalde and a parked, unoccupied 1988 Astro van owned by Darrell Stout.

Eime, 17, and a passenger in the Pontiac, 15-year-old Donald Robertson of 2710 Ave. K, were taken by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital where they were treated for minor injuries and released.

At 9 p.m. Friday, police investigated an accident in the 1800 block of 37th Street. Involved were a 1990 Oldsmobile driven by Brandi Cortex of 3910 Eastridge and a 1988 Chevrolet pickup driven by Amanda Berry of Hermleigh.

Officers investigated another accident at 12:40 p.m. Saturday in the 1700 block of 30th. Involved were a 1991 Toyota driven by Michael Foreman of 211 Elm and a 1988 Isuzu pickup driven by Randal Cornett of 100 E. 37th St.

At 9:52 p.m. Saturday, DPS investigated an accident 14.8 miles west of Snyder on U.S. Highway 84. A 1992 Mazda driven by Susan Lenore Copeland of Tyler overturned three times. Copeland, 20, was taken to Cogdell emergency room by Snyder EMS and released after being treated.

Randy Phelps, 24, of 311 40th St. was treated for minor injuries after the vehicle he was a passenger in struck a cow over the weekend. No other information on the accident was available.

proof to win an attempted assassination conviction — the most serious of 10 charges against Francisco Martin Duran, 26, of Colorado Springs, Colo. The offense carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

During opening statements today, Assistant U.S. Attorney Eric Dubelier showed the jury the Chinese-made semiautomatic rifle Duran is accused of using in the shooting.

Duran took the weapon and two clips of ammunition holding 30 bullets each "to the White House to kill the president of the United States," Dubelier said.

He described Duran as an anarchist who "believed there should be no government, no elected officials" and "hated the president of the United States."

Dubelier also said Duran was "furious" about the congressional ban on assault weapons passed last year, which he saw as a violation of his rights.

Duran's attorney, A.J. Kramer, described his client as a paranoid schizophrenic who snapped a few days before the shooting. "He had been seeing visions. He had been having delusions and hearing voices."

Dubelier said Duran stood outside the White House for hours until he saw a man who looked like President Clinton — a 6-foot-tall, gray-haired blue-suited businessman who was standing with four other people just outside the White House, as part of a private tour.

That was the man Duran fired at, Dubelier said. Duran "stood outside the White House for most of the day. He got the opportunity he waited for about 3:30 in the afternoon, and he fired a full ammunition clip in the direction of the White House," he said.

Duran is accused of pulling a rifle from underneath his trench coat, poking it through the White House's wrought-iron fence and spraying the building with more than two dozen bullets. The bullets hit White House pillars and walls and shattered a window of the press room in the executive mansion's West Wing.

Arrests, burglaries dominate police calls

Snyder area peace officers made 13 arrests and investigated cases of burglary and theft over the weekend.

DPS troopers arrested a 44-year-old man for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated at 7:49 p.m. Saturday, two miles south of Snyder on Highway 208.

At 10:05 p.m. Saturday, police arrested an 18-year-old man at North Park for public intoxication.

Police received a complaint of juveniles throwing a rock through a window of a residence in the 3100 block of Avenue Y at 11:36 p.m. At 1:24 a.m. Sunday, police located the juveniles in the 2400 block of 30th Street. A 13-year-old boy was arrested. Two 14-year-old boys were also taken into custody. All were later released to their parents.

Officers responded to a disturbance in the 1100 block of 14th Street at 12:02 p.m. Sunday. Arrested were a 21-year-old male on city warrants for Class C assault and reckless damage, a 32-year-old male on warrants for public intoxication, and a 41-year-old male for public intoxication and a city warrant for Class C theft.

Police took a 20-year-old male into custody at 3:09 p.m. Sunday in the 3000 block of College Avenue on a city warrant for speeding.

At 10:31 p.m., police were informed of some people acting suspiciously near the Whataburger. Officers arrested a 24-year-old male on a warrant for failure to control speed.

At 1:04 a.m. today, police responded to a disturbance in the 1900 block of Coleman. Arrested were a 17-year-old male on a warrant for minor in possession and for Class C assault, family violence; a 17-year-old male for Class B criminal mischief and evading arrest; an 18-year-old female for public intoxication; two 19-year-old females for public intoxication; and one 16-year-old male for



SATURDAY NIGHT WRECK — DPS trooper Rick Campos investigates a one-vehicle accident 14 miles northwest of Snyder on U.S. Highway 84 Saturday night by working through the broken out back window of a 1992 Mazda pickup.

Twenty-year-old Susan Copeland of Tyler was taken to Cogdell Memorial Hospital where she was released after being treated for minor injuries. (SDN Staff Photo)

Nerve gas attack on Tokyo subway kills 6, thousands ill

TOKYO (AP) — Passengers fainted, vomited and went into convulsions after a lethal nerve gas spewed from packages planted today on one of the world's busiest subway systems. Six people died in the terrorist attack and 3,227 were treated in hospitals.

No group immediately claimed responsibility and there was no obvious motive.

Police said the toxic agent was sarin, a nerve gas developed by the Nazis during World War II that can be fatal in even small doses.

Japanese news reports quoted authorities as saying the substance was planted in wrapped containers in at least five subway cars on three train lines.

All over central Tokyo, passengers staggered onto the streets, gasping for breath. Some foamed at the mouth and bled from the

nose, witnesses said. People overcome by the gas were carried out.

Workers clad in protective gear quickly poured into stations. Troops were called out, including an anti-chemical-warfare squad. Signs were hastily posted outside stations saying there had been a guerrilla attack.

Authorities said 3,227 people were admitted to hospitals for treatment or observation, and hundreds if not thousands of others suffered lesser symptoms including nausea and coughing.

Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama expressed outrage and demanded a full investigation.

"We absolutely can't allow this kind of indiscriminate murder of innocent citizens," he told reporters.

Authorities refused to discuss suspects — either individuals or

groups — and would not say whether they included Aum Shinri Kyo, a religious cult that has been accused of making sarin.

The group, which has been linked by news reports to several unsolved kidnappings, denied any involvement in today's poisonings and threatened in a statement to sue anyone who suggested there was a link.

Sarin was blamed for seven deaths in June at houses in the central Japanese town of Matsumoto. The source was never identified, and there were no arrests.

Two unexplained incidents earlier this month could yield clues. On March 15, three mysterious attacks were discovered at a Tokyo subway station, each containing three tanks with an unknown liquid, small motorized fans, a vent, and a battery. One was giving off a vapor.

Markets Middy Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)	High	Low	Last
AMR Corp	617/8	611/4	617/8 +3/8
AT&T Corp	52 15-16	525/8	527/8 +1/8
AirTouch	273/4	271/2	275/8
Albertsons	315/8	311/2	311/2
Alltel	381/2	38	381/8 -1/4
Alltel	283/4	283/8	283/8 -1/8
AmStores	241/2	243/8	243/8
Ameritech	431/4	43	431/8
Amoco	611/8	607/8	61
AndarkPrt	421/2	42	421/4 -1/8
Armcolinc	71/4	7	71/8 +1/8
AIRchiffd	1117/8	1111/4	1111/2 -1/8
ATMOS Egs	175/8	175/8	175/8
Aviall	61/8	6	6
BakerHughes	195/8	191/2	191/2 -1/8
BacTexas	1	1	1
BellAtl	541/4	535/8	541/8 +7/8
BellSouth	591/2	59	591/4 +1/4
BethSteel	15	143/8	141/2 -1/2
BriPet	787/8	785/8	783/4 +11/4
Caterpillar	515/8	507/8	511/4 -1/4
CanSoWst	24	233/4	237/8 -1/8
Chevron	48	477/8	477/8 -1/8
Chrysler	403/4	395/8	40 -1/4
Coastal	285/8	283/8	283/8 -1/8
CocaCola	581/4	575/8	575/8 -3/8
ColgatePalm	665/8	661/8	661/4 -3/8
CooperIn	39	383/4	387/8 -1/8
CyprusAmx	263/4	261/2	261/2 -1/8
DallSemica	171/8	17	171/8
DelAIri	57	565/8	563/4 -1/4
DigitalEq	321/8	313/4	317/8
Dillard	241/2	241/4	241/4 -1/4
DowChem	681/4	673/4	677/8 -3/8
DresserInd	207/8	205/8	203/4 +1/8
DuPont	583/4	581/8	583/8 +5/8
EastmanChem	55	547/8	547/8
EstKodak	521/8	515/8	513/4 -3/8
EljerInd	43/8	43/8	43/8 -1/8
Enerser	141/4	14	14
Entergy	207/8	205/8	203/4 -1/8
Exxon	655/8	651/4	651/2 +1/4
FlowerInd	183/4	183/4	183/4
FordMotor	253/4	253/8	253/8 -3/8
GTE Cp	343/8	341/8	343/8
GenDynam	463/4	465/8	465/8 -1/4
GenElec	543/8	533/4	537/8 -3/8
GenMills	631/4	627/8	631/8 +1/4
GenMotors	411/4	407/8	407/8 -1/4
GenMotors E	401/2	401/4	401/4
GalPacif	737/8	731/4	731/2 -1/2
GlobalMar	41/8	4	4
Goodrich	443/8	441/4	443/8 +1/8
Goodyear	351/4	35	35 1/4
GIATPac	213/4	213/8	215/8 +3/8
Haliburton	375/8	373/8	373/8 -1/8
Hanson ADS	185/8	181/2	181/2
HouInd	381/4	373/4	377/8 -3/8
IBM	83	821/2	825/8
IntlPaper	721/2	72	721/8 +1/4
JohansJas	621/2	62	621/8 -3/8
K mart	121/8	117/8	117/8 -1/8
Kroger	275/8	271/4	271/2 -1/2
Litton	33	323/4	323/4 -1/4
Lowes Cos	331/2	333/8	333/8 -1/8
Lubys	221/8	22	22 +1/8
Maxus	53/8	53/8	53/8
MayDeptStre	355/8	35	35 -3/8
Medtronic s	703/4	69	693/8 +13/4
Mobil	893/4	89	89 -3/8
Mossanto	767/8	765/8	765/8 +1/4
Motorola	557/8	543/4	547/8 -1/2
Nationsbk	501/8	495/8	493/4 -1/8
Navistar	127/8	123/4	123/4 -1/8
NoramEngy	51/2	53/8	53/8
Nynex	401/2	401/4	401/2 -1/8
OryxEngy	12	117/8	117/8 -1/8
PacTelcelis	301/4	30	301/8
PanHECP	221/2	221/8	223/8 +1/8
Penney JC	441/4	435/8	441/4 +5/8
Pennzoil	471/4	471/8	471/8 -1/8
PepBoys	341/4	333/4	341/8 +3/8
PepsiCo	401/2	393/4	397/8 -1/4
PhilpDodge	53	525/8	523/4 -1/4
PhilipPet	351/8	35	351/8 +1/8
Polaroid	333/8	33	333/8 +3/8
Praxair	217/8	213/8	213/4 +1/4
ProctGamble	695/8	691/4	691/4 -1/8
PubSNwMx	121/2	123/8	123/8
RoyalDutch	1171/2	1171/8	1173/8 +1/4
SFEPCp s	23	223/4	227/8 -1/8
SaraLee	273/4	273/8	273/8 -1/4
SearsRoeb	531/8	531/8	531/8 +1/8
SherwinW	341/4	341/8	341/8
SmithBchADS	413/4	411/2	413/4 +3/8
SmithBc eqt	407/8	401/2	403/4 +1/8
SouthernCo	203/8	201/4	201/4
SwstAirlines	167/8	165/8	165/8 -1/4
SwBell	43	425/8	427/8 +1/4
Sprint	293/8	291/8	291/4 +1/8
SterlingChm	121/8	12	12
SunCo	271/2	273/8	271/2
TNP Eat	151/4	151/8	151/8
Tandy	471/2	471/4	471/4
Tempilal	451/2	451/8	453/8 +3/8
Tenneco	463/8	46	461/8 -1/8
Texaco	651/8	65	651/8 +1/4
TexasInd	34	33	34 +1/4
TexasInst	883/4	871/4	881/2 +1/2
TexUtil	311/2	311/8	311/8 -3/8
Textron	541/4	54	541/4 +1/4
Travelers	39	385/8	383/4
TrinityInds	351/2	353/8	353/8
TritonEngy	321/2	321/4	321/4
Tristar	33/8	33/8	33/8 +1/8
US West	403/8	401/8	401/4 +1/8
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Dear Abby



Wife Who Won't Watch Porn Suffers From Silent Treatment

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: On a recent trip, while I was in the tub at a motel, my husband got a porno movie on the pay-TV channel. On returning to bed, when I saw what he was watching, I refused to watch it with him. I thought it was degrading to women, and I told him so.

When the movie was over, my husband wanted to get affectionate, but I told him to buzz off. He turned over and went to sleep.

He hasn't spoken to me since. This is his third day of silence. How does one handle a situation like this?

OREGON WIFE

DEAR WIFE: Break the silence and tell him that if he's old enough to watch porno movies, he should be old enough to quit pouting when he doesn't get his way.

DEAR ABBY: While cleaning out a drawer, I ran across an old column of yours. It was about a lady who lost her 2-year-old daughter in a Sears store in Garden Grove, Calif. They would not announce the lost child over the loudspeaker for fear that someone with evil intentions might kidnap the child. I can't imagine anything more terrifying than losing a child in a large store.

A few months ago, my sister lost her 18-month-old daughter in Mervyn's in Mesa, Ariz. She went to a sales clerk, who announced a "Code Two" over the loudspeaker. Then the employees each went to a door. No customers were permitted to enter or leave the store until the child was found. (An employee found my niece hiding in a clothing rack.) I think this is a wonderful idea.

D.J.T. IN CUT BANK, MONT.

DEAR D.J.T.: Mervyn's and Sears should be commended for their wise policies on protecting children.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I are in our 50s and have been married for 36 years. We have had a solid

and happy marriage, and a satisfying sexual relationship until a few years ago when I had difficulty performing. We have both kept ourselves physically fit and can both get into our wedding clothes, and could see no reason for this problem. The guilt I felt was devastating.

Finally, out of desperation, I sought out a urologist who specializes in sexual dysfunction. I felt embarrassed and defeated, and after many tests and some lab work were completed, the verdict was that I had gone through a male midlife change. (I thought that happened only to women. I was wrong. It happens to men, too.)

For me, the solution was an injection every three weeks and a small pill three times a day.

Now I feel like I'm 25 again — and so does my wife.

I'm writing to encourage other men to seek help for this problem. There are many different therapies available. What is right for one man may not be right for another, but help is available if you're man enough to seek it out. You may use my name, but not my address.

DEL BOHLMAYER

DEAR DEL: It takes a real man to write a letter such as this, and I know it will be helpful to many. Thank you.

DEAR ABBY: When I read your column dealing with "old-fashioned manners," the following came to mind:

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Soaring interest rates create disaster

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Tobias Segura de la Vegas seemed almost dazed as he passed out leaflets for a radical anti-bank group under the eyes of bank guards with automatic rifles.

"The first protest I went to in all my life was eight days ago," said Segura, 50, who supports a conservative political party.

But a bank has threatened to seize his livelihood, a mini-bus, as well as his house. Soaring interest rates have made it impossible for him to meet payments on the bus.

Interest rates have skyrocketed as a result of the devaluation of the peso and government moves designed to halt the crisis. All Mexican borrowers have been affected, from large companies trying to pay back dollar debts with devalued pesos to consumers whose monthly bills are suddenly above their wages.

But while the government and banks are trying to rescue many major debtors and President Ernesto Zedillo has proposed debt relief for smaller businesses, nobody is giving much thought to desperate middle-class consumers.

As a result, anti-bank organizations are growing — groups advocating a moratorium on interest payments claim a membership of more than 600,000, though the figure is difficult to verify.

Bankrupt factory owners are finding themselves marching arm-in-arm with bankrupt peasants. And in between is a large chunk of the middle-class.

"We are drowning," said Irma Meraz, a high school English teacher on her first visit to a meeting of the National Association of Credit Card Holders, an activist group that offers legal advice to people fighting banks over debts.

Ms. Meraz was among 35 people, many in suits and ties, at the meeting last week. She unfolded new credit card bills for 500 pesos, a minimum fee she said has almost tripled since the peso began devaluing in December.

"And look what I am making every two weeks," she said, waving a pay stub for 600 pesos. The credit card bill and a 600-peso rent payment would leave her 100 pesos — about \$15 — to spend in a month.

Credit card interest rates, below 40 percent in mid-December, are now well above 100 percent a year. Loans for cars, homes and businesses have risen at a similar pace because fixed-rate loans are rare.

The same government austerity steps that boosted Ms. Meraz' bill are killing her ability to pay it.

The government in December promised teachers a 7 percent pay raise, but it forecasts 42 percent inflation this year. Ms. Meraz said teachers at her school haven't yet seen any raises.

Segura took part in protests last week by the largest and most militant "won't pay" group, El Barzon. It demonstrated in front of nearly 900 banks nationwide and blocked the main entrance to the central Bank of Mexico.

"There is no business in the country that can earn enough profit to pay this kind of interest," said Alfonso Ramirez Cuellar, a member of the national council of El Barzon, which claims 370,000 members.

El Barzon began among indebted, dirt-poor farmers in northern Mexico. It now embraces many middle-class Mexicans, ranging from mini-bus owners to bankrupt industrialists.

Members vow not to pay their debts until the government and banks offer massive relief, new credit and interest rates in line with those in the United States.

Ramirez, a Zacatecas shopkeeper, claims 400 members have committed suicide over the past three months. That figure, too, is difficult to confirm, but newspapers have reported several bankruptcy-related suicides recently.

The National Association of Credit Card Holders, which claims 2,500 members in Mexico City, alleges that bank credit card practices are routinely illegal and can often be knocked down in court.

That was a message of hope for Alejandro Corral, who said he bought a car three years ago for 40,000 pesos and still owes

35,000, despite regular payments. Bills of 800 pesos a month have jumped to 2,300, he said.

"I went to them and said, 'Look, bank, I don't have money. Here is the car,'" he said. But the bank said the vehicle now is worth only 10,000 pesos and he'd still owe more than 20,000.

Banking officials say that more than 8 percent overall of their loans are already overdue, compared with about 1 percent in the United States.

The New York investment bank Salomon Bros. estimates the overdue loan rate at Mexican banks could reach 16 percent by the end of the year — a percentage that would put many banks in peril.

Microsoft co-founder invests in film studio

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (AP) — Microsoft Corp. co-founder Paul Allen is investing \$500 million in the new studio created by Steven Spielberg, Jeffrey Katzenberg and David Geffen.

Allen, also owner of the Portland Trail Blazers basketball team, will be the biggest outside investor in DreamWorks SKG and will hold a seat on its board, the company said Sunday.

Geffen said other investors will be announced in the next two weeks. Allen's stake in the Universal City-based DreamWorks — founded last October by the three entertainment executives — will come to about 18.5 percent.

Geffen, a record industry mogul, said the three founders will retain two-thirds of the company, which has a total value of \$2.7 billion. The remaining third, about \$900 million, is going to other investors and Allen.

DreamWorks will produce motion pictures, animated films, TV shows, records and interactive entertainment. Its first movie is due out in 1996 and its first animated movie in 1998, Geffen said.

Allen helped found Microsoft with Bill Gates in 1975 and remains on the software company's board. Katzenberg is a former chairman of Walt Disney Studios.

Once crowded Tarrant Co. jails will have vacancies

FORT WORTH (AP) — Eight months ago, Tarrant County's four jails were so crowded, about 800 prisoners had to sleep on floors.

Now, thanks to the state of Texas, the county faces the prospect of not having enough prisoners.

State prison expansion means

Texas officials plan to reclaim prisoners they have been housing in Tarrant County, leaving as many as 2,000 empty jail beds in the county's lockups.

Tarrant County leaders are grappling with what to do with fewer prisoners. Among their options are closing one of the jails and laying off jail personnel.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Tuesday, March 21, 1995

In the year ahead, your chart indicates that you're likely to end up with a much larger circle of friends than when you started. Two partnerships for practical purposes are also probable.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A testy situation, similar to one you handled successfully in the past, might develop today. Rely on yourself and your memory to resolve it. Know where to look for romance, and you'll find it. The Astrograph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.50 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Intuition and instinct could be major contributors to your success in commercial matters today. Have faith in your perceptions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you've been wondering about the loyalty of a certain friend when the chips are down, today you might have the chance to make an evaluation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You aren't likely to finish second in competitive situations today, especially if they affect your career. Set the pace in your race for the tape.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Disengage from dull routines today and participate instead in things that are more exhilarating. Stimulating activities will refurbish your attitude and outlook.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Shifting conditions that might not favor associates could prove advantageous for you today. Take a chance and ride the tide to success.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Generally speaking, this should be a very pleasant day. You will know how to enjoy yourself in all types of venues and circumstances.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You are in a cycle for deriving substantial rewards from endeavors you've initiated. Keep the faith and push for victory.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You will have good leadership and organizational qualities today and will probably fare well in most areas. This might not extend to financial realms, however.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Once you feel pressure today, you'll be capable of doing what needs to be done. Challenge will arouse your determination, not diminish it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You mustn't be envious of your friends' accomplishments today. When you learn of what pals have done, let it inspire you to equal or exceed their efforts.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Obstructions that have impeded financial rewards in your career may be significantly diminished at this time. Get moving.

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Texas Board of Health takes aim at ephedrine

DALLAS (AP) — Citing the health risks of ephedrine and its use by makers of illegal narcotics, the Texas Board of Health hopes to restrict the sale and distribution of foods and drugs containing the chemical.

"We have evidence that ephedrine is being used as a chemical intermediary in the processing of methamphetamine," Texas Health Commissioner David R. Smith said Sunday. "Because of that and action recently taken by the FDA, we think it's prudent at this time to restrict access to ephedrine."

Last month, the Food and Drug Administration said Americans should not consume a dietary supplement that contains the Chinese herb ma huang in combination with caffeine.

Ephedrine, an amphetamine-like chemical, is the main component of ma huang. A broncho dilator and decongestant, ephedrine is commonly used to treat asthma and relieve nasal congestion.

However, there have been reports of high blood pressure, rapid heart rate, nerve and muscle damage, and stroke linked to products containing ma huang or ephedrine.

Ephedrine also is the primary ingredient in the illegal drugs methcathinone, which is likened to cocaine, and "ice," made from crystallized methamphetamine.

Under the proposed rules adopted Sunday at the health board's meeting in Odessa, the sale of food and dietary supplements that contain ephedrine — except in naturally occurring

amounts — would be prohibited in Texas. Foods and drugs containing even naturally occurring amounts of ephedrine would be banned if they also contain caffeine.

Prescriptions would be required for most drug products containing ephedrine in any form or strength. However, the prescription requirement would not apply to a specific list of over-the-counter products used as decongestants, to relieve asthma symptoms or sold as hemorrhoidal ointments or suppositories.

The FDA warning came after more than 100 reports of adverse reactions ranging from heart attacks to hepatitis — and several deaths — among people who took the supplement Nature's Nutrition Formula One.

Proponents claim the supplement boosts energy and helps weight loss. Spokespeople for Alliance USA Inc., the Richardson-based makers of Formula One, could not be immediately reached for comment.

But the FDA said the combination of ephedrine and caffeine poses a danger even when the supplement is used as directed.

Ephedrine also has turned up in athletes. Argentina's soccer star, Diego Maradona, was ousted from World Cup competition in Dallas last June after a drug test revealed he had taken the banned stimulant.

The action by Texas to restrict ephedrine is similar to steps taken by 12 other states.

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Welfare week finds GOP in defensive mode

By JILL LAWRENCE
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans say their welfare-reform plan will ease the plight of the under class and at the same time save taxpayers \$65 billion. The seemingly paradoxical goals raise questions about the motives behind the plan and the chances it can fix a deeply flawed system.

The exhaustive welfare bill arrives on the floor this week preceded by dozens of explosive committee meetings and containing billions in spending cuts affecting the young, the old and the poor. Republicans start the debate in a defensive mode, trying to fend off charges of callousness.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., made an impassioned case for GOP compassion to a cheering luncheon audience this month.

"I'm so concerned about children that I'm willing to rethink and replace every failed part of the current welfare state to create a pro-family, pro-learning, pro-safety, pro-work, pro-private property system where every child in America is endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights," he declared. "And we mean it, and we're tough-minded about it, and we'll do whatever it takes to save these kids."

But House Republicans are equally, if not more, committed to erasing the federal budget deficit and providing tax relief to middle- and upper-income Americans.

So they are revamping welfare within severe fiscal limits: an end to the automatic guarantee of benefits, sharp cutbacks in aid to legal immigrants and disabled children, below-inflation growth for food stamps and other aid programs, a five-year spending freeze on the largest cash welfare program.

The Republican plan also bans cash assistance for unwed teenage mothers; denies women additional benefits for additional children who are on welfare; and cuts off benefits after five years. Some critics charge the bill is

punitive, others that it is a blatant money-saver with little redeeming social value. In any case there is no shortage of ammunition for those convinced that helping people escape poverty is not the Republicans' top priority.

"They would have considerably more 'credibility' if they laid out their goals 'in terms of anti-poverty outcomes, stronger families, higher earnings and more employment' rather than dollars

saved, said economist Robert Lerman, a welfare specialist at American University.

The moderate Democratic Leadership Council criticizes the GOP approach as "cramped by short-range federal budgetary concerns, including the need to generate savings to pay for promised tax cuts and defense spending increases."

Besides the self-imposed fiscal pressure Republicans also are

under pressure from governors who want to run their own programs but don't want Congress telling them how. Some say the result is a plan that retreats from past efforts to require work as a condition of receiving benefits.

"In contrast to previous Republican bills, it commits no new resources for the purpose of expanding welfare-to-work initiatives," the liberal Center on Budget and Policy Priorities said earlier this

month. Democrats, who took years to embrace work requirements, now complain that the GOP bill would place only about 20 percent of recipients jobs and would give states too much latitude to determine what constitutes work.

"It doesn't do what we say we want to do," said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. He predicted it would "wither in time."

The stated welfare-reform goals of Democrats, Republicans and President Clinton are not far apart. The ideal welfare system would break cycles of dependence, boost people's self-esteem and earnings prospects, encourage two-parent families and paternal support, and somehow get unmarried teenagers to stop having babies.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Jill Lawrence covers Congress for The Associated Press.

Page school: education in networking

WASHINGTON (AP) — Young people interested in learning how Congress works are more likely to get admitted to the House and Senate page school if their parents have some networking savvy.

Critics say the page system still has the look of political patronage, 70 years after its founding by lawmakers who thought there ought to be a way for young people to witness Congress firsthand.

While lawmakers cannot select their own offspring for the school, youths whose parents know a member of Congress or know how to lobby generally have a better shot, according to interviews with past and present program participants.

But Rep. Bill Emerson, a former page who heads the House program, said students are admitted primarily on the basis of exemplary grades and essays they submit to members of Congress on a competitive basis.

"I don't think most of them have special connections. I'm not telling you that doesn't happen. But I don't think it is disproportionate in the page program," said Emerson, R-Mo.

"It's no different from getting a job at the bank or the dry cleaners," he said. "You network!"

Not so, says veteran Congressman Norman Ornstein of the American Enterprise Institute. "Certainly, there's no question

that most of the pages are in some way intertwined with members of Congress."

Some 65 youths serve as House pages and 35 work in the Senate during each congressional session, most of them nominated by senior members of Congress. Final selections are made by the offices of the House and Senate sergeants-at-arms, which run the school pages must attend. People who work in those offices are appointed by the party in power in each house of Congress.

Most of the networking is done by the parents of would-be pages.

The page program costs taxpayers about \$1.1 million a year. The page school compensates its students with \$314.87 a week, and they pay \$300 a month rent each to live in a congressional annex.

A White House official and former page, who agreed to discuss the program on grounds of anonymity, said that although he believed he was qualified for admission to the page school, he got in because a congressman "owed my dad a favor."

Even though members of Congress are not allowed to nominate their own children, several children of members have attended the page school in recent years. Both of Dan Quayle's sons had summer page positions while Quayle was vice president, for example.

Rep. Pat Schroeder, D-Colo., admits she is reluctant to nominate

well-qualified but "unknown" applicants. "I have been very hesitant of taking someone if I don't know their parents because it's about 2,000 miles from home," she said.

"Most of the people that apply to be a page are ambitious and have good grades," said Emerson. "I would say it is still a Horatio Alger program."

Pages attend early-morning

classes at an accredited high school in the Library of Congress, and then perform tasks for members of Congress, such as delivering phone messages, picking up documents and refilling water glasses.

"If you can bring these kids in at an early age, you can charge them up," said Rep. Paul Kanjorski, D-Pa., a former page. "I

was sold with government. I understood the complexities of it — maybe better than some freshman congressmen."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Students interested in applying to either the House or Senate page program should contact their members of Congress.

Presidio residents try to keep longhorns at Big Bend Ranch

DALLAS (AP) — A community's decision to try and keep a herd of longhorns in a 460-square-mile state park edging its border may have saved the cattle and the area's best tourist attraction.

State Rep. Pete Gallegos, D-Alpine, says the cattle aren't going anywhere.

He made the statement after attaching a rider to the state Parks and Wildlife Commission budget that would keep the longhorns at the Big Bend Ranch State Natural Area, which borders the city of Presidio.

On Thursday, the House Appropriations Committee sent the commission's budget to the House floor along with the rider barring the agency from removing the

herd, said Gallegos, a committee member.

"With that, their fate is pretty much sealed," he said.

The measure must be approved by the full House and the Senate, but the committee vote appears to end a yearlong fight over the future of the 140 longhorns now roaming the desert border park.

Last May, the wildlife commission abruptly voted to kick the animals off the ranch by the end of 1995.

The vote changed a recommendation from park managers to limit pasturage of the herd while a two-year study was conducted of the cattle's long-term viability.

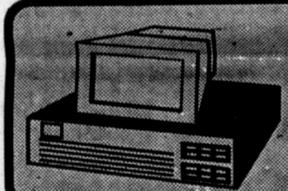
The commission's decision, culminating years of bitter agency

quarreling, prompted Presidio residents to begin a campaign to save the longhorns. They threatened lawsuits and pressured area politicians.

In October, a fund-raiser for Gallegos attended by more than 500 people at a remote area ranch also turned into an impromptu rally for the longhorns.

Among those lobbying heavily for the herd was Jim Carr of Houston, a nature photographer who has led seminars for several years at the ranch.

"At the commission, they said it was a done deal and they weren't going to change their minds," Carr said. "Nobody thought we could do anything about it."



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