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Ask Us

'Placement' among items school board will discuss tonight

Snyder public schools board of trustees will entertain a request to send three instructors to Advanced Placement Program training and will act on a contract extension for Dr. Tom Scanicchio, assistant superintendent for instruction, during its 7 p.m. meeting today.

The meeting opens in executive session to discuss personnel matters at 6 p.m. Also on the regular agenda is a recommendation to hire a fourth grade teacher and accept resignations from two other instructors.

In addition, the board will hear a report on Northeast Elementary by Principal Wayne Kennedy.

On Monday, trustees met to approve a contract with Whittle Communications for Channel One programming and discussed participation in the Advanced Placement Program.

The program combines high

school and college level credit courses, to be taught in the high school by high school teachers. Students who successfully complete an Advanced Placement Program course would earn high school credit. They could then take a test which, upon passing, would give them three hours of college credit.

Snyder High School Principal Rueben Gillespie is asking the board to allow AI courses in English, biology and calculus for the next school year.

The program currently offers 29 courses in 15 academic areas.

Some \$2,000 is needed to institute the program, which includes funds for materials and to send three teachers to two-day workshops.

Other items on tonight's agenda include the payment of bills and approval of minutes from previous meetings.

Affecting SISD...

Annexation topic for Jayton trustees

JAYTON — Jayton school board is expected to vote on a detachment annexation petition that would call for the portion of Snyder Independent School District lying inside Kent County to be annexed into the Jayton school district this evening.

a majority of registered voters who reside in a portion of Kent County that is within the Snyder school district. The area involved includes some 55 square miles with property valued at \$12,496,718. At \$1.04 tax rate set by Snyder ISD, the local school system stands to lose some \$129,966 if the property is annexed to Jayton.

The vote had originally been scheduled for December but Jayton school superintendent Gary Harrell said that research indicated a 21-day notice announcing the public hearing should have been observed and on the advice of a lawyer, the board will now review the petition at 7 o'clock tonight.

The petition has been signed by

For the annexation to take effect, both Snyder and Jayton school districts must approve. If the districts disagree, the matter could be appealed to the Commissioner of Education in Austin.

Snyder public schools board of trustees has not received a copy of the petition.

For City of Snyder...

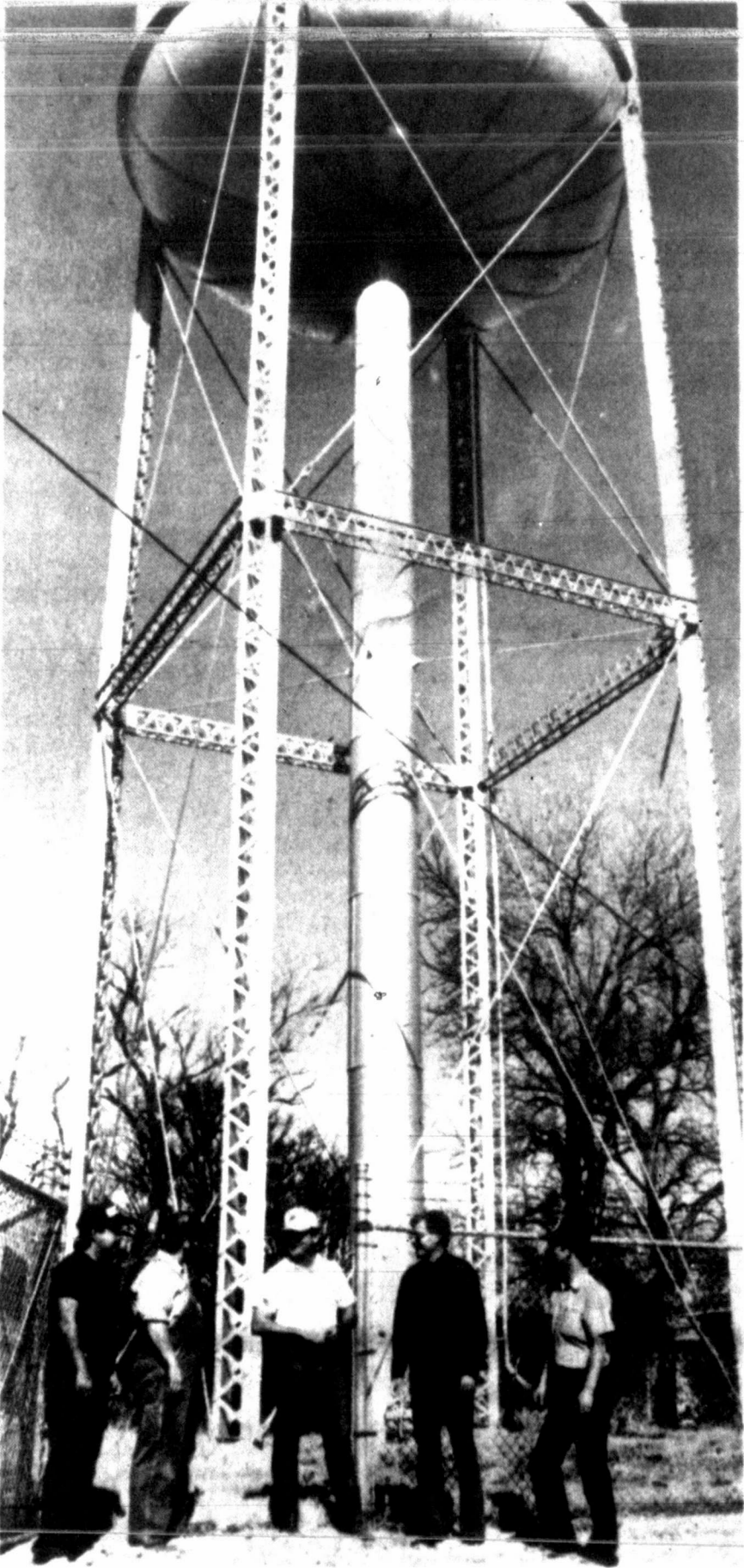
Water improvements studied

City officials will learn next month what water line improvements will be needed to go with the scheduled expansion of the municipal water treatment plant, and the overall project, along with the probable construction of a new sewer treatment plant, is expected to be well

underway by this fall.

Mayor Troy Williamson said today that methods of financing are still being explored and that the water and sewer projects might end up being separately financed.

Only the sewer plant construction may be financed



PLANNING — Discussing probable extensive renovations in the city's water distribution system are, from left, water and sewer department employee Raymond Valadez, water treatment plant operator Red Hargrove, water and sewer department head Darrell Callahan, City Engineer Don Osborn and department employee Shannon Warner. They are shown at the 32nd St. and Ave. Z water tower. (SDN Staff Photo)

Defense test set at 7 p.m.

The city's 10 sirens and its Civil Defense communications system on local cable television will be tested at 7 p.m. today.

Fire Chief and Civil Defense coordinator Terry Don McDowell said the sirens will be blown for two minutes.

There will be a 30-second break in cable TV programming for a Civil Defense test message to be broadcast, he said.

McDowell explained that federal funding for Civil Defense provisions is partially tied to such periodic tests.

WTSB 40th anniversary set Friday

West Texas State Bank celebrates its 40-year anniversary with an open house from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Friday.

The open house is being held "to thank people for the opportunity to serve them, not just in the past, but today and in the future," said Bill Parker, bank president.

West Texas State Bank was chartered in September of 1949 and opened its doors on Jan. 14, 1950.

The bank's deposits exceeded \$2 during the first day of operations and have since grown to \$79 million with total loans of \$33.6 million.

"We are very proud of this achievement and we see it as a significant milestone in our history," Martin Brooks, chairman of the bank's board of directors, said of the institution's 40th anniversary.

Current directors in addition to Brooks and Parker are H.W. Cargile, John Greene, Charles Henderson, Dale Stuard, R.C. Patton, Dan Cotton, Harold Denson and Bill Eiland.

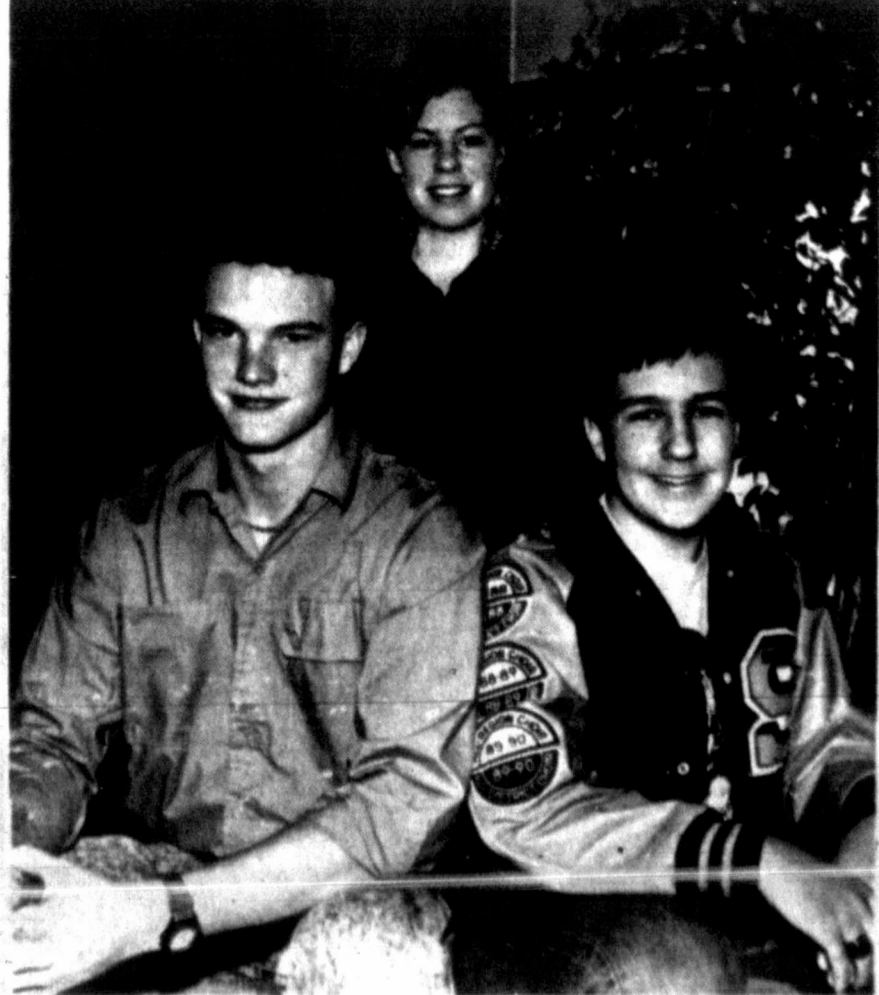
Stolen Pontiac found burned; thefts cleared

A Snyder man's stolen car has found — stripped, burned and abandoned — under a bridge north of Breckenridge and two young suspects are in jail here and in Breckenridge in connection with the incident, city police reported early today.

Detectives said they learned at 1:50 a.m. that the 1979 Pontiac Gran Prix belonging to Jimmy Cain, which was stolen Saturday in the 2800 Block of Ave. X, had been found under the Clear Fork of the Brazos bridge about 14 miles north of Breckenridge.

One of the suspects, 22-year-old Billy J. Cribbs of Wichita Falls, had been jailed here at 5:24 p.m. Wednesday after being arrested at the police station on the felony unauthorized use of a motor vehicle charge. His arraignment and bond-setting was expected to be held sometime today.

The other suspect, 23-year-old Juanito M. Diaz Jr. of Breckenridge, had been incarcerated in the Stephens County Jail for evading arrest and on an old misdemeanor DWI war (see SUSPECTS, page 10)



ALL-STATE CHOIR — SHS choir members from left, Kevin Murock, Robin Cave and Ken Gartman, were named to the all-state choir at auditions held in Abilene last weekend. (SDN Staff Photo)

through the low-interest loan that the city has applied for through the State Revolving Fund — a project that is expected to run in the neighborhood of \$4 million.

A solid contacts clarifier at the water treatment plant, which will increase its authorized capacity to 10 million gallons a day, will cost about \$750,000, and a Lubbock engineering consultant has recommended the construction, for about \$175,000, of a new water line from the Ave. M water plant to the 32nd St. and Ave. Z water tower.

An Abilene financial consultant has proposed that the city issue its own bonds for the water system-related work.

Adding a \$200,000 turbine pump to the water plant has been

discussed in recent months as a way to improve water pressure, but Williamson said the plant "has sufficient pumps now if we can remove some of the restrictions so pressure gets into the system."

City Engineer Don Osborn said much of the problem stems from cast-iron and under-sized lines that date back to the 1920s and '30s and to the oil boom days of the 1950s, although Snyder's is a common problem among West Texas municipalities.

"A lot of other cities have lines in use that are over 100 years old," he said. "Fifteen-percent line loss is a goal you try to reach. A lot of cities with old lines and (see WATER, page 10)

The SDN Column By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "When the family tree is shaken too hard—nuts are likely to fall out."

Accountant Charles Blakey doesn't consider himself a "born loser" but the Snyder CPA said 1990 didn't get off to exactly the kind of start that he had anticipated.

First, a client had an internal revenue audit at his office on College Ave. The revenue agent parked in the firm's parking lot only to have the agent's car accidentally struck by a car driven by the wife of one of his partners.

Mused Blakey, "1990 has gotta get better."

Another Charlie, Chevron's Charles Masters had a slight memory loss recently.

Masters went by his mother's house and asked if she would like to go to Wal-mart with him. His mother, Pearl Masters, readily agreed, but the pair went their separate ways after reaching the

store.

Charlie looked around, made his purchase and headed for home. A short time later, Masters remembered he had left his mother shopping at the store.

It was already near closing time, in fact it appeared to Charlie that the store's staff was waiting on one last customer to leave.

"Sorry it took so long," said Masters.

"I wondered what was taking you so long," said Mrs. Masters.

It wasn't until the next morning that Charlie Tessed up to the fact that he had forgotten her.

One Snyder youngster was impressed by the Sunday school teacher who had told all the things that God had done for us—even giving up His Son.

To the teacher's question of what can we do for God, a young boy eagerly spoke up, "I'll give Him my sister."

Q—How many times has the census been taken and how often is it taken?
A—The census, which has been conducted for 200 years now, is taken every 10 years. The 1990 census will be the 21st.

In Brief

Mail bomber

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — The FBI reportedly believes an elderly white man who is very religious or has legal experience is responsible for a string of mail bombings that killed a federal judge and a civil rights attorney.

Agents told Alabama victims' rights advocate Nancy Conn on Tuesday they believe the suspect is old because he used 3-cent stamps, which are no longer sold, to send the packages, the Birmingham Post-Herald reported today.

The newspaper said the FBI profile of the bomber also noted he used an old-fashioned method to wrap the packages — brown butcher's paper and baker's string.

Local

Hospital board

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will meet at noon Friday in a called board meeting to approve December accounts payable.

4-H stock show

The 4-H Livestock Show will be held Saturday, Jan. 13 at the Scurry County Coliseum annex.

The show, which features 40 lambs, 35 hogs and 25 steers, will begin at 1 p.m.

The Scurry County Stock Show is scheduled Jan. 24-27 at the annex.

Support group

Families and friends of the mentally ill and anyone who wants to be more educated on the subject are invited to meet in Room 114 from 7-9 p.m. Mondays at Snyder High School.

The meetings are offered by the community services division of Big Spring State Hospital. For further information, contact Tiffany Fowler, residential and family support program manager, at 573-3770.

Date noted

County Clerk Frances Billingsley said today that the final day to request an application to vote by mail in the county tax rollback election will be Friday, Jan. 12, instead of Saturday, Jan. 13.

The courthouse is not open on Jan. 13, so in accordance with voting guidelines, the date has been moved to the nearest business day.

In-person, absentee voting will continue through Jan. 16 for the Jan. 20 election. The clerk's office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 76 degrees; low, 38 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 39 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1990 to date, .01 of an inch.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, clear with a low in the mid 30s. North wind 10 to 15 mph. Friday, sunny and much cooler. High in the upper 50s. North wind 10 to 20 mph.

Jurors to be given trip, tour of nuclear plant

HOUSTON (AP) - Dallas jurors who gave Houston Lighting & Power Co. a favorable verdict in a \$419 million suit will be flown to Houston this weekend for a "first-class" tour of the utility's nuclear plant and a night in a posh Galleria-area hotel, the

Houston Chronicle reported today. Officials of the utility confirmed that they asked the jurors about a month ago if they'd like to come to Houston at HL&P's expense. Spokesman Graham Painter

said Thursday he did not know how many jurors would take HL&P up on the offer, nor would he estimate the cost of the air fare and accommodations.

HL&P's Chairman Don Jordan will host the jurors who decided last July that although HL&P denied information to its partner in the South Texas Nuclear Project, the city of Austin, deserved no damages.

Austin had asked for \$419 million and is appealing the jury's decision. The trial was held in Dallas after a judge determined that a fair trial could not be held in Austin.

Judge Clarence Guittard, a retired appeals court judge who presided over the four-month trial, has decided not to go. He

provided no reasons, the newspaper reported.

City officials at Austin reacted with shock at the report that HL&P would host the jurors.

"It's indicative of what has gone on the last 15 years," said Austin City Councilman George Humphrey, a longtime critic of the STNP. "It's indicative of how this project has been handled from day one, with great disregard for what's appropriate."

"It's highly unprofessional and very questionable. Until the people of Texas realize that this sort of shenanigans cost the people hundreds of millions of dollars, it won't stop," Humphrey said.

"When you have a jury that rules the defendant is guilty and awards no damages and a short time later, they're offered free air fare, free lodging, free meals and first-class treatment, it can't help but cast a doubt."

Austin Councilman Michael

"Max" Nofziger, wondered if the cost of the tour would be charged to the partners in the nuclear plant, which include Austin, San Antonio and Corpus Christi-based Central Power & Light Co.

"If I was a juror, I wouldn't go," said Councilman Smoot Carl-Mitchell. "I've never heard of this happening in civil litigation. I think it's fundamentally unethical, but so what else is new?"

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Grocery chains turn off mist machines after new findings

BOGALUSA, La. (AP) - At least three major supermarket chains switched off vegetable-freshening mist machines like the one implicated in a deadly epidemic of Legionnaires' disease. The manufacturer said the device wasn't to blame.

Winn-Dixie, Safeway and Kroger officials said Wednesday

their stores had stopped using the machines as a precaution after learning that one at Winn-Dixie's Bogalusa store had been blamed for November's outbreak, which killed two people and infected dozens.

Researchers traced the bacteria to the one-quart reservoir of the mist machine at the

supermarket, one of three in this southeast Louisiana town of about 16,000 people, said Dr. Louise McFarland, the state epidemiologist.

"This is the first time a community outbreak of Legionnaires' disease has been traced to a mist machine of any type," she said. "I don't think anyone would ever have suspected it."

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The machine fell under suspicion after the store was implicated in interviews with the 70 people who fell ill and about 150 who didn't.

The federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta was examining the device to determine what role its design may have played in harboring the bacteria, officials said.

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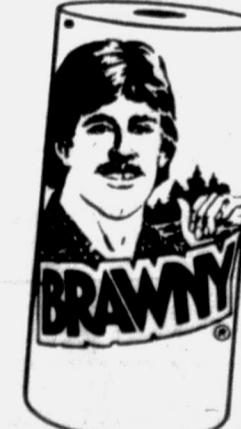
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GARDEN CLUB PROGRAM — Dorothy Downing, left, presented a program entitled "The First Arbor Day," to Snyder Garden Club members Jan. 4. Also pictured is Billie Jean Sterling, program chairman. (SDN Staff Photo)

Bridge by James Jacoby

NORTH 1-11-90			
♠ 8			
♥ K Q 6			
♦ 10 7 5 3 2			
♣ J 7 6 4			
WEST		EAST	
♠ K 10 3		♠ A J 5	
♥ J 8 7 4 3 2		♥ 10 9 5	
♦ Q 9		♦ A	
♣ 9 2		♣ K Q 10 8 5 3	
SOUTH			
♠ Q 9 7 6 4 2			
♥ A			
♦ K 10 8 6 4			
♣ A			
Vulnerable: North-South			
Dealer: East			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Dbl.*	Pass	1 ♠
2 ♠	2 ♥	3 ♠	2 ♠
5 ♠	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
All pass			
*negative double			
Opening lead: ♠ 9			

enough to understand how to play the basic card combinations. Sitting South in today's deal, he certainly bid his hand to the hilt. Not that he needed much from North to have a good play for five diamonds. If North held ace and three small diamonds and nothing else, the play for game would be reasonable. And with a singleton spade in the North hand, as little as Q-10-x-x of diamonds might be enough.

Anyway Willy won the ace of clubs and saw right away that making game simply depended upon losing only one trump trick. And he knew he should be leading up to the K-J of diamonds. So he led a spade at trick two. West won the 10 and continued with another club, which Willy ruffed. Willy ruffed a spade in dummy and led a diamond. East took the ace and played a third club. Poor Willy ruffed, but West scored the setting trick with the queen of diamonds.

This is a tough hand to play, but the bidding does suggest that East holds a six-card club suit. If so, the chances are good that he will also hold a singleton ace of diamonds, and West will have an opportunity to promote the setting trick with continued club plays. To counter this, declarer can win the day by bravely leading a low diamond at the second trick. Although this is against the card-combination percentages, the bidding makes it likely to succeed.

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. © 1990, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.



ABWA COOKBOOKS — The Deep Creek Chapter of American Business Women's Association is selling cookbooks for \$5 each. Funds raised will be used to support their local scholarship fund. Persons interested in purchasing a cookbook should call Stella Bailey at 573-0213. (ABWA Photo)

Community Calendar

FRIDAY

Storytime for four and five year old children; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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.

Snyder Christian Women's Club Guest Night; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon; Charter Centre, 4200 College; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101 or 573-8626. (Until further notice, the meetings will be held at this location, instead of at the Park Club, Winston Park.)

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8110, 863-2348 or 573-6820.

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving; 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; \$25; Snyder Savings and Loan Community Room.

Diamond M Museum; open from 1-4 p.m.

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

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

Diamond M Museum; open from 1-4 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Black Women's Association; SNB Community Room; 5 p.m.

Going against the odds

By James Jacoby

Faithful readers of this column have seen Willy Nilly foul up some contracts, but we all know that Willy has been around a bridge table long

Workaholic chooses family life over marathon workdays

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Willy Theisen, the hard-driving, workaholic founder of the Godfather's Pizza chain, has become a marathon-running family man who refuses to work past noon.

Theisen, who netted \$122 million in stock when he sold the chain to Chart House Inc. in 1983, says he enjoyed running what was for a time America's fastest-growing business. But workdays that often lasted until 1:30 a.m. took a toll on his health and cost him two marriages.

"I woke up in the morning and felt bad," Theisen, 44, said

recently. "I was overweight. I was drinking maybe a little bit too much and apparently eating too much."

These days, his top priority is spending time with his wife, Karen, and his five children. He runs, plays tennis and does charity work in addition to managing investments that include apartments, a partnership in a budget hotel chain and mini-warehouses.

Ted Bigham
PHOTOGRAPHY
573-3622

Arthritis treatment is more effective when tailored for individual patients

ATLANTA (AP) — Treatment programs for arthritis are most effective when tailored for the individual, says the Arthritis Foundation.

These programs usually include some combination of medication, rest, exercise and methods of protecting the joints. Different parts of the program compliment the others and together help relieve pain, reduce inflammation, minimize damage to joints and improve movement.

A program depends on many things, especially the kind of arthritis, how severe the disease is, which joints are involved and the person's age and everyday activities.



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Rolling Plains Sweetwater, Tx.	24.0¢	\$1,000,000.	85
Mitchell County Colorado City, Tx.	30.45¢	\$1,300,000.	39
Fisher County Rotan, Tx.	41.5¢	\$901,000.	30

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COMPLETE FLOWER SHOW — Four members of Snyder Garden Club, member of District VII Texas Garden Clubs, Inc., have completed Flower Show School I. Certificates were awarded to members from left, Anna Sears, Julia Fox and LaVerne Hood. Not pictured is Mary Carnes. (SDN Staff Photo)

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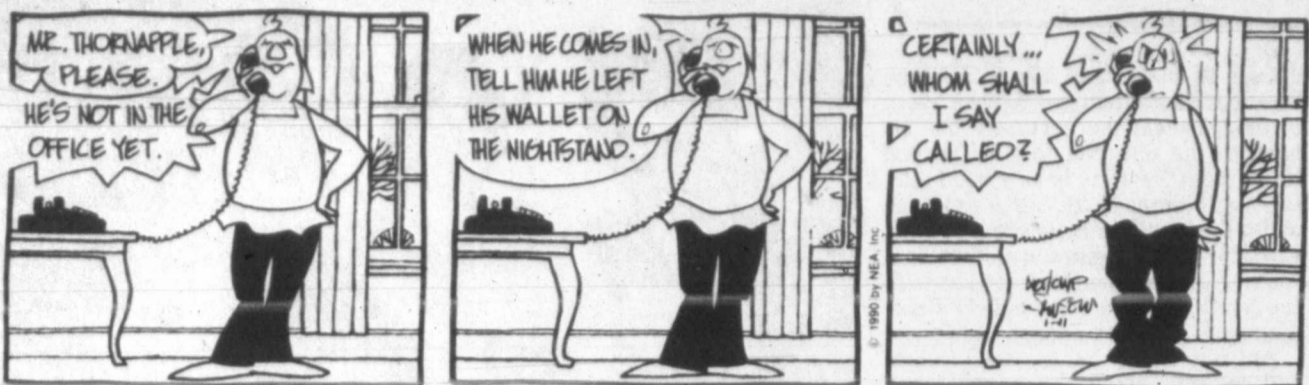
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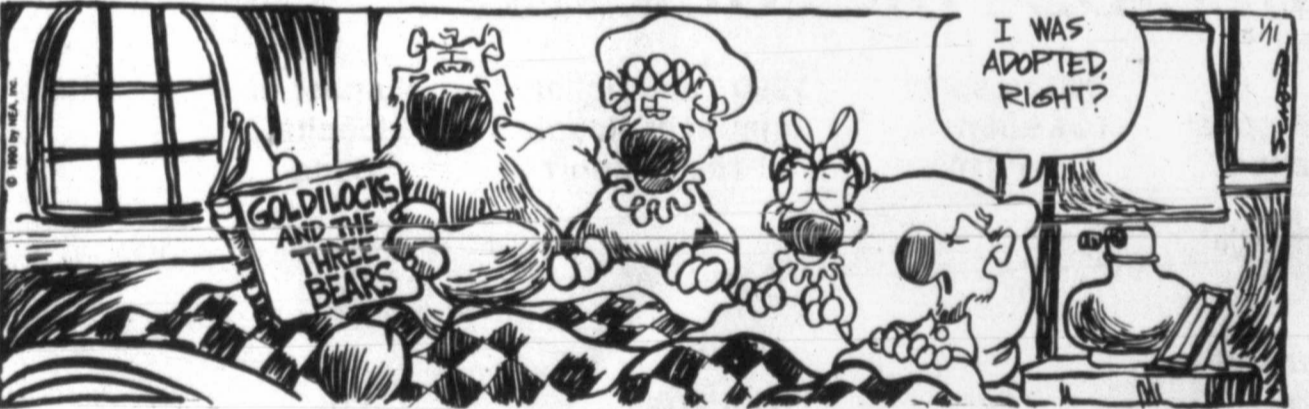
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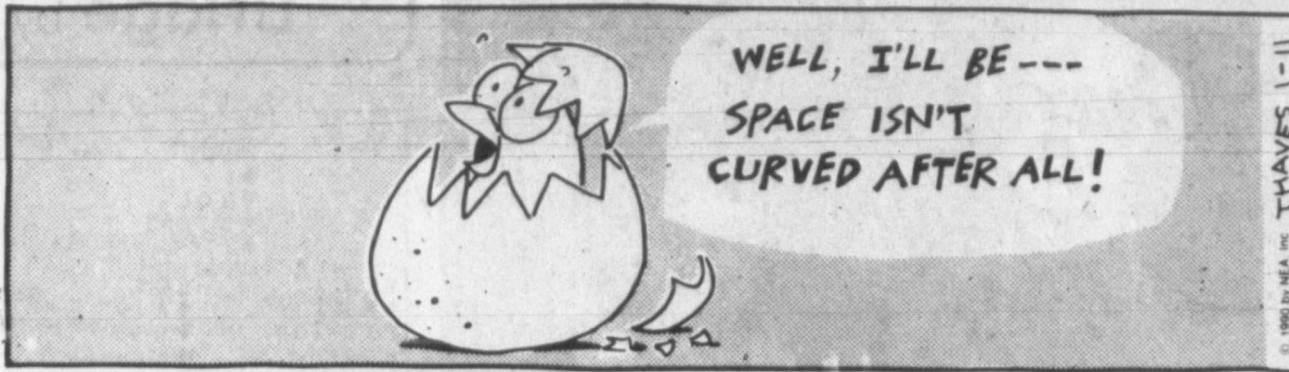
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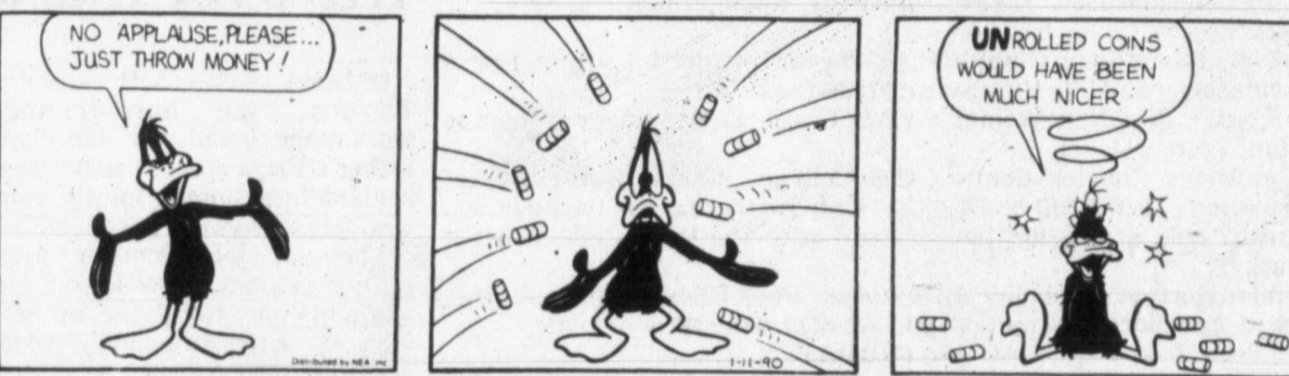
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DENNIS THE MENACE



NEA PUZZLES

ACROSS

- 1 Take another spouse
- 6 Right-hand page
- 11 Ideal place
- 13 Grief
- 14 Consecrated oil
- 15 Inevitable
- 16 Dress border
- 17 Adolescent
- 19 Fade away
- 20 Units
- 22 Discover
- 23 Comedian
- 24 Painting style (2 wds.)
- 26 Watering place
- 28 Sash
- 29 Place
- 30 Small boy
- 31 Showed anew

DOWN

- 1 Lacy frill
- 2 One of the Barrymores
- 3 Extracted by cajolery
- 4 Slender pinnacle
- 5 Upset
- 6 Reagan's son
- 7 Bitter vetch
- 8 Accounting entry
- 9 Wheel
- 10 Had
- 12 Prayer ending
- 13 Solar feature
- 18 WWII area
- 21 Tufted plants
- 22 Robinson Crusoe's man
- 25 Dishonor
- 27 Genetic characteristic
- 31 Flightless bird
- 32 Insect egg
- 34 Sheriff
- 35 Hauls
- 36 Sausage
- 38 Loch monster
- 39 Chess pieces
- 40 Thick
- 45 Quitting party
- 46 Ever (poet.)
- 48 Female sandpiper

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Dear Abby



Where Sex Is Concerned, Less Is More for Some

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: Why do you perpetuate the idea that frequent sex is "normal"? You seem to believe that any other arrangement is so bizarre that people ought to see doctors or lawyers for a cure or a divorce.

Millions of couples have infrequent sex — or none at all — and they are happy. For you to suggest that sex should be at the top of the list with air and water is a peculiar blind spot of yours.

A streetwise punk uses this "sex-is-normal" argument to convince his virginal girlfriend to give in by implying that she is weird if she doesn't. Let people off the hook, Abby. Tell them that sexual frequency is a private arrangement that each couple must decide for themselves. Who cares if it's once a decade, or never again, if they're content with their lives?

Wiser people stay married — sex or no sex. Apparently that's news to you, as you advised "Practically Untouched in Tulsa" that if her husband didn't see a doctor, she should see a lawyer.

JAN IN BOULDER, COLO.

DEAR JAN: Sex is a normal part of marriage, and it's true that some people require more sex than others. But "Practically Untouched" complained that her husband of two years had made love to her five times in the last six months. (She had gift-wrapped herself in Saran Wrap and greeted him at the door with a martini, and he had said, "Hi. What's for supper?")

This couple obviously is not operating on the same frequency, hence my suggestion that if they couldn't "fix" this marriage by seeing a doctor, they should see a lawyer.

DEAR ABBY: I bought your cookbooklet last year, and I just love it!

Your recipe for chocolate cake is superb. I must have made a dozen chocolate cakes since I got it. Also, the sugar cookies are wonderful.

I thought my chicken soup was good, but your mother's recipe is better. Are you going to publish another cookbooklet? I certainly hope so, as I would enjoy having more of your recipes.

MRS. ELEANOR ZAGORSKI, ST. FRANCIS, WIS.

DEAR ELEANOR: I have had many letters from women (and a few men) asking me when I am going to publish a Dear Abby's Cookbooklet II. Your letter gave me the push I needed. I am going to work on it, as of now.

Please be patient. Every recipe must be tested, and I want this one to be as good as my first — if not better.

DEAR ABBY: My best friend is getting married, but she's not having a wedding. Some of her girlfriends want to give her a bridal shower, but she says it's not appropriate. Is this true?

HER BEST FRIEND

DEAR FRIEND: Not necessarily. If her friends want to honor her with a luncheon or dinner and shower her with gifts in anticipation of her upcoming wedding, go right ahead and do it. I think it's a lovely idea.

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Homeless aid...

Counties axed from program

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal government is dropping 126 counties from a \$124.9 million homeless aid program, as advocacy groups charge there is a continuing increase in the number of Americans without adequate shelter.

"You don't suddenly become a non-needy area," said Rep. Paul Kanjorski, D-Pa. "There ought to be a way to come down slowly."

The National Alliance To End Homelessness, a private research and assistance group, estimates as many as 2 million people are homeless for at least a portion of the year, and the number seems to be growing.

"To learn at this time, just as winter weather is beginning to grip our area, that we will not have the resources to meet the needs presented to us by these

very vulnerable individuals and families is disappointing, to say the least," Theresa Zogby, supervisor of Catholic Social Services of Hazleton, Pa., said in a letter last month to Kanjorski.

Congress didn't cut funds from the program for the current year, but the 126 counties lost their eligibility when they fell below the 1990 criteria for local poverty, unemployment or the size of the overall labor force.

Federal officials have described the homeless aid program as "a model of public-private cooperation."

Wiley B. Cooper, program staff director, said an unusually high number of counties received aid in 1989.

"Last year, we did have a jump-up because of the some of the mid-America and oil-belt problems," Cooper said in a recent interview, adding that some of those problems have stabilized.

Among the areas dropped were Tulsa County, Okla., which received \$368,000 last year from

the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board program, and Luzerne County, Pa., which received \$230,000.

Cooper said the real problems were the difficulty in measuring homelessness and a shortage of money.

"It's tough when you get money one year and not the next, and we understand that," he said.

This year, 882 counties automatically qualified for aid compared with 980 in 1989, said program aide Sharon Bailey. While dropping 126 counties, the government added 28 that had not qualified in 1989, she said.

Cooper said in an interview that the program was designed "to supplement and extend" efforts on behalf of the homeless.

Investigation involves possible rape at home of S. Dakota governor

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The brief item in the Nov. 30 city police log read: "Forcible rape no weapon Governor's mansion. Four boys at mansion raped her."

Six weeks later, what happened at the home of Gov. George Mickelson remains a mystery, but the investigation has become a major topic of discussion throughout this sparsely populated farm state.

Police and court officials, citing a state law that keeps names and charges against juveniles secret, have refused to discuss their investigation into the alleged drinking party among a small group of teen-agers at the mansion on the night of Nov. 28.

Mickelson has limited his comment to saying the probe is a private matter.

The special prosecutor in the case says delinquency petitions have been filed against three juveniles, but he won't say who they are or what laws they allegedly violated.

An 18-year-old, David Ebach, has been charged as an adult with underage drinking but has yet to appear for a hearing. Ebach, starting quarterback on Pierre's high school football team, is a friend of the gover-

nor's 17-year-old son, David. Despite the secrecy, rumors and hints about the investigation dominate conversation in the capital city of 12,000 people and across the state of 700,000. Many Pierre residents know who was at the mansion.

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14 students make President's List

Fourteen students were named to Western Texas College's President's List for the 1989 fall semester.

The President's List is made up of those students who make no grade lower than A in at least 15 semester hours of courses.

Students on the President's List are Greg Parker of Albany; Denny McLanahan of Canadian; James Standefer and Douglas Watkins of Colorado City; Kerri Carter and Kristi Carter of Ira; James Newkirk of Levelland; Kevin Hargrove of Lubbock; Shane Guldbransen of Queensland, Australia; Russell Blakey and Michael Brown of Snyder; Christine Alderman and

Deborah Ann Bentley of Sweetwater and Dennis Segrist of Westchester, Ohio.

Widow will speak

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Yelena Bonner, widow of Soviet Nobel Peace Prize winner Andrei Sakharov, will speak at a peace forum organized by former Vice President Walter Mondale.

Bonner and Sakharov, himself, confirmed their joint engagement at the 1990 Peace Prize Forum at Augsburg College on Dec. 11, just three days before he died, college officials said. The officials renewed the offer to Bonner last week, and she accepted.

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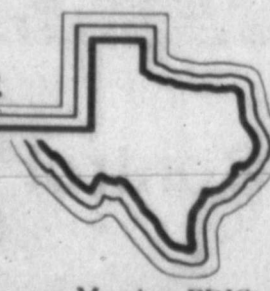
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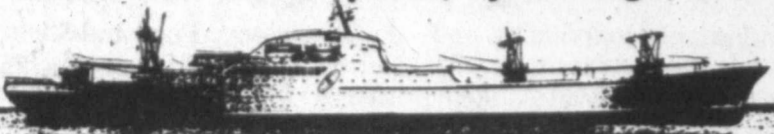
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New York, N.Y.	154,536,680	52,041,272
Houston, Texas	112,546,187	57,503,865
Valdez Harbor, Alaska	106,867,415	10,030
Baton, Rouge, La.	73,401,202	22,809,806
Corpus Christi, Texas	53,539,806	31,373,836
Long Beach, Calif.	45,898,541	22,520,138
Tampa Harbor, Fla.	44,303,389	19,163,412
Los Angeles, Calif.	40,460,556	19,163,211
Norfolk Harbor, Va.	39,993,313	29,990,116

Source: Corps. of Engineers, Department of the Army

NEA GRAPHICS

New Orleans, not New York, is the busiest port in the United States. Nearly 170 million tons of cargo moved through New Orleans in 1987.

Floods ravage two states

CENTRALIA, Wash. (AP) — A carpet of flood waters lay across southwest Washington and northern Oregon today, closing part of a busy interstate highway and other roads and forcing about 3,000 people to flee their homes.

The floods, which caused at least three deaths in southwestern Washington, were beginning to recede on the plains west of the Cascade Mountains late Wednesday. Bad weather also was blamed for two deaths in Oregon since a series of storms smashed ashore last weekend.

Residents sandbagged riverbanks in some coastal Washington towns as they braced for the rivers to crest at harbor's edge today and Friday.

"This is potentially the worst flooding since the 1930s," said Sheriff Dennis Morrisette of Grays Harbor County.

The deaths included a man whose body was found floating in the Centralia flood waters. A

man whose car was swamped on a flooded section of Interstate 5 south of town also died, and a man drowned in his car north of Tacoma, authorities said.

Twelve miles of I-5, the north-south artery linking Portland, Ore., and Seattle, was closed after flood waters covered a two-mile stretch near Centralia, the Department of Emergency Management reported.

Rain also washed out the main north-south rail route used by Burlington Northern and Amtrak trains.

Motorists were able to take a 60-mile detour around the I-5 closure but heavy trucks had to make a 100-mile detour through eastern Washington.

The worst flooding was in Centralia, a community of about 11,000, where the Chehalis River crested 8.4 feet above flood stage by noon Wednesday and was not expected to fall below flood stage until noon Friday, the National Weather Service said.

Astronomers narrow search for theoretical tenth planet

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Astronomers at the U.S. Naval Observatory are narrowing their solar system search for a 10th planet, a mysterious, phantom giant that has long captured the speculation and interest of stargazers.

Speculation about the existence of another planet evolved because something, perhaps a massive object orbiting the sun on the outer edge of the solar system, is giving a gravitational nudge that disrupts the predicted orbits of Uranus and Neptune, said astronomer R.S. Harrington.

"We are still incapable of predicting the location of Uranus," Harrington said Wednesday. "It's clear something is wrong in the outer solar system."

Astronomers have theorized since the beginning of the century that some additional planets existed beyond the orbits of Neptune. The theory sprang from

observations that Uranus failed to orbit the sun with the majestic and mathematical symmetry experts expected.

That led to a search that resulted in the 1930 discovery of Pluto, the ninth-known planet in the solar system. Further searching revealed in 1978 that a moon was orbiting Pluto.

But Harrington said calculations later showed the combined mass of Pluto and its moon are about 1,000 times too small to account for the detected, but unexplained irregularity of the Neptune and Uranus orbits.

"Something is there and we've got to look," Harrington said.

Some astronomers have attributed the abnormal orbit of Uranus and Neptune to errors in calculation.

However, Harrington said a model of the solar system created by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, which guided the Voyager spacecraft near both Uranus and Neptune, still is not

consistent with recent observations on the position of Uranus. He said the JPL data seemed to be in agreement for a time, but new observations show Uranus is deviating from the expected path.

"Our current evidence is that the data is still off," he said. "We still do not understand the outer solar system."

A search for Planet X is under way in Washington, the main office of the Naval Observatory, and at the Black Birch Astrometric Observatory near Blenheim, New Zealand.

Harrington said the search has been narrowed using a computer.

That relatively small area of the heavens will be searched in April and May by an astrographic telescope at Black Birch.

Harrington said he would use a machine called the blink comparator to look for the phantom planet.

National organization says charge against mom 'tragic'

AUSTIN (AP) — An advocate for victims of family violence says the charge against a woman who said she cowered in fear and did nothing while her newlywed husband beat her two-year-old son to death is a tragic and complicated situation.

Robbie Kae Zuliani, 23, surrendered to police Wednesday after being charged with injury to a child. The charge accuses the woman of failing to attempt to intervene when her husband of less than a month beat the toddler and slammed him into a wall.

Gerald Christopher Zuliani, also 23, was charged with injury to a child after Christopher Wohlers, his stepson, died in an Austin hospital Jan. 2.

If convicted, the Zulianis would each face a sentence up to life in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

The charge against Mrs. Zuliani triggered an angry protest Wednesday night at the Travis County Courthouse.

Nine men and women marched with signs reading: "Arrest Criminals, Not Battered Women," and "Stop Blaming the Victim."

Diana Campbell, program

coordinator for the Washington, D.C.-based National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, said the case will be monitored across the nation.

"It's going to set some kind of standard, I think, for other states," said Ms. Campbell.

Ironically, the child had been abused last summer by his mother's live-in boyfriend, who forced Christopher to sit in

scalding water.

Wayne Michael Hoffman, 21, forced Christopher to sit in 120-degree water, police said. Hoffman was convicted of injury to a child and sentenced to 10 years in prison on Dec. 4.

Police said that not only did Mrs. Zuliani not attempt to intervene when her husband began beating the child, she aided him in attempting to explain the incident to police.

20 students make WTC Dean's List

Twenty students qualified for the Dean's List at Western Texas College for the 1989 fall semester.

Snyder students on the list are Shanna Byrd, Jennifer Lancaster, Mandy Overman, Brian Peterson, Adela Reeves, and Robert Snedeker.

Others are Maria Sue McCoy of Aspermont; Jackie Richey of Big Spring; Patrick Perez of Haskell; Kenny Kern of Hurst; Jeffrey Hicks of Muleshoe; Randall Petty of Nolan; Keith

Webster of Ponder; John Aaron Brown of Roscoe; Bryan Duckworth of San Angelo; Brenda Rothell of Stamford; Darrell Berryhill of Sweetwater; Jerry Vizona of Thorndale; Jackie Parker of Weatherford and Guy Roy Campbell Jr. of Westbrook.

The Dean's List is composed of students who are enrolled for at least 15 semester hours of work and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or more with no failing grades.

Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 79-year-old husband spends an inactive day in a home with the temperature around 72 degrees, yet at night he opens a window in his bedroom, even if the temperature is below freezing. I think it's harmful to sleep in such a cold temperature. What do you think?

DEAR READER: I've always been interested in how people's perceptions about night air have changed from generation to generation. When my father was a boy, breathing cold night air — particularly damp air — was considered unhealthy. The windows were definitely closed.

During my childhood, fresh air was viewed as a tonic. No matter how cold the outside temperature at night, I was bundled up, with the window open, at bedtime. It was murder to get out of a cold bed in the morning but, as far as I can see, I didn't suffer as a result.

My own children sleep with closed windows when it's cold outside. This is their preference, and I don't make a big deal out of it.

Therefore, my answer to your question is: It probably doesn't matter. As long as you and your husband pile on the bedclothes and remain comfortable at night, you can open the windows to his heart's content. On the other hand, closing the windows probably won't do you any harm either. Only time will tell what the wisdom of the next generation will be.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My granddaughter died recently, just prior to her 14th birthday, of a malignant chondrosarcoma. This was six weeks after her first complaint of a sore shoulder. The tumor that appeared slightly below the rib cage was attached to her liver. We didn't get any satisfaction from her doctor as to why this happened so quickly. With so little relief, we are concerned because there is another child from the same parents. Could problems develop here also?

DEAR READER: Chondrosarcoma, a malignant tumor of cartilage, can be extremely difficult to treat because it tends to "seed" or implant in surrounding tissues, as well as to metastasize (spread to distant organs). It may grow quickly and involve vital organs, such as the liver.

Neither radiation nor chemotherapy will halt the growth. Surgery is the only treatment, and even this therapy is unsuccessful once the tumor has spread.

No one knows why certain malignancies grow faster and more out of control than others. Your granddaughter had a highly malignant cancer for which treatment was, unfortunately, unsuccessful.

This does not mean her sibling is at risk. Chondrosarcomas are not common or, to my knowledge, hereditary.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Viruses and Cancer." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 with their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Zale layoffs

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Irving, Texas-based Zale Corp. said it will lay off about 200 employees in its general office and credit centers, a company spokesman said.

The jewelry retailer has about 12,000 employees.

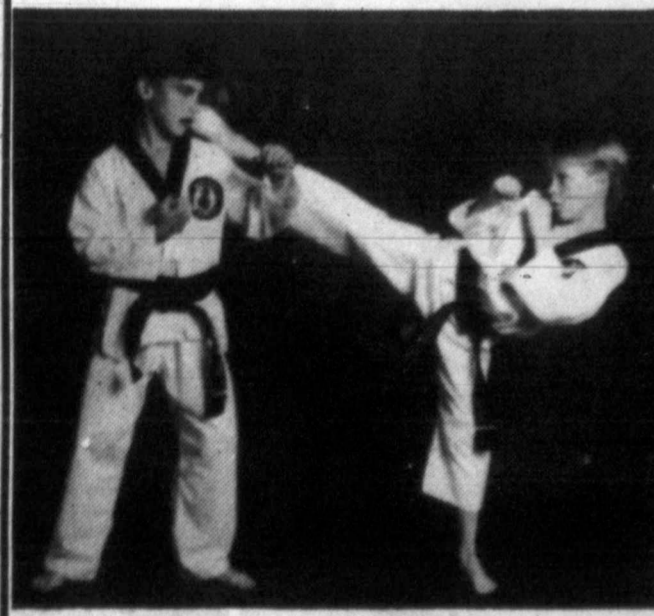
Company spokesman Gary Kastel said, "This layoff is a continuation of strategy that the company started three years ago." He told The Associated Press late Wednesday night that the company aims to have a smaller, but more efficient, office and support group, with manpower resources being concentrated on the company's front lines.

Kastel said did not know in what cities the cuts were being made, but said some will come from the corporate headquarters in the Las Colinas business district of this Dallas suburb.

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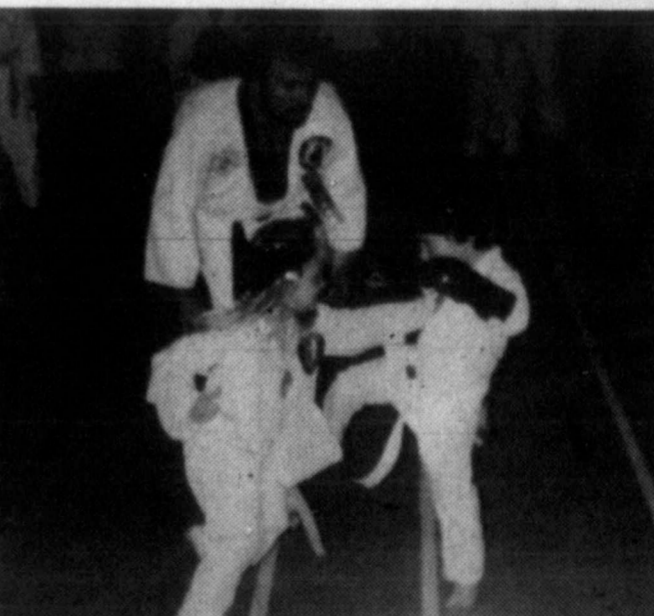


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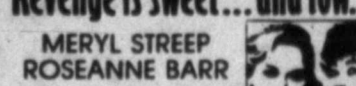
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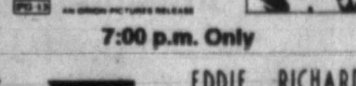
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WTC roundballers to battle Wranglers

Both Western Texas basketball teams will be in Odessa today for their respective match-ups with the Odessa College squads.

The Lady Dusters, 13-4 on the year and 1-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play, just left Odessa last weekend after playing No. 2 Central Arizona, Western Oklahoma College and No. 7 Howard College in the Odessa Chamber of Commerce Tournament of Champions.

The Dusters lost to Central Arizona and Howard, but were able to eek out a 58-57 win over Western Oklahoma.

The tourney also saw the return of Valery Jackson to the Dusters' ranks.

Jackson injured her right knee in last year's national tournament and aggravated the injury in pre-season drills enough to require arthroscopic surgery.

"They are really playing well," said WTC women's coach Kelly Chadwick of the Odessa club.

"They knocked off Kilgore, the No. 1 team in the country in Odessa last weekend. They looked really good Saturday night."

Chadwick continued, "besides that they are awfully hard to beat at home. We just have to go over there with the idea that we can beat them. We'll have to shoot better than we have shot since Thanksgiving, avoid turnovers and play intelligently, not turn the ball over."

The Westerners were surprised in the first round of last week's Trinity Valley Community College Tournament by the host Trinity squad, 113-101.

The WTC men rebounded quickly taking a 127-91 verdict over Garland County of Kansas in the next round of the event.

They will tangle with an Odessa team that finished last season 33-2 and 15-1 in WJAC play.

Coach Dennis Helms' Odessa squad was picked in preseason polls to finish in a dead heat with conference contenders Howard College and Midland College.

The Dusters will play at 6 p.m. and the Westerners will tangle with the Wranglers at 8 p.m.

SPORTS

TCU falls to Horns in SWC cage action

The Texas Christian Horned Frogs missed an opportunity to upset the Texas Longhorns because they missed too many free throws in the closing minutes and couldn't hit a single three-point basket.

TCU coach Moe Iba had a simple explanation for Wednesday night's 83-80 loss.

"Texas hits 3-point shots, while we made inside shots," Iba said.

NBA roundup...

Celtics upend Detroit

The Boston Celtics went back to last season's frontcourt to beat last year's champions.

Coach Jimmy Rodgers, reeling from Larry Bird's injury and an 87-78 loss to lowly New Jersey, put Kevin McHale back in the starting lineup with Robert Parish and Reggie Lewis.

Lewis had a season-high 32 points and 10 rebounds, McHale

had a season-high 30 points and 13 rebounds and Parish 19 points and 14 rebounds as the Celtics beat the defending champion Detroit Pistons 104-97 Wednesday night.

"When we play a team like Detroit, the intensity increases," Rodgers said. "We've got to find a formula so we play like that every game."

Lewis started his third consecutive game in place of Bird, sidelined with a sprained ankle. McHale started instead of Ed Pinckney.

In other NBA games, it was Philadelphia 113, New York 111; the Los Angeles Clippers 115, Atlanta 109; Milwaukee 116, Cleveland 100; Indiana 120, Chicago 113; Utah 130, Denver 99; the Los Angeles Lakers 121, Orlando 106 and Golden State 123, Dallas 119.

The Celtics' 78 points against the Nets on Tuesday were their fewest in a game since 1971 and the six points in the second quarter were the fewest in any period in franchise history.

The Celtics managed just seven offensive rebounds against New Jersey, but had 23 against Detroit and outrebounded the Pistons 53-40.

"The Celtics have a good post game and that's what they went to," Detroit coach Chuck Daly said, "but you just can't give up that many second shots."

Lewis had five points in the final two minutes and McHale had two key rebounds and sank four free throws in the last 15 seconds after Lewis' foul shot with 15.8 seconds left put Boston ahead 100-97.

The Pistons got 22 points from James Edwards and 20 from Isiah Thomas.

Pacers 120, Bulls 113
Reggie Miller scored 15 of his career-high 44 points in the final quarter.

Michael Jordan had 12 of his 35 points in the fourth quarter, sparking a 21-11 Bulls spurt that cut the deficit to four.

Detlef Schrempf's two free throws built the Pacers' lead back to six with 4:02 left, and he followed with a three-point play to put the Pacers ahead 111-102 with 3:32 remaining.

76ers 113, Knicks 111
New York nearly played its

third consecutive overtime game, but Charles Barkley hit a 14-foot jumper with 2.7 seconds left.

The Knicks trailed 109-102 with 1:58 to play, but scored six straight points, including Mark Jackson's three-point play that made it 109-108 with 37 seconds left.

Barkley, who led the 76ers with 24 points, made two free throws 15 seconds later, and Jackson, who scored a season-high 33 points, hit a 3-pointer with 15 seconds left to tie the score.

Clippers 115, Hawks 109
Los Angeles won at Atlanta and improved its record to 4-2 on its current road trip as Ron Harper scored seven of his 37 points in the final 33 seconds.

Danny Manning added 27 points for the Clippers.

Moses Malone led the Hawks with 27 points.

Jazz 130, Nuggets 99
Utah smothered Denver with 77 percent shooting in the first quarter, including 7-for-7 by Karl Malone, who finished with 31 points.

Utah could have gone scoreless for 16:23 in the second half and still led. Denver did not get its 76th point until 7:36 remained in the game.

Blair Rasmussen had 20 points for the Nuggets.

Warriors 123, Mavericks 119
Golden State beat Dallas for its fifth consecutive victory as Terry Teague scored 28 points, including four free throws in the final minute.

A pair of free throws by Teague gave the Warriors a 119-117 lead with 38 seconds remaining.

Lakers 121, Magic 106
Los Angeles built a 20-point lead in the second period and coasted against Orlando.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	23	10	.697	-
Boston	20	13	.606	1/2
Philadelphia	18	15	.545	5
Washington	13	20	.394	10
New Jersey	10	23	.303	13
Miami	7	26	.267	17

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	23	12	.657	-
Chicago	21	12	.636	1
Indiana	20	14	.588	2
Milwaukee	19	14	.576	3
Atlanta	18	14	.563	4
Cleveland	13	18	.419	8
Orlando	10	24	.294	12 1/2

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San Antonio	22	8	.733	-
Utah	22	11	.667	1 1/2
Denver	20	14	.588	4
Dallas	17	16	.515	6 1/2
Houston	15	18	.455	8 1/2
Charlotte	7	23	.233	15
Minnesota	7	26	.212	18 1/2

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L.A. Lakers	24	8	.750	-
Portland	23	10	.697	1 1/2
Phoenix	15	14	.517	7 1/2
Seattle	15	16	.484	8 1/2
Golden State	15	17	.469	9 1/2
L.A. Clippers	14	18	.438	10 1/2
Sacramento	8	23	.258	15 1/2

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	104	97	.517	-
Philadelphia	113	111	.505	1
Los Angeles Clippers	115	109	.511	1
Milwaukee	116	100	.538	1
Indiana	120	100	.545	1
Chicago	113	113	.500	1
Los Angeles Lakers	121	106	.532	1
Golden State	123	119	.510	1

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Charlotte	7	30	.188	19
Washington	11	25	.303	14
Portland	11	25	.303	14
Orlando	10	26	.279	15
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**010
LEGAL NOTICES**

Western Texas College will be accepting bids to purchase four (4) evaporative air coolers - Less Motor and Pumps - until 10:00 a.m., January 23, 1990. Further information concerning the bid may be obtained by contacting the Business Office at Western Texas College. Telephone 573-8511, Ext. 306.

**020
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

FIRST TIME BY US Perm Special: \$35. Linda Rains or Leslie Zapata, The Hair Station, 573-0885.

**070
LOST & FOUND**

REWARD lost or taken from yard sale in Dunn, 3 lb. black/tan Yorkshire Terrier, child heartbroken, please return, no questions asked. 573-7725.

LOST Female German Shepherd wearing a blue collar. Lost near Ira. Call 573-0882.

MISSING SEVERAL WEEKS: Small, gray Schnauzer, male. If seen or found, please call 573-3971 or 573-8476. Children really miss him.

**080
PERSONAL**

CHRISTIANS that are weak, sick, broken, wounded or driven away - contact Pastor J.D. Smith, 573-0482, 573-3319.

LONELY? Need a Date? Meet that special someone today! Call DATETIME toll-free: 1-800-395-DATE.

**090
VEHICLES**

ATTENTION - GOVERNMENT SEIZED VEHICLES from \$100. Fords, Mercedes, Corvettes, Chevys. Surplus Buyers Guide. 1-602-838-8885 EXT. A1146.

1987 BRONCO II 4x4 Loaded. \$10,800. 573-8981. Can see at 201 E. Hwy. after 5 p.m.

'82 Chevy Silverado Pickup with camper shell, good condition. 573-2949 after 1 p.m.

1987 CHEVROLET LS Brougham Caprice. 30,000 miles, 4-door, 350 V-8, Clean. \$3,500. 573-4470 after 5 p.m. 3003 41st.

FOR SALE: 1980 Ford pickup, runs good; 1978 Ford van, power & air, runs good; 1979 Chev. 1-ton pickup, motor rebuilt, priced to sell, 409 20th, 573-9773.

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POSITION WANTED**

I NEED A JOB- 16 year old, male. After school & weekends. Call 573-2101, anytime.

**180
INSTRUCTIONS**

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE: Snyder Savings & Loan Community Room, Sat. Jan. 13; 8:30-5. \$25, no reservations necessary.

**210
WOMAN'S COLUMN**

ALTERATIONS for Men and Women with a Professional Look. Blanche's Bernina, 2503 College, 573-0303.

ANTIQUA OR NEW - Bring in or Call us for the Repair and Refinishing of your Clocks, Lamps & Furniture. Also, Old Phonograph Record Players.
HOUSE OF ANTIQUES
4008 College
573-4422

CHILD CARE Day or Night. Call 573-0758 or 573-0025, or come by 2404 Beaumont. Drop-ins welcome.

I WOULD LIKE to clean your house or office. Call 573-7207.

MACHINE QUILTING
Do you have a quilt-top packed away and no time for quilting or do you want a new quilt. Let us create an heirloom for you. For details call 573-3904 or 573-8895.

Would like to clean house or babysit. 573-6862 or 573-2894.

**220
FARMER'S COLUMN**

On The Farm Tire Service
Goodyear Tires available at:
Lang Tire & Appliance
1701 25th Street
Snyder, Texas
Auto-Truck-Farm
573-4031

Custom plowing, chisel, ox or offset. 573-6670.

FOR SALE: Charolais Limousine Cross Bulls and Heifers. Buck Logan, 915-573-5189.

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RECREATIONAL VEHICLES**

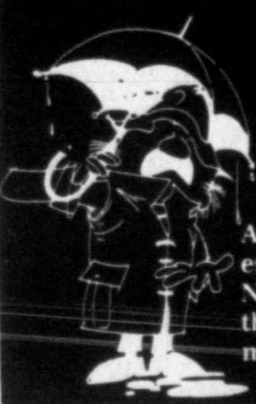
FOR SALE: 1975 Motor Home, recently rebuilt motor and new tires. Consider travel trailer in trade. 573-8963.

**260
MERCHANDISE**

BOYS' BEDROOM suite, chest, shelves, bunk beds, desk. Nice, \$750, 573-9759.

CONVALESCENT NEEDS Wheel Chairs, Walkers, Canes, Home Blood Pressure Kits, Etc. Sales & Rentals.
BURGESS McWILLIAMS PHARMACY
3706 College 573-7582

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**150
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GOVERNMENT SEIZED Vehicles from \$100. Fords, Mercedes, Corvettes, Chevys. Surplus. Buyers Guide 1-805-687-6000 Ext. S-10238.

1988 GMC extended cab pickup. Low miles. \$12,850. Will consider trade for older model pickup. 573-3617.

'84 LaSabre Buick, 4-door, high miles. Looks & runs good. \$2,200 or will trade. 573-4425 or 573-1550.

'83 LaSabre Buick. High miles, runs good. \$1,850. See at 409 33rd after 4 p.m.

RUNDOWN '81 Chevy Caprice. \$800 or best offer. 573-4425 or 573-1550.

1988 SUBURBAN, Local one-owner, loaded. Only 24,000 miles. Howard Gray Motors.

1986 BUICK Skylark, blue, 4-door, automatic.
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**140
BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY**

GAME OF THE 90s. Solid State Video Bowling. ALL CASH \$\$\$ weekly. Prime Locations. 1-800-446-5443.

KWIK KAR Oil & Lube "Coming Soon." Land, building equipment, training and financing. Ray Ellis, 1-800-442-5368.

Local vending route. Great opportunity for extra income. Must sell cheap and quick. Call 1-800-688-2228.

Need an ELECTRICIAN, large job or small, we do them all. Call Ed Blocker, 573-7578.

RICHARD'S SMALL ENGINE & CHAIN-SAW REPAIR: Chains shortened and sharpened. 115 Peach St. 573-6225.

REMODELING. Add-ons. General Repairs. Cabinets built to suit your needs. Cabinet tops & Painting, Interior or Exterior. For all Home Improvements, FOX CONTRACTING, 573-3995.

TREE PRUNING, Bed Cleaning, Root Feeding & Cutting down trees. Call 573-7540 or 573-0015. 18 years' experience. Free Estimate. Paul Glover.

APPLIANCE REPAIR: Former employee of local major appliance heating and air conditioning company located at 2109 Ave. T in Snyder; 15 years' experience. 573-6219 or 573-7149, ask for John.

ALL TYPES of Carpentry & Concrete work. Bratton Construction. 573-5203.

BILL GREEN ELECTRIC: Residential, Commercial, Industrial. Free Estimates. Trouble Calls. Licensed. Bonded. CALL 573-2589.

CHICO OLIVAREZ CONSTRUCTION: Concrete Work & Carpenter Work. Storm Cellars, Metal Buildings & Roofing. 20 Years Experience. 573-8786.

CONCRETE work, carpentry, fencing, any type of work to be done. 573-0334.

Carpentry, roofing, vinyl/steel siding, general repairs. R & J Construction. 915-573-3976.

**160
EMPLOYMENT**

COSMETIC OPPORTUNITY
Abilene-based company looking for part-time sales person or demonstrator for Taylor County and surrounding counties. Earning \$500 to \$1000 a month. Excellent opportunity for the right individual. For an interview phone 915-692-3847.

EARN MONEY typing at home. \$30,000/year income potential. Details, (1)805-687-6000 Ext. B-10238.

MAJOR service co. seeks dependable out-going person for a part-time, non-selling service position for established area accounts. Dependable car necessary, no weekends or evenings. Beginning salary \$4.50 hr. + .18 per mi. Call 512-343-7804, Friday, Jan. 12 1 to 4 p.m.

PARTY plan people needed immediately to introduce beautiful lingerie awarded to Miss Americas. Free kit, no delivery, 573-0992. Also booking parties.

ROBY ISD SEEKS COUNSELOR/AIDE to work one day a week with present counselor. Must be certified teacher. Roby ISD is an Equal Opportunity Employer. It is the policy of the Roby ISD not to discriminate on the basis of sex, handicap, race, color or national origin as required by Title IX Section 504 & Title VI. Interested individuals need to contact Jimmie Laurie, P.O. Box 519, Roby, TX 79543. 915-776-2222.



Pool Company, an industry leader in oil field services, has immediate openings in the Snyder area for experienced rig crews. Crew chief must have a minimum 3 years' experience in West Texas and a thorough understanding of the oil well servicing business. For crew & derrick workers, 1-3 years. Pool offers an excellent wage and benefits package including medical-dental insurance, paid vacation, holiday premiums & retirement. Interested applicant should apply at:

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Lamesa Highway
Snyder, Texas 79549
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Display counter, Christmas wrappings, tree & decorations, refrigerator, table & chairs, couch, clothes racks, cash register, 3-way dressing room mirror, desk & chair, 2 bar stools. New Necchi sewing machine. See at Mary's Stout Shop, 2513 College, or call 573-9503.

8-Drawer hardwood dresser, double beds, mattresses, antique ceiling fan, ladies' diamond watch, \$100. 573-5627.

FOR SALE: 90-inch sectional sofa, \$75. Green print wing-back Chair, \$25. 573-4353.

FOR SALE: Kenmore washer & dryer, good condition, \$175. 573-8950 8-12 a.m. or 573-8470 after 5 p.m.

FOR SALE: Used Designer Sofa, \$375. 573-3617.

FOR SALE: La-Z-boy recliner, excellent condition, extra clean \$45.00. Call 573-7291.

FOR SALE: table saw, radial arm saw, wood lathe, 573-8471 after 5:00 p.m.

LANIER dictation equipment, still in boxes. Used, high quality office furniture. 573-3617.

MOVING: Across the street or across town. 1 item or a housefull. Call Pioneer Furniture, 573-9834.

OMEGA PROPERTIES Storage Buildings, 37th & Avenue E. 8'x9' to 12'x18' spaces available. Economical prices. Pavilion facilities. Call 573-2326.

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SATELLITES: for sale or rent-to-own. Buy a new system or upgrade your old system, 100% financing. SERVICE all brand Tv's, VCR's, Satellites. STRICKLAND T.V., 2413 College, 573-6942.

Small office, \$100. Private bath, private entrance, bills paid. Next to Olney Savings. 573-5627.

USED COLOR T.V.'S. Portables start at \$150. Consoles start at \$175. Snyder Electronics, 411 E. Hwy., 573-6421.

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WESTERN AUTO
573-4911

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**280
BUY, SELL OR TRADE**

FOR SALE OR TRADE: Electric cookstoves and cooktops, Heaters of various types. 2407 Ave. H.

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**290
DOGS, PETS, ETC.**

ALL BREEDS GROOMING. Nylon Collars, Leashes, Harnesses. Small Dog Sweaters. Scurry County Vet Clinic, 573-1717.

Free, adorable puppies. Will be small dogs. 573-9652.

RABBITS, all sizes & colors. Also, Arcona Bantam chicks. 573-7632.

**310
GARAGE SALES**

Storage Sale
37th & Ave. E. #6B
Fri. & Sat.
Couch, chairs, refrigerator, table & chairs, console color TV, lost of jewelry, misc.

**320
FOR RENT LEASE**

KEY MOBILE HOME PARK: West 37th. LARGE LOTS, PLAYGROUND. RV's and Double Wides welcome. 573-2149.

N. COLLEGE AVE. Office-shop-yard. Rent or buy. Three locations, various sizes. 573-2442, 573-0972.

**325
APARTMENTS
FOR RENT**

**WINDRIDGE
VILLAGE APTS**

- *Professionally Landscaped
- *Door to Door Trash Pickup
- *Reasonable Rental Rates
- *Clean Sparkling Swimming Pool
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- *One Story Apts.
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- *Huge Walk-In Closets

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5400 College Ave**

COTTAGE: Ideal for single. Furnished, carpeted, extra nice. For more information, call 573-9639.

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One Bedroom
From \$181 to \$192
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From \$220 to \$236
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Handicap Units Available

**MOVE IN
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APTS.**

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2 Bd. 2 Bath 2 Bd. 1 Bath
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*Maid Service Available *Dishwashers
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TOWN HOUSE APARTMENTS If Mgr. is showing Apt., call
573-3519 700 E. 37th 573-1961

FOR RENT: 1 bedroom apartment. \$175 month. 573-7132 or 573-9076.

**330
HOUSES FOR RENT**

2 BD., 1 Bath, carpet, fenced yard, detached garage, \$100 deposit, \$225 month. Call Ron Lepard, 1-267-5386 after 6 p.m.

3 BD., 2 Bath, unfurnished. \$450 or best offer. Water Paid. 3307 40th Pl. 573-5627.

1 Bd. Furnished house, \$150 mo. \$50 deposit. 573-8628.

FOR RENT: Duplex, 2-1-1, CH/RA, fenced backyard, \$300 month. 573-1386.

FOR RENT: 2-1, new carpet, fresh paint. 2703 Ave. F. \$225 month, \$100 deposit. 573-3465, 573-8505.

FOR RENT: 2434 Sunset, 4 or 5 Bd. Good Location. Call 573-2772.

FOR RENT OR SALE: Clean 2 bdrm. house, stove, refrigerator, garage, nice neighborhood - 573-8705 or 728-8968.

FOR RENT: 2 bedroom unfurnished house. Call 573-5652.

FOR RENT: Small 1 bd. Brick House. Water furnished, located at Key Mobile Home Park. 573-2149.

2 bd. with storm windows. Good water well, 10 acres. Fenced pasture, west of town. 573-7306.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 3 bd., 1 bath, \$350.00 per mo. Available Feb. 1, 2900 42nd. Call 573-2649 before 5:30.

RENT OR RENT-TO-OWN: 3 Bd. Furnished or Unfurnished. Also mobile home lots, 573-8963.

**335
MOBILE HOMES
FOR RENT**

2 BEDROOM MOBILE HOME, nice, \$175 month, located at 609 North Ave T in Snyder. Bob Dennis, 728-8723, C-City.

2 Bd., CH/A, Refrigerator, Stove, Dishwasher, fenced yard. 573-3637 after 4 p.m.

FOR RENT or sale: 14x80 mobile home. 3-bedroom, 2 bath. 573-8471 after 5:00 p.m. appointment only.

MOBILE HOME FOR SALE OR RENT. 3 bd., 2 bath. \$250 month, \$100 deposit. 303 E. 25th, 573-0513.

Nice 2-Bd. fully furnished trailer. Large deck & lawn furniture. Rents for \$175 plus Electricity. Call 573-5957 after 7. (No children please.)

SMALL 2 BD. trailer suitable for only 1 or 2 people. Furnished, bills paid. \$225 month. 573-2251.

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**340
MOBILE HOMES
FOR SALE**

14x80 3 Bd., 2 Bath on 2 nice lots. Reasonable down payment. Payments like rent. 573-2251.

FOR SALE: 14x84 Solitaire 3 bd., 2 bath, CH/A, underpinning & porches. Refinancing available. 573-9768 after 5 p.m.

JUST REDUCED: Wood Siding, 4 Bd., 2 Bath, Mobile Home. \$14,600. 915-332-0881.

LOOK what \$149.56 a month can buy you: a 16' wide, 2 bd. Mobile Home. New carpet, new drapes, new refrigerator and more. Just 10% down, 13.5% APR, 180 months. 915-332-0881.

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EXCELLENT FARM land-318 Acres.

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3792 Sunset, 2400 41st, 2212 44th, 4115 Eastridge, 2803 37th, 321 36th, 419 36th, 2806 Ave. V.

20's and under
3003 41st, 3009 39th, 2712 Ave. F, 224 32nd, 3710 Dalton, 2905 Ave. W, 2701 Ave. G.

Wenona Evans 573-8165
Doris Beard 573-8480
Clarence Payne 573-8927

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REAL ESTATE
4102 College
WEEKDAYS
573-5612 OR 573-1755**

311 24TH-own fin. 3-1-1 15T.
3612 44TH ST.- 3-2-2, \$47,900.
LEASE-2703 Ave. V, 3-2-2.
1908 PEYTON-3-2, 32T.
ROUND TOP-High Mesa Dr. 78T.

2804 AVE. Q-As is. 7T.
2902 33RD-Colonial Hills, 60T.
OWN FIN-outside west, 20's.
EAST-100 ac, house, etc. 70T.
4515 GARWOOD-bargain, 3-2-2.
DUNN-9 1/2 ac. home 48T.

3008 40TH-over 1600', 30's.
321 33RD-3-2-2, high 40's.
4204 AVE U-brick, only 30T.
1805 CEDAR CREEK-90's.
3781 AVONDALE-mid 30's.
2408 TOWLE RD-4-4-3, bargain.
2303 43RD-3-2-2, low 50's.

Shirley Pate 573-5340
Joyce Barnes 573-6970
Frances Stevenson 573-2528

220 ACRE FARM, all in cultivation, 2 wells. Also, 3 bedroom, 2 bath Home, large pecan trees, 3 miles East. 573-8290, 573-4200.

2 Acres for Sale, 6 miles East of Snyder. Owner will finance. Call 573-8147 or 573-0495.

COUNTRY HOME for sale: large, 4-bdr., 3 1/2 bath, large garage, with or without acreage. E. Hwy. 180. 573-4267 or 573-8410.

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Appeals court blocks special judicial elections

AUSTIN (AP) — The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals today blocked the May special elections that a federal district judge had ordered for district judges in nine Texas counties.

The New Orleans appeals court said it was issuing the order to give the state time to address the Nov. 8 ruling by U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton of Midland, who ruled that the at-large elections violated the federal Voting Rights Act.

“We do so order that the state of Texas may be allowed a reasonable opportunity to address the problem presented by the holding of (Bunton) ... that the state system of selecting judges is invalid,” the appeals court opinion said.

The ruling was hailed by Secretary of State George Bayoud, who said the regular partisan primary elections for judges in the nine counties now can proceed as scheduled on March 13.

“It’s going to make it easier for the counties that were worried who was going to pay for this (special elections). It’s going to be much easier on the judges. The Texas Legislature is going to have to come in — it’s already been put on the call — and bring this issue up. It’s a good day for Texas,” Bayoud said.

Jefferson. Bunton had ruled that the county-wide election system in those counties improperly diluted the strength of minority voters.

Ceausescu threatened underlings with death for ignoring orders

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — Nicolae Ceausescu threatened army commanders at their final meeting with execution for ignoring orders to kill protesters, and a newspaper report today said that he offered more than \$5 million to be freed when he was later captured by revolutionists.

According to the minutes of the Dec. 17 meeting, the dictator berated his top men for shooting blanks at the crowds in the western city of Timisoara.

“They’ve got to kill the hooligans, not to beat them,” the hard-line Communist leader said angrily.

Ceausescu’s wife, Elena, told the meeting the protesters should be hurled into the basement jails of the Securitate, the secret police, and never again “see the light” of day.

A transcript of stenographers’ notes from the meeting — what turned out to be the Communist Party Politburo’s last gathering — was published Wednesday in the daily newspaper, Romania Libera.

Ceausescu was overthrown on Dec. 22 when army troops and citizens rebelled against him, and he was executed along with his wife on Christmas Day.

The official Rompres news agency today quoted Silviu Brucan, a senior member of the new government, as saying about 10,000 people died in revolutionary clashes in Timisoara, Bucharest, Sibiu, Brasov and other cities.

Western diplomats in Bucharest, citing witnesses and other accounts, also said earlier that about 10,000 had been killed.

After his flight from the capital, Ceausescu promised one of the two uniformed policemen who captured him and his wife \$5 million to release them, the daily Adevarul said.

It quoted Col. Gen. Jean Moldoveanu, the deputy interior minister, as saying, “At a certain time, Ceausescu promised the non-commissioned officer \$5 million ... I repeat, \$5 million,” to let them escape.

“Seeing that the policeman remained unmoved, the tyrant raised the price, promising him more than \$5 million,” Moldoveanu reportedly said without specifying the sum.

Bayoud said the appellate ruling has eased headaches for state and county officials.

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Steve Hall, a spokesman for Attorney General Jim Mattox, said Mattox wasn’t immediately

available for comment on the appeals court’s ruling.

In a two-page opinion, the appeals court said that if Bunton’s ruling against the state’s judicial election system were upheld, it would mean sweeping changes in Texas’ 113-year-old judicial system.

And that job is most properly one for lawmakers, the court said.

“That holding, if sustained on appeal, will require an organic and wholesale review and reconstitution of the Texas judicial election system, a task which should be addressed and carried out by the state’s elected representatives, rather than by the federal courts,” the ruling said.

“Only if it becomes apparent that the state is unwilling to act with measured and appropriate speed in this regard should the

courts intervene.” The appeals judges went on to say that the Legislature, thus far, hasn’t had “a reasonable period within which to address the problem presented.”

The court also rejected a motion by Mattox that sought to prevent Bayoud from hiring former Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice John Hill as lawyer for the secretary of state.

Bayoud signed up Hill after Mattox refused Bayoud’s requests to immediately appeal Bunton’s Jan. 2 ruling. Mattox did not ask the appellate court for a stay until Wednesday.

“I was very pleased that the 5th Circuit denied Attorney General Mattox’s request to have Judge Hill stricken from the case. It’s because of Judge Hill and this office, in my opinion, that we received this stay,” Bayoud said.

Two men, woman arrested following string of slayings

CANADIAN, Texas (AP) — Authorities believe an alert member of a neighborhood Crime Watch committee prevented a string of four killings in two states from growing longer.

Summoned by a woman who spotted a pickup driving slowly Tuesday morning, Hemphill County Sheriff Billy Bowen stopped a truck and arrested the two men and one woman inside after he saw handguns on the floorboard.

The two men were charged Wednesday with murder in four

killings in two states, police said. The woman was charged with murder in two of the slayings.

As the trio circled the neighborhood in Canadian about 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, “they were looking for victim No. 5,” said a deputy who would not identify himself but said he was speaking on Bowen’s behalf.

The truck was reported stolen Monday from an elderly Oklahoma couple who were found shot to death in their rural Noble County home, police said.

The three are suspected in the killings of two Missouri men earlier Monday, police said.

The suspects were identified as Robert Wesley Knighton, 48; Lawrence Lingle Brittain, 17; and Ruth Renee Williams, 21; all from Kansas City, Hemphill County assistant district attorney John Mann said.

Knighton faces charges in Henry County, Mo., on two counts of first-degree murder and two counts of armed criminal action, said Thomas VanZandt of the Missouri Rural Crime Squad. Ms. Williams and Brittain were charged in Henry County with two counts of second-degree

murder, VanZandt said. Oklahoma authorities charged Brittain and Knighton with two counts each of first-degree murder, according to District Attorney Joe Wideman in Noble County, Okla.

Missouri authorities agreed to allow Oklahoma to prosecute the suspects first, Bowen said.

The northern Oklahoma couple, Richard and Virginia Denney, were found shot to death when police visited their home to ask them about the stolen 1975 Chevrolet pickup the three suspects were found riding in Canadian, police said.

They had been shot at close range, said Joe Wideman, district attorney for Noble and Kay counties. Money had been taken from the couple, who were in their 60s.

“It was very cold-blooded,” Wideman said.

Detectives in Missouri said they believe the trio started a slaying spree with the killings of two Montrose, Mo., men in their house 21 miles south of Clinton, Mo.

The bodies of Frankie T. Merrifield, 59, and his 40-year-old son, Roy E. Donahue, were found about 2 p.m. Monday by Merrifield’s daughter, VanZandt said.

Money and two handguns are believed to have been stolen from the two men, VanZandt said.

Gorbachev makes attempt to calm independence-minded Lithuanians

VILNIUS, U.S.S.R. (AP) — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev came to this Baltic capital today and told people clamoring for independence that pitting the central government against their own could lead to tragedy.

Gorbachev, at times adopting a pleading tone, promised that the people of Lithuania will have a say in the republic’s future.

The comments were aimed at cooling pro-independence passions as Gorbachev embarked on a crucial mission to persuade Lithuanian Communists to reverse a decision to split from the federal Communist Party.

“We have been tied together for these 50 years, whether we like it or not,” Gorbachev said, walking through a crowd of several hundred after laying a wreath at a monument to Lenin in downtown Vilnius. “And all the more so, we have not lived in a federation. We have lived in a unitary state with its own realities.”

One person called out to Gorbachev: “People must decide their own fate!”

“Nothing will be decided without you,” Gorbachev responded as he slowly made his way back to his limousine. “We will decide everything together.”

But he added: “Remember, if someone succeeds in pitting us against each other in a clash, there will be a tragedy. We should not allow this.”

Josef Stalin absorbed

Lithuania along with the two other Baltic states, Latvia and Estonia, in 1940 under a secret agreement with Nazi Germany, and many Lithuanians want their independence back.

As never before in his nearly five years in power, Gorbachev put his personal prestige on the line in coming to Lithuania, exposing himself to a population that openly disagrees with him and is not likely to be moved by his appeals.

But if Gorbachev fails to bring the Lithuanians back to the fold, Communist Parties in the 14 other republics could feel encouraged to break with Moscow.

The Soviet leader told the crowd that the rights of all minorities in the Soviet Union — whether they be Lithuanians or smaller non-Lithuanian ethnic groups in the republic — must be respected, or it could endanger the unity of the country’s more than 100 ethnic groups.

“If even the slightest suppression occurs, or misunderstanding, somewhere in

Estonia or Moldavia, it spills over into the rest of the country,” he said.

Several thousand people gathered around the square as Gorbachev placed the wreath, and several hundred of them broke through police cordons to surround Gorbachev afterward.

The crowd was calm and curious. Gorbachev, who has bitterly criticized the Lithuanian Communist Party decision to split, was straightforward and friendly.

The people who gathered apparently were passers-by attracted by the heavy security around the Lenin memorial. It was not announced in advance that Gorbachev would visit the memorial.

The Sajudis political movement that is pressing for independence planned a formal rally later, and organizers said they hoped a half-million or more Lithuania residents would show up to prove to Gorbachev they cannot be dissuaded.

Births

Richard and Shirley Block Tovar are the parents of a baby girl, Candice Marie Tovar. She was born Saturday at 1:15 a.m. at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. She weighs one pound, seven ounces, and is 10 inches long.

Candice has a sister, Denise, and a brother, Johnathan. Her grandparents are Helen Block and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Tovar, all of Snyder.

Valerie Renee Hernandez announces the birth of her baby sister, Cassandra Nicole, born Dec. 6 at 10:37 a.m. at Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo. She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces.

Cassandra’s parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jesse A. Hernandez. Her grandparents are Mrs. Nellie Rios and Mr. and Mrs. Anselmo Hernandez, all of Snyder.

Petroleum prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Petroleum cash prices Wednesday as compared with Tuesday’s prices.

	Wed. Tue.
Refined Products	
Fuel oil No. 2 NY hbr hg gl fob	7535 7735
Gasoline nl prmm NY hbr hg gl fob	7675 7325
Gasoline unleaded NY hbr hg gl fob	6885 6275
Prices provided by Oil Buyer’s Guide.	
Petroleum - Crude Grades	
Saudi Arabian light \$ per bbl fob	19.50 18.55
North Sea Brent \$ per bbl fob	21.00 20.20
West Texas Intermediate \$ per bbl fob	22.90 22.05
Alaska No. Slope del. US Gulf Coast	20.90 20.15

Composites, pound for pound the strongest of all materials, have jumped beyond pricey tennis rackets and golf clubs into aircraft and missiles.

Obituaries

Mrs. Blalock

LAKE WORTH, Fla. — Services for Jacksonia Blalock, 73, of Lake Worth, Fla., were to be held Thursday. The former Snyder resident died Thursday morning.

She was the mother of Joyce Tolbert of Snyder. She was a Lutheran and a charter member of Grace Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George Blalock in 1979, and a grandson, Kenneth Sly, in 1987.

Other survivors include another daughter, Marcella Sly of Loxahatchee, Fla.; seven grandchildren, Cheryl and Brett Sly of Loxahatchee, Fla., Karen Bachaman of San Diego, Calif., and Susan Blackard, Kelly Bloom, Cindy Tolbert and Diane Tolbert, all of Snyder; and five great-grandchildren, Jason and Cadie Sly, Casey and Shana Blackard and Tanner Bloom.

Also surviving are one brother, Ivan Lucky of Wickenburg, Ariz.; and two sisters, Georgia Brewster and Loretta Wolfe, both of Lake Worth, Fla.

Elmer Sellars

SAN ANGELO — Services for Elmer Sellars, 74, of San Angelo, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Johnson Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Robert Hall, pastor of Sierra Vista United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in the Mertzton Cemetery.

Sellars died at 3:10 p.m. Sunday at River Oaks Nursing Home. He was the brother of Grady Sellars of Snyder.

Born Jan. 7, 1916, in Howard County, he married Melva Key Nov. 27, 1937, in Polar. She survives. He was a butcher and a member of Sierra Vista United Methodist Church.

Other survivors include two daughters, Joy Melvin of Kerrville and Martha Bennett of San Angelo; two sons, Dean Sellars of San Angelo and Danny Sellars of Odessa; 11 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Wreck noted

A 1972 Ford flatbed truck driven by Celestino Guerrero of 2301 Gilmore Ave. was in collision with a 1980 Subaru pickup driven by Pascuala Rodriguez of Rt. 3 at 12:40 p.m. Wednesday in the 2500 Block of Ave. G.

Police handle several cases

A 30-year-old man was arrested for public intoxication at 12:57 a.m. today after police were told that a fight was in progress in the 2400 Block of 26th St.

A juvenile boy was arrested for shoplifting at 6:36 p.m. Wednesday at Kmart and was subsequently released into the custody of his mother at the police station.

An 18-year-old woman was arrested at 5:44 p.m. Wednesday in the 1400 Block of College Ave. on outstanding Department of Public Safety warrants for running a stop sign, not wearing a seatbelt and failure to appear in court.

She was taken to the county jail, where she paid her fines and was released.

Water

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old systems can’t reach it at all.” Osborn reported in a Monday night city council meeting that the city is averaging a line loss of 20 million gallons a month, and he said Wednesday that that is from a total of 66 to 150 million gallons of water delivered to city customers here each month.

The city engineer noted that the proposed widening of 37th St. from College to Crockett Aves. would entail the laying of a new 10-inch water line from Aves. V to Austin.

He added that the recommended 12-inch line from the water plant to the 32nd and Z tower “looks like it would relieve most of the line blockage we have.”

The city has five water towers — two of 500,000 and 100,000 gallons at 40th St. and Midland Ave. and three of 100,000 gallons each at 32nd and Z, 25th St. and Ave. B and Fourth St. and College Ave.

Osborn last year proposed that all those except the ones at 40th and Midland be raised 40 feet at a cost of about \$75,000 each, but no such work was included in this year’s budget.

“The water towers are a key element for fire protection and storage volume,” he said, adding that the increased height would improve water pressure.

More than 500 people died when Hurricane Audrey slammed through coastal Louisiana and Texas in 1957.

Balloonists Maxie Anderson and Don Ida died in 1983 during a race when their balloon crashed in a German forest.

Suspects

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rant, a city detective said. The officer reported that nothing had been recovered from the car but the four tires and wheels, 20 lug nuts and two quarts of oil.

Police said Wednesday that they had cleared three recent theft cases and had referred two of them to the office of the county attorney.

A 38-year-old man has been identified as a suspect in the Dec. 30 theft of some videos from the Depot Video Rentals, and a 31-year-old man is the primary suspect in a Dec. 23 theft of some money from a cash register at Wal-Mart, detectives said at 1:43 p.m.

A suspect was identified and the property recovered in connection with the Tuesday issuance of a fraudulent check at Dakota’s general store, but the officers said it had not been determined if the case would be prosecuted.



ADDRESSING ABWA — Hospital Administrator Tom Hochwalt recently presented a program to the Deep Creek Chapter of American Business Women's Association concerning the tax rollback issue. Hochwalt said that advocates of the rollback claim they do not want to "cut" budgets in the hospital area, but a rollback in taxes would be felt by the hospital. (SDN Staff Photo)

Study says...

Alcohol affects women more

BOSTON (AP) — Drink for drink, women get drunker than men. Now scientists believe they know why: Men have more stomach for booze.

A study published today found that men typically make higher amounts of a substance that breaks down alcohol in the stomach before it reaches the bloodstream. As a result, men feel fewer effects of alcohol, even when men and women the same size drink the same amount.

"I am convinced that there are sex differences in handling alcohol," commented Dr. Judith Gavalet of the University of Pittsburgh. "This is a very important study for all of us doing research in alcohol. This will change the way we approach this subject."

Researchers said the study also underscores concerns about drinking during pregnancy, provides an explanation on the ef-

fects of drinking on an empty stomach and could be used to help set safe drinking levels for men and women.

"The implication of this is that when it comes to social drinking, women should be more careful than men for a given amount of alcohol when driving or operating equipment," said Dr. Charles S. Lieber, a co-author of the study.

Lieber, director of the Alcohol Research and Treatment Center at the Bronx Veterans Affairs Medical Center, said the findings also help explain why women

alcoholics are especially prone to liver disease.

The study, conducted on 20 men and 23 women, was directed by Dr. Mario Frezza of the University School of Medicine in Trieste, Italy, and published in the New England Journal of Medicine.

It found that women absorb about one-third more alcohol into their blood than men do. The researchers believe this is large-

ly explained by the fact that non-alcoholic women produce about 30 percent less of the protective substance than non-alcoholic men do.

Heavy drinking seems to hinder the body's ability to make the substance, an enzyme called alcohol dehydrogenase. While alcoholic men produce less than social drinkers, the difference was most dramatic in alcoholic women.

City says food pantry must meet retail store regulations

AUSTIN (AP) — A food pantry that has served hundreds of families who need food each week for more than a year has been ordered to follow regulations governing retail food stores or face charges in municipal court.

City-county health department spokesman Dan Pickens Wednesday said the unpublicized food pantry located behind a real estate office in northwest Austin had not been inspected until last Friday.

"We didn't know it was in operation," Pickens said.

The pantry, staffed by volunteers and founded by an Austin builder and developer, dispenses donated food without directors, paper work, budgets or money.

"We have been trying to avoid the bureaucracy," said volunteer Loyd Skiles.

An inspector responding to a complaint from a food recipient found "a host of problems" at the pantry, Pickens said.

He said the pantry has been ordered to apply for a city permit or face charges in Municipal Court.

"Gosh, I would hate to see that happen," said Carol Wilson, a mother of five children. "We serve a lot of people."

Wayne Laymon, the Austin builder and real estate developer who started the word-of-mouth service a year and a half ago, defended his pantry.

"I would like the health department to back off," said Laymon, who said a slowdown in real estate left him with time to start the pantry.

"We are doing all that we know

how to do to preserve the food and keep it edible," Laymon said.

Food recipients at the pantry Wednesday said they were volunteers who were taking some food for themselves, but more items for other families in need.

Wilson was picking up food for 20 families in her neighborhood. "I don't take stuff I wouldn't eat myself," she said.

Tom and Gaynell Scarborough said their family of six depended on the pantry during the summer months when Scarborough's contracting work was spotty.

"There was a need in our life," said Scarborough. "It helped meet that need."

Bread and dairy products are

kept in a portable building behind Laymon's once-active real estate office. Dairy products are stored in four refrigerators.

Fruit and vegetables, which are not refrigerated, are kept on a patio attached to the office.

"There are some abuses, but not many," said Skiles, a retired real estate agent who picks up surplus produce and out-of-date food items from a half-dozen grocery stores.

"We sort through all the food each morning," said Laymon. "If there is any problem, we dispose of it."

"We are not going to give anything to anybody that is bad and is going to hurt them," said Skiles. "That would be crazy."

Merit list count reaches thirty-four

A Merit List made up of 34 students has been announced by Western Texas College for the 1989 fall semester.

Merit List students must be enrolled for more than eight semester hours but fewer than 15 hours with a grade point average of at least 3.5.

Snyder students on the list are Barbara Ashby, Donna Crane, Helen Hatter, Jenny Hayes, Stephany Drummond, Shelley Jo Gibson, Kimberly Massey, Edwin McCasland, Jeffrey McKenzie, Julia Newberry, Peggy Paregien, Earnest Parker, David Stewart, Mary Sullivan, Greta

Taylor and Troy Dale Williamson.

Other Scurry County students are Camilla Deann Baker and Shea Fenton of Hermleigh.

Completing the list are Paul Davidson of Anson; Lyndia McNutt and Lisa Meador of Aspermont; Vincent Ariaz, Francesca Helm, Vicki Maloney and Patricia Trulock of Colorado City; Angela Cox of Hamlin; Eva Esquivel of Loraine; Lisa Flowers of Old Glory; Bruce Goodwin and Casey Jo Nelms of Rotan; Linc Taylor of Skokie, Ill.; and Sharon Chiles, Kimberly Newton and Beverly Rea of Sweetwater.

Foreign policy should be left to president

HOUSTON (AP) — Former Texas Sen. John Tower said Congress tends to piecemeal the nation's foreign policy when it should be concentrating on domestic issues.

"We must have an executive that can cope with the current geopolitical environment," Tower told about 120 participants at a conference examining the crisis in government Wednesday evening.

The former Republican senator, who was rejected by the Senate as President Bush's nominee for Secretary of Defense, said Congress devotes most of its attention to domestic policy and determines such policy by shifting coalitions representing various regions.



TOP SELLER—Ryan Sutter, first grader at Stanfield, was the top seller during the school's Valley Brook Farms fundraiser. He sold \$392 worth of cookies. Also pictured is Susan Blackard, secretary-treasurer of the Stanfield Parent Council. Paula Bowden's first graders were the top selling class. Her 21 students sold \$1,812 worth of cookies and were treated to a pizza party. The school earned some \$7,000 in all which will be used for playground equipment, trees, picnic tables, and a metal shelter. The school also earned enough bonus points to qualify for a VCR. (School Photo)

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1. Cash and balances due from depository institutions:				
a. Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		924		
b. Interest-bearing balances		1,500		
2. Securities		9,249		
3. Federal funds sold & securities purchased under agreements to resell in domestic offices of the bank & of its Edge & Agreement subsidiaries, & in IBFs:				
a. Federal funds sold		3,225		
b. Securities purchased under agreements to resell				
4. Loans and lease financing receivables:				
a. Loans and leases, net of unearned income		4,611		
b. LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses		113		
c. LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve		0		
d. Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve (item 4 a minus 4 b and 4 c)		4,498		
5. Assets held in trading accounts		0		
6. Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)		644		
7. Other real estate owned		6		
8. Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies		0		
9. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding		0		
10. Intangible assets		299		
11. Other assets		0		
12. a. Total assets (sum of items 1 through 11):		20,345		
b. Loans deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j)		0		
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LIABILITIES				
13. Deposits:				
a. In domestic offices:				
(1) Noninterest-bearing		2,010		
(2) Interest-bearing		16,453		
b. In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs:				
(1) Noninterest-bearing		0		
(2) Interest-bearing		0		
14. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase in domestic offices of the bank & of its Edge & Agreement subsidiaries, & in IBFs:				
a. Federal funds purchased		0		
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16. Other borrowed money		0		
17. Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases		0		
18. Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding		0		
19. Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits		0		
20. Other liabilities		67		
21. Total liabilities (sum of items 13 through 20)		18,530		
22. Limited-life preferred stock		0		
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23. Perpetual preferred stock (No. of shares outstanding)		0		
24. Common stock (No. of shares):				
a. Authorized		50,000		
b. Outstanding		50,000		
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Joint ventures could be somewhat "iffy" for you in the year ahead unless you have more control over the operation than your counterparts. Don't let others relegate you to the rear ranks.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Some changes could be taking place today in a matter of importance to you. Even though you won't initiate them, don't look upon them as something negative. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You'll get along well with associates today, provided something of value does not become an issue. If it does, your self-interests may start surging against your innate generosity.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It's probable that you will achieve the objectives you establish for yourself today, but you might not do so in a gracious manner. Weigh your gains against the problems they create.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Helpers won't perform well today if you keep peering over their shoulders. Assign the jobs and then display faith in the persons you've chosen to do them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If there is a matter of personal benefit you want to

conclude today, don't let associates set your time table for you. Take the initiative and do what needs doing on your own.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Others will have more respect for you today if you admit to your mistakes and take measures to correct them instead of looking for a scapegoat on whom to hang the blame.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Avoid inclinations today to think only of yourself to the detriment of others. Such base motives might profit you for the moment, but what about tomorrow?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Bold measures may be required today in order to advance a venture in which you are presently involved. Once you make a determination, proceed assertively and don't look back.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's best you follow your humane instincts today rather than being vindictive. Even if you feel put upon now, conditions will eventually right themselves.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't hold back today in a situation where a friend is in need of your support. If you really believe in him/her and truly want to help, get your foot off the breaks and go all the way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't let your emotions cloud your judgment today in a matter that is meaningful to you materially. You can achieve your objectives if you are logical and realistic.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Usually you are a rather optimistic person, but today you could place more emphasis on the negative aspects of a problem than its probable solutions. Get back in character.

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Equity 'Trojan horse' for school funds

AUSTIN (AP) — Despite billion-dollar suggestions for making the state's school finance system more equitable, the chairman of an education task said such reform doesn't have to be an expensive proposition.

"You can get significant equity with no change in funding — and I'm not arguing for that, I'm just saying factually that's correct," said Houston businessman Charles Miller.

"It's a Trojan horse issue to use equity to build a lot more money into the system," he told a

Wednesday news conference. Miller was appointed by Gov. Bill Clements to head the task force after the Texas Supreme Court ruled the current school funding system is unconstitutional. The group will make recommendations when the Legislature convenes in special session Feb. 27.

The court, which found glaring disparities between property-rich and poor school districts, imposed a May 1 deadline for lawmakers to reform the \$11 billion-a-year school finance

system, which relies on state funding and local property taxes.

A number of costly school finance reform plans already have been proposed. A plan before the State Board of Education calls for a \$15 billion increase in education funding over the next five years, while one suggested by a group of poor school districts has a \$10.5 billion, five-year price tag.

Clements has said he doesn't believe more taxes are needed to meet the court order, but Miller said the governor has not told

him the task force must come up with a proposal that doesn't require more money.

"He didn't ask me to do anything or give me any instructions," Miller said.

One way to make the system more equitable without raising taxes or diverting money from rich to poor districts would be to funnel money from other parts of the state budget to education, said Miller, without advocating the approach.

Border county likes disaster decision

RIO GRANDE CITY, Texas (AP) — Unemployment has topped 50 percent in some areas of the Lower Rio Grande Valley, where a rare hard freeze that last month caused hundreds of millions of dollars in damage to agriculture moved President Bush to declare a disaster area.

As many as 20,000 agriculture workers have lost jobs since the freeze wiped out an estimated 70 percent of the citrus and 80 percent of the winter vegetable crops in the state's four southern-most counties.

Bush declared the Valley a disaster area Tuesday night, a

week after Gov. Bill Clements made the request, estimating \$385 million in agricultural losses.

"Undoubtedly, it's been devastating," said Javier "Jake" Margo, Starr County's coordinator of federal and state programs in Rio Grande City, the unincorporated county seat.

"This area is very dependent on agriculture. That is the industry in this area."

Unemployment already was the state's highest at more than 35 percent before the Arctic blast just before Christmas dropped temperatures into the 20s and up-

per teens. When the freeze wiped out another 3,000 to 5,000 jobs, unemployment in Starr County rose to more than 50 percent, Margo and officials with the Texas Employment Commission estimated.

The county of 40,000 inhabitants had a labor force of 16,623 in November, the latest month for which figures were available Wednesday. An estimated 8,000 to 10,000 of the labor force are now believed to be without work.

Thousands more lost jobs in neighboring Hidalgo County, as well as Willacy and Cameron

counties, according to the TEC. Estimates of the total number of Valley residents losing work to the freeze range from 15,000 to 20,000, officials said.

Unemployment in Cameron, Willacy and Hidalgo counties ranged from 12.3 percent to 18.5 percent before the freeze added thousands more to the jobless ranks.

The disaster declaration releases \$23 million in emergency unemployment compensation funds, said Larry Neal, a spokesman for U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas.

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