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Ask Us

Q—If the Legislature does not pass a school finance bill by April 1, will schools be shut down?

A—No. Schools may operate on local funds, or may borrow funds for maintenance expenses. Snyder ISD, for instance, has contingency funds which officials estimate would allow it to continue to operate until August.

In Brief

Flap over flag

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — Midland Lee High School will change its logo from a Confederate flag in order to avoid controversy, but the banner will remain as a historical symbol, school officials said.

The Midland school board of trustees voted 5-2 Tuesday night in favor of creating a new logo for the school while keeping the Confederate flag as a historical symbol.

The measure allows students and boosters to continue displaying the flag, but all school-sponsored clubs and teams will be required to use the new logo.

Body found

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Police in two cities are searching for clues in the slaying of a San Antonio woman whose body was found in the trunk of her car near downtown El Paso.

Gloria A. Lopez, 31, was strangled and her body — wrapped in plastic bags secured with duct tape — was placed in the trunk of her car, said El Paso Police Lt. Paul Saucedo.

She had been reported missing by her family in San Antonio last week.

Local

Barn dance

Borden County Cancer Society will have its annual Barn Dance on Friday, April 5, at 8:30 p.m. in the county show barn at Gail.

Music will be provided by Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys. Admission is by donation to the Borden County Cancer Society.

Holy Week

Price Daniel Unit Chaplain Stan Wilson will speak at Thursday's noon Holy Week services at First Presbyterian Church.

Friday, the service will be held at 7 a.m. at First United Methodist Church with Dr. Wylie E. "Buff" Hearn speaking.

A meal follows each of the Holy Week services, which are sponsored by the Scurry County Ministerial Alliance.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Tuesday, 79 degrees; low, 50 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 50 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1991 to date, 1.64 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Low around 50. Wind becoming south 10-15 mph Thursday, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. High upper 60s. Wind south 10-20 mph in the morning becoming west 10-20 mph in the afternoon.

Almanac: Sunset today, 7 p.m. Sunrise Thursday, 6:38 a.m. Of 85 days in 1991, the sun has shone 80 days in Snyder.

Approved by Senate...

School finance debate begins in House

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas House today began debating a school finance reform plan that would cost an estimated \$13.9 billion during the next five years in additional state and local property tax money.

The Texas Senate approved the measure, which was developed by a House-Senate conference

committee, with a 21-10 vote Tuesday.

Despite a looming Texas Supreme Court deadline for writing a reform plan, some lawmakers held out little hope for House passage, citing the bill's cost and concerns about its effect on local school districts.

"I believe that the passage of

the bill will allow us, the Legislature, to maintain control of our public school system," said Rep. Ernestine Glossbrenner, D-Alice, the bill's sponsor.

The bill would shift hundreds of millions of dollars in local property tax money from wealthier to poorer school districts. It would result in an average 32 per-

cent increase in local property taxes, according to Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

If lawmakers do not meet Monday's deadline, a court order is to take effect to halt state spending on education.

House Speaker Gib Lewis predicted a tight vote but said he hoped the measure would pass.

"Nobody's excited about this bill... but they realize that under the circumstances and conditions we have, it's probably going to be as good as they can get," said Lewis, D-Fort Worth.

The Texas Senate approved the measure, which was developed by a House-Senate conference (see SENATE, page 10)



MAN WITH A MESSAGE — Carl Robins, with the Texas Employment Commission and an ex-offender, spoke to classes at Snyder Junior High and Snyder High School today on the importance

of education and staying in school. Robins is a representative of TEC's Project RIO, a program to introduce offenders back to the work force. (SDN Staff Photo)

Firm forecasts bleak outlook for Scurry County oil values

Representatives from the mineral valuation firm of Thomas Y. Pickett said although they had no specific numbers to point to, they predicted a gloomy outlook for Scurry County taxing entities and local taxpayers.

The distressing news came during a meeting with firm representatives Bill Smith and Grant Hammond and local school and county officials Tuesday afternoon at the school administration building.

Hammond told the group that tax values would be closer to those in 1989 than in 1990, noting

that last year was a good year for tax values.

Some reassuring news came from Scurry County Chief Appraiser Ray Peveler who said local property values should be stabilizing after four years of decline.

"We see a trend... maybe they'll (property values) hold," said Peveler.

During the meeting, the two profiled oil production in the county's four major reef units including SACROC, calling it the "mainstay taxing property" for the county and local schools.

"We produced more oil in 1990 than we will ever produce again," predicted Hammond who also said that in five years, the SACROC unit will not have much tax value.

"After five years, that \$250 million will be off the tax roll," Hammond told the group of distraught officials.

In 1990, the county had 3,248 producing wells which produced 14,571,368 barrels of oil. Of the almost 15 million barrels last year, 8,363,866 was produced at the SACROC unit accounting for \$246,579,550 in tax value.

Scurry County is not the only county in this shape," offered Smith who said that counties all over the state are facing the same scenario.

The two offered a prediction that oil would end the year at \$22.35.

Hammond, who called himself a pessimist by trade, cautioned local taxing entities who are about to begin budget preparations "not to make any budgets hoping for much better."

37th St. construction bid awarded to Faris

The State Department of Highways and Public Transportation on Tuesday awarded the construction of the 37th St. widening project in Snyder to Ray Faris, Inc. of San Antonio.

Ray Faris, Inc., one of three bidders, submitted the low bid of \$745,804.26. The project is to be completed within 90 days of the start-up date. When contacted today, officials with Ray Faris, Inc. said they had not confirmed a date to begin construction, but expected to select one this week.

It is expected that most of the construction will occur during the summer months when school traffic problems.

The 37th St. project includes widening the street to four lanes of travel with a left turn lane at the intersection of College Ave. The widening will entail an encroachment approaching the intersection at 37th St. and College from four to 11 feet on the south side and almost 15 feet on the north. The encroachments will average between 12 and 13 feet on the north side and between two

and three feet on the south side as 37th extends from College Ave. to Austin Ave.

The project is expected to aid the east-west traffic flow, assisting emergency vehicles and reducing school traffic congestion.

The City of Snyder recently filed condemnation on seven parcels of property and a three-member commission has heard evidence and determined values on those properties. The city is expected to put up the amount of the commission's award in the court's registry this week.

City officials said they were not sure if either the city or any of the landowners would be petitioning the district court for a trial to protest the commission's award.

By putting up the amount of the commission's award, the city can take possession of the land, even if the value of the land is being litigated. The landowner can appeal the commission's decision, but cannot appeal the condemnation. Following litigation, the city would pay the value reached in the district court trial.

Impact statement figures inaccurate, note local officials

Figures released by the Texas Education Agency indicate Snyder Independent School District will lose over \$500,000 in revenues next year if the Legislature passes a \$13.9 billion school finance plan but SISD business manager Lee McNair said today that most of the figures are "totally inaccurate."

McNair and Supt. Dalton Moseley were in Austin earlier this week to talk with officials concerning the impact of the school finance bill. The bill was passed by the Senate on Tuesday and was being considered by the House today.

Lawmakers are facing a Monday deadline to come up with a

finance bill. If an agreement is not reached, a court order is to take effect to halt state spending on education.

McNair, in addressing local school administrators and board members during a meeting this morning, said an impact statement released by the TEA is inaccurate. The figures indicate Snyder ISD will lose \$519,658 next year and "that's probably way off," said McNair. "We're not going to lose that much."

McNair said the biggest error in the calculations indicates that Snyder ISD's collection rate is 98 cents, when, in fact, it is about \$1.19.

He also said the figures estimate a steady increase in average daily attendance for the district and projects values to drop and the tax rate to be lower, which he disputes. "Values probably will go down, but we don't anticipate a lower tax rate," he noted.

McNair said he and Moseley conferred with Raymond Bynum, former commissioner of education and a respected authority on school finance. Bynum, himself a Snyder High School graduate, told the local representatives that the bill is not likely to affect Snyder "one way or another."

"There's no way we can determine what the affect will be," said McNair, "but he said there is no way we're going to lose a half million dollars next year."

The proposed bill creates 183 taxing units, most of which are drawn along county boundaries. However, Scurry County would be with four other counties — Crosby, Fisher, Garza and Kent.

According to the TEA figures, Ira would lose \$189,378 next year and Hermligh would gain \$59,951.

A clear indication that the figures aren't correct can be determined by looking at the Jayton-Girard district, said McNair, who pointed out that Jayton indicates an increase of \$24,034 in 1992, an increase of \$41,495 in 1993 and an increase of \$62,253 in 1994 before losing \$1,341,638 in 1995.

"That can't be accurate," noted McNair.

The business manager said "Until we actually get a formula and plug our own figures into that formula, we can't be totally sure of how this will affect us. But we don't expect it to be as bad as this (impact report) indicates."

SHS set for play contest

Snyder High School drama department will present "She Stoops to Conquer" in District 2-4A UIL One Act Play competition at Western Texas College Thursday.

Snyder's play will be the third of six plays presented in the competition which gets underway at 1 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre at WTC.

Lamesa's "Once Upon a Clothes Line" will open the district contest, followed by Dunbar Struggs' "Where Have All the Lightning Bugs Gone?" and then the local production.

Fourth will be Levelland's "Bus Stop," followed by Frenship's "And They Danced Real Slow in Jackson." Estacado's "Louder, I Can't Hear You" will conclude competition.

Also seeing competition Thursday will be SHS's Amy Armstrong, Christy Christenson and Melissa Huddleston in the ready writing contest set to begin at 4:30 p.m.

The Snyder one-act production features Kristi Mize as Kate Hardcastle and Emily King as Mrs. Hardcastle. Male leads include Marcus Best as Mr. Hardcastle, John Conger as George Hastings and Casey Franks as Charles Marlow Jr.

Other cast members include Johnny Lack as the landlord.

(see CONTEST, page 10)

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "California is a place of amazement — it never snows, but has more than its share of flakes."

Guy from Ira left the following note on our desk:

"Somebody needs to tell Austin there are two ways to balance a budget, and one of 'em ain't raising taxes."

With the modern advances in marketing — to include shopping at home in front of a TV or computer screen — the great American economic phenomenon continues to thrive.

Pick any Saturday, and you can find buyers lined up at garage sales. And it seems that everybody has embraced the "Code of the West" with regard to garage sale items.

The garage sale motto is "Junk sales, good stuff becomes stale."

A few friends got into the lucrative garage

sale posture on a recent Saturday. A casual observation reveals it takes about \$1,000 in merchandise to bring in \$50. We call that a heck of a deal.

Another important garage sale standard is to take cash only — no personal checks.

The green-stuff-only policy resulted in an embarrassing situation for ole what's-her-name.

Ted Cooley, an employee of Fina and husband of assistant DA Dana Cooley, showed up at the sale in his jeans, work shirt and western hat to express interest in a nearly-new exercise bike. All exercise equipment in a garage sale is nearly-new.

A check was refused, and Cooley quietly started to leave, saying he would return with the cash.

JoAnn Ham wanted to know why a check was refused from a fellow church member. A red-faced entrepreneur caught him and tried to explain that she didn't recognize him.

"I'll wear my church clothes next time," an amused Cooley promised.

If Gates resigns...

L.A. police union wants Rathburn back

DALLAS (AP) — New Dallas Police Chief William Rathburn says he has no intention of returning to Los Angeles if his former boss is toppled by the controversy over a videotaped beating.

"I'm just beginning my fourth week. I'm not considering going to L.A. or anywhere else," Rathburn said. "I fully intend to finish my professional law enforcement career in Dallas."

The Dallas Times Herald

quoted a Los Angeles police union official on Tuesday as saying Rathburn would be the top choice to replace Chief Daryl Gates. Rathburn became the top Dallas police officer in February after serving as a deputy chief in Los Angeles.

"I can't think of a finer man to lead the department than Chief Rathburn," Cliff Ruff, legal chairman for the Los Angeles Police Protection League, told the newspaper. "We'd dearly love to steal him back."

Gates has come under mounting pressure to resign in the wake of a videotaped beating of a black motorist by four Los Angeles police officers. The March 3 incident sparked national outrage after it was captured on videotape by an onlooker and played on television.

Gates, 64, has vowed not to quit.

Rathburn has no contract with the city of Dallas, and local officials are aware he once wanted Los Angeles' top job.

"I know he indicated that if he felt like there was a possibility to get the chief's job in L.A., that's where he would have stayed," said Dallas Councilman Jim Buerger. "All I can say is we're delighted to have him as chief in Dallas. I would hope he chooses to stay in Dallas."

"I think he's made a commitment to Dallas, to the community here," said Dallas City Manager Jan Hart, who hired Rathburn in January. "I do not believe he would return to Los Angeles..."

The Los Angeles police union said Gates has its "unqualified support" in the face of mounting criticism over the beating, which has prompted a federal investigation.

"If Gates is forced out or retires, we're concerned with who they would get to replace him," said Ruff, who worked with Rathburn as a patrol officer in 1965. "Chief Rathburn is a known commodity. He would be a valid contender."

Rathburn joined the LAPD in 1963, and was in charge of security for the 1984 Summer Olympics.

In recent years, he was credited with settling gang and racial disputes in South-Central Los Angeles.

The Los Angeles chief's job pays \$140,000 a year, and Rathburn is making \$95,000 annually in Dallas. But he also collects about \$75,000 from his Los Angeles pension, which would be suspended if he returned there.

Sullivan: reforms needed

HOUSTON (AP) — Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan says reforms are needed to stabilize the health insurance market that serves small businesses, but he again dismissed calls for national health insurance.

In another in his series of talks on health-care reform, Sullivan repeated his view Tuesday that employer-based, group health insurance should continue to be the foundation of the nation's health care financing system.

And although he dismissed calls for national health insurance, Sullivan added that "it is vital the small group market be stabilized, so that the small businesses can get insurance at an affordable cost."

"The importance of the small business market cannot be overstated," he said in a speech Tuesday at Rice University.

Businesses with fewer than 25 employees represent 89 percent of all U.S. companies and employ about one-third of the country's workers.

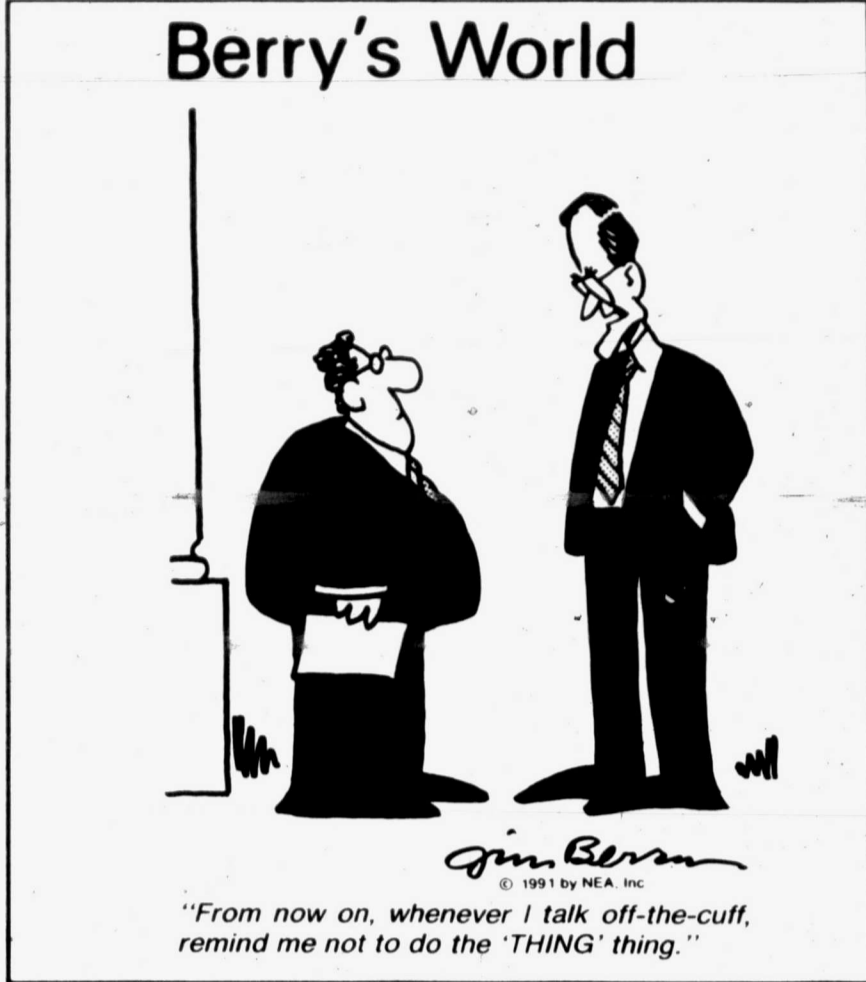
About a third of the estimated 37 million people who are uninsured are workers or dependents of workers in businesses with fewer than 25 employees, he told officials from Rice and the nearby Texas Medical Center.

Sullivan applauded the Health Insurance Association of America's proposals as "a constructive and interesting basis for beginning discussions."

The HIAA has proposed a small-market reform plan that would ensure that all groups would be able to get private health insurance regardless of the health of their employees. Renewability of policies would be guaranteed.

A monkey named Yoda at the Octagon Wildlife Sanctuary near Fort Myers, Fla., has cared for hundreds of homeless kittens.

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Welcome to city of cheese, chairs, kids and lots of churches

NEW YORK (AP) — Everyone knows Denver is the Mile High City, but did you know Hoboken, N.J., is the Mile Square City?

That fluoride-rich Hereford, Texas, calls itself the Town without a Toothache? That Sheboygan is known across Wisconsin as the City of Cheese, Chairs, Children and Churches?

From Boston, the Athens of America, to Fairbanks, known simply as Frostbite, Alaska, thousands of American communities have a nickname that boosts a dominant industry, touts a tourist attraction or celebrates past glory.

Now, April's American Heritage magazine has come up with a handy list of these monickers, most of them informal, many of them anachronisms, and almost all of them incredibly corny.

Farmington, Maine, calls itself the Earmuff Capital of the World, commemorating the invention there 118 years ago. Crystal City, Texas, is the Spinach Capital of the World, and anyone who doubts that should check out the statue of Popeye erected by city fathers in 1937.

Many places claim to be the Athens of something, although only Beantown has the temerity to claim to be the Athens of the whole country. Lexington, Ky., is the Athens of the West, Waco the Athens of Texas, Fayetteville the Athens of Arkansas. Leonia is the Athens of New Jersey, a nod to the Columbia University professors who once commuted across the Hudson River.

Tulsa, Okla., is proud to be the Most Northern Southern City.

Pullman, Ill., which everybody associates with railroads, is the City of Brick. New Haven, Conn., synonymous in most minds with Yale, is the City of Elms — a name that predates the spread of Dutch elm disease.

Radburn, N.J., built in the 1920s with the first system of suburban cul-de-sacs, was dubbed The Town for the Motor Age — a motto somewhat dated by the advent of the Space Age.

Many nicknames betray a civic identity crisis. Lake Placid thinks it is America's Switzerland, while Albany inexcusably boasts of being America's Edinburgh. Rapid City is the Denver of South Dakota and Lincoln, Neb., is the Hartford of the West.

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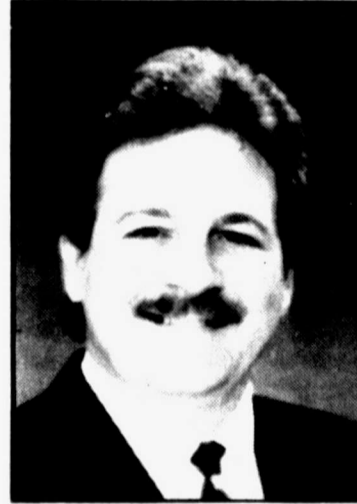


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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961 or 573-8885.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; W. 37th St.; 9-4.
Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.
Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City Bridge Room; 1:30 p.m.
Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
Deep Creek Cloggers, lesson; VFW; 6:30-8 p.m.
Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.
Operation Storm Support Group; National Guard Armory; everyone welcome; 7 p.m.
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-8110 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

Storytime; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.; 4 and 5-year olds.
Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.
Overeaters Anonymous; 1 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park; For more information, call 573-8322, 573-7705 or 573-9839.
Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 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.
Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101, 573-3657 or 573-3956.
Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9410. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting).

SATURDAY

Alateen Step Study Group; 2:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park. For more information, call 573-8929 or 573-5164.
People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-8626 or 573-9410.
Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.

BE WISE. IMMUNIZE EARLY

Scurry County Health Unit reminds you to "Immunize Early." Spring Round-Up for children starting school for the Fall of 1991 is just around the corner. Immunizations required for school entrance are as follows:

2 months:	DPT, OPV, Hib CV
4 months:	DPT, OPV, Hib CV
6 months:	DPT, OPV, Hib CV
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Have your immunization record prepared and up to date prior to registration. Clinic dates for immunizations before Spring Round-Up will be:

March 28	8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
April 2	8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
April 4	8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

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Ex-cancer clinic operator held in case

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The former operator of a Mexican cancer clinic is being held without bail after authorities arrested him as a fugitive in an alleged profiteering scam at the now-defunct clinic.

U.S. Magistrate Harry R. McCue ruled Monday that James Gordon Keller, 57, was a flight risk and ordered him held at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in downtown San Diego.

Keller, a U.S. citizen living in Tijuana, Mexico, has been a fugitive since October 1984, when a federal grand jury in

Brownsville, Tex., handed down a 13-count indictment alleging that he and nine others had engaged in a conspiracy to defraud prospective patients at the Universal Health Center.

The indictment alleges that he told would-be patients at the clinic in the border town of Matamoros, Mexico, that they could be cured through unorthodox treatments not approved for use in the United States.

Among the procedures employed at the clinic were the use of crystals, herbal teas, vitamins, massages and injections

with an unapproved drug, called "Tumorex," which purported to "drive cancer from the body," according to the indictment.

The defendants also allegedly informed prospective clients that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the American Medical Association "did not want a cure for cancer because it would bankrupt the medical profession and the Social Security system."

Clients from throughout the United States reportedly paid \$2,500 to \$3,000 each for the

asserted "treatment and cure of cancer," the indictment states.

Since December 1983, Keller has been associated with St. Jude's Clinic, a cancer-treatment center in Tijuana, according to his attorney, Frank J. Ragen of San Diego.

None of the criminal charges stem from his Tijuana activities, but pertain to what supposedly occurred in Matamoros, across the border from Brownsville.

Mexican authorities in Tijuana turned Keller over to U.S. officials along the U.S.-Mexico border at San Diego on March 18, according to the FBI.

Keller was handed over after he reported a theft of \$200,000 from his safe in Mexico, Assistant U.S. Attorney Peter Sholl said.

Ex-resident will visit Soviet Union as part of study group

A 1966 graduate of Snyder High School who now teaches in Charlotte, N.C., will be part of an Easter week study group to the Soviet Union.

Diane Hargrove Tutt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hargrove, is a sixth grade teacher in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg school system.

Tutt will be part of 14 students and nine adults making the trip. The students are 12 to 14 years of age and will be meeting their two-year pen pals.

The tour has been arranged through the Citizen Exchange

Council, a cultural exchange organization. Founded in 1962, its purposes is to allay mutual fear and misunderstanding through large-scale citizen exchanges.

Participants in the program are high school and college students, as well as professionals in the area of education, arts, media and public diplomacy.

The group will depart Charlotte Saturday and arrive in Leningrad on Sunday where they will stay and tour until Wednesday when they arrive in Moscow.

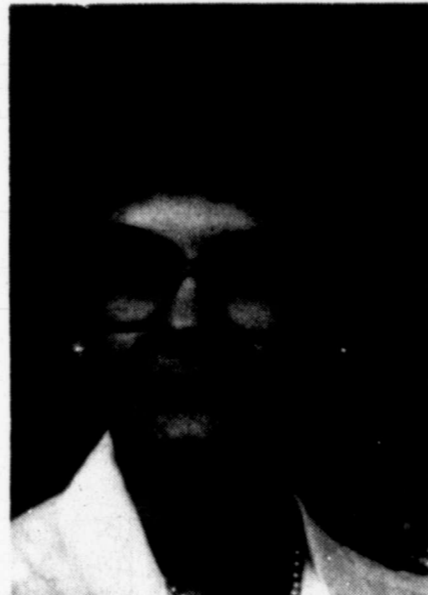
In Moscow, they will be welcomed in ceremonies at English Special School 19. In addition to classroom visits there will be home visits and games with mixed Soviet-American teams.

The delegation will visit the Kremlin, Red Square, Armory Museum and attend an evening circus performance. The group will return home April 8.

While in Moscow, each tour member will be assigned to be guest in a Soviet home whose child attends the English Special School.

The tour grew out of a visit from the English Special School teacher, Irina Tourkina, who visited in Charlotte last spring. The Soviet teacher spent one day in Ms. Tutt's classroom.

"I'm very excited about being one of four C-MS teachers on this tour," the Snyder native said.



DIANE HARGROVE TUTT

"We, as educators, are very eager to learn more about the Soviet Union...and return and share our information with our students."

Ms. Tutt is a 1970 graduate of Baylor University and holds a masters degree in music education. She and her husband, Bill, have two children, Michael, 8, and Holly, 11. Tutt is construction manager for Childers & Kline Construction Company in Charlotte, N.C., where they reside.

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Word of the theft was passed on to San Diego police officers, one of whom recognized Keller's name from the outstanding federal arrest warrant, leading to his expulsion from Mexico, Sholl said.

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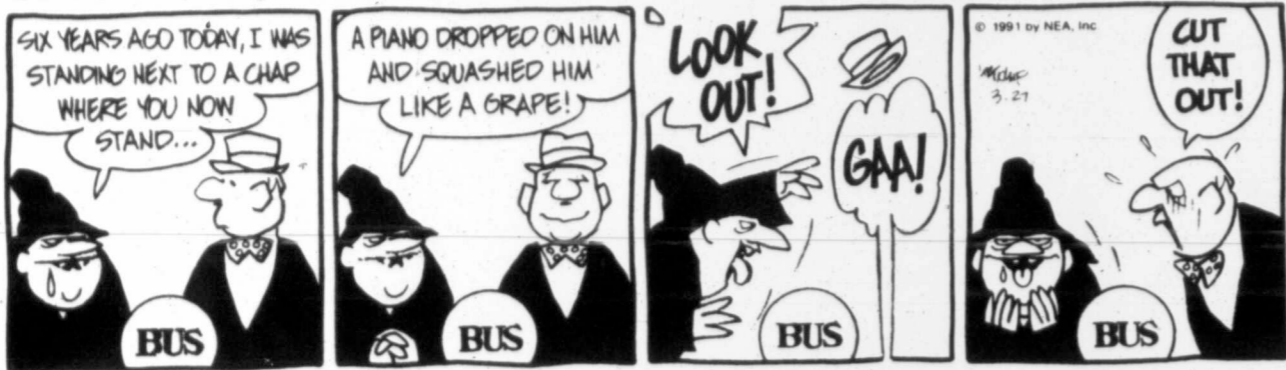
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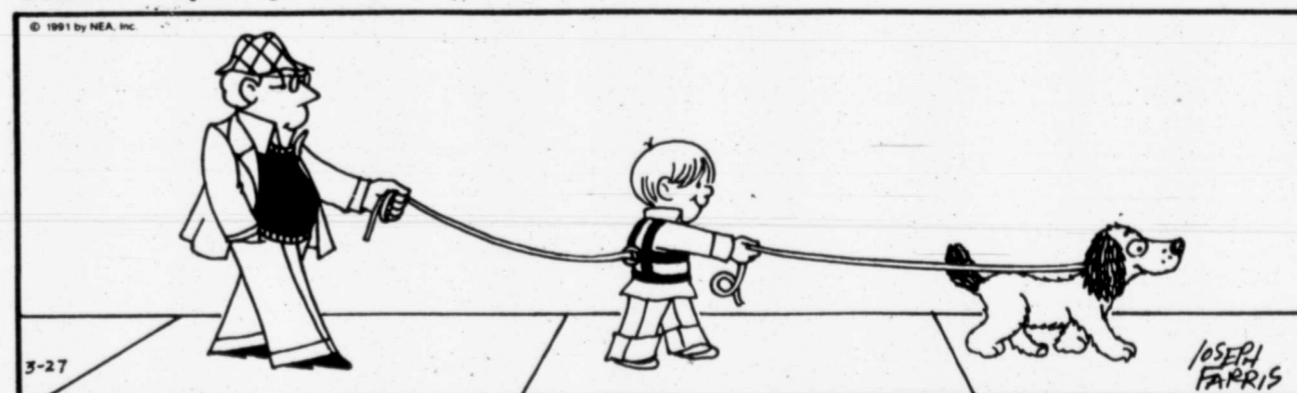
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Backers undeterred...

Project to be scrutinized through hearings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Super collider skeptics who recently took over key oversight positions in Congress are investigating requests to double federal spending on the \$8.25 billion project and begin tunneling a giant ring under Texas farmland.

But Deputy Energy Secretary W. Henson Moore said the Energy Department has gotten its act together on the SSC and that its plan to increase spending by 119 percent can stand close congressional scrutiny.

"We know what we're doing — in terms of management, in terms of costing, in terms of being on time and on schedule, in terms of the science," Moore said in an interview Tuesday.

Moore also predicted that if Congress appropriates the requested \$534 million for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1, other countries will recognize the United States' commitment and

agree to contribute.

The new chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology subcommittee on investigations and oversight, however, said he wants to "check out everything from cost estimates to international contributions that are contemplated to the management of the program."

Rep. Howard Wolpe, D-Mich., plans his first oversight hearing on the super collider in mid-April. He will be joined by Rep. Sherwood L. Boehlert of New York, the panel's new ranking Republican.

Boehlert said he has serious reservations about the costs of

building and operating what would be the world's largest scientific instrument. And Wolpe has questioned what he considers a "premature rush to construction" before questions about the collider's funding and management have been answered.

The SSC oversight hearing will be the first since the Energy Department announced in February that the collider's official price tag would be \$8.25 billion, up from \$5.9 billion largely because of design changes.

DOE's final cost estimate came as President Bush's budget for fiscal 1992 sought a doubling

in federal spending and money to begin tunneling.

Backers and skeptics say the request for a big jump in spending will draw more attention to the project, given the federal budget crunch.

"Any program that doubles in funding is a lightning rod that could be hit from any direction," said Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, describing 1991 as "a critical year for the SSC."

"Obviously, this project is up against a lot of other proposals and priorities, and it may well encounter some revision as we go a long here," agreed Wolpe.

But Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said the oversight hearings would not be a problem and that the real fight over the collider would be in the appropriations committees.

"Hearings I don't take seriously, money I take seriously,"

Gramm said. "I personally don't see any signs that the challenge is more daunting than in the past."

The superconducting super collider involves a 54-mile underground ring, to be built around Waxahachie, in which streams of protons, guided by powerful electromagnets, would be hurled at almost the speed of light until they smash together and break up into even smaller particles. Scientists hope those collisions help explain the origin of the universe and the fundamental nature of matter.

The House voted last year to cap federal spending at \$5 billion, leaving the balance to be met by non-federal sources. After Texas provides the \$1 billion it has promised, the Energy Department would have to raise the balance — or \$2.2 billion — from foreign sources.

Bridge

By James Jacoby

NORTH 3-27-91
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 ♠ Q J 8 7
 ♥ A K 10
 ♣ K 3

WEST
 ♦ A Q J 2
 ♠ 9
 ♥ Q 8 3
 ♣ J 9 7 6 2

EAST
 ♦ 10 8
 ♠ 5 4 2
 ♥ J 9 5 2
 ♣ Q 10 5 4

SOUTH
 ♦ K 9 5
 ♥ A K 10 6 3
 ♠ 7 6 4
 ♣ A 8

Vulnerable: East-West
 Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 NT	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♦ 6

Getting partner on lead

By James Jacoby

One art of declarer play is to make life difficult for the defenders.

Cover the East-West cards and decide how you would play in four hearts against a low club lead. North's two-trump response was the Jacoby forcing major-suit raise, and South's three-no-trump rebid indicated 5-3-3-2 or 5-4-2-2 distribution with some extra values.

An initial assessment uncovers four potential losers: one diamond and three spades. If East has the spade ace, there is no problem, but what can be done if West has that vital card?

The first declarer won the club lead with the ace, drew trumps ending in hand and led a diamond to dummy's 10. East won with the jack and switched to the spade 10. One down.

Another South did slightly better. He drew trumps, cashed his remaining top club and played off three rounds of diamonds. However, West unblocked the queen under the king, and East, on winning with the jack, switched to the spade 10 to defeat the game.

The third declarer played the best of all. He won the club lead in the dummy, drew trumps ending in hand and led a diamond to the king. Returning to hand with a club, he played another diamond. Thinking declarer was planning a finesse, West saw no reason to contribute his queen. But now when declarer won with the diamond ace and exited in diamonds, West was endplayed. He had to either lead away from the spade ace or concede a ruff and discard. Declarer lost only two spade tricks and made his contract.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books.

Bush will press Kaifu on disputes in trade

WASHINGTON (AP) — Just as President Bush seeks to use his war success to negotiate a broader Middle East peace, his new international prestige could help him pressure Japan to settle nagging economic disputes.

When he meets in California next week with Japanese Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu, Bush will

push to ease a variety of irritants with Tokyo, according to administration officials familiar with trade issues.

But winning a breakthrough in contentious Japan-U.S. trade relations may be as difficult as finding the key to a lasting Middle East peace.

The Bush-Kaifu meeting next Thursday comes as many members of Congress remain upset about Japanese economic policies. Also, the administration is pushing Japan to meet its full \$9 billion pledge to the allied war effort.

Firmness in dealing with Tokyo could help the president combat Democratic criticism

AP analysis

over administration trade policies and the high U.S.-Japan trade deficit.

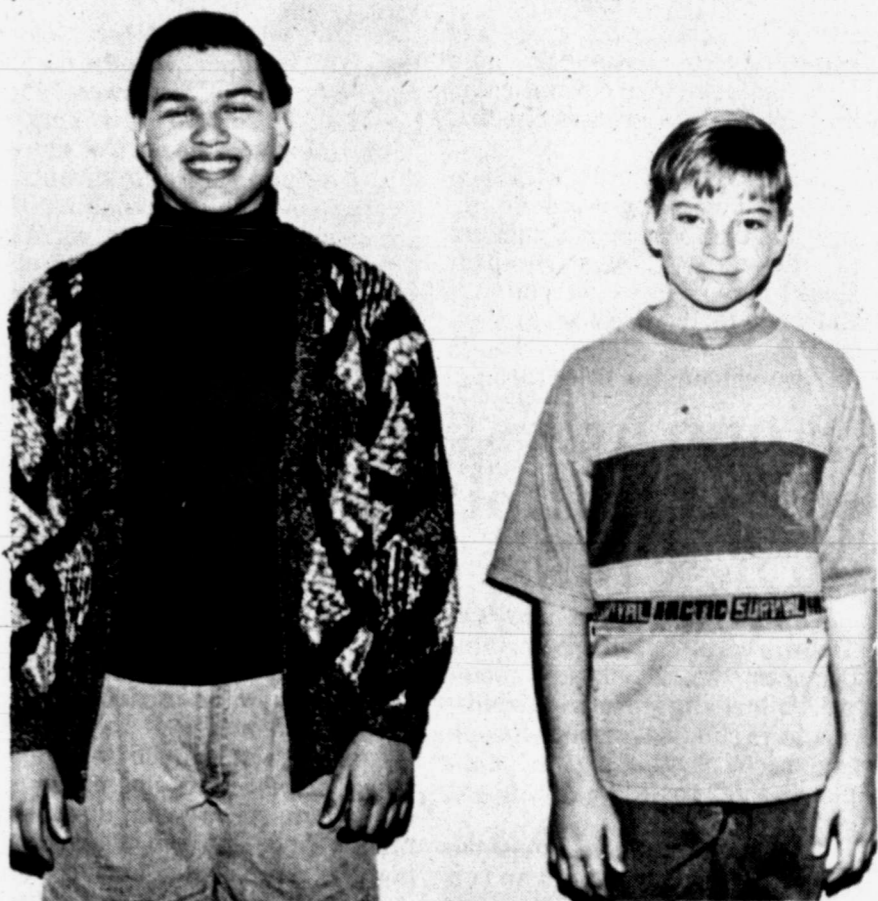
With the allied victory in the Persian Gulf War, Bush brings more bargaining clout to the session with Kaifu than he had when the two last met last October at the United Nations. Still, the administration is careful not to build up expectations for the meeting.

Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Bush and Kaifu will discuss "relevant economic and trade issues" at the meeting in California, as well as the gulf crisis and its aftermath.

"We have trade problems that obviously will be discussed," he added.

The White House already has made clear that Bush won't seek to pressure Kaifu to restrict Japanese auto exports — despite urging from Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca — on grounds that it would be protectionist.

But officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Bush is expected to press Kaifu hard on other issues — particularly Japan's restrictive agricultural



MARCH BANDSMEN — Left, eighth grader Joe Guerrero, who plays the cornet in the Snyder Junior High Band, and seventh grader Quintin Kasperek, who plays the baritone, were named by their instructors as bandsmen of the month. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Supreme Court ruling astonishes some

WASHINGTON (AP) — Criminal defense attorneys, law professors and civil libertarians say they are astonished at a Supreme Court ruling that opens the door to use of coerced confessions as evidence in criminal trials.

"It defies logic," said Sam Dash, a Georgetown University professor who has been both a prosecutor and a defense attorney. "A confessor beaten out of someone or through psychological pressures ... has historically always been excluded from trial."

The timing of the ruling as the country focuses on police brutality after the videotaped beating of Los Angeles motorist Rodney

King "is a sorry coincidence," said Phil Gutis of the American Civil Liberties Union.

"Now is not the time that we need less restrictions on the police," Gutis said.

The 5-4 Supreme Court decision Tuesday, written by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, said using coerced confessions may be "harmless error" and therefore would not automatically require a new trial if other evidence was sufficient to convict the defendant.

The decision doesn't welcome coerced confessions into court, but admission of such a confession into evidence previously was cause to overturn a conviction, no

matter what other evidence existed.

At the same time, the justices upheld rulings requiring a new trial for Oreste Fulminante of Arizona, who was charged with killing his 11-year-old stepdaughter. The court found that in Fulminante's case, the use of his coerced confession could not be ruled harmless and therefore he was entitled to a new trial.

The Justice Department, which filed a brief and gave oral arguments on the case, hailed the court's decision on the coerced confession issue.

"We're pleased that the Supreme Court agreed with our submission that trial errors

should not automatically lead to a reversal of a conviction even when the error is the admission of an involuntary confession," a department official said.

But critics said the power of a confession to sway a jury cannot be underestimated.

"There is no way to really ever assess the impact of a confession on a jury," said Jeffrey Weiner, president-elect of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. "There's no way to say that it did not impact them and the conviction was based on other evidence, except in the rarest of cases."

Dash, who served as chief counsel to the Senate Watergate Committee in the 1970s, noted that the decision reverses years of judicial precedent.

"I think it's a very dangerous view by the court," Dash said.

"Almost every court that has ever considered coerced confessions has indicated a confession can never be harmless no matter how much other evidence there is because a jury is bound to put a great deal of weight on the confession," he said.

Weiner, who practices law in Miami, said he viewed the decision as one "that will give comfort to police officers because they no longer need to be scrupulously certain that their actions result in confessions which are not coerced."

To Michael L. Bender, chairman of the American Bar Association's criminal justice section, the decision amounts to "a diminishing of all of our individual rights when confronted by the police."

The decision is another way of "trying to solve the temporary problem of violent crime and white-collar crime in a way that tampers with fundamental concepts of the fabric of our society," said Bender, a private defense attorney in Denver.

Historians are collecting names of early immigrants

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — Historians are using space-age technology to assemble more than century-old information in the hope that Americans can find ties to their past.

The Galveston Historical Foundation is compiling a unique immigrant database which visitors to the new Texas Seaport Museum can tap to determine if and when their ancestors arrived in the United States through Galveston from the 1840s through

1920.

By the end of the 19th century, the Gulf Coast port was the dominant city in the Southwest and was second only to New York's Ellis Island as the port of entry into this country for immigrants.

Since last August, about a half-dozen people have been sorting through microfilm copies of old ship passenger lists, recording on a computer names and dates, departure points and destinations for more than 50,000 people who passed through Galveston en route to a new life in the United States.

The database gets a preview later today with ceremonies at the museum marking the 100th anniversary of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Museum officials hope to have 150,000 names in the computer by October when the museum holds its grand opening.

By then, visitors will be able to punch in their family name in one of two museum computer terminals and find out when and how their forefathers arrived.

"Most of these people are just ordinary folks like you and me," says Olivia Meyer, associate director of the Galveston Historical Foundation, which owns the museum. "To me, the heart and soul of this is that the average American can see where their ancestors came through this port in much the same way that Ellis Island has played such an important role."

"Much of what society is like today can be traced to people who came through. They didn't all make a fortune but they definitely contributed to our society."

Beginning in the mid 1800s, large numbers of Germans and Czechs passed through Galveston to settle what was then the frontier, eventually settling as far away as St. Louis and Denver.

By law, passenger lists had to be kept by ship captains and be turned over to customs authorities upon reaching the port. Those records wound up in libraries and the Texas State Archives and the National Archives

in Washington.

All of the names are handwritten and many are long and difficult to spell or pronounce in English.

"You're reading a foreign language most of the time," Ms. Meyer said. "We've got German dictionaries, Italian dictionaries, translations of Czechoslovakian names. It really is a matter of translating the records to make it make sense."

"Sometimes we have lotteries in here with six people trying to decide what it is," says Tom Oertling, chief researcher for database.

The oldest records available date from the 1830s, when Texas was a republic. U.S. records don't enter the picture until 1845, when Texas became a state.

Oertling says the records also reflect history.

Group urges smoking limit on new bills

AUSTIN (AP) — To help save Texans from tobacco-related diseases, the Legislature should pass bills to limit the availability of the products to young people and restrict smoking in public places, a coalition of health groups says.

"The bills can save thousands of lives, billions of dollars and untold pain and suffering," said Dr. Charles Oswalt III, president of the American Cancer Society's Texas division.

The cancer society, the American Heart Association, the American Lung Association and the Texas Medical Association all endorsed the bills Tuesday.

In urging approval of the legislation, Oswalt said more than 53,000 Americans die annually from the effects of passive smoking, while 23,000 Texans die each year from all tobacco-related diseases.

April 1...

Pre-registration date nears for relays, other events

Interest continues to build for West Elementary's second annual Junior Olympics Festival slated Saturday, April 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Snyder High School football stadium.

The West Parent Council Association, which sponsors the event, has expanded the format in order to allow participation by elementary students throughout Snyder.

Eight track and field competitions will be held with students competing against others of the same sex and in the same grade. Pre-registration will be required for all participants, with forms available at each elementary school office.

In addition to track and field events, the festival will include gunny-sack races, tug-o-war, face painting, various activity booths and refreshments.

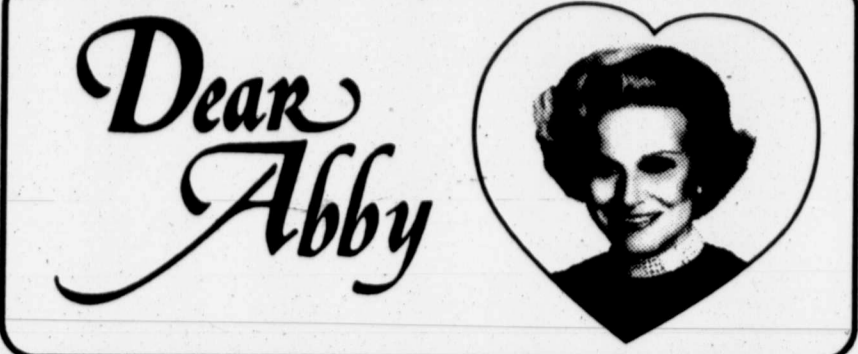
All elementary P.E. coaches have been invited to register a boys and girls 400 yard relay team to represent their school at each grade level.

The pre-registration deadline for the relay team and the track and field events is April 1. Forms may be returned to West Elementary or any elementary school office. Ribbons will be awarded to all first, second and third place winners.

Students may participate in any three of the following events: softball throw, running broad jump, 50 yard dash, 100 yard dash, 200 yard run, buddy shuttle race (50 yard run for team of two), 400 yard run (3-6 grades).

A general admission will be charged at the gate, \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students who have not pre-registered.

Junior Olympics committee chairmen include Helen Lovett, poster contest; Vicki Best, tickets; Kim Gorman, pre-registration; Joan Bunch, refreshments; Rhonda Ward and Teresa Trammell, track events; Debra and Richard Hester, Jo Ann Cotton, Pam Gibson, field events; Lisa Rollins, crazy races; Twynette Cooper, activity booths; and Candy Payne, project coordinator.



Stepmom Unsure of Protection To Give Sexually Active Teen

By Abigail Van Buren
1991 Universal Press Syndicate

DEAR ABBY: I have a beautiful teen-aged stepdaughter who lives with her mother and stepfather. Although "Betty" loves her mother, she has never been able to confide in her. She's very religious and fairly strict, so Betty comes to me with everything.

Betty recently told me that she had lost her virginity to a boy she had been forbidden to see. She needed someone to talk to — someone who wouldn't put her down, and I was there for her. She begged me not to tell her mother. My heart aches for this girl, and my biggest fear is that she may become pregnant or contract a venereal disease.

We discussed condoms and birth control pills, but she can't get the pill without parental consent. I'd like to get the pill for her, and I think I could if she were to go to my doctor, but I wouldn't feel right doing it behind her mother's back.

Her mother and I are very good friends and she trusts me. If I get Betty the pill, will it make it easier for her to continue having sex? She's already told me that if she got pregnant, she would come to me for help.

BETTY'S CONFIDANTE

stands how to protect herself from pregnancy or disease.

DEAR CONFIDANTE: Every teen-ager needs a mature, non-judgmental friend to whom he or she can turn for sound advice and counsel. Ideally, that person is a parent. But if that's not possible — as in Betty's case — Betty's mother should be grateful that her daughter has someone like you in her daughter's corner.

Since Betty has already lost her virginity, I doubt that she will stop now. Stress the fact that sex today can have very serious consequences; therefore, selectivity is vital. We now know a sexually transmitted disease can be fatal. So be sure she under-

DEAR ABBY: I am writing on behalf of Ida Ward Linton, the daughter of Lemuel T. Ward, to whom you gave credit for writing "The Hunter's Poem" — describing the tragedy of having shot a pair of geese in flight.

I would like to set the record straight. The poem is titled "Remorse" and was written by Truman P. Reitmeyer of Philadelphia.

Ida would like the public to know that it was not her intention to mislead them. "Remorse" was one of her father's favorite poems, and was one of 100 or more that Lem used to recite to visitors to his decoy shop. He used to hand out copies of the poems he recited, and of course, he would be asked to autograph them. Although the poems were printed with the names of the authors, it was only Lem's signature that the happy visitor would be aware of upon leaving.

Lem never wrote a poem, but his brother, Steve, did — and I suppose this fact helps add to the confusion. Ida has received many phone calls from all over the country since you published that poem, and it would help if you could publish a correction. Thank you!

JACK R. SCHROEDER,
CRISFIELD, MD.

Census data used to determine who customers will be

WASHINGTON (AP) — As any high school civics student knows, the 1990 census numbers will be used to parcel out seats in Congress.

They also will be used to: —Draw districts for 51 state legislatures and a tangle of local governments. —Allocate billions of dollars in federal aid to states and municipalities. —Determine who gets to buy cheap pizza.

That's right. The census is more than numbers and politics. It's also big business.

And while the congressional district you live in and the money your city gets from the federal government may touch your life, the census numbers really hit home only after they've entered the American marketing system.

"It's sort of your Big Brother syndrome," said Taylor Bond, director of market analysis for Domino's Pizza, the Ann Arbor, Mich., company that built home delivery of pizza into a national business empire. "The more we find out about you, the more we can target you to meet your needs."

Domino's over the years has figured out that people who have pizza delivered tend to be younger singles or couples with two incomes and no children, who live in apartments.

Although the census doesn't reveal information about individuals, it can help Domino's identify areas with concentrations of people who fit the pizzamunchers profile. It's in those areas that Domino's promotes its product most heavily, in ways

tailored to match the tastes of the people that live there.

"The premise is that you can't just send out one offer to everybody," Bond said. "If you're sitting at home and you're a single person and I send you a coupon for two large pizzas at a large discount, that's not going to attract you. But if I send you a small pizza and a coke, that may attract you."

Few companies use the census data alone to bolster their sales strategies — the government's numbers don't go into enough detail to satisfy the needs of marketing departments.

What marketers like Bond want is a Rembrandt portrait of their customers, something executed in oil, with stunning detail. What the census provides is something akin to a flowing ink sketch by a Zen master. It suggests many things, but leaves much to the imagination.

Behind the scenes of the consuming world stands a whole industry devoted to turning census sketches into marketing portraits.

One of the largest is Claritas Corp. of Alexandria, Va., which in glossy ads promises to "put you on top" of your marketing information.

The census "is basically a reality check" for Claritas, said Mike Reinemer, the company's director of communications.

Claritas and other companies in that field are continually conducting surveys to gather information about people, their tastes and their habits. But no one except the Census Bureau "goes out and tries to contact each household in the country," Reinemer said.

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Pumpjack tourney set

Entries are now being accepted for the annual Snyder Country Club Pumpjack Partnership Golf Tournament, to be played April 20-21 at the club course.

Entry fee is \$160 per 2-man team and is due by April 16. Action begins with 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. shotgun starts both days. Activities surrounding the tournament begin Friday, April 19 with registration, a practice round and the optional pre-tournament Sweepstakes.

Also on Friday will be the Long Drive Contest, which features cash prizes, and special entertainment in the club house. A putting tournament will take place all day Saturday with the winner taking home a new color TV.

A 2 p.m. lunch buffet will be available to players and a 7 p.m. dance, featuring the band Bareback, will round out the day's festivities.

Coffee and rolls will be served each morning in the Golf shop. For more information or to enter the tourney, contact club pro Rick Mammolite at 573-7101.

Jr. teens slate registration

Sign-ups for Snyder Junior Teenage League baseball are scheduled for April 4 and 5 from 5-7 p.m. and April 6 from 8 a.m. until noon at Snyder Athletic Center.

Junior Teenage League participants must be between 13 and 15 years of age, as of July 31, and must bring a birth certificate to registration.

Cost to compete in the league is \$40 per player.

Sports banquet is planned

The WTC annual sports banquet has been set for April 2 according to an announcement by WTC Booster Club president Shirley Fritz.

This year's banquet, honoring athletes in the men's and women's basketball and golf programs at the college, will be held at Reta's.

Tickets will be \$6.50 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under and may be purchased from Booster Club members or at the WTC Athletic Department office.

Deadline to buy tickets is March 29.

For more information contact the WTC athletic office at 573-8511, ext. 283, or Fritz at 573-7403 or 573-6679.

Little League sign-ups set

Sign-ups for Snyder Little League Baseball are set for April 1, 2 and 3 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the TU Electric Reddy Room at 2301 Ave. R.

Registration is for children between the ages of eight and 13 years as of July 31.

Cost for registration is \$20 per child.

UNLV's Johnson honored

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Senior forward Larry Johnson of UNLV was named the winner of the Eastman Award as the nation's top college player by the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

Johnson, averaging 23 points and 10.8 rebounds a game, and Steve Smith of Michigan State were the only seniors on the NABC Division I All-America team. Joining them were junior Billy Owens of Syracuse and sophomore Shaquille O'Neal of LSU and Kenny Anderson of Georgia Tech. All were finalists for the Eastman Award.

Picked for the NABC's Division II All-America team were Corey Crowder of Kentucky Wesleyan, Dave Vonesh of North Dakota, Armando Becker of Central Missouri State, Lambert Shgell of Bridgeport and Myron Brown of Slippery Rock.

Seles, Graf notch victories

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Top-seeded Monica Seles and second-seeded Steffi Graf easily advanced to the second round of the U.S. Women's Hardcourt Championships. Seles beat unseeded Florencia Labat of Argentina 6-0, 6-1, and Graf defeated unseeded Audra Keller 6-2, 6-1.

In another first-round match, unseeded Pam Shriver beat fourth-seeded Rafaella Reggi 6-3, 6-3.

Ruddock gets second shot

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Donovan "Razor" Ruddock will get another shot at Mike Tyson on June 28, a decision reached within 48 hours of their first fight, promoter Don King said.

Tyson stopped Ruddock in the seventh-round of a controversial 12-round match on March 18 at The Mirage in Las Vegas, which will be the site of the rematch. Their bout will be the main event on a card featuring three world championship fights.

King and Ruddock's promoter Murad Muhammad announced the rematch at the convention of the National Cable Television Association.

Tyson won a disputed victory when referee Richard Steele stopped the bout at 2:22 of the seventh round following a flurry of punches by the former heavyweight champ that sent Ruddock stumbling backwards. Ruddock, who had been knocked down in the second and third rounds, appeared slightly dazed.

Race drivers indicted

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — A federal grand jury has indicted defending NHRA pro-stock drag racing champion Darrell Alderman and two other men on cocaine charges, according to the U.S. attorney's office.

Alderman, of Morehead, Ky., and Paul J. Adams and Gregory Frankel, both of Lexington, were charged with conspiracy to distribute and knowingly possessing with intent to distribute cocaine during a period from August 1990 through February 1991.

If convicted on conspiracy, the three could be sentenced to up to 10 years in prison or fined up to \$4 million or both.

Baseball expansion mullied

DENVER (AP) — The National League expansion committee completed its tour of the six contending cities by touring Denver and will now begin to rank the contenders before reporting to all major league owners.

Douglas Danforth, the chairman of the Pittsburgh Pirates and of the expansion committee, said he came to Denver with concerns about the prospective ownership group, but said those concerns were answered.

The committee visited Buffalo, N.Y., and Washington, D.C., on Monday. Last month, the group visited the three Florida contenders — Miami, Orlando and St. Petersburg.

Danforth hopes the two new cities can be selected at the quarterly owners' meetings on June 12-13 at Los Angeles. However, some officials want a vote postponed until after the All-Star break.

Rematch worries Tarkanian

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The only one questioning UNLV's capability is Runnin' Rebels coach Jerry Tarkanian.

"What if Larry (Johnson) gets three fouls in the first five minutes?" Tarkanian asked. "Then we're in big trouble and anything could happen."

On Tuesday, Tarkanian kept bringing up what-ifs as if to convince people the defending national champions aren't invincible.

"The ball's got to go through a hole this big. What if we keep missing by an inch? By half an inch?" he said. "We have a fine ballclub, but anybody who thinks it's going to be easy is crazy."

UNLV will practice again today before leaving on a charter flight scheduled to arrive in Indianapolis this evening. The national semifinal matchup with Duke takes place Saturday.

Tarkanian had a final luncheon with boosters Tuesday, which was highlighted by a presentation to Johnson of the Eastman Award as college player of the year.

Still, he cautioned that the Rebels were no cinch to become the first team since Indiana in 1976 to finish a season undefeated and the first since UCLA in 1973 to win consecutive national championships.

"Duke is a good team, a well-coached team," Tarkanian said. "They're going to have a chance to erase some memories. So there's not going to be any easy games. There aren't any cinches in a one-loss tournament."



UNLV, unbeaten in 34 games this year and winner of 45 straight over two seasons, meets Duke in a rematch of last year's national championship, which UNLV won in a 103-73 blowout. That game weighs heavily on the mind of Tarkanian, who fears Duke will be more than primed for a second chance at the

Rebels.

"When they got humiliated in that game last year, they had to live with that for a year," he said. "They're going to be as up for this game as they possibly could be."

Tarkanian said last year's title game shaped up to be a competitive matchup of two teams that play similar pressure defense and one that figured to be close.

Instead, UNLV stopped freshman point guard Bobby Hurley cold, harassing him at every turn, and ran its way to the easy victory.

"That game was a perfect game for us," Tarkanian said. "We got the long rebounds, got every loose ball and turnover and generally played as well as we could. I felt we were a better team, but the blowout was unexpected. Everything went right for us."

Tarkanian said Hurley has rebounded from a tough freshman season to become one of the top 10 point guards in the country, and said the addition of Grant Hill and the improvement of center Christian Laetner makes Duke a tougher team than it was last season.

"Last year they were an easier team for us to defend; they had two inside people and three perimeter people," he said. "This year, they don't have anybody staying inside and it will be tougher to decide who to match who up against."

UNLV is making its fourth trip to the Final Four, and its third in five years. The Rebels lost in the semifinals in 1977 and 1987 before breaking through and winning the championship last year.

"It's such a big event and it's so exciting," Tarkanian said. "I've been there when we lost and I've been there when we won. I guarantee you, it was a lot nicer the last time when we won."

NCAA glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST
THE FINAL FOUR
At The Hoosier Dome
Indianapolis
Semifinals
Saturday, March 30
North Carolina (29-5) vs. Kansas (26-7), 5:30 p.m.
Duke (30-7) vs. UNLV (34-0), 30 minutes after comp. of first game
Championship
Monday, April 1
Semifinal winners, 9:10 p.m.



LITTLE DRIBBLER ALL-STARS — Snyder's Major League all-stars will be traveling to the regional Little Drumblers tournament in Lamesa April 11-13. They are slated to battle Levelland in their opening contest Thursday, April 11. The team is, back row from left, coach Jackie Murray, L.S. McClain, Chris Post, Patrick Cumbie, Zeb Alexander, coach Israel Hinojos, Eric Tovar and Wayne Ware. Front row from left, Teddy Murray, Patrick Jordan, Toby Delce, Chris Ramirez, Chad Carter, Chris Riggins and Matthew Fambro. (SDN Staff Photo)

OU to face Stanford in NIT

NEW YORK (AP) — Stanford students have always excelled on the boards. This year, so does the Cardinal basketball team.

Stanford outrebounded its opponents by almost nine per game, the third best margin in the nation. That's a statistic that worries Oklahoma coach Billy Tubbs, whose team plays Stanford for the NIT championship tonight at Madison Square Garden.

"They're a very physical team," Tubbs said. "They're just bigger and stronger than we are."

Stanford is an elite academic school whose students usually get top scores on their college board entrance exams. But it hasn't won any postseason championships in basketball since the 1942 NCAA title.

That could change if Oklahoma gets overpowered by Stanford's formidable front line — 6-foot-9 center Adam Keefe and a pair of 6-7 forwards, Andrew Vlahov and Deshon Wingate.

Keefe, a two-time, All Pac-10 selection, is averaging 21.8 points and 9.5 rebounds per game. He and Vlahov combined for 44 points and 21 rebounds in Stanford's 73-71 semifinal victory over Massachusetts.

"Adam is a great player," Tubbs said. "He's big and strong, but he's also a good athlete."

Like Oklahoma (20-14), Stanford had a mediocre regular season. The Cardinal (19-13) finished in a five-way tie for fifth in the Pac-10 after losing four of its last five games.

"I don't think anybody in their wildest dreams thought we would be in this place at this time," Stanford coach Mike Montgomery said. "This is a tremendous boost for our program."

However, Montgomery is worried that his team may be tired

after a hectic week of travel. Stanford won road games at Wisconsin and Southern Illinois last week before coming to New York.

"Fatigue is definitely a concern, especially with Adam playing 40 minutes the last three games," Montgomery said. "I'm glad we'll be getting those TV timeouts."

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Toronto pops Rangers, 6-2

DUNEDIN, Fla. (AP) — Pat Tabler hit a three-run homer in the second inning and four pitchers combined a five-hitter as Tuesday as the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Texas Rangers 6-2.

It was just the second victory in 11 games for the Blue Jays, who are 6-13 this spring.

Todd Stottlemyre (3-1) allowed two runs and four hits in five innings, and Ken Dayley, Mike Timlin and Duane Ward shut out Texas with four innings of one-hit relief.

Bobby Witt (1-2) gave up five runs and five hits in four innings.

Toronto took a 2-0 lead in the first on Rance Mulliniks' RBI single and Glenallen Hill's run-scoring groundout, but John Russell's two-run homer tied the game in the second.

The Blue Jays went ahead in the third when Devon White was hit by a pitch, Mulliniks singled and Tabler homered over the billboards in left-center.

Ken Williams hit an RBI triple in the eighth off Terry Wells.

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NIT glance

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At Madison Square Garden
New York
Wednesday, March 27
Championship
Stanford (19-13) vs. Oklahoma (20-14), 9 p.m.
Third Place
Massachusetts (20-12) vs. Colorado (18-14), 6:45 p.m.

NBA glance

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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Boston	50	19	.725	—
Philadelphia	38	31	.551	12
New York	34	36	.486	16½
Washington	28	42	.382	23½
New Jersey	23	47	.327	29
Miami	21	49	.300	29½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Chicago	51	17	.750	—
x-Detroit	43	27	.614	9
x-Milwaukee	42	28	.600	10
Atlanta	38	32	.543	14
Indiana	35	35	.500	17
Cleveland	24	44	.353	27
Charlotte	20	49	.290	31½

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Utah	46	22	.676	—
x-San Antonio	45	23	.662	1
x-Houston	44	24	.647	2
Dallas	25	42	.373	20½
Orlando	24	43	.358	21½
Minnesota	22	46	.324	24
Denver	18	51	.261	28½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Portland	50	18	.735	—
x-LA Lakers	50	20	.714	1
x-Phoenix	48	22	.686	3
Golden State	36	33	.522	14½
Seattle	32	36	.471	18
LA Clippers	26	44	.371	25
Sacramento	18	49	.269	31½

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Tuesday's Games
Charlotte 97, Golden State 94
Indiana 123, Atlanta 113
Miami 104, Cleveland 98
New Jersey 98, Philadelphia 95, OT
San Antonio 129, New York 119, OT
Phoenix 117, Minnesota 95
Portland 126, Seattle 113
Wednesday's Games
Indiana at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Portland vs. Seattle at Tacoma, 10:30 p.m.

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 - Golf**
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 - Track**
Snyder Tigers at San Angelo Relays.
 - Tennis**
Snyder at Lubbock Tournament.
- Friday, March 29
- Track**
Snyder Lady Tigers at Indian Relays in Seminole.
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By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the 132nd Judicial District Court of Scurry County, Texas, on a Judgment rendered in that Court on January 10, 1991 in favor of Fang Operators, Inc., in Cause No. 17,470, styled Fang Operators, Inc. v. Vulcan I, I seized the following-described property situated in Scurry County, Texas, as the property of Vulcan I, to-wit:

All of the right, title and interest of Vulcan I, as that interest appeared on November 1, 1985 or as increased thereafter, in the following described property: That certain undivided 2% of the working interest in and to the following-described Oil and Gas Leases covering lands situated in Scurry County, Texas, as described as follows: HOLLADAY HEIRS "C" LEASE:

Said leases being recorded in Volume 34, Page 245, 247, 249 and 251, Oil and Gas Records, Scurry County, insofar and only insofar as said leases cover the following described tracts of land situated in Scurry County, Texas, to-wit: FIRST TRACT: The Northwest One-fourth (NW/4) of the Northeast One-fourth (NE/4) of the Southwest One-fourth (SW/4) of Section 120, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Surveys, Scurry County, Texas, containing 10 acres. SECOND TRACT: The Southwest One-fourth (SW/4) of the Northeast One-fourth (NE/4) of the Southwest One-fourth (SW/4) of Section 120, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas, containing 10 acres. THIRD TRACT: The Southeast One-fourth (SE/4) of the Northeast One-fourth (NE/4) of the Southwest One-fourth (SW/4) of Section 120, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Surveys, Scurry County, Texas, containing 10 acres. together with all proceeds of production attributable to such working interest which may be held in suspense by Mesa Pipeline Company, or by any other purchaser of production from said leases.

On April 2, 1991, which is the first Tuesday of the month, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., or within 3 hours thereafter on the North steps of the Scurry County Courthouse, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of Vulcan I, in and to the above-described property. Dated March 11, 1991. KEITH COLLIER, Sheriff of Scurry County, Texas By: Darren Jackson, Deputy

Desert Storm general: I was deceived by Iraqis

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf says the Iraqis "suckered" him into letting them use the helicopters that now are part of the bloody suppression of the rebellion against Saddam Hussein.

"I think they suckered me," the Operation Desert Storm commander said in an interview with David Frost, airing tonight on public television.

Discussing his cease-fire talks three weeks ago with Iraqi generals, Schwarzkopf said the Iraqis asked to use helicopters because the allies had destroyed their nation's bridges and roads, making travel difficult.

"They looked me straight in the eye and said... 'We would like to fly our helicopters. And the purpose of flying those helicopters will be for transportation of government officials,'" the four-star general said.

Schwarzkopf said the request seemed reasonable since the Iraqis agreed not to fly over any allied forces.

"I think I was suckered because I think they intended, right then, when they asked that question, to use those helicopters against the insurrections that were going on. I think that absolutely was their intention — again, a personal opinion — but... as I said, they suckered me," Schwarzkopf said, according to a transcript of the interview.

The Bush administration also said Tuesday that Iraq's use of attack helicopters against Shiite and Kurdish rebels violated an oral understanding between Schwarzkopf and Iraqi military officers.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater was vague about how the allies would deal with helicopters, although U.S. fighter planes have shot down two Iraqi fighters since the ground war ended.

"The fact is... we want to be murky on this," Fitzwater said. "We aren't going to tell you exact rules for how we're going to deal with these helicopters. We aren't going to tell you why, and we aren't going to tell Saddam why. Let him guess. Let him wonder about every helicopter that goes up."

Schwarzkopf, calling the Iraqi president "an evil man," said he has "lied at every turn," and said the allies should not trust him.

"We are going to continue to keep our guard up until such a time as there is in fact a cease-fire... and we are very, very sure that no one, absolutely no one out there in the battlefield is going to take offensive action against us," he said.

Saddam is a "war criminal by any definition you choose to apply," Schwarzkopf said, adding that he doubted that the Iraqi president would ever face a war crimes trial.

"Practically, what normally happens to people like Saddam Hussein is... at some point, they're taken care of by their own folks," he said.

The Desert Storm commander also revealed that he recommended continuing the ground war beyond the time when President Bush ordered an end to the fighting.

"Frankly, my recommendation had been... continue the march. I mean, we had them in a rout and we could have continued to... reap great destruction on them. We could have completely closed the door and made it in fact a battle of annihilation," the general said.

But Bush "made the decision... we should stop at a given time, at a given place, that did leave some escape routes open for them to get back out, and I think that was a very humane decision and a very courageous decision on his part, also," Schwarzkopf said.

Petroleum prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Petroleum cash prices Tuesday as compared with Monday's prices.

Refined Products	Tue. Mon.
Fuel oil No. 2 NY hbr bg gl fob	5750 5760
Gasoline uni prem RVP NY hbr bg gl fob	7260
7385	
Gasoline uni RVP NY hbr bg gl fob	7060 7185
Prices provided by Oil Buyer's Guide.	
X-prices are for RVP grade of gasoline.	
Petroleum - Crude Grades	
Saudi Arabian light \$ per bbl fob	16.20 16.40
North Sea Brent \$ per bbl fob	18.45 18.65
West Texas Intermed \$ per bbl fob	19.75 19.60
Alask No. Slope del. US Gulf Coast	16.40 16.25
Alask No. Slope del. US West Coast	16.10 17.20

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News briefs

Woman POW returns to El Paso post

FORT BLISS, Texas (AP) — Army Spc. Melissa Rathbun-Nealy, the first U.S. woman held as a prisoner of war since World War II, returned to Fort Bliss Tuesday night and immediately began a two-week convalescent leave.

Rathbun-Nealy and Spc. David Lockett, also of Fort Bliss, were captured by Iraqi soldiers Jan. 31 and released last month.

Both were wounded during the capture but now appear to be in good health.

Officials said they didn't know whether Lockett has returned to the post.

A news release from the Fort Bliss public affairs office said Rathbun-Nealy "respectfully requests that the public and the news media grant her desire for privacy during this leave period. She will consider all requests for interviews at a later date on her return to duty."

NASA sets April 5 launch for Atlantis

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA today set April 5 as the launch date for space shuttle Atlantis' flight with an astronomical observatory that will probe the heavens for the most energetic radiation known.

Mission managers announced the date following a flight review at Kennedy Space Center that began Tuesday.

The 9:18 a.m. EST launch will be the first shuttle send-off of the year. Discovery was supposed to go up in March, but cracked door hinges delayed that flight until late April.

Atlantis also has cracked hinges, but the splits in the metal are too small to be of concern, officials said. The hinges will be repaired following the five-day flight.

"With the delay in Discovery, the (Atlantis) team had a challenge to meet and they came through right on schedule," said NASA shuttle director Robert Crippen.

Midway through the mission, Atlantis' five astronauts will release the Gamma Ray Observatory 279 miles above Earth. The 17-ton observatory is the heaviest civilian spacecraft ever carried by a shuttle.

The \$600 million observatory will circle Earth for at least two years in search of gamma rays emitted from highly energetic stars and other celestial objects.

A day after the spacecraft is deployed, astronauts Jerry Ross and Jay Apt will take NASA's first space walk in more than five years. They will spend six hours in Atlantis' open cargo bay testing tools and equipment needed to build and maintain a space station.

Atlantis' trip will be the 39th flight of a shuttle. NASA plans to move Discovery back to the launch pad Monday, Columbia, which also has cracked hinges that are being fixed, is scheduled to fly in late May.

Officials have attributed the smaller hinge cracks to wear and tear on the two flapper doors, located on the belly of the orbiter. The doors, which cover fuel lines, must close tightly once the external tank drops off shortly after liftoff or the shuttle could be destroyed during re-entry.

Taped phone call likened to Watergate

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — A congressman says the use of a taped cellular phone conversation between him and an Amarillo woman is another "Watergate" at the congressional level.

U.S. Rep. Bill Sarpalius, D-Amarillo, said Tuesday that Dick Waterfield's congressional campaign and the Republican Party were involved in "dirty politics" and called for a federal investigation into the matter to be continued.

"This is another Watergate. Except it's on a congressional level," Sarpalius told reporters.

Joseph Edgar Clements, 75, of Amarillo pleaded guilty in federal court Tuesday to recording the conversation and then giving a tape to the campaign of Waterfield.

Clements was fined \$250 and ordered to pay a \$5 mandatory fee on his guilty plea to a charge of intentionally intercepting a wire or electronic conversation held on Aug. 29.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Vicki Howard said that the conversation was between Sarpalius and Michelle Martinez of Amarillo.

The tape had been distributed to members of the Amarillo news media in mid-October in the midst of the congressman's heated re-election battle against Waterfield.

A plea bargain agreement allowed Clements to plead guilty to a lesser charge than the felony charge of intercepting the call. The felony charge carried maximum punishment of a \$5,000 fine and no jail time.

Clements, who works at an optical company, told the judge that he was scanning the airwaves when he accidentally picked up Sarpalius talking to Martinez.

U.S. keeps military capability in gulf

WASHINGTON (AP) — American troops are coming home from the Persian Gulf by the thousands, but the United States has preserved a powerful offensive capability in the region — at least until a cease-fire is reached.

Almost a month after the war with Iraq ended, 411,500 U.S. troops remain in the gulf, including all but a handful of more than 300,000 Army soldiers sent to the region.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said Tuesday that 128,500 members from all the services have left the gulf. Two of the six aircraft carrier groups deployed in the gulf are returning to the United States this week, he said.

The most substantial redeployment has come in the Navy, with 42,000 of the 85,000 sailors in the gulf region having left for homeports or new assignments.

The Army, responsible for holding 15 percent of Iraqi territory until a formal cease-fire is signed with Baghdad, has seen the least movement. The Pentagon says 28,000 soldiers have left the theater of operations,

leaving 277,000 in place.

Williams said U.S. troops will retain a powerful force in the gulf until the region's security is assured. "They will stay until the formal cease-fire is worked out," he said.

U.S. forces have shown their continued offensive posture in the past week by downing two Iraqi warplanes that violated a U.S. ban on flights over Iraq.

The Pentagon said 25,000 Air Force personnel have left the gulf, leaving 31,000 on duty, while 33,500 Marines have left and 60,500 remain.

Today and Thursday, more than 18,000 Atlantic Fleet sailors assigned to 16 ships and 16 aircraft squadrons will return to homeports on the East Coast.

The aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy, the battleship Wisconsin and six other warships will arrive at Norfolk, Va., on Thursday, while the aircraft carrier Saratoga will lead five ships returning to Mayport, Fla., on the same day.

Also on Thursday, the guided missile frigate Samuel B. Roberts returns to Newport, R.I., and the fast combat support

ships Detroit and Seattle will dock in Colts Neck, N.J.

The Pentagon said that during the air and ground offensive against Iraq, the Saratoga battle group flew 2,694 combat missions and launched 86 Tomahawk cruise missiles.

The Wisconsin fired its big 16-inch guns 324 times. Three aircraft from the wing were shot down in the early days of the war and 21 Saratoga crew members drowned when a commercial ferry returning them from leave in Haifa, Israel, sank on Dec. 21.

There now are three aircraft

carriers in the Persian Gulf region and the Red Sea — the Ranger, the Roosevelt and the America — down from six during the war. U.S. naval deployment currently includes 51 ships in the gulf region, 22 ships in the Red Sea and 13 ships in the Mediterranean.

Williams said the return of U.S. troops in Iraq depends partly on the United Nations Security Council, which this week is expected to announce the terms of a cease-fire, including the establishment of a U.N. observer force stationed along Iraq's border with Kuwait.

Creating an observer force would allow the U.S. military to decide on its pullout schedule, Williams said. "I'm not prepared to say today ... when, during the process of getting a U.N. observer force, when would we come out," he said.

Commandos storm airliner and kill Pakistani hijackers

SINGAPORE (AP) — Commandos burst into a Singaporean jetliner on the airport tarmac today and killed four Pakistani hijackers minutes before the terrorists said they would start slaying passengers, officials said.

The attack on the hijackers, who were armed with knives and explosives, ended a nearly nine-hour ordeal for the 126 passengers and crew, who included three Americans. Two commandos and two crew members were slightly hurt.

Communications Minister Yeo Ning Hong said it was over "in a matter of minutes" after the anti-terrorist squad struck.

Police said the hijackers, who seized the plane on a flight to Singapore from Malaysia, were demanding the release of a number of people detained in Pakistan, including the husband of former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

Passengers said the hijackers had threatened to make an American their first victim and set fire to the plane.

An Australian passenger said one of the hijackers held a knife to the throat of an American man, saying he would be the first one killed.

"They seemed to be against Americans and blaming America for problems in their country," said Roger McGovern, a businessman from Sydney.

"These guys weren't playing games. They carried in their hands things that looked like huge (fire)crackers, eight inches long by three inches and knives six inches long," said McGovern, 48.

"They poured cognac around the plane and threatened to ignite it," McGovern said.

Senate approves bill

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committee, with a 21-10 vote Tuesday.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. Carl Parker, said failure to pass it could mean that some schools would close next month, some students not be graduated from high school and some teachers not get paid.

"Don't vote for the bill for me. Don't vote for the bill for you. Vote for it for the school children of Texas," Parker, D-Port Arthur, told senators.

The measure was described as the "nasty, awful, horrible bill that so many people hate" by Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo.

But Bivins said he was voting for the bill anyway because "I believe we simply cannot play chicken with the court."

Several senators said the Legislature later could make changes in school finance laws, after meeting the Texas Supreme Court's Monday deadline for writing a reform plan.

Texas Education Agency estimates released by Bullock

showed the bill would cost about \$6.4 billion more in state funds and \$7.5 billion in additional local school property tax money through 1996.

The Texas Supreme Court unanimously ruled unconstitutional the current \$14 billion-a-year school finance system, which relies on state aid, local property taxes and some federal money.

Differences in local property wealth now lead to wide disparities in education funding, and the court said poor districts must be equitably funded.

The conference committee bill was endorsed by a group of poor school districts that led the successful lawsuit against the current school funding system.

The plan would create 183 education taxing districts, largely along county lines, with some multi-county districts.

When fully implemented in four years, at least \$500 million a year in local tax money is estimated to be redistributed among school districts within the tax regions, according to a Texas Education Agency spokesman.

The bill would set a minimum local property tax rate of 60 cents per \$100 valuation, climbing to 90 cents in four years. Schools could tax more to enrich programs and for construction.

Police work minor wreck

Snyder police worked a minor accident and responded to a number of complaints Tuesday.

At 3:32 p.m. at 1900 at 42nd, police worked an accident in which a 1985 Ford driven by Edna Brooks of Rt. 1 Snyder was in collision with a 1984 Suburban driven by Susan Blackard of Rt. 1 Hermleigh. No injuries were reported.

At 4:04 p.m., police responded to a hit-and-run in the 1900 block of 35th St. Involved were a parked 1990 Dodge owned by Gerri Thompson of Hobbs, N.M., and an unknown vehicle which left the scene.

At 11:40 a.m., police received a complaint from a caller in the 1400 block of Ave. M concerning juveniles shooting BB guns at a residence.

At 1:43 p.m., Patsy Weems of the Texas Highway Department called in reference to an unknown subject stealing a calculator. An offense report was submitted for Class B theft.

At 2:44 p.m., Jim Rosson, principal at Central Elementary, requested an officer in reference to parents blocking the roadway while picking up children.

At 9:45 p.m. at 1010 32nd St., Tracy Brazier told officers that someone had broken a window out of his 1979 Camaro. An offense report for Class A criminal mischief was filed.

The department also handled several minor disturbance calls.

SO arrests one

Sheriff's deputies arrested a 20-year-old female for issuance of bad checks at 4:26 p.m. Tuesday in the only key activity reported by the department.

Colorado City

COLORADO CITY — Cattle were generally steady on a run of 761 head at a sale at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, March 23.

Heifers: 2-400, 98-135; 4-600, 90-98; 6-800, 83-90. Steers: 2-400, 120-161; 4-600, 98-120; 6-800, 85-98. Good springer cows: 750-850; older cow and calves: 800-1000; cows: 56-62; fat cows: 53-56; old shelly cows: 41-47; packer bulls: 65-71.

Contest

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J.K. Palmer as Tony Lumpkin, Grant Jordan as Diggory, Amber Bowlin as Bett Bouncer, Jennifer Purcell as Constance Neville, and Sam Grimes as Charles Marlowe Sr.

Playing servants are Daniel Hernandez, Heith Hodges, Erin Rambo and Sam Cain.

Technical crew members are Darin Sparlin, sound, and Robert Patterson, lighting.

Other crew members are Bryan Brunson, Jeffrey Corkran, Stephanie Hedges, Amy Hodges, Jay Parker, Joellen King and Mindy Miller.

The top two plays in the contest will advance to zone competition.

Drama instructor Jerry Worsham said the Snyder production would be presented around 2:30 p.m.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Mona Pierce, 2812 Ave. W; Dixie Glass, 3614 Hill; Olga Rodriguez, 121 E. 25th. DISMISSALS: Linda Dodson, Margie Ryan, Anna Jones, Marlene Richburg, Joel Griffin. Census: 45 (Med.-15, Long-Term Care-25, CCU-3, OB-1, Nursery-1).

Births

Johnny and Olga Rodriguez of Snyder announce the birth of their baby girl born at 6:45 a.m. March 27 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, 15 1/2 ounces.

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NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last
AMR Corp	59 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
ALLTEL Cp	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
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Caterpillar	49 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
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NATURALIZER

7-year-old finds new life after heart transplant

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — For his 7th birthday, Payton Barnard got a skateboard, a bicycle and a new heart.

The toys would have sat idle if Payton hadn't had a heart transplant in October, allowing him the energy to play, said parents Norma and Richard Barnard of Odessa.

Payton doesn't talk much about the surgery, but he said last week that he felt a lot better than he did before the transplant.

The young boy was born with congenital heart defects. His heart had only two chambers instead of four, was backwards and on the wrong side of his chest, Barnard said last week.

In the first six years of his life, Payton already had gone through three major surgeries, and when he suffered congestive heart

failure in May 1990, a transplant was the only option, Mrs. Barnard said.

When Payton's own heart weakened, doctors told his parents there was nothing more they could do, his time was limited, she said. His doctor contacted the Make-A-Wish foundation for terminally ill children and a weeklong trip for Payton and his family was planned at Florida's Disneyworld in October.

Rather than accept the doctor's terminal prognosis, the Barnards took their son to a Loma Linda, Calif., hospital for tests to determine if he could be a heart transplant recipient. "We were determined that he was going to make it," Mrs. Barnard said.

As soon as they returned to Odessa, Payton, his parents and his five siblings were off to Florida.

The family arrived home Oct. 21, a Sunday, and on Monday, Payton was put on the California hospital's waiting list for a heart. Wednesday afternoon, the family got the call that a donor heart was available.

They arrived in Loma Linda about 11 p.m. that Wednesday,

and Payton was taken into surgery about 3:30 the next morning, Barnard said.

"I like to think about things," Barnard said. "This didn't give us any time, but I'm glad it happened as fast as it did. You start thinking about all of the scenarios. A lot of kids die waiting."

During the surgery, the Barnards were briefed every three hours on the status of the surgery.

Said Mrs. Barnard: "I remember the update when they told us they had the old heart out and were fixing to put in the new. When they tell you that you feel numb."

"Every now and then if I'm sit-

ting at home, I have to stop and think, 'This has happened to my kid.' That he has a different heart."

After almost 10 hours in surgery, the Barnards got to see their son for the first time with a new heart.

"After his surgery," Barnard said, "he was just starting to come back around. He opened his eyes and gave us a thumbs up signal."

Said Payton: "It didn't hurt a bit."

Within two weeks, Payton was up and running. "He was real happy, running and skipping," Mrs. Barnard said. "I told him to slow down. It was really exciting. It's hard to put into words."

Barnard had to leave after spending about six weeks in California with his wife and son. Mrs. Barnard stayed for about four months with Payton. The Vietnam Veterans Associations in Odessa offered to pay the cost, about \$1,000 a month, for their stay in California.

Payton should be able to return to Travis Magnet Elementary School in the fall, she said.

Although this major surgery was a hardship, Barnard said, Payton's first surgery was the most difficult.

"The first surgery was devastating. It nearly tore us apart, our family," he said. "But through the last six or seven years, we have each grown stronger and it's not all complete-

ly strange territory. Each time we were a little stronger."

Mrs. Barnard said she doesn't take anything for granted anymore. "Everything is special now. It's really hard to explain. We have five other kids and going through this with Payton, we all went through this. We gave up a lot, but it was worth it."

The couple also feels a connection with the family that donated the heart, Barnard said. "We have a real warm feeling that someone was conscientious enough to think of that. I know it would be hard to think about donating their organs," he said.

Although the Barnards haven't had much time to think about it recently, they said they would consider becoming organ donors.

Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

March 28, 1991

In situations that produce earnings, you are another Aries who can see noticeable improvements in the year ahead. Work in tandem with your opportunities.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If there is some type of critical change you've been contemplating that affects your work, conditions are favorable to do so today. Once initiated, see it through to conclusion. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You should do well managing situations in which you share a common interest with one or more people today. Remember, your role should be that of the director.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) There could be some shifts in circumstances today that will affect you both directly and indirectly. Fortunately, however, these developments should play to your advantage.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Someone with whom you're close socially may invite you to participate in a gathering in the near future. The activity will also include someone you've been wanting to know better.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Conditions in general look rather good for you today, but your best probabilities for success continue to be involvements that have financial overtones.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It shouldn't be too difficult for you to effectively promote products, issues or interests in which you truly believe at this time. The secret to your success is sincerity.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You might not have as much direct control over an important matter as you would like to have today. Nevertheless, even without your total guidance, the results should please you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Unrelated dealings you have at this time with several close friends are all on track and could produce mutual benefits in each instance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You know better than anyone what your priorities are and the types of returns you are anticipating today. Nothing will be gained from discussing your plan with the uninvolved.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Act in accordance with your highest standards and ideals today, even though you may feel the individual whom you're dealing with isn't. This is a day when the good guys finish first.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) An endeavor with which you're associated could produce some fringe benefits that weren't apparent in the early stages. Keep the fire burning under this pot.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Someone you successfully linked up with in the past might approach you today in regard to something that can be done as a team. This individual will be worth hearing out.

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Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband lost his vision several years ago to toxoplasmosis, manifesting itself in his left eye. While the disease is quite common, I can find little information about it. Your comments and opinion would be appreciated as to cause and outlook.

DEAR READER: Toxoplasmosis is caused by a small parasite that infects nerve tissue, especially in the eye and brain. Worldwide, toxoplasmosis is common; it is present in four forms.

- Congenital toxoplasmosis is spread from a pregnant woman to her unborn baby through the placenta. Infection in early pregnancy may lead to stillbirth. If an older fetus is infected, the baby may be born with severe consequences: blindness, jaundice, swollen brain and mental retardation. Acute toxoplasmosis of newborns is treated with sulfa drugs.

- Mild lymphatic toxoplasmosis is the most prevalent form in adults, where it mimics mononucleosis: fatigue, swollen glands, fever and malaise. It needs no treatment.

- Acute fulminating toxoplasmosis occurs primarily in patients with deficient immune systems. In such unfortunate, the infection leads to inflammation of the heart (myocarditis), liver (hepatitis), lungs (pneumonitis) and brain (encephalitis). Treatment consists of sulfa drugs and pyrimethamine.

- Chronic toxoplasmosis causes visual difficulties (including blindness, in severe cases), weakness, weight loss and diarrhea. Treatment is the same as above.

The toxoplasmosis parasite is present in wild birds and rodents. It is spread to cats, who eat infected birds or mice. The parasite reproduces in the cats, which then excrete toxoplasma cysts in their feces. Humans acquire the disease by inadvertently ingesting these cysts from contaminated soil.

The diagnosis of toxoplasmosis is made by blood tests, notably the immunofluorescent antibody test.

Unless the disease is active and severe, treatment is not helpful. Therefore, once tissue damage is present (as in your husband's eye), it is permanent and cannot be reversed with therapy. Fortunately, one bout of toxoplasmosis ordinarily grants lifelong immunity to future infections.

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Man charged in prostitutes' deaths

DALLAS (AP) — Some neighbors described 57-year-old carpenter Charles Albright as "the gentlest man" they know.

But police say he is a "ruthless" killer who picked up several prostitutes over the past three months, had sex with them, then killed them before dumping their bodies early in the morning on residential streets.

Separate counts of capital murder were filed Tuesday against Albright in the Dec. 13 slaying of Mary Lou Pratt and the March 19 death of Shirley Williams.

Both women — along with Susan Peterson, whose body was found Feb. 10 — were shot in the back of the head and mutilated with "surgical skill," detectives said.

Officials with the Dallas County sheriff's office said they will file a third capital murder charge against Albright in connection with Ms. Peterson's slaying as soon as the detective assigned to the case returns from vacation next week.

Detectives identified Albright as a suspect in the series of mutilation-slayings after they searched his home Friday about one-half mile from a motel where two of the slain prostitutes worked out of.

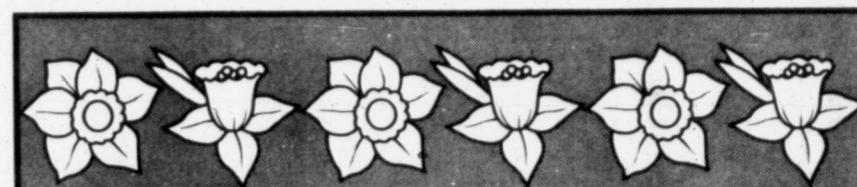
He was arrested then for allegedly trying to kill another prostitute, Veronica Rodriguez, on the same day and in the same vicinity that Ms. Pratt's body was found, officers said.

Officials credited officers John Matthews and Regina Smith with providing detectives the break that eventually led to the charges.

The officers, who walk a street beat near Albright's home, developed information that led detectives to identify Albright, said Assistant Chief Les Sweet. Ms. Rodriguez then picked Albright's picture out of a photo lineup, which led to his eventual arrest.

All three victims appear to have been picked up from motels near Albright's one-bedroom home, police said. Although investigators believe the women were selected at random, they are checking out reports that Albright had picked up Ms. Pratt on other occasions, police sources said.

Since Albright's arrest, several prostitutes have identified him as having tried to pick them up, although none has said he attacked them, detective John



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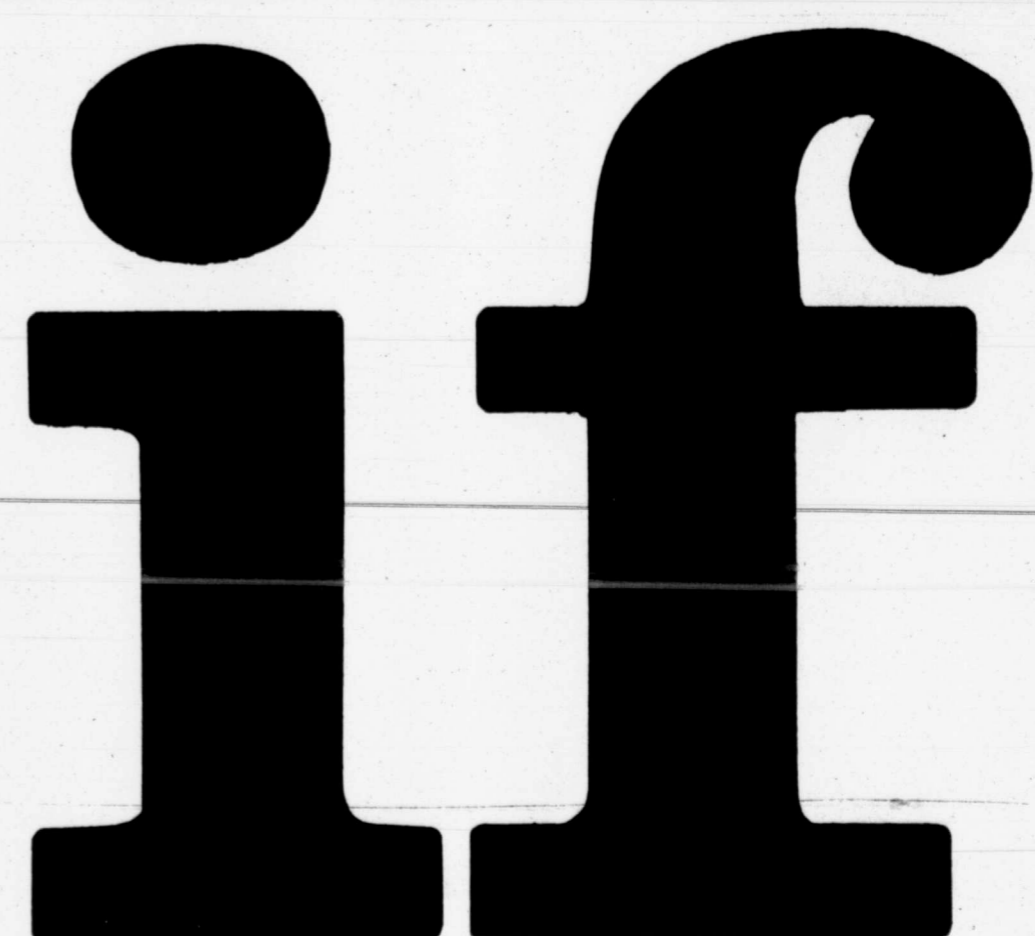
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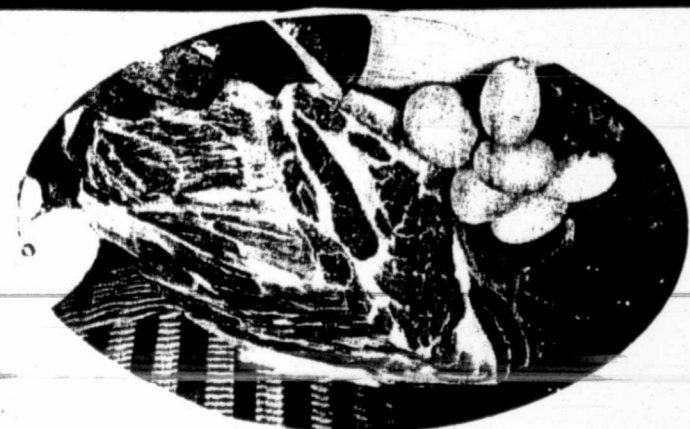
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