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Ask Us

Lithuanians told to turn in firearms

VILNIUS, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Mikhail S. Gorbachev stepped up his war of nerves with Lithuania by demanding the surrender of all firearms, but the breakaway republic's leaders said they were not intimidated and would not bend.

President Vytautas Landsbergis of Lithuania, which declared itself independent on March 11, said in a statement that the Soviet leader's Wednesday decree showed "the ghost of Stalinism is walking in the Kremlin."

Landsbergis said the Baltic republic would remain "serene and united" despite the decree, which he said "could be enforced only by brutal military force."

Gorbachev has called Lithuania's declaration of independence illegal but has also said he would not use force to keep it from seceding.

Late Wednesday, Kazimiera Prunskiene, Lithuania's prime minister, sent a telegram to Gorbachev demanding to know the number of Soviet troops and amount of military equipment sent to Lithuania over the past several days.



CLEAN UP — Shannon Warner is pictured using a fire hose to wash away mud in the "Sedimentation Basin" at the W.S. Bigham Water Treatment Plant. The basin requires periodic cleaning in which plant workers must shut off water to the plant, drain the basin and

wash away the accumulated mud. Cleaning the basin takes about 12 hours from the time the flow is shut off until the basin is refilled and can begin treating water again. (Howard Bigham Photo)

Single contested race slated in local May board elections

Place 2 on the Western Texas College board of trustees is the only contested position out of nine local board seats to be filled in the upcoming May 5 elections, according to information from

filing clerks.

The positions to be filled include two on the Western Texas College board, four on the city council and three on the school board.

Carl Williams and William R. "Bill" Hibbs have both filed for Place 2 on the college board, a position currently held by Roy Baze.

Baze had announced he would not seek another term when the filing period opened Feb. 19. The deadline to file was Wednesday.

The only other position up for election on the college board is Place 1, and as in the case of most of the local seats, the only person filing was an incumbent. Bill Wilson Jr., board president, was the only person to file for Place 1.

Incumbents were also the only ones to file for four open places on the Snyder City Council. Filing for another term were Vernest

Tippens, District 1; Ralph Williamson, District 2; Joe Coronado, District 3; and Jack K. "Jackie" Greene Jr., District 4.

Two incumbents filed for another term on the Snyder ISD board, including president Billy Bob McMullan in District 4. Incumbent Ann Walton filed for District 5.

Incumbent Ygnacio Benitez, representing District 1, was unable to file because he moved

(see **BOARDS**, page 8)

House scheduled to take up \$450 million reform proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — The House today started considering a school finance bill that would pump \$450 million more into public educa-

tion next school year in response to a reform order from the Texas Supreme Court.

Legislative leaders predicted that whatever bill is passed by the House will end up in a conference committee to resolve differences with a \$1.2 billion Senate measure.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby said he hopes a conference committee on the issue will work this weekend, the last before the 30-day special session expires at midnight next Wednesday.

Even \$450 million is a higher cost for next school year than deemed acceptable by Gov. Bill Clements. He has vowed to veto any new state taxes to pay for school finance reform.

The Supreme Court ruled last year that the school finance system is unconstitutional because of disparities between

property-rich and -poor school districts. The \$13.5 billion-a-year public school system relies on a combination of state aid, local property taxes and federal funds.

Clements has said he would allow increased public education funding only at a no-new-taxes level, which he has estimated at \$200 million to \$300 million for 1990-91.

The governor has promised to keep lawmakers in special session until they send him the bill he wants, despite a May 1 deadline set by the court for change. Clements can call an unlimited number of consecutive special sessions.

But Education Commissioner William Kirby said an education showdown is coming, because he and Comptroller Bob Bullock will not send state money to schools

(see **HOUSE**, page 8)

SNB re-elects officers, board at annual meet

Shareholders of Snyder National Bank Tuesday re-elected all officers and directors at the bank's annual stockholder's meeting.

SNB President Joe Jackson said directors re-elected include Hugh Boren Jr., Ted Crenwelge, W.C. Hart, Jackson, John Jarrell, Bruce Kallemeyn, Ralph Miller, Sue Mize, Max von Roeder and Bill Tolleson.

Officers in addition to Jackson include Bruce Kallemeyn, executive vice president; vice presidents Edna Anderson, Kate Owens, Darryl Calley and Doug Scott; senior vice president Jack Gorman; and cashier Scott Gassiot.

Assistant vice presidents are Janelle Orr and Janie Sullenger, and assistant cashiers re-elected are Nelda Allen, Denise Crawford, Glen Gray and Janelle Pollard.

Big Spring...

Mayor recall election prompts key turnout

BIG SPRING, Texas (AP) — Almost 400 people cast ballots on the final day of absentee voting in an election to recall the city's mayor, indicating a possible record turnout for the election Saturday.

Assistant city secretary Lana East said 378 people cast ballots Tuesday, bringing the seven-day absentee total to a 2,086. With the addition of mail-in ballots already received, absentee votes total almost 2,100, East said.

The election, which will decide if Mayor Max Green, 58, stays or goes, is Saturday.

About a dozen citizens, including two councilwomen, began circulating petitions for Green's recall in February, saying he has not followed the chain of command in city government

affairs. The leaders also said they were disturbed by Green's revelation of gambling charges against Big Spring police officers, charges that were later determined to be unfounded.

East said the number of absentee voters may be a record.

The absentee figures are just about 400 short of the total turnout in the May 1989 election, which Green won by a 300-vote margin.

County officials said there are 11,800 registered voters within the city limits, so 17.8 percent of eligible voters already have cast their ballots in absentee voting.

By comparison, 21.5 percent of eligible voters cast ballots in the last mayoral election.

"I was expecting a lot," East said, "but I don't think anybody was expecting that many."

\$93,963 during its monthly meeting this evening.

The board will meet for an orientation and tour at 5:30 p.m. The regular meeting will begin at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Following the meeting, the board will convene in executive session to discuss a contract for a family practitioner candidate.

Also on the agenda are routine items including a medical staff report, monthly financial report, (see **HOSPITAL**, page 8)

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Washington is a place where congressmen relax until they can secure a military plane for a junket at taxpayer's expense."

It was probably fate that our bad news about income taxes arrived in the mail just after returning from a first-time trip to the nation's capital.

Despite a negative cash flow, the bad news said additional taxes are owed. After spending several days in Washington, D.C., it is easy to understand why the government never has enough money.

During January's roll-back election, there was criticism of local government spending. In local government it's waste. In state government it's Waste, but on the national scene it's WASTE!!

The cost of just maintaining the federal government staggers the mind of a West Texan who believes going to a big city and having a good

time is stopping by Furr's cafeteria in Lubbock. A resident of D.C.—usually a government employee—can spend more money on parking in a month that most folks in Texas will spend on a car payment.

"We've often heard that people in Washington don't live in the real world—and now we understand. Nothing in Washington is real—it's all based on pretense, pomp and ceremony.

Never before have we seen so many grandiose buildings with so many people doing so little—and Congress sets the tone with a three-day work week.

Even a guy from the sticks can understand a company car, but a chauffeur-driven limousine seems like a double standard when the IRS requires a citizen to pay taxes if he rides a company car to work.

The cherry blossoms were beautiful, but it's no wonder they last for only a few days surrounded by that wasteful stench.

In Brief

Jaramillo shot

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Attackers shot and seriously wounded a leftist presidential candidate today at Bogota's international airport.

It was the second attack on a presidential candidate in seven months.

Bernardo Jaramillo, candidate of the Patriotic Union, was shot by two men and rushed to a nearby clinic to undergo surgery, party President Diego Montana told Caracol radio network.

A spokeswoman at the clinic told Caracol that Jaramillo was in serious condition, shot twice in the throat and twice in the abdomen.

Grain deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States and the Soviet Union have reached an agreement in principle on a new long-term grain agreement, the government announced today.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yetter and U.S. Trade Representative Carla A. Hills said the tentative five-year agreement was reached during negotiations in Vienna. The current pact, which has been in effect since 1983, will expire on Dec. 31.

The new accord will increase the annual minimum shipments of U.S. grain to the Soviets to 10 million metric tons from nine million tons under the current agreement.

No verdict yet

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — The jury in Joseph Hazelwood's trial was denied a request for exhibits dealing with whether the skipper was intoxicated when the Exxon Valdez caused the nation's worst oil spill.

The panel, which ended its first day of deliberations Wednesday without reaching a verdict, sought a series of blood alcohol charts and graphs used by a defense expert to illustrate his testimony.

Deliberations were to resume today in the seven-week trial.

Local

'K' Fish fry

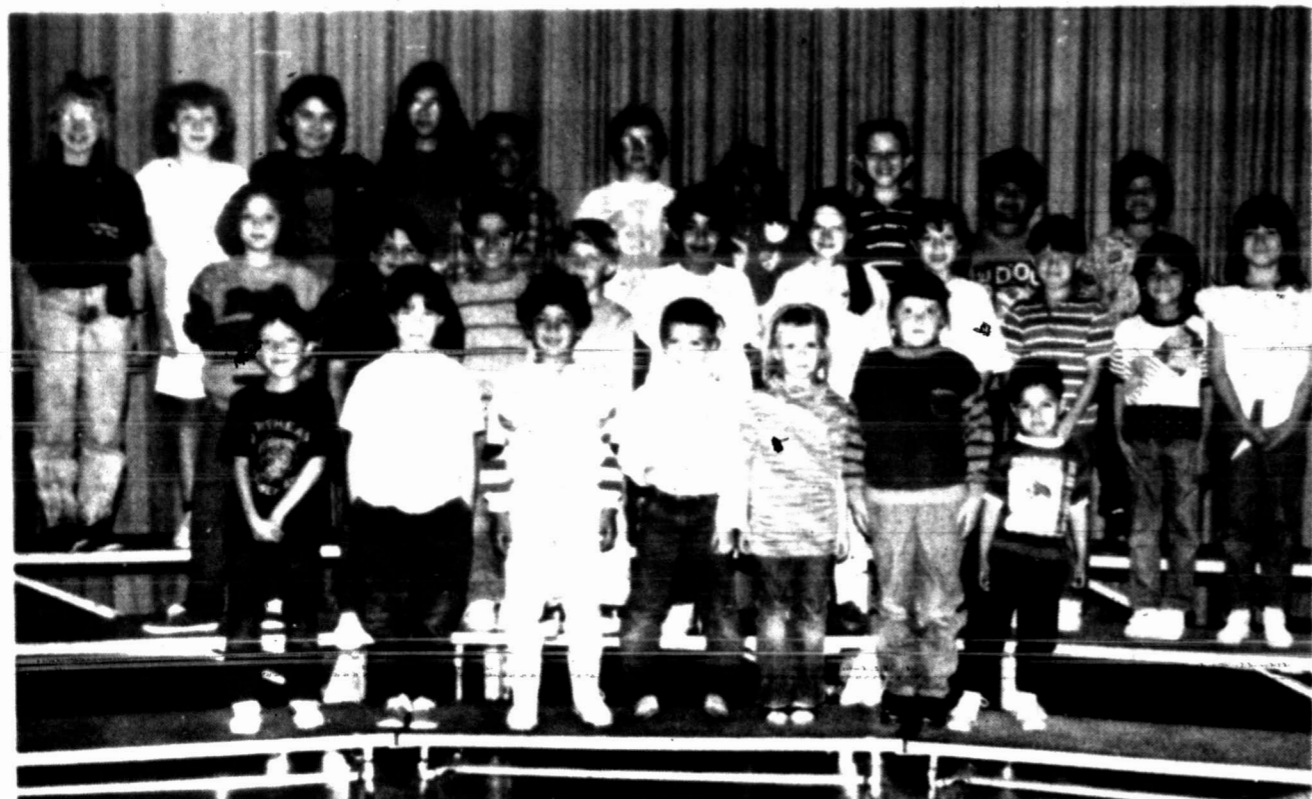
Golden K Kiwanis Club will hold a fish fry from 11 a.m. through 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the senior center.

Tickets are \$5 each. Children under age 6 will be admitted free.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 84 degrees; low, 48 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 56 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1990 to date, 5.98 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low in the upper 50s. Southwest wind 10 to 20 mph shifting to the east early tonight. Friday, partly cloudy. High in the upper 70s. East and southeast wind 10 to 20 mph and gusty.



'CUB CLUB' WINNERS—Citizenship awards for February were recently given to these Northeast Elementary students. Each student honored received a certificate and a 'Cub Club' button from the Parent Club. Pre-kindergarten: Marina Barrera (not pictured) and David Arizmendi; kindergarten: Timothy Berryman, Marcus Barboza, Katie Voss and Robert Watson. First grade: Shannon Barnes, Sheena Callaway (not pictured), Jesse Leyva and Jerome Vanderpool. Second grade: Raymond Gutierrez, Tina Luna,

Lance Garza, Cassey DeCroix, Angel Vasquez and Veronica Sarabia. Third grade: Juan Arizmendi, Karley Collins, Marci Irvine, Donnie Michael (not pictured), Veronica Ortegón and Belinda Ozuna. Fourth grade: Jackie Beck, Kale Grimes, Fernando Rodriguez and Jessica Torres. Fifth grade: Monica Aparicio, Jimmie McFall, Amadeo Rodriguez and James Tatom (all not pictured). Sixth grade: Priscilla Alarcon, Rosemary Escobedo, Joylynn Shepard and Bunni Welsh. (SDN Staff Photo)

Supporters of super collider will support cap on spending

WASHINGTON (AP) — Super collider supporters say they'll back legislation that would cap spending on the particle accelerator at \$7.5 billion, even though the Energy Department estimates the price will be closer to \$8 billion.

Rep. Robert A. Roe, D-N.J., chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee, is planning to introduce legislation that would limit federal spending on the project to \$5 billion and overall spending at \$7.5 billion. The bill could be introduced by week's end, an aide

said. The Energy Department initially estimated the cost of building what would be the world's largest scientific instrument at \$4.4 billion, then raised the price tag to \$5.9 billion last year. DOE now says it will know in July or August what the actual price will be.

Roe's limit of \$5 billion on federal spending is \$1 billion less than what the Bush administration believes is necessary. The DOE is also counting on \$1 billion from Texas and another \$1 billion from foreign contributors.

Rep. John Bryant, D-Dallas, said the cap could help win support in Congress for the SSC by assuring members that cost overruns would not be allowed. The climate in Congress,

Bryant said, is "extremely skeptical of every spending project and those for which a fixed price cannot be ascertained are going to be scrutinized much more closely."

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, who with Bryant and several other SSC supporters attended a closed-door Capitol briefing Wednesday with Deputy Energy Secretary W. Henson Moore, said he would support Roe's proposal.

"My view is that you don't get into an argument with a guy that's trying to help you," Gramm said.

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Drug dealers shoot father; 2 sons watch

HOUSTON (AP) — A man who was attempting to chase drug dealers away from a Houston apartment complex was fatally shot as his two young sons watched helplessly.

Police said the victim, Felipe Martinez, 42, had grown weary of people dealing drugs at the complex, which is managed by his wife.

"He was just a hard-working guy," homicide investigator Rico Garcia said. "He was tired of these drug dealers using the complex to sell narcotics."

The incident began about 9:45 p.m. on Tuesday when Martinez confronted men in two vehicles that had just pulled into the apartment parking lot. His sons, ages 13 and 6, were nearby watching.

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Officials dismiss students Fistfights lead to early spring break

ARP, Texas (AP) — School administrators in this East Texas community gave up on trying to break up a rash of fistfights and sent students home three days early for spring break.

School administrators say the violence on Wednesday that forced them to take the drastic measure apparently stemmed from racial tension believed to have started with a weekend dispute at Lake Tyler East.

Principal Gary Swinney said as many as 20 students were involved in four separate incidents on Wednesday. The first of the fights began before the first bell rang at 8 a.m.

Lawmen from the Smith County Sheriff's Department, the Arp City Marshal, Troup police officers and two precinct constables came to the school to help restore peace.

Swinney said he "had been seeing the problem coming for a long time."

"My teachers are tired, the kids are tired and I'm tired," he said.

Swinney said he hopes three extra days of spring break will help relieve tension that had been building up. Classes will resume on April 2.

School superintendent Rudy Eddington said he believes the problems stemmed from last weekend's disagreement when some blacks were not invited to a party. But Eddington said the dispute mainly involved adults and not students.

No one was seriously injured in any of the fights on Wednesday and no complaints have been filed, City Marshal Scott McCauley said.

Swinney said many of the other students "acted with good sense and tried to help us break up the fracas."

Administrators said disciplinary action eventually will be taken against those involved in the fights, but Swinney said he wants to solve the problems that caused the fights before passing out punishment.

Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: In a recent column, you wrote that you had been unable to identify asifity, a compound worn around the neck during the great influenza epidemic of 1918-19. Whoever asked the question must be nearly 90 years old. As soon as I saw the word, I knew what it was.

That particular sequence of vowels and consonants could only be one word, a local corruption for the name of an old-time medical remedy: *assafoetida*.

This remedy was made from the roots of the plant *Narthex Assafoetida*. It was considered a stimulant, a powerful anti-spasmodic, an expectorant and a laxative. At the turn of the century, children commonly wore little cloth bags of *assafoetida* pinned on their undershirts or on a string around the neck to ward off colds and lung congestion.

I'm amazed that you, a physician, never heard of it. Therefore, I assume your plea of ignorance was really a ploy to fire up all the old-timers to write so you could discover how many senior citizens read your column.

DEAR READER: You attribute to me a cleverness that I disavow. I really didn't know what *assafoetida* was. But I suspected I could count on a few elderly people, such as you, to set me straight. Thank you for writing. I'm grateful you contributed to my continuing medical education.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 61-year-old male and have been smoking for the past 40 years. Whenever I quit, my voice gets very hoarse, and my sinuses seem to plug up. Can you explain why this happens, and is there anything I can do to prevent it?

DEAR READER: I'm not sure why, after stopping cigarettes, you experience the very symptoms usually caused by tobacco smoke. However, this paradoxical reaction does occur; it is probably due to a phenomenon called "rebound." Your sinuses and upper-respiratory system reacted to the withdrawal of smoke.

As an alternative explanation, your upper respiratory tissues may swell and become irritated because of something else in your environment, for example, wood smoke and other air pollutants can cause sinus congestion and hoarseness in people whose respiratory tracts have become sensitized.

Bring your symptoms to your doctor's attention; perhaps he or she can answer your questions and offer suggestions. In any case, I urge you to swear off cigarettes; they can only harm you in the long run. To give you additional information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report

Astrograph
by Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday
March 23, 1990

In the year ahead you may participate in an involvement where you have a minor but a critical role. What you'll gain from this arrangement will be far more significant than your title.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) When dealing with friends today, strive to subdue your assertiveness, because if you attempt to impose your views or opinions on them, relationships could become testy. 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.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Meaningful achievements are possible today, provided you focus properly on your objectives. You could fall short of your mark if you lack concentration and continuity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Make an effort at this time to begin to broaden your perspectives. The wider your horizons, the greater your possibilities for additional opportunities.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This is a good day to investigate situations that have recently aroused your curiosity. If you apply yourself, you should be able to ferret out information you now lack.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Before jumping to conclusions today, take time to weigh and balance both sides of important issues. Your decisions will be constructive if you use your analytical abilities.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Have some back-up available today if you have to do something you feel might be a little too complicated for you to do single handed. You might not need assistance, but, then again, you may.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not yield to group pressure today if they want you to go along with something you instinctively feel does not serve your best interests. Your independence will be respected.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It looks like this could be an extremely productive day for you, because you will be inclined to tie up loose ends and anything which is left undone will frustrate you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today you are likely to be more mentally than physically restless. These impulses can be gratified, however, if you share your time with stimulating companions who make you think.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Something in which you're presently involved has good chances for success, provided you lay a sturdy foundation at this time. Begin today to build for your tomorrow.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Outward appearances tend to be a trifle more significant than usual today. Put on a positive face if you hope to inspire or direct others. To be a leader, you must look like a leader.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your intuitive perceptions could provide you with valuable information today. This is because your hunches might reveal things your logic ignores.

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Berry's World

"Honey, ya know all the glasses we've misplaced over the years?"

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Fans get rowdy

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Nearly 100 police officers were needed to control thousands of rowdy fans who blocked traffic and spilled into a major boulevard to see the British band Depeche Mode.

About 3,000 fans and autograph seekers gathered outside the Wherehouse record store late Tuesday, said police Sgt. Emilio Perez, and "several of the people started throwing rocks and bottles."

Lisa Perez, a receptionist at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center emergency room, said five youths were treated for minor injuries and were released.

"People were getting stepped on and one girl fainted," said Art Cortez, 16, who was in the crowd. "It was like a riot."

Almost 100 officers in riot gear were eventually needed to calm the crowd, which had been expected to be about 400, police said.

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Finding a way to do better

By James Jacoby

When Careful Charlie got back to his regular bridge game after a vacation, he quickly proved that he hadn't gotten rusty.

North liked Charlie's spade response enough to jump to four. As for West's raise of his partner's heart overcall, that's fine if West has his own U.S. Treasury printing press.

Charlie grabbed the opening heart lead and played a low spade. East was not going to be endplayed, so he took the ace, cashed his heart king and then got off lead with a spade. Now, dear readers, we can see that the diamond finesse will not work. And we can also see that diamonds do not split. So it is probable that even Charlie might lose a diamond and later have to take a losing club finesse. But declarer found a way to do better.

He won the second spade and played dummy's ace of diamonds. Then he played a spade to his hand and led a diamond up to the Q-J. East now won the king and had to either lead a club back into the K-J or give a sluff and a ruff with a heart play. And what would happen if East did not even hold the king of diamonds? Charlie would win the queen in dummy on the second diamond play and come to his club ace to play a third diamond up to the jack. Eventually the fourth diamond in dummy would be a winner one way or another. Does this sacrifice anything? Only an overtrick when West holds both the king of diamonds and the queen of clubs. Surely it's better to try to make your contract.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books. © 1990, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

Beach weather brings swimwear

NEW YORK (AP) — The beach is filled with beautiful young things in maillots, monokinis, bikinis. Then there's you: hips wider, bustline lower, waistline thicker, tummy sagging, ego dragging. It's too late to shape up, or you've done your best and it still isn't enough.

Take heart. You don't have to join the sweat shirt, caftan or terry wrap club yet. The swimwear industry and major retailers have joined forces to help you minimize your flaws.

"The newest option in swimwear is the tummy-control panel," says Lisa Butler, designer for Rose Marie Reid. "This panel functions much like tummy-control pantyhose — giving a little extra help where it's needed most."

Another manufacturer, Robby Len, has introduced swimwear with control panels in both front and back, as well as a suit with three additional inches for the woman with a long torso.

At the retail level, there's a program co-sponsored by the Swimwear Industry Manufacturers Association and Du Pont, the fiber people, to train sales clerks to help shoppers find a way to camouflage the flaws.

The program began last year as a trial, and average monthly retail sales increased by 48 percent in test stores, according to the sponsors. This year, more than 25 major department stores are taking part, including Bloomingdale's, Abraham and Strauss, Bonwit Teller and B. Altman in New York; Bullock's, The Broadway, May Company, Emporium and Weinstock's in Los Angeles;

Honey Do's apply make-up

The Honey Do's Extension Homemakers met for their regular meeting March 13 in the home of Donna Roemisch. Five members and two guests were present. Shirley Bullard, president, presided over the meeting.

Deborah Pruett and Missy Doty both of Merle Norman's presented the program on "The Techniques of Applying Make-Up." They showed the members how to apply make-up and also told them what colors were best suited for each.

During the business meeting the group discussed their bake sale at Furr's and Wal-Mart on April 7 and their district meeting in Littlefield on March 29. In addition they discussed their highway clean-up project set for March 31.

Ten year pins were presented to Virginia Fogle and Bullard. Barbara Newman won the door prize.

Spring convention slated

Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. District VIII Spring Convention will be held in Stamford April 6-7. Hosted by Hamlin, Haskell, Rule and Stamford Garden Clubs, the theme of the meeting is "Aloha...Makamaka Oia."

A design program by Jimmie H. Courtney of Arlington will highlight the luncheon on April 7.

Courtney is currently serving as a vice president of the National Chrysanthemum Society and has served as director of the district II Texas Garden Clubs, Inc.

The convention will be attended by Mrs. Ben Denman, state president of TGC, Inc.

Pre-convention activities will feature a tour and Dutch treat dinner at the Hendrick Boys Ranch.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; West 37th; 9 a.m.
Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; noon.
Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.
Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.
Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
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.
Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

FRIDAY

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.
Oasis Overeaters Anonymous; 2-3 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Field; Newcomers Welcome! 573-8322 or 573-7705.
Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4:5-30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101 or 573-8626.
New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8110, 863-2348 or 573-6820.

SATURDAY

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.



PROGRAM PRESENTED — Delta Kappa Gamma had a meeting March 13 at Snyder Junior High. Marge Mathis and Mary Rose Bowen presented the program. Pictured are Mathis and her daughter Marsha Edmiston of El Dorado. (SDN Staff Photo)

Prospering in America...

Looking to the future

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How to prosper in America, circa 1990: Be over 65 and live in the Northeast. How to fall behind: Be under 35 and live in the Midwest or South.

That's the hard news from the fourth annual Changing Times magazine Personal Prosperity Index. Here's a closer look at the winners and losers.

The Dream Is Alive: If you're an average American household, you ended 1989 some 2.2 percent wealthier (after inflation) than you were at the beginning of the year, as measured by the Changing Times Personal Prosperity Index. That was the largest gain since 1986, when the index rose 2.8 percent, and a jump over 1988, when it inched up only 4-10ths of a percent.

And you did it the old-fashioned way, you socked it away. The index measures prosperity by combining household spending and household net worth. Last year it was net worth that gave the real boost to prosperity, which now stands at an average of \$262,402 per household. Net worth per household, jumped 2.4 percent, to \$226,272, after barely budging in the two preceding years. Meanwhile, household spending, at \$36,130, rose at its slowest pace since the recession year of 1982.

Older Americans Win Big: During the 1980s, households headed by people over 65 increased their share of total U.S. prosperity, while households headed by people under 35 got a shrinking slice of the pie. Older households traditionally earn more and have accumulated more assets than their younger counterparts. But income peaks at around ages 50 to 55, so it's surprising people over 65 have done so well relative to other groups.

Serendipity may explain part of their good fortune: Members of that generation happened to be in the job and housing markets at the right time to realize big gains. But politics explains the rest: The 1983 changes in the Social Security law, which raised taxes and reduced benefits, had a particularly adverse effect on America's younger workers.

The North Rises Again: Despite the vaunted growth of the Sunbelt, it was the Northeast that glittered during the '80s. With its wealth increasing more than three times faster than that of the second-place West, the Northeast replaced the Midwest as the country's most prosperous region.

Economic factors explain the shift. As the industrial Midwest faltered, household wealth there was eclipsed by income generated by the computer and financial services boom in the Northeast. Now those industries are stumbling, and the cyclical economy could produce a new regional winner.

Spending Less, Saving More: Last year the average American household boosted its net worth — assets minus liabilities — by 2.4 percent, as measured by the Changing Times Personal Prosperity Index. That was a big jump over the two previous years, and it was generated by some old-fashioned values: caution and thrift.

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Approval of this application would remove all rates, terms and conditions applicable to billing and collection from Southwestern Bell's Intrastate Access Service Tariff. Intrastate billing and collection service would continue to be subject to PUC regulatory oversight only to the extent that (1) Southwestern Bell would be required to maintain current price lists at the Commission for the service, and (2) the revenues or losses from the service would be subject to the regulatory treatment specified in P.U.C. SUBST. R. 23.27(p). Further, under procedures established by P.U.C. SUBST. R. 23.27, the PUC's General Counsel, the Public Utility Counsel or any affected person could seek a subsequent review of the rates, terms and conditions of this service.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings, or who would like further information, should call or contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, (512) 458-0100. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Information Office at (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

The PUC has assigned this matter to Docket No. 9224. A prehearing conference will be held on April 19, 1990, at 9:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard in Austin, Texas. The deadline for filing motions to intervene is April 26, 1990.

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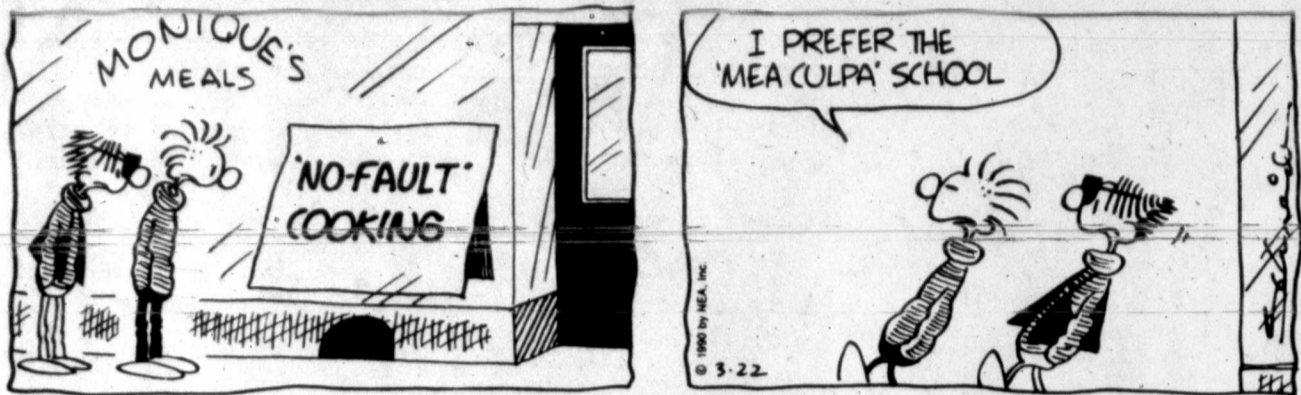
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NEA PUZZLES

ACROSS

- 1 Mexican dish
- 7 Machine part
- 13 Befouled
- 14 Suffering from cold symptoms
- 15 Chore
- 16 Philadelphia team
- 17 Neither's follower
- 18 I possess (cont.)
- 20 Athletic star
- 21 Fall suddenly
- 23 Snake-like fish
- 24 Billboard
- 25 District
- 27 Cylindrical
- 29 Pair
- 31 Over (pref.)
- 32 Half a score
- 33 Ocean
- 34 Bases for debate

DOWN

- 1 Sign of the times
- 2 Polar lights
- 3 Grooming aid
- 4 Literary

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- 12 Boxer Mike

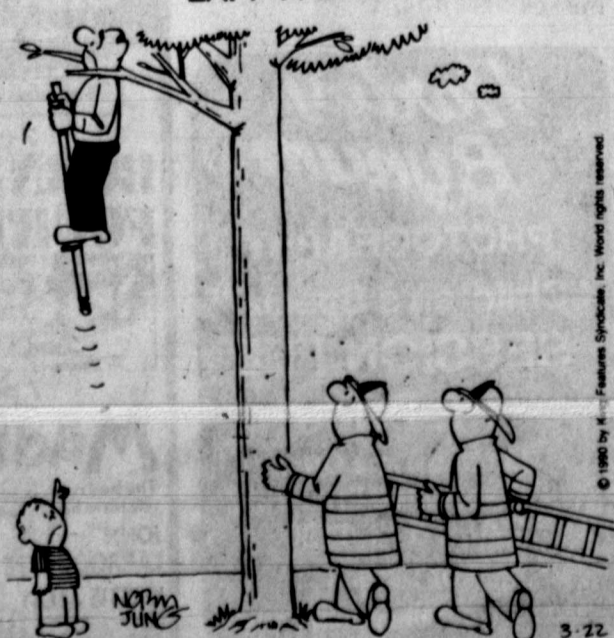
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- 22 Caressed
- 24 Poncho
- 26 Fills with reverence
- 28 Regrets
- 30 From a single perspective
- 34 Chewy candy
- 35 Husky
- 36 Heavenly body
- 38 Tennis player — Goolagong
- 39 More cautious
- 40 Encourages
- 42 Transfer
- 44 Requires
- 49 Purpose
- 50 Rage
- 52 Ear (comb. form)
- 53 Currently

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Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: A few days ago out of the blue, I received a phone call from a man that I have neither seen nor heard from in years. We dated for two years, during which time he led me on, promising that he would leave his wife and marry me. Then his wife found out about us and he dropped me cold, refusing to accept any of my phone calls. Our beautiful love affair ended abruptly — that was eight years ago!

When I demanded to know why he was calling, he said he just wanted to know how I was — that he had been thinking about me a great deal lately. I was so shocked and angry I told him very sharply that I had nothing to say to him and to please never call me again. Then I hung up on him.

Abby, I am now happily married to a wonderful man, and I have long forgotten any feelings I once had for this man. I also would never want my husband to know that this person was calling me.

What could have possessed this man to call me after all this time and act as though nothing was wrong? I can only imagine that he wanted to resume some kind of relationship. Perhaps I overreacted, but I was really annoyed that this man had the nerve to think that after dropping me like a hot potato, he could just walk back into my life again.

Now I'm worried that he might call again, and it's very upsetting. What should I do if he calls me again? Or should I call him and tell him that I am now happily married and I do not want to see him again?

SHOOK IN ILLINOIS

DEAR SHOOK: Don't call him. But if he calls you again, tell him emphatically that you want nothing more to do with him. Then hang up.

DEAR ABBY: Here's one for your "My, How Things Have Changed"

file: Enclosed are two hospital bills. One I received from the Easton Hospital in May 1946 after giving birth to my first child. For a 10-day stay in the hospital, the cost was \$124.

The other is a copy of the bill my daughter recently received after she gave birth to a premature son. He was in the intensive care unit for two months. The cost was \$126,000!

TILLIE W. BRICKER, EASTON, PA.

DEAR ABBY: I am writing to you on behalf of my friend. Her son, not quite 2 years old, has ears that stick out very noticeably — in fact, that's the first thing you notice about this beautiful child.

Recently, she was at the grocery store when a woman she had never seen before walked up to her and said in a voice loud enough for everyone around to hear, "Boy, look at those ears! He looks like he's gonna take off!"

Needless to say, my friend was shocked and hurt. She wanted to say something back to that rude stranger but didn't know what to say.

What should she have said, or done, Abby?

HURTING FOR HER

DEAR HURTING: Since it's not possible to educate an insensitive, boorish stranger — especially with other strangers looking on — an appropriate response might have been: "Thank you, he is a beautiful child, isn't he?"

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Showdown near on aid to coal miners

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate is approaching a showdown over whether to provide aid to coal miners who lose their jobs because of new pollution controls, and the outcome could determine whether a clean air bill passes this year.

The coal issue has placed two of the Senate's most powerful members at odds: Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, and Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., who was Mitchell's predecessor as Senate leader and

still wields immense power as chairman of the Appropriations Committee.

Byrd has been pressing an assistance program for miners in his state and elsewhere if they lose their jobs because of tougher acid rain controls at coal-burning power plants in the Midwest.

On Wednesday night, he offered to lower the package's expected cost from \$700 million over four years to \$500 million over three years.

Byrd's amendment, offered nearly two weeks ago, has threatened to derail progress in enacting the first improvements in federal air pollution controls in 13 years.

The White House vigorously opposes the assistance plan and Mitchell is fearful its passage might cause the compromise clean air bill, worked out in lengthy negotiations with the Bush administration, to unravel.

The miner aid issue was expected to come to a head today as Mitchell tried to work out a compromise with the White House, while Byrd was likely to press for a vote on his amendment.

"I'm not going to stand here and say I've got 51 votes (needed for passage), but I can tell you, 'You don't have 51 votes either.' And I can tell you I'm very close," Byrd told Mitchell during floor debate Wednesday night.

While the Senate has been considering a string of amendments on the floor, the miner assistance program has been the hottest topic behind the scenes.

There has been intense jockeying by the White House to defeat the amendment and an administration source said Wednesday that it has become less interested in seeking a compromise and was prepared to try to defeat the proposal.

Mitchell and Minority Leader

Bob Dole, R-Kan., meanwhile, have been trying line up senators to vote against Byrd's proposal, but a vote on the amendment was put off twice because its defeat was not certain.

Offering his revised assistance proposal, Byrd complained that the White House was unwilling to negotiate and that he wanted a vote.

Mitchell and Dole said they expected a response shortly from the administration on a compromise assistance plan, crafted by aides to Mitchell, that would include benefits to coal miners as well as other workers that could lose their jobs because of tougher pollution controls.

Many senators have complained that if coal miners were to be given special assistance, the same should be provided to workers in other industries.

Records are removed by store owner

ORANGE, Texas (AP) — Several recordings by rap artists and one by the hard rock group Guns 'N Roses were removed from a record store's shelves after police said one recording violated the state's obscenity laws, the owner says.

Music store owner Don Hodgkinson said Tuesday he voluntarily pulled several recordings off his shelves that contained a parental warning of explicit lyrics when two police detectives told him not to sell one recording.

Hodgkinson said the recordings he removed included more than a dozen tapes by black rap artists and one by Guns 'N Roses.

"We haven't ordered anyone to remove anything," responded Orange Police Chief Sam Kittrell.

Kittrell also said he does not believe the police department is acting as a censor.

The police chief said a parent made an informal complaint two weeks ago about a record by the Ghetto Boys. He said the parent told him the handwritten lyrics of the group's song "Gangster of Love" were being circulated at a local school, but he did not know which one.

"Gangster of Love" includes details of sexual encounters with slang terms for genitals.

"It's certainly not up to me to make a ruling on what is obscene," Kittrell said. "But it wouldn't take a rocket scientist to tell this is pretty obscene."



AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY — The American Cancer Society will begin its annual drive March 31 at the National Guard Armory. Pictured from the left are Lucky 13 club members Julie Johnson, Amy Richardson, Michelle Derouen and ACS coordinator Karon Keller. They are holding a poster illustrating foods that reduce the risk of cancer. (SDN Staff Photo)

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